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UPDATE OF OFFICE BEARERS FROM MEMBER FEDERATIONS

AGM of Philatelic Society of Sri Lanka held on 26 March 2017
President Mr Indunil Seneviratne
Vice Presidents Mr Chinthaka Perera
Mr Harsha Rupasinghe
Hon Secretary Ms Kisholi Mendis
Hon Treasurer Ms Anoma Gunaratna

AGM of Lebanese Association of Collectors of Stamps and Postal History held on 30 March 2017
President Mr Nabil Karam
Vice President Mr Bernardo Longo
Secretary Mr Gebran Yacoub
Treasurer Mr Nyala Abou Nader

AGM of Philatelic Society of Hong Kong held on 18 May 2017
Chairman Mr Malcolm Hammersley
Vice Chairman cum Editor Ms Anna Lee
Hon Secretary Mr Stephen Chan
Hon Treasurer Mr Daniel Szeto

AGM of Indonesian Philatelists Association held on 9 August 2017
President Dr Fadi Zon
Secretary General Mr Gita Noviandi

Donations Received From Members
Mr Santpal Sinchawla (Thailand)
Singapore dollars $10,000

Mr Masayasu Nagai (Japan)
Singapore dollars $3,000

Mr Prasatporn Eksombatchai (Thailand)
Singapore dollars $2,000

Mr Toshimasa Ouhara (Japan)
Japanese Yen 100,000

IN MEMORIAM

Mr V T Nathan of Malaysia (1937-2017), passed away peacefully on 4 February 2017. Mr Nathan was a FIAP Exco Member from 2001 – 2009 and President of Philatelic Society Malaysia from 2000 –2010. His demise is a great loss to the Malaysian philatelic world. May his soul rest in peace.

Mr Suphadej Sukantsitawad, 64, of Thailand, died on 5 August 2017 after a long battle with lung cancer. A FIP and FIAP jury, Mr Sukantsitawad participated actively in the international / world exhibitions in the last 20 years. He will be greatly missed.
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**FIAP INTERNATIONAL / FIP WORLD STAMP EXHIBITIONS**

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FIAP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (2017-2021)

The election of FIAP office bearers for the term 2017-2021 was carried out on 6 August 2017 at the 21st FIAP Congress in Bandung.

Dr Prakob Chirakiti (Thailand) was elected as the President of FIAP. He will be supported by 3 Vice Presidents namely Mr Abdulla M T Khoory (UAE), Mr Chen Yu-An (Chinese Taipei) and Ms Pang Yonghua (China).

A proposal of one additional vice president was approved in view of the increasing members in Asia, it is therefore essential to increase the number of vice president in order to provide support to the president along with the existing two vice presidents.

FIAP would like to thank Dr Andrew Cheung (Hong Kong) and Mr Toshimasa Ouhara (Japan) for their contribution in the past years. They were proposed as Senior Consultant for a term.

******************** VICE PRESIDENTS ***************

Mr Abdulla M T Khoory  Mr Chen Yu-An  Ms Pang Yonghua

SEASONAL GENERAL

Mr Richard Tan

HONORARY TREASURER

Mr Lim Sa Bee

***************************************************** COMMITTEE MEMBERS *****************************************************

Mr Hussain Rajab Al-Ismail  Mr Norman Banfield  Dato Anuar Bashah  Prof Chang Hwan Kim  Mr Emil Minnaar

Mr R Soeyono Soetikno  Mr Malcolm Hammersley  Mr Kazuyuki Inoue  Mr Glen Stafford  Mr Puvadon Techatewan

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FIAP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - 6 AUGUST 2017

