

# Entre Nous



## FOCUS ON CIOFF EXCO & COUNCIL

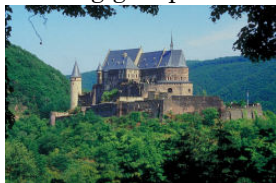
### EXCO & Council Meeting in Mersch, Luxemburg - 10th-13th April 2007

Upon invitation of CIOFF Luxembourg the CIOFF EXCO & Council Meeting took place in Mersch in April 2007.

Among other issues the main topics discussed at the meeting were related



to the next CIOFF World Congress in Monterrey, next Folkloriada 2008, Youth Forum 2007, CIOFF Work Plan 2008, status of CIOFF working groups.



The new initiatives, which emanated from the meeting, included carrying out participants survey at World Congresses, collection of the information on the costs and revenues of CIOFF Meetings and Events, CIOFF Musical signal competition.

Besides the brilliant organization and the warm hospitality, CIOFF Luxembourg, and in particular its President Susanne Kramer, organised exceptionally good programme during the Council Meeting, including the unforgettable visit to castle of Vianden, city tour of Luxemburg and the tour around the Valley of Seven Castles.



## SAD NEWS



**On the 17th of June 2007 the oldest Honorary Member of CIOFF, Shmuel Bialik, passed away at the age of nearly 98 years.**

**Read a tribute "In Memory of Shmuel Bialik" by CIOFF Honorary Member Siegfried Verbeelen on Page 8.**

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## FOCUS ON NATIONAL SECTIONS

### CIOFF USA -

## Arts Groups unite to keep Pioneer Heritage Strong

Wherever they went in the Intermountain West, the pioneers took their arts with them: song, dance, stories, poetry, brass bands, even such art-crafts as quilting and woodworking.

A lot of artisans still practice those heritage arts, but Utah now has a new organization designed to bring all of them under one umbrella. An official "Signing of the Memorandum of Agreement" for the Utah Pioneer Heritage Arts association took place at the Sons of Utah Pioneers National Headquarters. The evening featured performances by various groups involved in the project, as well as the signing ceremony.

The organizers hope to do outreach programs in the schools and take kids on field trips to Gardner Village and other places, and are also working on a Web site.

Founding members of UPHA include groups such as the Utah Old Time Fiddlers, Clog America, Cowboy Poets of Utah, Institute of American Music, Wasatch Contrabass, Gardner Village, National Pony Express, Utah Storytelling Guild, Nashville

Songwriters Association International, Old-Time Utah Dances, Association of Square Dance Clubs of Utah, Utah Talent Showdown, Folklore Society of Utah, Enoch Train, Caboose, Bluesage Band, Mountain Men Association and the Utah Quilt Guild.



*Karl Behling tells a story at the Sons of Utah Pioneers National Headquarters during ceremony for Utah Pioneer Heritage Arts.*

**Story submitted by  
Shawnda Bishop,  
Director of Clog America**

### CIOFF INDONESIA—

## Bandung International Folklore Festival

CIOFF Indonesia in partnership with Bandung Institute of technology is organising the 1<sup>st</sup> Bandung International Folklore festival, which will take place from 27<sup>th</sup> August till 1<sup>st</sup> September 2007. This Festival will replace the festival in Jakarta.

Bandung is situated in West Java Province of Indonesia.

The Programme of the Festival will

include Opening Ceremony, Indoor Performances, City Parades, a lot of

fringe events and meetings with audience, and the Closing Ceremony.

The participants will also be able to visit such historic place in Bandung as Museum of Asia and Africa and such cultural places as Saung Anlung Mang Udjo, Selasar Sauryo, Art Gallery of Nyoman Nuarta, etc.

*Submitted by  
Said Rachmat, CIOFF Indonesia*



### CIOFF ISRAEL- Report

Israel International Festival of Folklore was held all over Israel on 1-11 July 2006; seven groups from abroad participated.

In 2007 the Festival is being held also on the 1-10 July, 8 groups from abroad will participate.

