

CONFERENCE COORDINATOR - Juan Carlos Alonso Reguero

PROMOTION OF EPOA

- During the last Madrid International fair of tourism (FITUR) from 28th of January to 1st of February, 2015 I made a special promotion from EPOA at the stand AEGAL had in the LGBT area of the fair.
- Took place several meetings and a workshop to Exchange experiences. The objective of these actions, was to promote Madrid Pride, Madrid World Pride 2017, Europride Riga 2015 and EPOA.
- All this promotional events were performed with the collaboration of my team of volunteers and the support of AEGAL.
- Since I occupied one position on the EPOA Board of Directors since 2007, all printed programs, brochures, and informative items of Madrid Pride, Madrid World Pride 2017 are displaying the INTERPRIDE & EPOA logos following my instructions in order to promote the Associations.
- All these materials were distributed all over Spain territory, certain tourist information corners of Spain in Europe and international fairs of tourism.

MEETINGS

-I have met with the organizers of Pride Ibiza, which in July 2015 held its first edition, and invited them to join EPOA . I keep in touch with them by offering help, information and support they need.

-I have had meetings with the new Board of Directors from COGAM (LGBT Association from Madrid) & FELGTB (National Federation LGBT from Spain).

These meetings had two objectives:

- Continue to work together and strengthen support of both organizations to Madrid World Pride 2017

-Contact and keep meetings with the 23 Prides registered in Spain. in order to invite them to become members of EPOA.

- During the election campaign last may, I also have held meetings with all candidates for the Madrid City Council and the Regional Government in order to announce our Organization and seek support for Madrid World Pride 2017 and our presence at future Conferences and AGM in Amsterdam and Montpellier.

- Once formed the new City Hall and Regional Government, these meetings have become to produce again.

WORK PERFORMED AS CONFERENCE COORDINATOR FROM EPOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

-I worked together with Lucien Spee (Amsterdam Pride) in the Organization of EPOA AGM (from 3rd to 6th of September in Amsterdam).

- I visit Amsterdam from 22th to 24th of May :

I had different meetings with the Amsterdam Pride team. We had the opportunity to supervise the program, workshops and content of the Conference. We also visited the hotel of the Conference, meeting rooms, rooms, restaurant...

-In coloboration with Ruben De Keyser, (EPOA's Outreach and Member Services Coordinator) We are inviting all our Associates to participate in the EPOA AGM and we aim to increase the participation of guest, not partners.

Also in coloboration with Ruben De Keyser, another objetive set for the year 2015 is to increase by at least 15% Prides associated to EPOA. The result of this work is that they have achieved to date 7 new members:

Prague

Moldova

Azores Pride

Belgrade

Kiev

Copenhagen

Dublin

Also we have maintained contacts with Verona Pride (Italy, Region 14), which is a committee formed by different Prides. We are studying which is the way for them to associate.

-I have attended all the “ EPOA Board Meetings” that had taken place to date:

Brussels (14th to 16th of November 2014)

Vienna (30th of January to 1st of February 2015)

Dublin (10th to 12th April 2015)

Also I have participated in all monthly skype call of EPOA Board of Directors.

“ PRIDES VISITED “

During 2015, I visited, together with other members of the Board, the following Prides:

“West Pride” Göteborg (12-14 June)

“EUROPRIDE RIGA 2015” (June 18 – 21):

We actively participate in all Europride Program. Especially in the Parade and the “Freedom Conference”. My heartiest congratulations to Mozaika and all the Europride 2015 team for one of the best Europrides in the history.

“ Madrid Pride “ (July 1 – 5) :

During the “Opening Ceremony” in “Plaza de Chueca” our President, Hans de Meyer, received the international Madrid Pride award , which recognizes the work that makes EPOA, promoting Prides across Europe and especially, of course, the Europride.

On thursday 2nd of July, Hans de Meyer, Ruben de Keyser and me attended the reception at the American Embassy. The rest of the week we participate in all activities and, of course, in the Parade.

Hans de Meyer, President of EPOA, with me, close this edition of Madrid Pride.

“Lesbian & Gay Pride” Montpellier. (July 10 – 12)

We actively participate in all Lesbian & Gay Pride Program. Also I visit the Hotel for the next 2016 Interpride & EPOA Conference in Montpellier and I had meetings with the team of the Conference and visit the city in order to prepare the program for this Conference.

EUROPRIDE RIGA 2015 WEEKEND IN MADRID (May 29 -31)

Different actions were taken to promote the Europride of Riga in Madrid and Spain:

Meeting between Kaspars Zalitis with the LGBT media in Spain.

Meeting between Mozaika and LGBT Associations from Madrid and Spain.

Different promotional actions from Europride Riga, focusing on different bars, clubs in the gay district and 600 pins and promotional materials were distributed in all the streets of Chueca neighborhood

WORLD AIDS DAY EVENTS

November 30, as every year, HELP (Solidarity Week) in collaboration with COGAM and FELGTB organized the tribute to de AIDS victims in Puerta de Alcalá, Madrid.