

CIEA REPORT TO THE FAI GENERAL CONFERENCE 2008

In the 103rd year of FAI CIEA concentrated on marketing and specifying new ways to attract more youngsters/adults to a lasting interest for aviation & space, especially to the airports.

The conclusions of our generations-studies, presentations and discussions in previous years within CIEA were finalized by CIEA in 3 bureau-meetings in report to the CIEA annual meeting of 25/26 April in Lausanne. Our 10 recommendations were conveyed to the FAI Airports and -Technical Commissions on 10 May 2008 for consideration and presentation to the NAC's.

CIEA needs a feedback, especially from NAC's in their function in the field.

To this end CIEA sent out a questionnaire to the NAC's on their specific needs in generational and educational respect in March 2008.

CIEA would appreciate a wider response from the NAC's in order to develop more concrete directions of CIEA's search for solutions and advice to NAC's.

The Young Artists Competition 2008 received less response than other years due to non-participation of mayor member-countries and measures have been taken to assure a better participation for the important 2009 theme of the World Air Games 2009.

After the success of the Young Artists Competition Collection Disc 2005, sponsored by Embry-Riddle University the 20 years Anniversary of the Young Artists Competition lead to a BEST-OF-THE-BEST Competition in June 2008, by an on-line commission- and NAC-wide judging of the winning entries in the past 20 years.

The chosen winning entries will be exposed during the General Conference at St. Vincent, Italy and can remain in Europe for further exposition.

CIEA expresses FAI's gratitude to Embry-Riddle for the enduring cooperation.

CIEA established new contacts to explore cooperation with important parties in the aviation & space education field and participated in meetings of the National Coalition of Aerospace Education (NCAE) and with the Aerospace Education Council (AEC) of the Air Force Association in the USA.

CIEA seeks to coordinate efforts with all relevant organisations.

CIEA current projects:

- Development of promotional efforts like Youth Summer Camps in Airports;
- Join in on aviation career orientation like the ACE-academy's;
- Support youth exchange programs like the International Air Cadet Exchange;
- Introduction of aerospace-subjects in various school-programs;
- Introduction of airports/aerospace in extracurricular school programs;
- Promotion/update of the FAI Recommended Museums Programs;
- Introduction of new promotion-programs for teachers and parents;
- Introduction of new online-methods for communication with youngsters;
- Upgrade and update of the CIEA-website retaining classical instruction;
- Marketing the needs of Airport- and Technical Commissions and NAC's.

CIEA prepares for the challenges of the education in airports and aerospace in next years and counts on the formulation of needs by parties concerned.

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