

*To all FISM Europe Member Societies*

# Newsletter No. 1, 2020

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Dear Mr./Mrs. President,

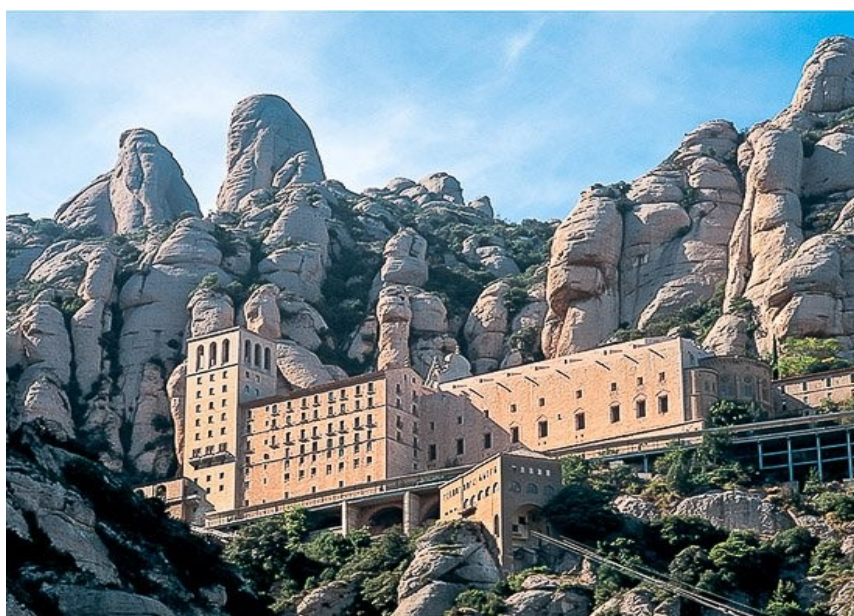
We would like to inform you about the newest developments.

## **1. ECM MANRESA 2020**

**European Championship of Magic  
from 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

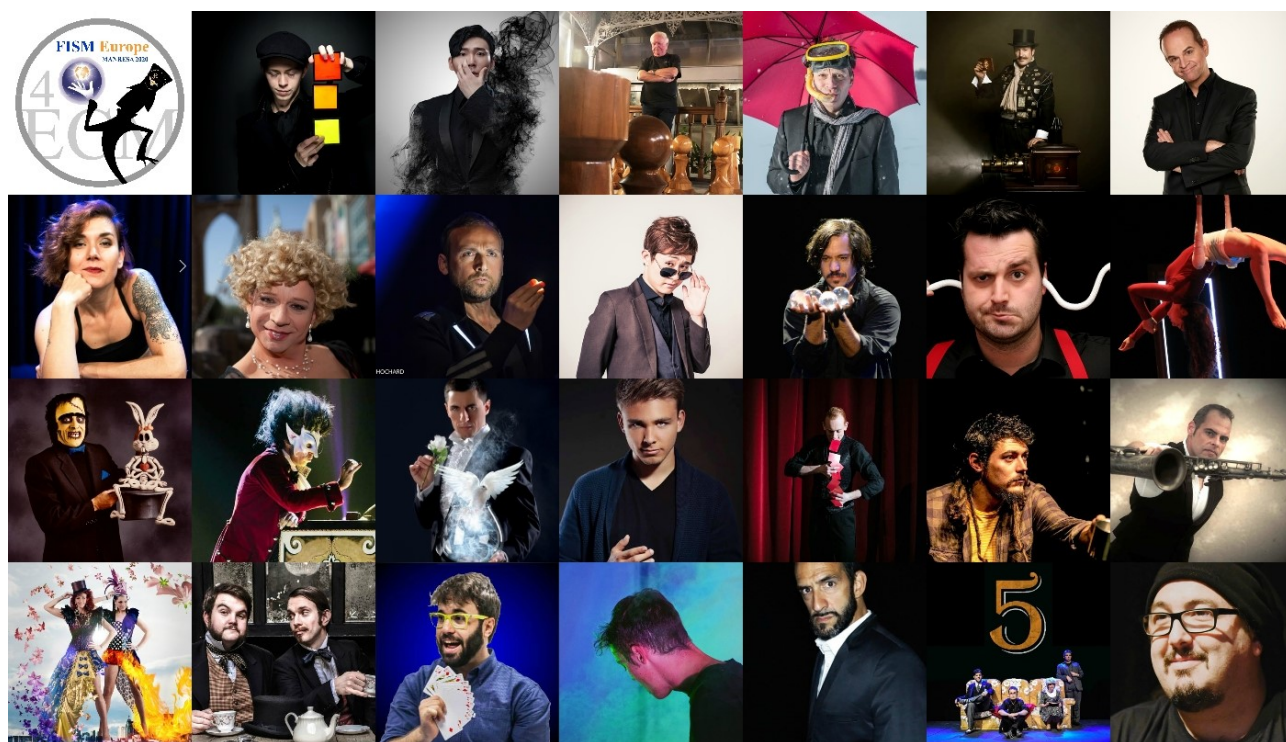
Join the most important magic convention in Europe and attend to the fourth FISM European Championship of Magic in Manresa (40 km from Barcelona) - Spain from 1st to 5th July, 2020.

