



L'OMTh towards a gradual renewal after Enrico Chiostri era

The message of president Gori for the 2005

This year has permitted to our OMTh to define all the organizing and operating aspects which give us the opportunity to propose for the 2005 a serial of initiatives that will give to our organization an incisive form.

Due to the problems of the globalization it is necessary to find out the essential development and growing up lines of the thermalism applicable and sustained in the various geographic areas.

The communication is now essential and, in the next days, it will appear a newsletter of the OMTh & SITH that should present the news of great interest for all the whole thermalism and precisely: **scientific researches, technological news, new thermal infrastructure, legislative news and congress initiatives.**

The newsletter will be realized every two or three months depending on the news that you will send to us. These news will be systematically diffused all over the world. Editorial Director – Costantino Miravalle - General Secretary of Presidency.

I am very pleased to communicate that on the 14th-15th-16th of October 2005 we will celebrate "The 9th Mondial Day of Thermalism" and the "39th International Congress of SITH" at the Congress Palace of Levico Terme. This event will have the most interesting moment by the presentation of "the thermal Legislative on the various continents".

The very important moment will be the presentation of the research for the thermal Legislation of 25 countries of the European Union. The University of Trento is actu-

ally elaborating this research.

The research should indicate the possible cooperation lines of the thermal Legislation in this vast geographical area and the consequent initiatives at the institutional levels.

In the next month of January we will send you the detailed program of the events. Every section of OMTh send notice and we write quickly in the world.

The important communication with the country official representative OMTh will be the just news of 2005.

With them we'll start for studying the thermalism in every continent.

We have to work very hard for a good success in it. We warmly send you and your families our wishes of a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year 2005.



Ennio Gori president of OMTh

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Notice from Latin American Federation

At the time we were printing, the Latin American Federation communicated to us, through Donaldo Sousa, that it is going to hold its conference in Panama at the end of 2005. After the agreement with the Minister of Tourism of Panama, they started to work on this very important event of FLT. Further information will be given in the next edition of OMTh and SITH news and through ad hoc messages of OMTh representatives of each nation.

The difficult heritage of Helmut Pratzel to estimated Hungarian scientist

Also for ISMH a new president : is Bender

The purpose of the International Society of Medical Hydrology and Climatology (ISMH) is to design, plan, and co-ordinate scientific research in the fields of Health Resort Medicine and Spa Therapy for prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation programs. A major objective of ISMH is the

preparation of international monographs for the continued establishment of guiding principles, directives, and standards in Health Resort Medicine and Spa Therapy.

Bender says: "The 35th World Congress of International Society of Medical

Hydrology and Climatology will be held on 7-10 June 2006 in Istanbul (Turkey). Please, visit web-site: www.ismh2006.com. In web-site it's possibly see every notice of our association and the form for Your registration. I am very happy to send all of You Good Year 2005 !"

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direct.net](http://www.ismh-direct.net)****FRANCE NOTICE from AFTth**

On 19th November 2004 in the theatre of Contrexteville(France), the new director Françoise Davranville hold the autumn -day of the Association of Hydrothermal Technics. A crowded room for a very important conference. The past president, Cristian Lesrel, opened the conference with the greetings. Then an important message on the European Thermalism, given by Werner Tabone, followed. The legislative regulation in the thermal field of Germany, Italy, France, Belgium and Spain have been discussed. The report on Thermalism in Portugal was presented by Jao Almeida Diaz. He also presented a PC program which tends to join all Portuguese thermal centers both on a strictly scientific point of view and on how to receive and manage optimally individuals who enter the thermal centers. Frank Ribo presented the example of management of the thermal water in the context of Digne -les Bains(France). At the end of the reports a important and sharing discussion interested all participants after a morning which was rich on ideas on how to think the thermal world in the next years. A message of the first president of OMTh Enrico Chiostrri has been read by the president Davrainville, who leads AFTth and who also is, since a few days, the official representative for France of OMTh.

The young Spanish from two years leader of International Society of Hydrothermal Techniques

Andres Campos new president of SITH

For SITH, year 2005 is going to be a very important one. We will have some new activities that should allow us to strengthen our ties and build a better network of people devoted to thermalism in its different areas of expertise.

In a few days, a website, owned by SITH and OMTh will be launched, allowing us to maintain updated information not only on activities of these two organizations, but also on events, research and news relevant for thermalism. The website will be opened, so as to allow for anyone to place any relevant issue that wants to be shared among all SITH and OMTh members. In the month of May,

we will have, in the Spanish city of Santiago de Compostela, the joint meeting of the International Board of OMTh and SITH. Simultaneously, the International Prize Marcial Campos to Thermal Research will be awarded. This meeting will allow us to review main issues of the two organizations. And finally, in October (14-16), the 39th Congress of SITH, jointly with OMTh, will take place in Trento (Italy); its subject related to worldwide legislation on thermal waters. More information on these events will soon be available. The foundational purpose of our organization is, more and more, becoming more important. Governments and supranational

organizations define as one of the greatest challenges that humanity faces at the beginning of this millennium is the preservation and rational use of all water resources, specially those which are used for the better health of human beings. It is our great responsibility to help governments, universities, companies and people in making a better and more rational use of thermal waters worldwide. This is the reason that must guide all the efforts we are doing. Finally, on behalf of the entire SITH organization, I would like to congratulate this Christmas, and wish for you and all of your families a very happy year 2005. Dear friends, see you next year!



Andres Campos president of SITH