



To:
FIP Member Federations
FIP Commissions/Section Chairmen & Secretaries
FIP Associate Members
FIP Honorary Presidents

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76th FIP Congress 2022

Dear Members and colleagues,

Whilst vaccination has begun in many countries in response to the global COVID-19 pandemic, new cases remain significant globally and there are still travel restrictions worldwide. The FIP Board of Directors have made a difficult decision, during the 136th FIP Conference Meeting on 23 February 2021, that the 76th FIP Congress shall be cancelled for Year 2021.

With regards to the term of the current Board Members and FIP Commissions' Bureau Members, the FIP legal advisor Mr Andreas Keller in Switzerland had reviewed the FIP Statutes and advised to the Board on 2 November 2020 that:

"The term of office for the Vice Presidents and the Directors elected at the FIP Congress on October 26, 2016, in Taipei ends at the end of the next FIP Congress... This rule applies to the Commissions as well. If the Commissions are unable to hold their scheduled meetings because of the pandemic, the elected Members of the Commissions may serve until the next meeting."

The Board also approved, during the 136th FIP Conference Meeting, the request from INDONESIA 2022 Organizing Committee to host the Congress for 2022 immediately after the World Stamp Exhibition to be held from 4-9 August 2022.

The FIP has just received the confirmation letter from the Organizing Committee on 20 April 2021 to host the 76th FIP Congress. The 76th FIP Congress shall, therefore, be held on **9 August 2022**.

The FIP Secretary General will send out at a later date, a new letter and the updated Nomination forms for any new nominations.

As advised by the FIP legal advisor:

"the motions and candidacies submitted for the August 11, 2020 and the November 10, 2020 Congress must remain valid and must be put before the Congress for discussion."

Any withdrawal of the previously submitted nominations by Member Federations, or new Nominations and Motions, are to be received by mail at the Singapore Correspondence address 6 months prior to the new Congress date, which will be 8 March 2022.

We appreciate your understanding in these difficult times and please remain safe and in good health.

Yours sincerely,
Bernie Beston, FIP President &
FIP Board of Directors