- Mr R Soeyono thanked all FIAP members for their support to BANDUNG 2017.
- Mr Io Hong Kuong reported that MACAO 2018 had sent the letter of invitation to FIAP member federations, the exhibition would be held at the Macao Venetian Convention and Exhibition Centre.
- Dato Anuar Bashah reported that due to unforeseen circumstances, MALAYSIA 2018 would be postponed to 2020 – a FIP World Stamp Exhibition including hosting of the FIP Congress. He look forward to receiving the support from all FIAP members.
- Dr Yau Kai Weng reported that SINGAPORE 2019 is in the midst of shortlisting the venue and it would be held in August 2019.
- Mr Stephen Chivers reported New Zealand would be hosting NEW ZEALAND 2020 (FIAP exhibition) in Auckland during March 2020 at around 1100 frames. It would be a 4 days exhibition with all classes. Mr Gary Brown had been appointed as the FIAP Co-ordinator for NEW ZEALAND 2020.
- Mr Chen Yu-An reported the Chinese Taipei Philatelic Federation would hold a FIAP exhibition in second half of 2020.
- Mr Emil Minnaar reported that SOUTH AFRICA 2021, a FIP exhibition, would be held in Cape Town from 17-22 May. It would be a 2000 frames FIP Exhibition. They are planning to host the 23rd FIAP Congress too.
- Mr Chanchai Karnasuta reported a FIP World Stamp Exhibition would be held in December 2018 in Bangkok to celebrate the new king in Thailand. Venue of the exhibition to be confirmed in due course.
- The FIAP Executive Committee meeting in 2018 would be held in Dubai in March and Bangkok in December.
- Mr Tay Peng Hian announced the demise of Mr Suphadej Sukantsiswad on 5 August 2017. Mr Sukantsiswad was a well-known philatelist and jury from Thailand. A minute of silence was carried out.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 21ST FIAP CONGRESS - 6 AUGUST 2017

- Approval of FIAP Asian International Stamp Exhibitions for MACAO 2018, TAIPEI 2020 and NEW ZEALAND 2020
- Approval of FIAP Auspices for THAILAND 2018, CHINA 2019 and SOUTH AFRICA 2021
- Election of FIAP Executive Committee Members for term 2017-2021 was carried out with Dr Prakob Chirakiti as the President, Mr Abdulla M T Khooory, Mr Chen Yu-An and Ms Pan Yonghua as the Vice Presidents, Mr Richard Tan as the Secretary General and Mr Lim Sa Bee as the Honorary Treasurer.
  Mr Toshimasa Ouhara and Dr Andrew Cheung were proposed to Senior Consultant for a term.
  Mr Surajit Gongvatana and Mr Gary Brown were elected as FIAP Honorary Members.
- Appointment of the FIAP Grand Prix Club Office bearers for the term 2017-2019 was carried out with no changes to the office bearers.
- All China Philatelic Federation offered to increase their yearly membership fee to Singapore dollars $4000
- Mr Tay Peng Hian would like the upcoming China National Exhibition in May 2018 to include some non-competitive displays of the Picture Postcard and First Day Cover at the exhibition.
- Mr Tay Peng Hian announced that his Presidency with FIP would be expired in 2018 after serving for 2 terms, he proposed Mr Bernard Beston as his successor and hoped all FIAP members would support Mr Beston. The next FIP Congress would be held during THAILAND 2018 World Stamp Exhibition.
21ST FIAP CONGRESS
FIAP HONORARY MEMBERS

Mr Surajit Gongvatana was elected as President at the 13th FIAP Congress in 2001 in Tokyo, Japan till to date. Prior to 2011 he was in the position as Vice President, elected at the 11th FIAP Congress in 1996 in Beijing, China.

Mr Gongvatana received many grand awards for his collections in both FIAP and FIP exhibitions, namely: Grand Prix National award at THAIPEX 1989 (4th Asian International Stamp Exhibition) and Grand Prix d’Honneur award at KUALA LUMPUR 1992 (5th Asian International Stamp Exhibition) for his collection “Siam: Pre-Decimal”.

At FIP exhibitions he won the Grand Prix National award at BANGKOK 1993, Grand Prix International award at PHILAKOREA 1994 and Grand Prix d’Honneur at PACIFIC 1997 for his collection “Siam”. At SINGAPORE 2004, “Siam” continued to win the glorious World Stamp Championship 2004 award, thus marking Mr Gongvatana as the very first World Stamp Champion in the FIP history.