Our National Dance Festival in the city of Karmiel in the Galilee, was postponed, in 2006 to October, because of the war; In 2007 the festival with more than 250,000 partici-

pants who come to dance for 4 days, will take place from July 30<sup>th</sup> to Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2007.

CIOFF Israel Continues to hold workshops for young choreographers. CIOFF Israel joined with the "Reem - friends of Israel folk dances", to run a series of workshops to preserve the old Israeli folk dances and their spirit and to help Arabs and Jewish groups to preserve their heritages.

CIOFF Israel Cooperates with the "Jerusalem Academy of Music and Dance" which celebrates its 75 year, in the organization of International Conference in 9-10 Dec. 2007, under the auspices of UNESCO, on the subject of: "The contribution of Music and Dance Education to the preservation of Traditional Cultures as living Entity".

*Dan Ronen,  
CIOFF Israel*

## FOCUS ON NATIONAL SECTIONS

### CIOFF TURKEY - TURKEY INTERNATIONAL FESTIVALS UNION

By initiative of CIOFF Turkey, the international festivals have gathered and founded Turkey Festivals Union.

The Union which is constituted by 14 international organizations consisting of members of CIOFF Turkey and non-members, is aiming to improve

the quality of the festivals and the participating groups by providing collaboration between festivals.

*Submitted by Muammer Aslan,  
CIOFF Turkey*



### CIOFF SLOVENIA - Project of four neighboring countries

For the third time folk dancing groups of four neighbouring countries have gathered this time in the Austrian city Leoben.

The representatives from Italy, Slovenia, Austria, and Croatia have two years ago decided to revive the once traditional meeting of their folk dancing groups under the title **The Alps-Adria Festival**.

Indeed for the first time four groups have met two years ago in Italian **Turrida**, last year in

the Slovenian tourist resort **Bled** and this year in **Leoben**. According to the agreed rotation next year the festival will take place in Croatia - probably on the island **Korcula**.



This kind of performances of the traditional dances leads to an increasing interest of the local population, as well as of foreign tourists.

*Submitted by  
Bruno Ravnikar,  
CIOFF Slovenia*

## INFORMATION FROM CIOFF COUNCIL

### FESTIVAL CALENDAR

The 2007 CIOFF General Assembly in Bulgaria adopted the proposal of the Festivals Commission that the 2008 Calendar should be printed before the next General Assembly in Mexico and distributed at the General Assembly. The new deadline for submission of the information from National Sections for the Calendar is 30th June 2007. The same deadline applies for the joint Calendar & CIOFF Website advertising.

### PRESENTATION BROCHURE

The new version of the CIOFF Presentation Brochure produced by Working Group on Public Relations has been designed by CIOFF Spain. CIOFF Spain has also kindly offered to sponsor all the costs of design and printing of the Brochure. The CIOFF Brochure will be ready before CIOFF World Congress in Monterrey and will be distributed at the Congress.

### CONGRESS QUESTIONNAIRE

CIOFF launched a World Congress questionnaire, the purpose of which is to evaluate the organization of the host nation and the work of CIOFF at the Congress. The questionnaires were distributed to all the Sector Representatives before Spring Sector meetings. All the delegates who attended the Congress in Bulgaria are requested to send their completed questionnaires to CIOFF UK address.

## FOCUS ON SECTORS

### Asian & Oceanian Sector Spring Meeting - Anseong, Korea, 17th –20th May 2007

CIOFF Asian and Oceanian Spring sector meeting has been organized in Korea/Anseong city between 17th-20th May 2007. Ten of thirteen member countries of the sector participated in the meeting. The main issues of the meeting were the Sector relevant topics and CIOFF Folkloriadas which will be held in CHINA in 2008 and in KOREA in 2012.

*Submitted by Muammer Arslan,  
CIOFF Turkey*



### Northern European Sector Spring Meeting— Riga, Latvia, 12th –13th May 2007

Northern European Sector Spring Meeting took place in Riga, Latvia between 12th and 13th May 2007.

Seven National Sections out of nine were present at the meeting.

