

# **EVTA News FOR COUNCILLORS FEBRUARY 2013**

# **CHANGES**

EVTA has now a new Executive Board and a new President who started working immediately in the beginning of this year. The first meeting, preceeded by eager e-mail correspondence, was held in Vienna on January 25-27, 2013. The new board has members from 7 countries. They are: Outi Kähkönen, President (Finland), Martin Vacha, Vice-President (Austria), Scott Swope, Treasurer (Germany), Susan Yarnall, Secretary (UK), Antra Jankava, member-at-large (Latvia), Claudia Phillips, member-at-large (France) and Paul Deegan, member-at-large (Ireland). A great team!

## NEXT EVTA COUNCIL MEETING

We are happy to inform you that the next Council meeting will be in Copenhagen, Denmark on September 20-22, 2013. The kind invitation from the Danish association brings us to this lively city, conveniently located between Central Europe and Scandinavia. More information and the official invitation will be sent later but mark your calendars already! Every country may send 2 official delegates to the yearly Council meeting. This is where EVTA really happens!

## **NEW LEO PROJECT?**

Partners who were part of the previous LEO Project on Digital Resources in Voice Training know how much activity that bred. Now a suggestion has come up of a new project! This is about the Diversity of Vocal Expression in Europe, meaning all kinds of singing: choral, children, youth, the elderly etc. EVTA would be a partner, while the coordinator of this project is Plateforme Interrégonal from France. The application is in process, so we don't't know the outcome yet, but will again inform you as soon as we do.

# HONORARY MEMBERS

Most of our associations have invited honorary members from among their distinguished colleagues. We would like your permission to put on our website, the names of your Honorary Presidents, Honorary Members, or those holding any other title of esteem, listed in your Associations literature.

Please, e-mail to president@evta-online.org.

## WORLD VOICE DAY 2013

World Voice Day is celebrated on <u>April 16, 2013.</u> WVD was initiated by a group of eminent voice scientists, among them professors Johan Sundberg and Ingo Titze. Our Past-President Norma Enns also belongs to the planning group. Their mission is to share the excitement of voice science, pedagogy and the vocal arts. See <u>http://www.world-voice-day.org</u> and Facebook <u>https://www.facebook.com/wvd2013</u> for regional and international activities. Because Voice Matters!

## **NEW MEMBER APPLICATION**

EVTA is ever expanding! Serbia has applied for membership (that would be our 21<sup>st</sup> member!) There will be an e-mail voting process so as to enable their joining EVTA sooner than the September Council meeting. Separate request for e-mail vote will be sent.

# **PEVOC (Pan European Voice Congress)**

PEVOC will be held next summer in Prague, Czech Republic August 21-24, 2013. EVTA will host its own satellite session on August 21, 2013 before the actual PEVOC begins. We will arrange two parallel sessions led by international experts. This will continue the topic of our LEO project, Digital Resources in Voice Training. Registration will open shortly with more information about this session. See <u>http://pevoc.cz/en/</u> (the Czech site with program).

## **EVTA CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

July 10 – 14, 2013	8 <sup>th</sup> ICVT 2013	Brisbane,
	For the love of singing: Learning, teaching,	Australia
	performing	
August 21 – 24, 2013	PEVOC 10	Prague, Czech
	Celebrating Interdisciplinary Collaboration	Republic
September 20-22, 2013	EVTA Council Meeting	Copenhagen,
		Denmark
June 18-22, 2015	XIII. Eurovox	Riga, Latvia
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