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Fédération Internationale des Sociétés Magiques  
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# FISM Newsletter

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## Aux Présidents des Sociétés Magiques adhérentes et aux Délégués de l'Assemblée Générale de la FISM

Cher(e) Délégué(e), Cher(e) Ami(e) en Magie,

C'est avec plaisir que je vous transmets nos dernières informations.

Dans les années 60, les Shadows chantaient: *"Il n'y a qu'une seule chose que l'argent ne peut acheter: l'amour vrai..."* ("There is only one thing that money can't buy. True love.") Ces mots me sont revenus à l'esprit lorsque les membres des groupes de travail de la FISM ont accepté avec enthousiasme de mettre leurs connaissances et expérience au service du Comité de Direction. Cela est d'autant plus louable qu'ils n'ont pas besoin de visibilité, ils sont déjà célèbres dans leur domaine pour leurs compétences; ils n'ont pas besoin de reconnaissance non plus puisqu'ils ont déjà reçu plusieurs prix; ils n'ont enfin plus besoin d'un trampoline professionnel puisque leur succès est assuré depuis longtemps.

Ils ont purement et simplement laissé parlé leur cœur en faveur d'un amour vrai: l'amour de la magie. Le Comité de Direction est heureux et fier de pouvoir compter sur le soutien de telles personnalités. Nous sommes convaincus que cette collaboration permettra à la FISM de gagner sa place au panthéon des Arts.

Nous avons le plaisir de vous annoncer aujourd'hui la formation de deux nouveaux groupes de travail. Le premier, composé de quatre personnes, sera chargé des **"Questions juridiques"**. Il est déjà prêt à se mettre à l'ouvrage et leur curriculum vitae figure ci-après:



**Marc LINETT**  
**(Toronto - CANADA)**

Birthdate: 08/22/1947

**Academic and Professional Resume**

- Trial lawyer since 1975 to date
- Senior Partner in firm of Linett & Timmis in Toronto, Canada
- Member of the Bar of Ontario since 1975 to date
- Member of the Bar of Quebec, retired
- Member of the Bar of British Columbia, retired
- McGill University Law School, Montreal, Canada, 1973 L.L.B.
- McGill University Law School, Montreal, Canada, 1972 B.C.L.
- University of Montreal, Montreal, Canada, 1969 B.A.

**Memberships**

- Law Society of Upper Canada
- Canadian Bar Association
- Ontario Trial Lawyers Association
- Advocates' Society
- Toronto Lawyers Association

**Magic Associations**

- Canadian Association of Magicians
- International Brotherhood of Magicians
- Past President of Ring 17, Toronto, Canada
- Advisor to Ring 17, Toronto, Canada



**Christian PIRKER**  
**(Geneva - SWITZERLAND)**

Birthdate: 06/05/1970

**Academic and Professional Resume**

- Admitted to the *Geneva*, 1996
- Accredited "FSA Mediator" in 2002
- Master in Law, University of Geneva Law School, Geneva, Switzerland, 1989-94
- BA in Art, Ecole du Louvre, Paris, France, 1993-96
- SAWI, Introduction to marketing, 1992

**Present Position**

- Founder and partner of PIRKER + PARTNER, Geneva law firm, since 2008
- Magistrate at the TPI (Geneva's first degree of the civil court), 2011
- Legal teacher at *the Head*, Geneva University of Art and Design, since 2010
- Teacher in Negotiation, Université de Lyon 3, France, since 2004
- Arbiter, WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center for domain name dispute resolution, 2004
- Curator of « Controverses », Art exhibition, venue in Switzerland, France, Belgium, Austria, Luxembourg, Italy, Czech Republic, Denmark since 2008



**Dr. Detlev SPARBERG**  
**(Saarbruecken, GERMANY)**

Birthdate: 22/12/1941

**Academic and Professional Resume**

- Two law degrees and law doctorate
- Special training in tax and budget law and government auditing
- Head of the legal department of IRS
- Court Member and Section Leader in charge of corruption fighting at the National Audit Office, Germany
- Member of the International Board of Auditors for NATO
- Various international activities for the OECD, Paris
- Lectures in several (especially East-European) countries
- Specialized in the review of Laws and Rules

**Artistic Resume**

- Member of the German Magic Circle (and IBM) since about 50 years
- Specialized in performing for children in *kindergartens*

**Charity Work**

- Several hundred charity performances for senior homes and *kindergartens*



**Douwe W. SWIERSTRA  
(Hilversum, THE NETHERLANDS)**

Birthdate: 21/02/1952

**Academic and Professional Resume**

- Nyenrode University - Business Administration
- University of Groningen - Study of Law specializing in contract law, intellectual property rights and international commercial law
- 34 years career in international banking and investments on four continents
- Currently: semi-retired

**Artistic Resume**

- Over 50 years active in magic
- Attended almost all FISM conventions from 1973
- Past member of Magic Rings in Sao Paulo, Atlanta and Pittsburgh
- Currently member of three Dutch Magical Societies
- 6 years Chief Editor of « Informagie » (National Magic Magazine), currently contributor
- Several times member of the jury at the Dutch National Magic Conventions, of which 3 times as chairman

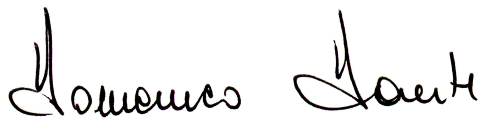
**Charity Work**

- Occasional coaching of junior members of the Magic Club of Central Holland
- Occasional performing during charity events

Le deuxième groupe, chargé des **Droits de la Propriété intellectuelle (D.P.I.)**, sera composé des membres suivants - leur curriculum vitae vous parviendra avec notre prochaine FISM Newsletter - :

- BLOOM, GAETAN (France)
- CAVENEY, MIKE (U.S.A.)
- DE MATOS, LUIS (Portugal)
- HOLLINGWORTH, GUY (England)
- KEVIN, JAMES (U.S.A.)
- LEVENT (L. Cimkentli) (U.S.A.)
- MAX MAVEN (U.S.A.)
- MAYORAL, JUAN (Spain)
- PAUL DANIELS ( England)
- PENROSE, SCOTT (England)
- RACHERBAUMER, JON (U.S.A.)
- RAFAEL (R. Van Herck) (Belgium)
- RAFALES, VICENTE (Spain)
- RICARDO FANTASIO (U.S.A. – Argentina)
- STEVENS, JOE (U.S.A.)
- SWIERSTRA, DOUWE (The Netherlands)
- TAM, ALBERT (Hong Kong – China)

Avec mes meilleures salutations.



Domenico Dante  
International President



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