Mr Gongvatana also served as the Vice President in FIP Board from 2010 – 2014. In conclusion, Mr Gongvatana had devoted 22 years in the promotion of philately in Asia and the world in general. He is therefore being nominated as the Honorary Member of FIAP, a title he deserves to have.

Mr Charnchai Karnasuta (2nd from left) received on behalf of Mr Surajit Gongvatana the FIAP Honorary Member certificate from Mr William Kwan (center).

Mr Gary Brown started serving in the FIAP Executive Committee as member since elected at the 17th FIAP Congress in Seoul in 2009. He is a very dedicated and devoted promoter of philately in the FIAP region and also a very diversified and productive exhibitor achieving from Large Vermeil to Large Gold medals in both FIAP and FIP exhibitions not mentioning his participation in other continental and regional exhibitions.

Some of his world renowned exhibits are:
- South Africa Airletters Aerograms till 1961
- Tunisia
- The Airgraph Service (17 April 1941 to 31 July 1945)
- Aden: From British Colony to People’s Republic
- Aden & Aden States KGVI Period
- South Africa – The Protea Series

His exhibit “Aden Postal History” had won for him the Best Overseas Exhibitor at HONG KONG 2009 (23rd Asian International Stamp Exhibition) as well as the FIAP Grand Prix international award at BANGKOK 2010 (25th Asian International Stamp Exhibition). He goes on to win the coveted FIAP Grand Prix d’Honneur award at SHARJAH 2012 (28th Asian International Stamp Exhibition).

In the international scene, he had exhibited at BANGKOK 2003, PRAGA 2008, CHINA 2009, INDIPEX 2011, AUSTRALIA 2013, THAILAND 2013, PHILAKOREA 2014, SINGAPORE 2015 and PHILATAIPEI 2016. Mr Brown has rendered his service as a jury at national, FIAP and FIP exhibitions. He was also the secretary of the FIP Traditional Commission Bureau for 6 years, secretary of the FIP Literature Commission Bureau for 4 years, and Chairman of FIP Literature Commission Bureau since 2016. He is therefore being nominated as the Honorary Member of FIAP.

Mr Gary Brown (2nd from right) receiving his FIAP Honorary Member certificate from Mr William Kwan (2nd from left), accompanied by Mr Toh Peng Hian (left) and Mr Michael Ho (right)
BANDUNG, capital of Indonesia’s West Java province, is a large city set amid volcanoes and tea plantations. It’s known for colonial and art deco architecture, a city well-known for its beauty, rich culture and friendly people.

BANDUNG 2017 World Stamp Exhibition, under the patronage of FiP and auspices of FIAP, was held from 3 – 7 August 2017 at Trans Studio Convention Center. A total of 450 competitive exhibits were judged, 21 Large Gold medals and 65 Gold medals were awarded. The Best Youth was awarded to Mr Pron Tanguy of France for his exhibit “The Rooster of Decaris Issue (France 1962-1967)” while Mr Kusuma Indra of Indonesia won the Grand Prix National award without any competitor for his exhibit “Repoeblik Indonesia 1945-1949, Local Issued Stamps during Independent War in Java Island”.

There were 3 candidates nominated for the Grand Prix International Award namely Mr Ding Jinsong of China, Mr Joseph Hackmey of United Kingdom and Mr Henry Marquez of Peru.

After counting the secret votes on stage, it was announced that the coveted Grand Prix International Award was awarded to Mr Ding Jinsong for his exhibit “The 1897 Red Revenue Surcharges of China”.

Mr Ding (left) received the Replica of Borobudur Temple, donated by FiP, from Mr Tay Peng Hian (center), FiP President. On-looking was Mr R Soeyono, President of Indonesian Philatelists Association.

It is a standard practice since 2011 that the FiP Grand Prix Club Members would get together for a luncheon after the palmares. The luncheon was hosted on 7 August 2017 at the Jun Njan Seafood Restaurant.

