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WACS European Continental NORTH Director's Monthly Report

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Memo to WACS members

21st of November 2004

Dear President Metz and members of the WACS Executive Board,

I am pleased to send you the November monthly report of activities and relevant info from WACS member countries in the northern Europe region.

I will give my colleges in northern Europe a great applause for their outstanding work at IKA in Erfurt, total 9 country out of my 13 that I have responsibility for was presenting a national team in IKA. I had the opportunity to meet many from my region and have a little chat. It was great to meet so many at the same time this week and many colleges gave my great tips on many issues about WACS and their own chefs association. I am extremely proved of our colleges from Sweden, they made a great work at IKA like many other countries but they defiantly hade a great day.

Like most of you all then I have been working in my own business sins I came from Erfurt and like you all know then it is important to take care of the business. I have had phone meeting with some of my friends in Norway, Finland, Denmark, and got email from Belarussian and they are making their application for membership to WACS ready, I hade the opportunity to meet some of them in Erfurt. I will meet our friend Brian Cotterill in London on 22nd of November on my way to Brazil where I will be judging in a competition with our friend Jorge Monte. I look at this as a great opportunity to have possibility to understand and se the cuisine and meet colleges from different countries of South American.

I am happy that the board of WACS has accepted the application from Serbia Montenegro and I hope we will approve the application from Estonia, Belarussia and Lithuania before the congress in 2006.

Together with Bill Gallagher than we are working on a new competition between North and South pole and we hope that we can have this competition first time in Reykjavik the year 2006, when we are ready with our work than we will present it for you all.

Chefs regard,

Gissur Gudmundsson



European Continental NORTH

 Azerbaijan Republic	Logo missing	The Azelbaijan National Culinary Assn.
 Denmark		Kokkencheffernes Forening
 Finland		Finnish Chef Association
 Great Britain		Chefs and Cooks Circle
 Iceland		Icelandic Chefs Association
 Ireland	Logo missing	Panel of Chefs of Ireland
 Latvia		Latvian Cooks Association LPKA
 Norway		Norges Kokkemesteres Landsforening
 Russia	Logo missing	Russian Interregional Culinary Association
 Scotland		Federation of Chefs Scotland
 Sweden		Sveriges Kokscheferes Forening
 Ukraine	Logo missing	Association of Culinary Workers of Ukraine
 Wales		The Welsh Culinary Association



Regional Member Ship – Northern Europe Countries

The present member status in Northern Europe:
Grand Total of **12.379 Members with 138 Regions.**

Countries	Members	Regions
Azerbaijan	498	0
Denmark	400	4
Finland	1024	14
Great Britain	387	15
Iceland	120	0
Ireland	200	6
Latvia	400	0
Norway	1400	22
Russia	?	37
Scotland	250	2
Sweden	2500	16
Ukraine	5000	22
Wales	200	0

Applying Countries	Members	Regions
Estonia		
Bial Russia		
Lithuania		

Please if some of this information is wrong or they need a update please email me and I will correct them.



News from the Region

Azerbaijan

Denmark

Finland

Great Britain

Iceland

Ireland

Latvia

Norway

Russia

Scotland

Missing website

www.kfdk.dk

www.chefs.fi

www.chefsandcookscircle.co.uk

www.nkf-chefs.com/icelandic

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www.latviancooks.lv

www.norgeskokker.no

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Culinary Excellence Awards

The Federation of Chefs Scotland launched in May of this year Culinary Excellence Awards, these awards are supported by all the premier companies from the industry over 300 guests attended an Awards Dinner at the Glasgow Hilton Hotel, in May, the awards will we hope become the ' Culinary Oscars ' which all chefs wish to aspire to.

The 2005 Awards will be held on 12 May 2005, currently we are developing the criteria with the Awards Board and I will send publicity for the WACS Web Site

<http://site.org.uk/scothot/pages/index-vis.htm>

WACS World Culinary Grand Prix 25 - 28 April 2005

Unfortunately we are unable to participate in this event at least for this year, the lead time has been far too short therefore our Board decided that it is better not to get involved if we could not give it 100% perhaps next year.

(News from Neil Thomson, Secretary Federation of Chefs Scotland 6th of October)

Sweden

Ukraine

Wales

www.swedishchefs.se

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www.welshculinaryassociation.com

News from the Applying Countries

Estonia

www.chef.ee

Bial Russia

Lithuania

www.lrvvk.lt



Activities around the world

Activities 2004

Nov 26 – 28	Fenaostra	Brazil
Des 2 – 4	Food & Hotel Vietnam 2004	Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
2005		
Jan 19 – 21	The FinnSkills Competition	Turku Finland www.taitaja2005.com
Jan 25-26	Bocuse d'Or	Lyon France www.bocusedor.com
Feb 4 – 6	Artistica	Italy www.fic.it
Feb 20-23	Gulf Food Dubai	www.gulfood.com
March 2-4	Food and Hotel Korea Seoul Korea	www.fhko.com
Mar 15-17	FHC Food and Hotel China Beijing China	www.fhcbeijing.com
Mar 16 – 19	Russia	
Apr 6-9	Food and Hotel Indonesia Jakarta Indonesia	www.pamerindo.com
Apr 18-29	World Gourmet Summit, "A Theatre of Taste" Singapore	www.worldgourmetsummit.com
Apr 25 – 28	Scot Hot	Glasgow, Scotland
Apr 28 – 1 may	Nordic Congress	Copenhagen, Denmark
Apr 30	Chefs of the Nordic	Copenhagen, Denmark
Apr 29 – 30	Nordic Judging course	Copenhagen, Denmark
May 10-13	HOFEX Hong Kong SAR	www.hofex.com
June 23-26	Culinary Art	Colombo Sri Lanka
Aug 24-28	9 th WACS Asia Pacific Forum MLA BB 3 rd Regional Final	Gold Coast Australia
Nov		Basil, Switzerland

2006

Mar 2 – 5	Food2006	Reykjavik, Iceland
Mar 2 – 5	First South and North Pole Culinary Challenges	Reykjavik, Iceland
Mar 2 – 5	Chef of the Nordic and Nordic Judging course	Reykjavik, Iceland
Mar 12-16	32 nd WACS Congress Auckland New Zealand	www.nzchefs.org.nz
Apr 25-28	FHA Culinary Challenge Singapore	www.foodnhotelasia.com
April	World Gourmet Summit, "A Theatre of Taste", Singapore	www.worldgourmetsummit.com
Sept	10 th WACS Asia Pacific Forum	Thailand

2007

Sept	11 th WACS Asia Pacific Forum	Malaysia
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2008

	33 rd WACS Congress	Dubai UAE
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Please if you like to add some event to this calendar or website address to some of this events than don't hesitate to mail information to me.

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