The hosting National Section— CIOFF Latvia provided brilliant organisation and hospitality for all the participants, it also invited 20 members from all over Latvia, who had a chance to participate in the discussions and find out about CIOFF work.

The meeting adopted 2 proposals to be submitted to CIOFF.

Four people were nominated to receive CIOFF Silver Pins for their service on CIOFF National Level.

For the first time on the second day of the meeting the Sector held Open Forum, which resulted in extremely fruitful dis-

cussions of the issues relevant to the National Sections within the Sector and Sector as a whole.

*Submitted by Olga Maloney,  
CIOFF UK*



## FOCUS ON SECTORS

### Central European Sector Spring Meeting Leoben, Styria, Austria, 26th - 29th April 2007



From the 26th to the 29th of April 2007 the CIOFF Central European Conference (Sector Meeting) was held in Leoben, Styria, Austria. Almost half of the nineteen member countries were absent – most of them due to financial or visa problems. During the time of the meeting the delegates worked very hard but of course, there was also time for a wonderful free time programme which included an evening with folk music, a visit of the mine of ore as well as an exhibition of Chinese gold and jade.

Austria took part at the founding of CIOFF in Confolens in 1970 and became an official member of CIOFF in 1974. In the year 1976 the Austrian section organized the CIOFF World Congress in Vienna and Strobl at Lake Wolfgang. CIOFF's Austrian delegates up to present time have been:

1970 - 1971	Richard Schweiggel
1971-1976	Alexander Veigl
1976-1994	Ferdinand Sams
1994 - present	Herbert Ullmann

It was a special joy being able to welcome the President of Honour of the 'Bund der österreichischen Trachten- und Heimatverbände' Ferdinand Sams who in spite of his poor health took part in the CIOFF Central European Conference in Leoben. During his duty period being Austrian's delegate of CIOFF he also organized the CIOFF Central European Conference which took place in Linz in 1990. Ferdinand Sams stated his satisfaction

that his successor continues to put the emphasis on international relationships.

In 2001 Ferdinand Sams received a CIOFF Golden Pin, Fritz Hagendorf and Andi Stradner received CIOFF Silver Pins in 2006.

CIOFF Austrian section thanks the 'Landesverband der Heimat- und Trachtenverbände Steiermark' especially Andi Stradner to whom we send our best wishes for his health.

*Submitted by Herbert Ullmann,  
CIOFF Austria*



### Latin American Sector Spring Meeting— Nueva Esperanza, Paraguay, 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> May 2007

Latin American Sector held its meeting in the city of Nueva Esperanza (Paraguay) between 16<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> May. The delegates from Argentina, Brazil, Cuba, Paraguay and Peru were present, with proxy votes from Costa Rica, Chili and Mexico.

The most important items discussed at the meeting were:

Study and approval of the modifications in the Sector By Laws, selection of the groups to participate in the Folkloriada 2008, recognition of H. Coursaget and S. Bialik anniversaries, nomination of Luisa Maciel as "Latin-American sector honorary member", support to the candidature of Ramiro Mansutti for the presidency of the Youth Coordinating Committee, elections of new

Sector's officers.

The sector will carry on the work in relation with the project "The

route of the slave" within the frame of "UNESCO International Decade of Indigenous people".

The sector supports the candidature of Cuba to organize CIOFF World Congress in 2009 and the candidature of Prof. Alcides Hugo Ifrán for the position of

CIOFF Vice-President.

*Submitted by Hugo Ifran,  
CIOFF Argentina*



## FOCUS ON UNESCO

### New Approach to Participation Programmes 2008-2009

The current tendency for Participations programmes is related with Cultural Diversity and Cultural Intangible Heritage. The PP have more impact and chances to be selected if they emanate from a Member State Country.

CIOFF National Sections are encouraged to present their own PP through their National Commission. The idea would be to select one PP per sector. CIOFF International comprising of 6 sectors, will select 3 PP dealing with cultural diversity and 3 PP dealing with Cultural Intangible Heritage would be selected to be presented.