Seated from left: Mr Yigal Nathaniel (Israel), Ms Martha Villarroel De Peredo (Bolivia), Mr Tay Peng Hian (Singapore), Mr William Kwan (Hong Kong), Mr Jean Voruz (Switzerland) and Dr Pichai Buranasombati (Thailand).

Standing from left: Mr Juan Pablo Peredo Villarroel, Mr Michael Ho (Chinese Taipei), Mr Chen Yu-An (Chinese Taipei), Mr Ding Jinsong (China), Dr Prakob Chirakiti (Thailand), Mr Jan Berg (Sweden) and Mr Charnchhai Karnasuta (Thailand).
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BANDUNG 2017 WORLD STAMP EXHIBITION
3 – 7 AUGUST 2017

FIP Consultant Mr Michael Ho (left) and Mr R Soeyono (right) 

Commissioner General Mr Tono Dwi Putranto (left) receiving his Large Gold Award from Mr R Soeyono (right)

Exhibition Hall

The Thematic Jurors at work ➔

From left: Madam Jiao Xiao Guang of China, Mr Roger Tan of Singapore and Mr Peter Suhaldoc of Slovenia

The Gold medal awardees

The Postal History Jurors ➔

Youth exhibitors collecting their medals on stage
MACAO 2018 (35th FIAP ASIAN INTERNATIONAL STAMP EXHIBITION)

The Clube Filatelico de Macau and Macao Post and Telecommunications Bureau jointly organized the 35th Asian International Stamp Exhibition under the patronage of FIAP, the very first FIAP exhibition in Macao! The exhibition would be held in Macao from 21 to 24 September 2018.

The FIAP flag was handed over to the delegates from Macao at the Palmares of Melbourne 2017 (34th Asian International Stamp Exhibition)

From left: Mr Hui Hui Xiao, Ms Linda Chou, Mr Surajit Gongvatna, Mr Frank Pauer, Mrs Stephanie Bramser and Mr Gary Brown.

The FIAP Agreement was signed on 6 June 2017 in Macau.

From left: Mr Io Hong Kuong, President of Clube Filatelico de Macau, Ms Derby Lau, Chairman of Board of Directors, Macao Post and Telecommunications Bureau and Dr Prakob Chirakiti, FIAP Co-ordinator.

MACAO 2018 RECEPTION NIGHT 5 AUG 2017 BANDUNG, INDONESIA

↑ Toast to the success of MACAO 2018

From left: Mr Hui Hui Xiao, Mr Stephen Chan, Dr Andrew Cheung, Ms Carol Ng, Mr Io Hong Kuong, Mr Tay Peng Hian, Dr Prakob Chirakiti and Ms Linda Chou.

↑ From left: Mr Io Hong Kuong, Mr Daniel Szeto, Mr Stephan Chan, Dr Prakob Chirakiti, Mr William Kwan, Ms Carol Ng and Mr Charles Chan.
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The consignment deadline is August 31.

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MELBOURNE 2017
30 March to 2 April 2017
By Mr Glen Stafford

MELBOURNE 2017 was the 34th Asian International Stamp Exhibition. The exhibition was held under the auspices of FIAP (Federation of Inter-Asian Philately) with FIP recognition.

MELBOURNE 2017 coincided with the 125th anniversary of the Royal Philatelic Society of Victoria (‘RPSV’). To mark the anniversary, the show featured a special non-competitive exhibition of over 150 frames from members of the RPSV.

There were more than 220 competitive exhibits (filling over 1,100 frames), plus sixteen literature entries, from nineteen different countries. The Postal History class received by far the largest number of entries. The overall standard was quite high, with sixteen large gold medals and thirty gold medals awarded.

The two nominees for Grand Prix National were Masayasu Nagai of Japan with his Traditional exhibit Private Printing Period in Victoria 1850-1859 and Alan Grey of Australia with his Postal History exhibit Postage to Collect for Australian Colonial Mail. In a close contest the award went to Masayasu Nagai.

