

FISM Newsletter

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To all Presidents of the FISM member societies
and Delegates in the General Assembly

Dear President, Dear Friend in Magic,

It's a pleasure to keep you informed on our latest developments and projects.

ADMISSION OF NEW SOCIETIES

Art. 10.5 of the FISM Statutes states that "The Board of Directors will be charged to gather information concerning the magical standing of the applicant Society. The result of this inquiry will be sent to the General Assembly before the voting". Following the applications of the **Turkish Magicians Society** and **The Bangalore Ring** here is the result of our inquiry:

TURKISH MAGICIANS SOCIETY – TURKEY



- The application letter was received on September 1st, 2023.
- All the necessary documents (list of the members, Statutes of the club) were sent in attachment.
- The entrance fees were paid.

Establishment: The club was established in 1985 on the European side of Istanbul.

- Sponsorship letters:
 1. FFAP (France)
 2. AMIC (Spain)
- President: Okan Yener
- FISM Delegate: Kenris Murat
- Members: 47 (forty-seven)
- Website: ilder1985.wixsite.com/ilder

Activity: The Illusionists Association, established in 1985 by notable figures including M. Ertuğrul Işınbark and Dursun Ökdemir, was created to enhance solidarity among illusionists. It aims to establish a professional identity for its members and to facilitate their involvement in media and television. The association also serves as a resource for information and support in illusion, upholding professional ethics and public welfare.

THE BANGALORE RING – INDIA



- The application letter was received on December 4th, 2023.
- All the necessary documents (list of the members, Statutes of the club) were sent in attachment.
- The entrance fees were paid.

Establishment: The Bangalore Ring was founded in 1964 as IBM Ring 177.

- Sponsorship letters:
 1. The Magic Circle (UK)
 2. IBM (USA)
 3. Magic on the Move (Italy)
- President: Nakul Shenoy
- Members: 50 (fifty)
- Website: ibmring177.in

Activity: The Bangalore Ring strives to carry on its rich heritage and history via dynamic community of over 50 magicians from across India. Being the 3rd oldest IBM Ring in India, the club is currently the largest and only active IBM ring in India.

The voting for the admission of these new societies will take place before May 1st, 2024.

FISM QUALIFIED CONTEST (FQC)

Many FISM Qualified Contests are planned for this year and many others are coming. The next approved FQCs will be:

- *Les Maîtres de la Magie*



- Organizers: Mairie de Coudekerque-Branche and 2D Production
- Place: Espace Jean Vilar, place de la Convention 59210- Coudekerque-Branche (France)
- Web site: www.lesmaitresdelamagie.fr
- Dates: January 26th- 28th, 2024

- *Two Dragons Magic Cup*



- Organizer: Centre de Magie de la Côte (Laurent Moreschi)
- Place: Centre de Magie de la Côte, rue Falconnier 23, 1260 Nyon (Switzerland)
- Web site: www.magie-lacote.ch
- Date: April 20th, 2024

If you are interested in organizing a FISM Qualified Contest, please read carefully all the information on the following links:

- [FISM Compliance Contest System 2.0 \(EN\)](#)
- [FISM Compliance Contest System 2.0 \(DE\)](#)
- [FISM Compliance Contest System 2.0 \(F\)](#)
- [FISM Compliance Contest System 2.0 \(ES\)](#)

IMPORTANT

No FISM Qualified Contest gives direct access to the FISM CCM and even less to the FISM WCM. A magician can compete in the FISM CCM or WCM ONLY by following the FISM Contest Rules and Procedures art. 1.

- [FISM Contest Rules and Procedures](#)

FISM ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

We are excited to announce the creation of a new pivotal role within FISM International - the **FISM Artistic Director**. This decision aligns with our ongoing commitment to elevate the global presence of FISM and enhance the visibility of the FISM World Championships of Magic.

The FISM Board has recently appointed Mr. Walter Rolfo as the first Artistic Director of FISM. Mr. Walter Rolfo's career and contributions to the magic community are well-known, and his expertise will be instrumental in driving our strategic vision forward.

In this role, Mr. Walter Rolfo will be responsible for coordinating and promoting initiatives aimed at boosting the **FISM brand** and the achievements of our magicians, especially those who have excelled in our championships. His duties will include crafting a robust communication strategy, managing relations with press and media, and enhancing our promotional efforts across various platforms.

[At this link is Walter Rolfo's Curriculum Vitae](#) for reference.

FISM CARD

The FISM card can be obtained according to two procedures:

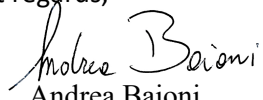
- 1) by providing a society's list of its members to be given the corresponding cards (the applicant's society must be in good standing with its membership fee), or
- 2) by individually proving the society affiliation to FISM and making the card request directly on the website of the federation.

For technical and security reasons, each card must be linked to a unique and personal email account.

The FISM card offers a lot of advantages: easier verification of official members, discounts and privileged services to cardholders from participating dealers. It also facilitates the gathering and processing of personalized information for the members of the FISM societies and promotes a sense of community. The benefits and services offered may increase over time and the card is valid for three years during the FISM membership.

It is now possible to choose either a physical plastic card or a virtual card sent in PDF format. Both cards offer the same advantages.

Best regards,


Andrea Baioni
International President

