



ERA European Ramblers' Association

EWV Europäische Wandervereinigung

FERP Fédération Européenne de la Randonnée Pédestre

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ERA conference 2017 in Brasov

The 48th ERA conference will be held from 28 Sept. to 1 Oct. 2017 in Brasov, Romania. Detailed description of the programme, prices, list of FAQ and the online registration are available on the ERA website. The deadline for the registration is 15 August 2017. Registration after this date makes the work of the organisers more complicated and you cannot be guaranteed a place at the conference hotel/programme.



The official invitations from ERA to all member organisations will follow 8 weeks before the General Meeting. Proposals must reach the ERA office 6 weeks before the General Meeting (19 August 2017).

The organisers from Asociația Carpatină Ardeleană a Turiștilor - SKV have prepared a programme for extra days in the wonderful Transylvania.

To see more visit: www.era-ewv-ferp.com/era/era-conferences/

45th jubilee of the festive opening E1 and E5

The 2 July 2017 it will be 45 years since the festive opening of the first crossing E1 and E5 was inaugurated. A plaque in Konstanz (D) is a reminder to this event. You are welcome to send the ERA office a photo of other plaques remembering E-paths all over the Europe.



Catalonia Trek Festival

The 3rd international walk on the E12, was held from 30 April - 7 May 2017 in Roses, Costa Brava (E). More than 600 walkers from 18 countries participated in 6 walking and 5 cultural programmes prepared by Federació d'Entitats Excursionistes de Catalunya.

On Wednesday, 3 May more than 300 international walkers from the Spanish side and more than 75 walkers from the French side met at Belitres Pass for a twinning ceremony between FEEC and FFRandonnée. A plaque was unveiled where the Spanish and French section of E12 meet.



European Week of Sport - #beActive

The level of physical activity is not good enough in Europe. The European Week of Sport is a response to this challenge - to promote sport and physical activity across Europe. The Week is for everyone, regardless of age, background or fitness level and should inspire Europeans to #BeActive on a regular basis in everyday lives and exercise more. In 2016 more than 15,000 events in 27 EU countries with around 10 millions active participants took place.

ERA – as a partner with the European Commission – encourages member organisations to take part in this great pan-European event. It takes place annually from 23-30 September. If you have organised some walks during that week, just use them for this programme. You must contact your national coordinator to be registered.

It is important that walkers show that our sort of physical activity is just as valuable as all other kinds of sports. Outdoor activity is one of the official themes for the week. You can find more information at:

<http://ec.europa.eu/sport/week/>

ERA member organisations are welcome to send a short piece about their organised walk: date, place, name of organisation to ERA. After the walk is over, we would appreciate if you could send ERA a report/information: number of participants, pictures, videos – to be presented on the ERA website. Become European through your walk!



EU Pledge for Good Governance

The Presidium has decided to sign the EU pledge for good Governance on behalf of ERA.

More info at <https://ec.europa.eu/sport/policy/organisation-of-sport>

Declaration for sport federations and organisations in the EU

"To preserve the reputation of sport, whilst maintaining its autonomy, sport governing bodies must ensure good governance is firmly embedded within the culture of the organisation.

The governance of the structures and operations of sport must be aligned to deal with the current and future threats and challenges, as well as able to exploit the possibilities arising from the continued growth of the sport sector.

We voluntarily commit to implement the basic principles of Good Governance in Sport - Integrity, Accountability, Transparency, Democracy, Participation and Inclusivity - into our sport organisation.

We recognise that improving governance is an on-going and necessary process to undertake in order to be better protected from risks such as corruption and able to maintain, protect and promote the integrity of sport."



Leading Quality Trail – Best of Europe

The ERA presidium has discussed how it can be possible to involve our member organisations closer into the LQT programme. The document describing this cooperation will soon be published on the ERA website in ENG, DEU and FRA under the LQT subpage.

ERA will in winter 2017/2018 organise a special LQT Workshop for representatives from interested member organisations to start educating national LQT experts.

All member organisations who want to send participants to this special LQT Workshop must contact the office in Prague before August 2017.

URSA Trail

The newest LQT is URSA Trail in North Greece. They received their certificate in January 2017. The official celebration took place in Metsovo on 20 May 2017. ERA president Lis Nielsen made the festive speech at a Seminar presenting the trail.



Eurostat

Eurostat is the statistical office of the European Union situated in Luxembourg. Its mission is to provide high quality statistics for Europe. <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/about/overview>

Search for “Sport” and you will get a collection of surveys relevant for Sport

A leaflet (can be downloaded at the same place) gives a good overview: “Compact guides and catalogues”, Product code: KS-04-15-823, published on 07-Mar-2016

The countdown starts!!!!

Gran Canaria Walking festival takes place
from 8th to 12th November 2017.



Six totally different routes, spectacular landscapes,
unique views and more than 800 inscriptions in 2016!

Feel the traditions and culture of Gran Canaria. Taste the authentic canarian
gastronomy and discover the secret beauties of the island surrounded by the love of local people and
participants from all over the world.



Hiking and nature lovers, be ready for this amazing
experience! It includes transport, tasteing, picnic
gifts, English and German speaking guides,
insurance.

<http://www.grancanariawalkingfestival.com>
<http://www.grancanarianaturalandactive.com/es/>

Gran Canaria Walking Festival, much more than
hiking.

Austria

Fritz und Erika Käfer have ceased as the main contacts for Österreichischer Alpenverein – Sektion Weitwanderer (A) where they have done a great job for the European long distance paths. The new chairman is: Mr. Gert Kienast, weitwanderer@sektion.alpenverein.at.

New addresses

Deutscher Wanderverband moved on 1 March 2017 to this address:

Deutscher Wanderverband
Kleine Rosenstr. 1-3
D-34117 Kassel
Germany



As the ERA has its registered address with Deutscher Wanderverband, the new official address for ERA is:

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The address of the ERA office in Prague remains:

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