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Dear members,

after the General Meeting, held on September 28, 2007, the new Board of the EPA met in October 2007 for the first time,.

With this letter we inform you about the main decisions made during the meeting.

Constitution of the Board

The Board elected two Vice Presidents:

Nick Lester, Great Britain

Micki Rudolph, Germany

Every Board member is responsible for several tasks in EPA and contact person for member associations.

The responsibilities are listed in the following table.

Responsibilities of the EPA Board Members, Period 2007 - 2009						
		Joan Font	Micki Rudolph	Nick Lester	Sebastian Koreneff	Philippe Princet
Countries	EPA Members	Italy Portugal Spain	Austria Cyprus Germany Poland Slovakia Slovenija Switzerland	Croatia Great Britain Hungary Ireland The Netherlands	Finland Norway Sweden	Belgium France Luxemburg
	Non Members	Greece Turkey			Denmark Estonia Iceland Latvia Lithania	Czech Republik Romania Russia Serbia Ukrainia
Others		Communication EPA Website Parking Trend Newsletters	Congress 2008 EPA Finances	EPA Congress EPA Finances P+S Committee	EPA Award Standard Parking Award	European Affairs Lobbying in Brussels Contacts to EC + EU

If there are any movements or requests to the Board, then you may contact the Board member responsible for your association as listed above.

Tender for the EPA Administration

The Board will make a tender for the EPA administration. This was already announced during the General Meeting.

The tender is directed to all EPA members as well as to companies/corporations which may be interested in a directorship.

The tender will be organised by Sebastian Koreneff.



New Task Groups

The Board members support setting up a Task Group which deals with revising and updating the rules and regulations, both for the EPA Award as well as for the European Standard Parking Award.

The Task Group shall be created immediately.

If you have interest in becoming a member in the task group please contact Sebastian Koreneff or the secretary of EPA.

EPA Congress 2009

The EPA Congress will be held from 23rd until 25th September 2009 in Vienna, Austria. The congress site is the Vienna Intercontinental hotel.

Shortly the call for papers will be published for the Congress 2009. More information can be found on the congress website www.epacongress.eu.

Congress Selection for 2011

The Board approved a paper for the selection of a congress host for the EPA congress 2011. The paper is including the conditions for a general tender guideline for future EPA congresses as well as arrangements for organising the European Parking Congress. The new tender rules will be published in Parking Trend, edition March 2008.

General Meeting 2008

The General Meeting 2008 shall take place on 26 September 2008 in Maastricht.

Green Paper

The European Commission has published a green paper on urban mobility. The green paper was passed on 25 September 2007 and has the title "Towards a new culture for urban mobility".

It is intended to open up a Europe-wide discussion on mobility and the environment in Europe. All groups involved which deal with this issue in some way are requested to hand in their statement regarding this paper until April 15, 2008.

The Board members agreed to the EPA's participating in the discussion about this paper so it can also be involved as a partner for the issues of "Parking and Mobility" this way.

The paper can be downloaded on the following Internet address:

http://ec.europa.eu/transport/clean/green_paper_urban_transport/index_en.htm

New Members

Associate membership was granted to Europarking Collection PLC. The company represents over 150 issues of authorities in European countries, such as the issue of tracing, notifying and enforcement of traffic penalties to foreign or non-domestic registered vehicles.

EPA Yearbook

The Board agreed to produce a new EPA yearbook.

Next Board Meetings:

8 January 2008

4 April 2008

1 July 2008

25 September 2008



Policy and Strategy Committee

The committee met on 26th October 2007.

Peter Martens, the Netherlands, was elected as chairman of the committee.

The members are recommending to the Board to draw up a list of experts as a pool for allocation of task groups when required. A call for experts in Parking Trend, on the EPA website and in a letter to the national organisations will be prepared for the following fields of expertise:

- Statistic information (# spaces, tariffs etc)
- Legal situations on street fines & clamping
- Architecture off street parking
- Parking equipment technology, on street & off street
- Payment systems for on street & off street clearing
- Urban planning & mobility
- Security & fraud in car parking

Scope of work for Policy & Strategy Committee

The activity matrix from the Board meeting was discussed. Issues where the P&S Committee could contribute are:

- EC-contacts in collaboration with Philippe Princet
- Admin tender in collaboration with Sebastian Koreneff
- Service to members, alerts to EU funded projects.
- Managing EPA income, considering the actual international parking industry
- Important addition to that scheme is to improve the image of the parking industry towards stakeholders (consumers, retail, urban & mobility planners, environmental agencies)

Next meeting

7 January 2008