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Report

In the period from September 2018 until October 2019, following significant events took place:

Annual meeting on February 23, 2019 in Berlin. It was Extraordinary General Assembly of both German professional Associations, Bundesverband Deutscher Detektive/BDD and Bund Internationaler Detektive/BID. This meeting took part on the end of unification process (merger).

Both associations have joined to form only one professional association in Germany.

The aim of the overwhelming majority of membership was to speak with the power of double the number of members and with only one stronger voice for PI branch. Until now, the members have to wait for the official confirmation from the competent courts. The board has done everything they could to ensure legal compliance.

We have reported already about the publishing of national standard for private investigative services our association was one of the initiators and we have the biggest influence to the content. This German Standard called DIN SPEC 33452, a "Framework conditions and criteria for the provision of commercial private investigative services" (original Language: Rahmenbedingungen und Anforderungskriterien für die Erbringung gewerblicher privater Ermittlungsdienstleistungen). This Standard published since November 2017. Now we have registered already some PI who certified to this Standard.

Further focus our work was to activate the regional groups our (both) association. Therefore, the board gave support for organizing workshops/seminars regarding our training and education program. In the centre of them there were topics about Integrity Due Diligences and GDPR.

Further, one of our delegate took part in a meeting at the Russian Professional Association in December in Moscow. We had the opportunity to present the potential of the IKD too. The president of the Russian Federation then applied for membership of the IKD

As discussed and suggested in Istanbul, the German association presented a proposal to initiate of reviewing the IKD, after the IKD-Statutes, which have not been updated since 2004.

The German Association organized this survey of all member associations of the IKD. The results were handed over to the Vice Secretary General.

Furthermore, in April 2019 one of our delegate took part in a meeting by a polish Security Association, Polska Izba Ochrony. Here the idea of a German-Polish Security Day was born at the University of Frankfurt (Oder). The city is located at the borderline between Germany and Poland. This event will take place in the 1st quarter of 2020. Our association wants to participate in it.



In 2020 our association will celebrate its 60th anniversary. We are very pleased about the participation of the IKD delegates in these festivities.