Manresa is the center of Catalonia, located 30 minutes from Barcelona Airport, 15 minutes from Montserrat Mountain (photo) and 1 hour from Costa Brava and Costa Dorada.



The following artists have already been booked (photo from left to right):

Felix Guyonet, Zion, Eberhard Riese, Gaston, Sergi Buka, Topas, Jaana, Jacqueline, Kenris Murat, Rex, Miguel Muñoz, Roberto Vara, Zenaida, Enric Magoo, Cia Mag Edgard, Mihaljo Jankovic, Nikolai Striebel, Niek Takens, Mario Lopez, Adrian Soler, Natalie & Eli, Morgan & West, Pere Rafart, Nür, Sergio Starman, 5 (Tuttilifamili), Gonzalo Albiñana, Iñaki Ituiño, Gastón Florín, Dani Daortiz...



**Register now! Last 120 registrations on sale...**

You will find all the information on the website: [www.fism2020.eu](http://www.fism2020.eu)

## 2. Deadline for the ECM Competitors

### **Only 3 weeks left till the deadline 15-03-2020**

You can find the "Competitors Form" and the rules on the Website: [www.fism2020.eu](http://www.fism2020.eu) .

The form has to be signed by the competitor and the President of his society and then sent to: **pwpwmagic636@gmail.com**

The official confirmation that he/she is accepted, he/she will get after the deadline.

1. and 2. Price Winners at the ECM 2020 in Manresa are automatically qualified for the WCM 2021 in Quebec.

Do not hesitate to contact us on the above mentioned e-mail address. We will be happy to help you.

## 3. EEB CONTRIBUTION

As you know the General Assembly in 2014 introduced a contribution to the European Division of FISM. The contribution is 20 Euro for a 3-year period. In Manresa your society will have to pay the fee for 2020 – 2023.

Some of the societies still haven't paid their contribution for 2014 – 2020. Please be aware that your contribution has to be paid, if your society has a competitor and wants to vote at the next GA in Manresa.

Thank you very much for your understanding and help. See you in Manresa

#### **4. General Assembly 2020 in Manresa**

The date for the GA is Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, 11 am. You will get the invitation and the agenda 2 months before the GA.

If you have a motion to propose, you have to send it to us till 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 to the following e-mail address [pwmagic@bluewin.ch](mailto:pwmagic@bluewin.ch)

#### **5. Election of the European Executive Board**

At the General Assembly there will be an election of the FISM European Executive Board. The EEB consists of 5 people, president, secretary and 3 board members. See below for a shot bio of the 5 candidates to fill the 5 posts.

## For President



**Andrea Baioni**  
(Ravenna, ITALY)

Birthdate: 07/09/1963

### Academic and Professional Resume

- ☐ *1982 - 1986* Bologna University - Mathematic
- ☐ *2000 - 2003* Bologna University - Internet Science
- ☐ *2004 – 2011* CEO, Formazione Manager s.r.l.
- ☐ *Since 2009* Marketing Director, Stileformazione s.r.l.
- ☐ *Since 1999* Professor Web Marketing & digital Communication – College and University in Bologna
- ☐ *Since 1997* IT Senior Project Manager in several hundred software integration solutions for International Companies
- ☐ *Since 1997* CEO, ab studio s.r.l

### Artistic Resume

- ☐ *Since 1977* member of Club Magico Italiano
- ☐ *Since 1982* Comedian and MC in many shows and company conventions (IBM, Ferrari, FIAT, Volvo, Ferrero, Emerson, etc.)
- ☐ *Since 1984* more than 60 articles published in Italian Magic Magazine
- ☐ *1996 - 2007* 2 Lectures tour in Italy.
- ☐ *Since 1998* member of The Magic Circle, UK (Inner Magic Circle - Gold Star)
- ☐ *Since 2000* member of Executive Board of Club Magico Italiano, since 2015 Vice President
- ☐ *Since 2012* Member of Judges Qualification System developing group of FISM International
- ☐ *Since 2008* Managing Director of CMI College
- ☐ *Since 2009* FISM International Judge
- ☐ *Since 2011* Member of Executive Board of FISM Europe, since 2016 Vice President
- ☐ *Since 2014* Member of Communication group of FISM International
- ☐ *Since 2019* Member of IT Consultancy group of FISM International,
- ☐ More than 2500 books belongs to magic books collection.