#### **Submitting a request**

For each biennium, after the definite adoption of the programme and budget, a Circular Letter is issued and sent out by

the Director General to Ministers responsible for relations with UNESCO, National Commissions and Permanent Delegations, inviting them to submit their written requests under the title of the Participation Programme

It will now be for 2008-2009. (Deadline should be end of February 2008)

#### **Participation Programme Handbook**

You will find on the following link from the UNESCO Website, the handbook for Participation Programmes with all the necessary informations.

[http://portal.unesco.org/en/ev.php-URL\\_ID=34160&URL\\_DO=DO\\_TOPIC&URL\\_SECTION=201.html](http://portal.unesco.org/en/ev.php-URL_ID=34160&URL_DO=DO_TOPIC&URL_SECTION=201.html)



### NGO Committee Meeting of UNESCO in Paris, 12th - 13th April 2007.

CIOFF President Dr. Udomsak Sakmunwong and CIOFF Representative at UNESCO Jean Roche attended the NGO Committee Meeting of UNESCO in Paris on 12th April 2007.

On his return from Paris, on April 13<sup>th</sup>, President Udomsak Sakmunwong, presented his oral Report to the CIOFF Council on his 1-day attendance of the Committee on International Non-Governmental Organizations at UNESCO.



NGO in consultative relations with UNESCO

He stressed the importance of CIOFF being represented at this meeting and expressed his feel-

ing that it was an extremely useful meeting in general. The main result of the meeting was that UNESCO is wanting to strengthen its relations with NGOs and expand to involve new NGOs in UNESCO work.

## PEOPLE IN CIOFF

### Confolens Festival celebrates its 50th Anniversary !!!

We invite you to take part in the 50th anniversary of the Festival and join the selection of exuberant and magnificent groups. More than ever, this festival will put its emphasis on celebrations of living together in tolerance, openness to each other, peace and friendship.

It is true that we have been repeating this message for the past 50 years ; but it is still relevant today in a society losing its goals, becoming more and more selfish, where the notion of globalization is very often seen as overwhelming and dehumanized.

Thanks to CIOFF and its action in the 300 festivals throughout

the world, we always pursue the right to be different for the sake of the safeguarding of the cultures ; all the cultures, even the smallest ones. This difference enriches us, opens up horizons of hope in man, in humanity. And if this is through the roots of the world that we regenerate, this is through celebration that we mobilise people to act. So let yourself go, let us rally and make this 50th anniversary an extraordinary celebration, a true step for the 51st festival which will also have to be very successful !

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du festival de Confolens



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## Henri Coursaget—CIOFF Honorary President

The main event on **August 15th** will be **the tribute to Henri!** President of the Festival for many years and founding president of CIOFF, he decided that the 50th Festival would be a good time to hand over his duties as the Festival President.

This hand he has so often held out to these people of the world, to his friends, to you volunteers, to us organizers ... This brotherly hand, warm and human he managed to pass from generation to generation.

A smile, an exchange, an act of friendship : are they not better than all these troubles of violence and rift that we experience in today's world ?

Let us be « ambassadors of peace » as Henri Coursaget has shown us for 50 years and let us be able to proclaim louder and for many years this spirit of open-mindedness, of tolerance



and of humanity which he managed to share with us in Confolens and in the whole world thanks to the network built by CIOFF.

All together, artists, volunteers, organizers, audience .. we will pay him a well-deserved tribute, throughout this day and night of August 15th ... Without any doubt the night will go on to allow us to celebrate all together !  
**FIFTY YEARS to celebrate !**

## Thank you Henri !

Philippe Beaussant  
Director of the festival of Confolens  
General Secretary of CIOFF



## PEOPLE IN CIOFF

### CIOFF USA—REX BURDETTE

At a gala dinner April 16, 2007, at Big Cedar Lodge, Branson, MO, Rex Burdette was presented with the CIOFF North American Sector Silver Award for Meritorious Service. In attendance were members of the international ensembles participating in World Fest at Silver Dollar City. L. DeWayne Young, CIOFF USA Treasurer, made the presentation on behalf of the sector. Rex served CIOFF USA (International Council of Organizations of Folklore Festivals and Folk

Art, USA section) for many years; chaired the international CIOFF Finance committee - introducing the concept of matching funds; and served as president of CIOFF USA. He has brought international folk dance and music ensembles, as well as craftsmen to the USA - World Fest at Silver Dollar City, Branson, MO, and Festival of Nations at Dollywood, Pigeon Forge, TN - and actively assisted other USA festivals in obtaining outstanding groups. Rex has actively recruited and sent



American traditional folk ensembles abroad, introducing many to festivals throughout the world.

