



FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE PHILATELIE



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FIP COMMISSION FOR TRADITIONAL PHILATELY

Minutes of Commission Bureau Meeting on 19 May 2025 9 p.m. (21:00hr) Singapore/Hong Kong time

Thanks to the excellent arrangement by FIP Secretary Kelly Ong, members of the commission were able to meet by zoom on Monday, 19 May at 9 p.m. Singapore/Hong Kong time.

The following bureau members were in attendance:-

Chairman Koichi Sato, Secretary Andrew Cheung, Bureau member (FIAP) Prakrit Foongvanich, FIP Co-ordinator for Traditional Philately Richard Tan and President of FIP Dr. Prakob Chirakiti as observer. Apologies received from bureau member Jean-Francois Gibot and Spas Panchev.

Agenda

Notice of the meeting and agenda has been circulated to members of the commission as well as FIP Board in advance to comply with new regulations. The agenda is as follows:-

1. 2024 Activity report for approval
2. Website updating
3. Traditional Philately commission meeting at Philakorea 2025
4. Qualifying seminar for Traditional Philately jurors at Philakorea 2025
5. AOB.

1. 2024 Activity report: The secretary reports that the deadline of the 2024 activity report was extended to end of April because of busy exhibition schedule in the beginning of the year. The draft 01 activity report was finally completed and sent to members for review on 11 May. No further comments or changes were made and it was approved by those present at this meeting. The secretary will circulate the approved report to FIP Board, FIP Commissions, delegates and upload it on the commission website.

2. Website: The secretary updated the FIP membership list and details of the delegates. Federations have been asked to appoint delegates for Traditional Philately commission but so far without success. He will upload the minutes of the bureau meeting and 2024 activity report upon approval by the bureau.

3. Commission meeting at Philakorea 2025: Richard reports that the meeting can be held on 20 September at the exhibition centre's jury or commissioner room. Morning time slot is preferred. Richard will co-ordinate with Philakorea 2025 OC to fix the time and venue. Once finalized, delegates will be advised of the details and notice will be on our website.

4. The commission meeting at Philakorea 2025 will be followed by a qualifying seminar co-presented by the Chairman and Secretary using the IBRA seminar with minor modifications. The attendees will be requested to register. The seminar is open for jurors, delegates and exhibitors.

5. How to improve reporting:

The secretary and FIP Co-ordinator discuss the challenges of getting delegates to submit reports to the commission. They note that some emails ended up in spam folders or are overlooked due to inbox overload. The secretary suggests personal invitation to delegates rather than sending bulk emails. A standardised form sent to the delegates makes it easier for them to submit report. They discuss the possibility of having delegates share updates during Zoom Meetings.

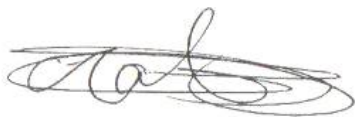
Interactive Demonstration at commission meeting:

The secretary suggests incorporating interactive activities using stamp exhibits like in the Jury Academy during some commission meetings held without seminar. Richard agrees this is a good idea, comparing it to the "show and tell" format used in Singapore. They agree that this interactive format would be more engaging than seminars, where attendees might lose interest. There are several exhibitions in 2026 that his strategy can be implemented at commission meeting being held there.

Philatelic Trends:

Richard and Andrew discuss trends in traditional philately versus postal history exhibits, noting a perceived increase in postal history entries at national stamp exhibitions. They agree that gathering data from national exhibitions about new exhibits, collectors' ages, and distribution of entries across different classes would be valuable for understanding trends in philately.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:53 p.m.



Koichi Sato RDP
Chairman, FIP Traditional Philately Commission



Andrew Cheung FRPSL, AIEP
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