The Grand Prix International was a Postal History contest between Geoff Lewis of Australia with his exhibit Stampless Mail Entering Spain and Choon Koshpasharin of Thailand with his exhibit Postal History of Netherlands Indies 1730-1870. On this occasion, Geoff Lewis won the prize; his second Grand Prix - the other being in 1986 at Australia’s previous FIAP exhibition.

Grand Prix D’Honneur for best exhibit in the Championship Class was between Prasatporn Eksombatchai of Thailand with his Traditional exhibit Siam 1899-1910: The Giesecke and Devrient Printings and John Sinfield of Australia with his Postal Stationery exhibit Panama Republic Postal Stationery till 1940. Both very worthy nominees; the winner was Prasatporn Eksombatchai.

The venue for MELBOURNE 2017 was Caulfield Racecourse; only fifteen minutes’ drive from the CBD and a short stroll from public transport. The Racecourse features historic architecture, panoramic views, more than 8000 m² of multi-purpose indoor space and onsite parking for over 4000 cars.

The Palmares dinner was held in the unusual setting of the Sea Life Melbourne Aquarium on the bank of the Yarra River, with the FIAP flag being formally handed over to Macau during the dinner.

There are many costs involved in running a premium exhibition. To help offset those costs, MELBOURNE 2017 offered a range of souvenirs, which were advertised in the exhibition catalogue. Staging of large stamp exhibitions is becoming increasingly difficult, so I wish to acknowledge the generous support of our major sponsor, Australia Post, plus all of the other sponsors, patrons and Supporter Club members.

MELBOURNE 2017 was a very successful international exhibition; congratulations to all of those involved.
The Grand Prix d’Honneur award was awarded to Mr Prasatporn Eksombatchai of Thailand for his exhibit “Siam 1899-1910: The Giesecke and Devrient Printings”. (Note: Mr Eksombatchai was not available at the Palmares to receive his award due to personal commitment)

Mr Geoffrey Lewis of Australia receiving the Grand Prix International award from Mrs Stephanie Bromer, President of Melbourne 2017 Organising Committee, for his exhibit “Stamless Mail Entering Spain”

Mr Glen Stafford (right), President of the Australian Philatelic Federation, presenting the Grand Prix National award to Mr Masayasu Nagai of Japan (left) for his exhibit “Private Printing Period in Victoria 1850-1859”

From left: Dr Kazuyuki Inoue, Dr Prakob Chirakiti, Mr Richard Tan, Mr Prkit Foongyanich, Ms Suphawan Tukwun, Mr Brian Peace, Mr Stephen Browne, Mr Darryl Fuller, Mr Koichi Sato, Mr William Kwan, Mr Glen Stafford, Mr Chen Yu-An, Mr Chang Chien-Pin, Mr Geoffrey Lewis, Mr Masayasu Ngai, Mr & Mrs Michael Ho, Mr Charnchai Karnasuta, Mr Zhao Yue, Mr Yosuke Naito and Mr Ding Jing Song
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“Friendship through Philately” the slogan of the “Four Nation Committee” was recognized by Philatelists not only from the four-nation members, namely, from Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand but also from philatelists from Hong Kong, Chinese Taipei, South Korea, etc. The Exhibition was held at the EmQuartier, Sukhumvit Road, Bangkok. The Exhibition was opened on 10 March 2017 by H.E. Omsin Cheevapruek, the Minister attached to the Prime Minister Office. There was around 200 frames (49 Exhibits) of competitive exhibits ranging from 1 frame to 8 frames, including seven classes: Traditional, Postal History, Postal Stationery, Airmail, Thematic, Revenue, Youth and One Frame Philately. The Commissioner General for the Exhibit is Prakit Foongvanich. The Jury team of nine was headed by Puavadon Techatawan from Thailand. The Jurors were pleased with the high standard of the 49 Exhibits at this show, especially with 17 exhibits in the Youth Class and 7 exhibits in the One Frame Philately. The judging results in 2 Large Gold medals and 11 Gold medals being awarded. All Exhibitor who attended at Palmares function which was held at the Ariston Hotel, the Official hotel for the Exhibition on 11 March 2017 received their Award medal on the stage. The Challenge Trophy was again won by Thailand, Dr. Prakob Chirakiti’s exhibit “Siam — The Development of Early Post Offices”. The show ended with passing the flag to Indonesia the next host of the Four Nation Stamp Exhibition in 2018.
The Philatelic Association of Thailand (PAT) and Chinese Taipei Philatelic Federation (CTPF) have enjoyed longstanding philatelic relationship over the years. For the purpose of promoting philately, proposal for exchange exhibition between the two parties has raised and agreed upon in 2013. The first Thailand –Chinese Taipei International Stamp Exhibition was held in Bangkok in 2013. This year, ROCUPEX 2017 Taichung - Thailand Stamp Exhibition, is the 4th such stamp exhibition, which was held in Taichung, Taiwan.