He has received numerous awards, including Utah's first annual "Preservation of American Folk Art" award in 2006, and a special award from Bulgaria.

### CIOFF USA - VIRGINIA TOPITZES

Virginia Topitzes, Past President of the National Folk Organization of the USA and past Secretary for NFO and CIOFF USA, was honoured by the International Institute of Wisconsin.

She was presented the Expressive Cultural Heritage Award at the



World Citizen Celebration, Saturday, April 21, 2007 in Milwaukee.

The Iberian Spanish Dancers which she

founded 50 years ago, performed, as a surprise for her, at the event.

*Submitted by L. DeWayne Young,  
CIOFF USA*

## SAD NEWS



### *In Memory of Shmuel Bialik*

On the 17th of June 2007 the oldest honorary member of CIOFF, Shmuel Bialik, passed away at the age of nearly 98 years.

Shmuel Bialik was the representative of Israel since the early days of CIOFF. In 1978 he organised the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Executive Bureau and in 1991 the World Congress, both in his town: Haifa. He had to organise the latter on very short notice because he replaced another candidate, who resigned at the last moment. He was very relieved that in spite of the difficult situation during the cold war period most of

the member countries attended. Even the Minister of Culture of the Soviet Republic of Kirghiztan was present.

During the World Congress in Fuglsö, Denmark, in 1995 he was appointed Honorary Member. He was the first active member who received this honour. His 86<sup>th</sup> birthday was celebrated on 15 September with a huge cake. He attended his last World Congress in 1997 in Thessaloniki, Greece, where he was accompanied by his son Ami, because his health did not allow him to travel alone anymore.

People that have known him will certainly remember his humorous interventions in the congresses and above all his reaction "bla, bla, bla..." when the discussions took too long and did not result in decisions. But above all he will be remembered as the initiator of the CIOFF World Folkloriadas. Therefore he will always remain our *Papa Folkloriada*.

He launched the idea for a CIOFF

*World Folkloriada*, where groups from all the member countries could participate, at the World Congress in Haifa in 1991. In 1993 in Ireland it was decided that the 1<sup>st</sup> CIOFF World Folkloriada would be organized in Brunssum in the Netherlands in 1996. And it turned out to be a big success. Luckily he could attend although his health was not very good anymore.

On the other hand he could not attend the next two: Sapporo in Japan in 2000 was too far for him and for Budapest in Hungary in 2004 he was already too weak. Nevertheless he was very proud that his idea continued to be realized.

As a tribute to him the Central European Sector will produce a selection of the three past Folkloriadas on DVD.

So he will not be forgotten...

*Siegfried Verbeelen,  
Honorary Member, June 2007*



## FOCUS ON CHILDREN

### II . INTERNATIONAL SMILING CHILD FESTIVAL ISTANBUL 20 – 24 APRIL 2007

Turkish Spinal Cord Injuries Association has organized First International Smiling Child Festival with the cooperation of Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality. In the year 2006, 500 disabled and non-disabled children from 13 countries participated.



The Festival gives a unique opportunity to various countries to show how to cope with disability, by presenting cultural and historical richness to the world and the chance to give the opportunity to our disabled children to express themselves. That is why Smiling Child Festival is being organized traditionally every year.

Our primary purpose of founding this organization is to help handicapped children to socialize with other children and to protect the future of them in this changing world in conjunction with the 23rd April - National Children's Day, which the great leader Ataturk has given as a gift to the children of the whole world. Our children are our future and to protect their rights is our duty.



