

Dear Fellow IFPO Europe Members and Colleagues,

As the Year 2013 slowly, but decisively, moves to New Years Eve, and we all stand at the doorstep of a New Year, it's time to look back.

Be it long, be it short, but there are most certainly things to look back for.

IFPO Europe has welcomed new members, all in all 24 bringing our total now to 114.

We, as IFPO Europe, have in close cooperation with the educators, ESA, Saxion and Avans High School and LOI, Proctored 101 candidates for the accreditations CPO and CSSM, also did new CPOI's join our ranks. Thus making 2013 a memorable Year to many, if not all of us.

But more things happened this year, some good, some bad, some happy, others sad,

Syria is at War and The 113th US Congress is sworn in.

Sven Kramer and Ireen Wüst rule ice-skating.

Planetoid 2012 DA14 passes us at 27.600Km and Pope Benedictus XVI resigns.

North Korea revokes the 1953 armistice with South Korea.

Prince Willem Alexander becomes, King Willem III

Bayern Munich wins The UEFA Cup, as Gibraltar joins (54th) the UEFA.

Europe has the 100th Tour de France, Egypt declares marshal-law.

Syria uses nerve gas as OPCW receives the Nobel-price,

Europe is struck by a Hurricane and 9 people die,major devastation,.....

The Philippines meet similar fate, 6000 people die, over 1Million people homeless.

Many, if not all of us look back with the loss of friends, family and loved-ones lost over this year, just as many of us will have gained loved-ones and family.

A year is just a few months, ...a few months ago it was last year, a few days to go, it's next year.

But were here, ...here to stay and meet next year.

With these simple words, Your IFPO Europe Board and Chairman, wish you a white and Merry Christmas and a wonderful, but safe, New Years Eve and ALL the best for you, your family, friends, relatives colleagues and partners in 2014.

Enjoy Live, enjoy Friendship, enjoy all.



Best wishes,

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