The exhibition, regarded as a national level one, opened to the public from May 17 to 21, 2017, was co-organized by Taichung City Philatelic Society, Chinese Taipei Philatelic Society and Taichung Post Office, supervised by CTPF and Chunghua Post. The opening ceremony was presided over by Mr. Philip Ong with the attendance of guests of honor: FIP President Mr. Tay Peng Hian, FIAP President Mr. Surajit Gongvatana, PAT President Dr. Prakob Chirakiti, Commissioner General for Bandung 2017 Mr. Tono Dwi Putranto and, FIAP juror Mr. Roger Tan.

On display were a total of 54 exhibits of 227 frames and 15 literature exhibits. Commissioner Committee was headed by Chang Chien-Pin with 3 commissioners from Taiwan and 2 from Thailand. Emphasis was made on having more youth exhibits. Jury President was Huang Ming-Jeng, including 5 members from Taiwan and 3 from Thailand. Judging was carried out in accordance with the FIP rules. The highlight of the results were: Mr. Mah, Lang-Moe was awarded Grand Prix National with The Development of Yunnan Postal System 1901-1949 and Dr. Prakob Chirakiti won Grand Prix international with Slim–The Development of Early Post Offices.

In conjunction with the exhibition, exhibit tours were provided together with 2 seminars namely i) Thematic: How to use Postal Stationery information on Thematic Exhibits and ii) Maximaphily: Using Thematic thought on Maximaphily Exhibits were arranged for interested collectors. All attended agreed it is indeed a fruitful stamp exhibitions.
All Japan Stamp Exhibition 2017
Dr Kazuyuki Inoue

67th All Japan Stamp Exhibition (AJSE) 2017 was hosted by the Philatelic Federation of Japan and the Communications Culture Association, on July 15 – 17, 2017, at the Sumida Industrial Hall 8F and Postal Museum in the Sky Tree Tower in Tokyo, under the patronage of the Japan Post and with the support of the Australian Embassy in Tokyo. Mr Yosuke Naito was the Chairperson of the Organizing Committee.

We had 68 Competitive Exhibits (194 frames) and four invited displays in this year. Special display of this year was named as “Australian Stamp Exhibition”, in which Mr Masayasu Nagai’s exhibit “Private Printing Period in Victoria 1850-1859”, awarded Grand Prix National in Melbourne 2017, was displayed. Mr Yukihiro Nakagawa’s exhibit “Chrysanthemum Series”, awarded FIP Large Gold in Singapore 2015, was also invited to be displayed.

At the Opening Ceremony, the Australian Embassy in Tokyo gave us their message. Competitive exhibits were judged by 14 Jury members. Jury President for AJSE 2017 was Mr Yukihiro Shoda FRPSL, Jury Secretary was Dr Kazuyuki Inoue FRPSL. Six Large Gold medals and six Gold medals were given. Grand Prize was given to “Hand-etched Revenue, Native Paper, 1873-1874” by Mr Stephen Jun Hasegawa.