The Turkish Association of Spinal Cord Injuries has organised the Second International Smiling Child Festival in Istanbul, Turkiye between the dates of 20-24th April 2007 for the disabled children who are 7-15 years old from all over the world with the support of the Ministry of Culture, Istanbul Government, Metropolitan Municipality of İstanbul. We invited disabled and mixed (disabled & nondisabled) children's groups that have any kind of stage performance like folklore, modern dance or talented individual children that can sing or play musical instrument or have any kind of visual work or piece of art that can be exhibited in the Festival.



The disabled children who came from various countries of the world and many cities of Turkey were hosted for a whole week in Istanbul, one of the most beautiful cities of the world. They experienced unforgettable moments in Istanbul through getting to know the Turkish culture and hospitality.

From Smiling Child Festival to the whole world, all disabled and non-disabled children will give the message of a world where all the obstacles to peace and brotherhood have been demolished.

About 1000 participants took part in 2007 in festival : 40 groups from 28 countries of the world.

The Polish Section of CIOFF recommended the small group from Integra-



tion Dance Club in Poznan of 4 couples (4 disabled and 4 non-disabled) of children dancing the Polish national dances. In each couple one child was dancing in a wheelchair. The teacher and instructor of the dance is Mrs. Jadwiga Banas.

Children are taking home unforgettable memories and impressions for friends and families . They are proud that they managed to represent Poland and themselves as well as possible through the Polish national dances and Polish cultural heritage. The came back home happy with this wonderful adventure.

Mrs Jadwiga Banas felt that she managed to fulfil children's dreams She felt also that her dream is also fulfilled as there is no more valuable treasure in the world than the smile of a child.



*Submitted by Jerzy Chmiel,  
CIOFF Poland*

## FOCUS ON YOUTH

### CIOFF YOUTH WORLD FORUM

From 15th July till 23rd July 2007 the 3rd CIOFF Youth World Forum is going to take place in the city of Laggenbeck, Germany,

The forum for CIOFF Youth is a special event. Through the Forum, the Youth from different parts of the World find the ideal environment for discussions of common topics. Topics relate to the preservation, safeguarding and diffusion of the traditional culture of our nations. The Forum expresses a clear manifestation of cultural diversity and intercultural dialogue. It makes it possible to reach important resolutions and make valuable proposals.

This year, without a doubt is a special year for CIOFF Youth Movement. Fifteen years have gone by since the creation of the first CIOFF Youth Commission in Argentina. Since 1992 significant events happened in the youth movement history: the organization of Youth Sector Meetings (since 1999), two World Forums (Argentina 2001 and Turkey 2004) and also the organization of a continental seminar supported by UNESCO (Argentina 2003).

The forum will have interesting complementary activities, such as, Cultural Conferences and Workshops.

The youth movement is as strong as always. We're crossing an important generational change. However, we have the security of a promising future.

The "World-wide Program of re-valuation of the traditional games" is the clearest example of the constant work of our movement. In addition, the program is our most important activity and has an important projection for the next three years.

With the vision to demonstrate the valuable contribution that the youth have provided to the development of CIOFF activities, the Forum will be also take time to set up the new Youth Commissions.

All the CIOFF National Sections received the invitation. The participation of your young people is going to be an excellent support for our movement .

We invite you to discover all that we can do together - young people and adults -. Our work could be important also outside festivals and dance groups environment.



*Folkloriada 1996*

The youth are not only the future, we are also the present. The proposals that we present in the national, continental and international level, the World Forum that we organize constitute our present input.

The Youth World Forum is waiting for your young people. Don't deny their right to play important role in the discovery of their roots.

*Submitted by Ramiro Mansutti,  
CIOFF Youth Argentina*

## CIOFF ANNOUNCEMENT !!!

### CIOFF WEBMASTER -URGENTLY REQUIRED

CIOFF is urgently looking for a new Webmaster to be in charge of re-designing and updating the CIOFF Website. If you have a suitable person in your National Section, who will be able and willing to:

- Create a new design of CIOFF Website
  - Look after updating and changing the information on C I O F F W e b s i t e ([www.cioff.org](http://www.cioff.org))
- Voluntarily oversee those

tasks on a very regular (at least weekly) basis.