### Charity Work

- ☐ Supporting NADIA ONG charity helping children in need, since 2009
- ☐ Organizer and performer in several charity events for children in need and disease



## For Secretary



**Priska Walther**  
**(Kriens, Switzerland)**  
**25.12.1955**

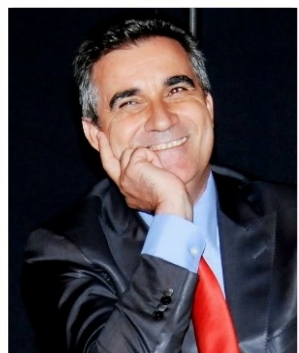
### Professional Resume

- 40 years as a secretary in the automobile industry in Switzerland
- Retired in 2019

### Magic

- Member of the Magic Circle of Switzerland MRS, MZvD Magischer Zirkel von Deutschland and CMI Club Magico Italiano
- Vice President of the Magic Circle of Switzerland MRS
- Member of the convention organizing committee Swiss Magic Grenchen
- FISM Judge since 2011, Judging competitions in France, Switzerland, England, Austria, Russia and Italy, Jury member at the European Championship 2014 and 2017
- Secretary of FISM Europe since 12 years
- Secretary of FISM since 6 years

**For Board Member**



**Xavier TAPIAS**  
**(Barcelona, SPAIN)**  
Birthdate: 03/10/1958

**Academic and Professional Resume:**

- Computer Programming languages – BIT Academy / BCN
- Global Executive MBA – EADA Business School / BCN
- Master's degree - Sales Manager Director - EADA Business School / BCN
- Master's degree – Marketing Management – EADA Business School /BCN
- Robotics and animatronic builder with lectures all over the world
- Magic masterpieces reproductions in Museums and magic collectors

**Artistic Resume:**

- Five times awarded in the Spanish National Conventions in several categories
- Silver Wand – Monte Carlo Magic Stars
- Mandrake d'Or - Paris
- Four times in TV program “Le Plus Grand Cabaret du Monde” - Paris
- 4<sup>th</sup> in Stage General Magic – FISM Beijing 2009
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize International Magic Festival – Shanghai
- Three times TV shows in China CCTV

**Charity Work:**

- Performances for charity reasons and ONG's around the world

## **For Board Member**



### **Christina Nyman was born in Stockholm, Sweden.**

She has a degree in Law and was employed by the Swedish Parliament.

Christina lives in the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg and works for the European Parliament.

Christina is a founding member of Magica Club Lëtzebuerg and President since 2008. She co-organised ten magic conventions in Luxembourg with international gala shows and competitions.

Christina is still actively involved with the Swedish Magic Circle that she joined 1987. She has served on the Board since 2015 and got elected President 2018. She is the editor of the Swedish Magic Circle magazine.

She is a lifetime member of the Swedish Magic Academy and member of Magischer Zirkel von Deutschland, IBM and AMA.



Christina has regularly been attending national and international magic conventions for over 30 years and she is an international competition judge. She was part of the judge panel for the FISM European Championships in 2014 and 2017 and the FISM World Championships in 2018.

She has extensive knowledge of magic history, attends conferences on magic history and carries out research.

Multilingual, she is able to communicate with magic organizations in many countries. She performs in several languages and writes articles for magic magazines. Christina's mother tongue is Swedish; she has studied English, German, French, Italian, Spanish, Luxembourgish, Polish, and she understands Finnish, Danish and Norwegian.

Christina has been a member of the FISM Europe Executive Board since 2014.

### **for Board Member**



**Eberhard Riese:  
Biographical Informations**

Eberhard Riese was born in Leipzig and studied mathematics, German literature and history. From 1978 to 2015 he was a high-school teacher in Stuttgart. 1969 he first came in contact with magic (Manipulation, Parlour Magic, M.C.). Since 1979 he is the chairman of the Magic Circle Stuttgart.

Here he directed many wellknown magic acts (i.e. Topas, Roxanne, Andy Häussler, Franklin, Simon Pierro, Jorgis Katsaros, Chapeau, Clemens Valentino, Doctor Marrax, Junge, Junge!, Julius Frack Wav and others). So the name of „Stuttgarter Schule“ was given to these acts. He published his experiences in building magic acts in his book „Fundamente“ (2003), which was translated in seven languages. For his work he got the „Creative Fellowship Award (Academy of Magical Arts, Los Angeles)“ (2003) and the „Fred Kaps Award“ (2016).

He was editor of the German magic magazine „MAGIE“ (1990 to 2003). Since 1988 Eberhard Riese has often been a member of a FISM jury and 1997 was art director of the FISM congress in Dresden.

From 1987 to 2011 he served as vice president of the Magic Circle of Germany and since 2011 he is the president. The circle has 3000 members and is one of the largest magic clubs in Europe.

Magic greetings.

FISM  
European Executive Board

John Pye  
EEB President