During the Exhibition, Mr Koichi Sato FRPSL RDP presented a Philatelic Seminar named as “Judging Seminar for Traditional Philately”. More than forty accredited judges and exhibitors attended and studied seriously. About Twenty Dealers have their booths, many philatelist enjoy our exhibition.
Hong Kong Stampex 2017 opened on 3 March and came to a smooth closing on the 5th at 6/F Sheung Wan Civic Centre, Hong Kong. This has been one of the most participated national exhibitions in Hong Kong and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the exhibitors (48, including Court of Honor) and booth holders (12), without your continued support this would not have materialized. The Jury members head by the Jury President Mr Malcolm Hammersley include Mr Stephen Chan (Jury Secretary), Mr Mak Che King, Mr Daniel Szeto, Michel & Jenny Roland (APF) and apprentice jurors Mr Jui Wai Chung and Mr Danny Wong. The expert team made a review of all the exhibits in the competitive classes and judging team was also asked to refer any doubtful items for review, a total of ten doubtful items were found and they have to obtain certificates for future exhibitions.

A total of five Gold, three Large Vermell, five Vermeil and one Silver-bronze medals were awarded. The D’Almada Cup (best multi-frame exhibit amongst the competitive classes by a Hong Kong exhibitor) goes to Exhibit #2 (Mr Patrick Choy) and the Philachina Trophy (candidate with an exhibit which has received FIAP/FIP Large Vermeil medal or above within the last 5 years) goes to Exhibit #1 (Ms Anna Lee). Awards in One-frame Class and Open Class are represented by certificates according to the scoring system adopted by the FIP.

A Special Prize donated by Mr Choi Cheong-Too goes to Exhibit #11 (Mr Gary Brown of Australia), highest scored exhibit. Another Special Prize donated by the Hongkong Post goes to Exhibit #9 (Mr Takeshi Omura), Best Improved Exhibit (from Open Class to Postal History Class), well done Mr Omura, the three years of hard work is worth it. The expert team made a review of all the exhibits in the competitive classes. Judging team was also asked to refer any doubtful items for review. A total of ten doubtful items were found and certificates need to be obtained for future exhibitions.

We were also honored to have many visitors from neighboring cities in Southern China attending the show. Overall the show was a great success and we shall continue to strive for higher plateaus in future years.

Mr Patrick Choy (right) receiving his D’Almada Cup from Jury President Malcolm Hammersley (left) 

Mr Michel Roland, Australian commissioner, proposed a toast
The Emirates Philatelic Association (EPA) with the co-operation of Dragon Mart 2, hold “Stamp Exhibition EPAEX 2017- Dubai” to promote every aspect of philately and to enhance exhibiting skills of GCC exhibitors. The Exhibition was held from 18- 22 April 2017 at Dragon Mart 2, Dubai.

The idea of organizing this event was to develop the concept of professional exhibiting as per international standards and to push forward the exhibits from GCC countries to the world.

The exhibition was inaugurated by H. E. Mohammed Ahmad Almurr along with Mr. Ali Rashid Lootah, Chairperson of Nakheel in presence of senior officials from Dubai Culture, Dragon Mart 2, Emirates post and prominent exhibitors from GCC.

The exhibitors from all GCC countries participated exhibition along with 20 international philatelic & numismatic dealers. The exhibits were judged in presence of the exhibitors, first exhibitor explained about exhibit and then jury completes their job. This has given good idea to the exhibitors about judging procedure.

During the exhibition there were many activities including children painting, which attracted number of schoolchildren. The philatelic & numismatic auction was held on 19 April 2017 at Ibis Styles hotel.

A visit to the Etihad Museum to view stamp exhibition “Emirates to the World: Postal History from 1909 to Unification” attracted number of overseas guests and local philatelists.

The palmares party was held on 22nd April 2017 at Al Khoory Executive hotel in presence of H.E. Mohammed Ahmad Almurr, medals were distributed to the jurors, commissionners and winners.
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