Please contact us URGENTLY by e-mail:

[info@cioff.org](mailto:info@cioff.org) or  
[webmaster@cioff.org](mailto:webmaster@cioff.org)

## FOCUS ON FUTURE EVENTS

### 37th CIOFF World Congress, Monterrey, Mexico 26th October—2nd November 2007

CIOFF Mexico is looking forward to welcome all the National Delegations to the 37th CIOFF World Congress in Monterrey.

The programme and invitations to the Congress and General Assembly have been posted to all the National Sections and delegates.

CIOFF Mexico sent their Slide Presentation, which was viewed at the CIOFF Council Meeting in Luxemburg in April 2007.



The delegates will be met at the Monterrey International Airport, all the delegates will be staying at the Holiday Inn Hotel

in the Centre of Monterrey.

The General Assembly will take place at the Centro Cultural Universitario, Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León.

At the end of the Congress CIOFF Mexico will offer Cultural Tour (México City and Teotihuacan) coordinated by Mr. Alejandro Camacho, Secretary of CIOFF Mexico.

### 38th CIOFF World Congress—Istanbul, Turkey 8th - 16th November 2008

The 38th CIOFF World Congress will be held in Istanbul between 8th-16<sup>th</sup> November 2008 organised by CIOFF TURKEY.

The detailed presentation of the organization and programme will be given at the CIOFF World Congress that will be held in Mexico.

Further information and details are available at the website of C I O F F T u r k e y .  
[www.cioffturk.com](http://www.cioffturk.com)



### After CIOFF Hard Work...



“Jerzy modelling an alternative Polish National Costume”



“Jean-François sharing his secret of looking young with Philippe”

# CIOFF ANNOUNCEMENT - CULTURAL COMMISSION

## COMPETITION FOR THE OFFICIAL CIOFF MUSICAL SIGNAL (FANFARE)

The International Council of Organisations of Folklore Festivals and Folk Art announces the International COMPETITION for the official CIOFF signal.

The signal (musical code) is expected to be used in the following circumstances :

- Opening and closing ceremonies of the World Congress
- Opening and closing ceremonies of the other annual meetings of the organisation
- Opening and closing ceremonies of Folkloriada
- Opening and closing ceremonies of CIOFF Festivals
- Opening and closing ceremonies of other official CIOFF manifestations

### Principles of the competition :

The signal should correspond to the following criteria :

**Duration :** between 40 and 45 seconds maximum

**Style :** festive music finishing into major (orchestral only)

**Beginning :** in the form of a ringing

**End :** with panache (brio) and into major

**Character :** should reflect the spirit of our organisation and character of activities – Traditional Culture –

**Orchestration :** of an international style, corresponding to the international significance of our organisation

**Metric :** preferably binary and dynamic.

### Regulations :

1. The competition is opened at all National Sections. Each National Section is allowed to present only one proposal
2. The competition proposal should be presented in form of score (in the case of composition) with demonstrative audio presentation (CD – DVD)
3. Document explaining the choice, the origin and the name of composer of the music should accompany the proposal in a closed envelope.
4. In the case of special composition, the composer (author) should transfer the copyrights to CIOFF
5. International jury of musicians nominated by CIOFF will evaluate the proposals and will report the conclusions to the Council.
6. The main reward would be presentation of the name of composer in all CIOFF publications as well as inviting composer for the first signal official public presentation
7. The deadline for sending the proposals is January 31<sup>st</sup> 2008.
8. The proposal should be addressed to the Cultural Commission of CIOFF.

[www.cioff.org](http://www.cioff.org)

## NEXT PUBLICATIONS OF CIOFF NEWSLETTER

*The new CIOFF Newsletters will be published twice per year: after the Spring Council Meeting and after the CIOFF annual Congress.*

*The fourth CIOFF newsletter will come out in December 2007 with the deadline for information submission of 1<sup>st</sup> December 2007.*

*If your Festivals, National Sections, CIOFF Sectors, Commissions or Working Groups have any interesting or important information, which you would like to submit to be included into the next CIOFF Newsletter, please send it to:*

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