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NEWSLETTER OF THE BOARD - 3/2013

Dear Colleagues – and Friends

For some days the official invitation and brochure of the coming European Taxidermy Championships ETC®, which will take place like several times before in Longarone/Italy, has now been published and is available online on the ETF-homepage, including the registration form for this event.

The ETF board is glad to view once more a well-organised ETC® - in a frame that is proved – with a host-crew, which is used to do this job perfectly. A big “Thank you” to Iginio Bressan and his team in Longarone!

I take this invitation as an occasion to send out an ETF-Newsletter – and to contact anew the ETF-Member countries as well as the ETF-Individual-Members. I hope - we all hope that the coming Championships in Italy and the ETF General Meeting, which will take place on Sunday, April 27th in Longarone, will be an interesting and animated meeting for a lot of European Taxidermists!

Also in this context I want to remind you of the fact, that for this ETC® 2014 the new rules and regulations will be used. We have informed about this big and worth full work of the competition-Group in the Newsletter 2/2014 – in June of this year. It is absolutely important to study these new rules and regulations before planning the participation as a competitor. You will find much more clearness in this control equipment as there has been before.

Both the information about the ETC® 2014 in Longarone and the new rules and regulations can be seen on the ETF-homepage www.eurotaxidermy.eu.

Beside this important information about our main-event for European Taxidermists in spring 2014 – I would like to make another effort to achieve a more active and vitalised community-life within the ETF.

In spring and early summer of this year I sent out several calls to come or stay in contact with the ETF with me as the current president. Unfortunately the echo has been very poor. I had some reactions of people I had known before – but no new contacts. We / I would very much like to feel a kind of community – not only during those few days of Championships every year ...- and I must say and want to recall that a new president still must be found among the ETF-Members within the next one and a half years! At the moment we don't have any stress, but when we shall meet in Longarone we must find a plan!
Please get in contact with us – with me, and tell us what you expect of the ETF, and what you think about your own possibility to become part of the ETF-family.

Another – more technical but no less important wish of us “ETF-officials” is the use and the promotion of ETF-homepage for the members of the ETF Country-Members. Kindly please place the link (www.eurotaxidermy.eu) clearly visible and prominent on your own homepage. In addition please also take every occasion you have to promote ETF among your members. A big thank you very much to all of you, who will be doing this from now on!

I know everybody who gets this Newsletter is basically interested in the ETF. You join our meetings and pay your fees — thank you for that!
If all of us contribute a little more power and enthusiasm we can bring the ETF to a sustainable and stabile fundament for a Taxidermy-Community in Europe!

With my big wish for some more reactions and echoes – a short e-mail-contact may bring miracles – I send this latest letter to all of you and look forward to the next ETF-meeting in Longarone.

On behalf of the ETF-board with kind regards

Christoph Meier
President