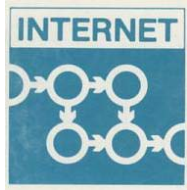




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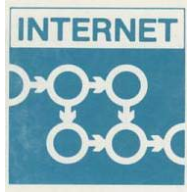
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Did you know that IPMA (International Project Management Association) is our third name in 40 years?

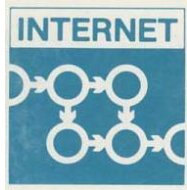
The **first name** was **IMSA** (International Management Systems Association).

In **1964**, along with an European aircraft project Pierre Koch of France invited Dick Vullings from The Netherlands and Roland Gutsch from Germany to discuss the benefits of the Critical Path Method (CPM) as a management approach. CPM shows a way to manage huge projects with international sponsors, uncertain results as well as with complex influences and dependencies from different technical disciplines. This group was chaired by Yves Eugene from AFIRO (Association Française d'Informatique et de Recherche Opérationnelle). Professor Arnold Kaufmann suggested an INTERNational NETWORK - INTERNET.

1965 this group of people founded the **IMSA**, independent from companies and officially located in Switzerland, the most respected and politically neutral country in Western Europe in these days of the "Cold War". Insiders called this decision very beneficial for Roland Gutsch. He lived in Friedrichshafen at the north shore of the Lake of Constance so it was very convenient for him to take the ferry to Switzerland for chocolates and cigarettes.

1967 the Czechoslovak Project Management Science Group invited to join the first "all-state" conference on the "Methods of Network Analysis" in Prague. PhD Vladimira Machova was the host beside the political officials in these days.

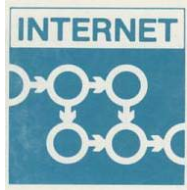
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1967, with the sponsorship of the International Computer Centre in Rome, managed by Professor Claude Berge, the first International World Congress took place in Vienna. From now on **INTERNET** was the official association name. --- A young organiser of the first World Congress was Gerold Patzak, who became a professorship in Austria and the USA, and who today is an Assessor of PM-ZERT of the German GPM.

If anyone wonders today, why two international conferences took place in the same year, there is a simple reason. People from East-European countries had only a small chance to participate in western conferences, but western participants were very welcome in the East.

1968 the Network Planning Association in Sweden was founded. A key person in this time was Olof Hörberg, the first President of INTERNET. --- **1971** the Swiss Association of Engineers and Architects established the INTERNET-CH Group as collective Member of IMSA. --- **1972** the British organisation was inaugurated as "Internet (UK)". --- **1973** INTERNET-A in Austria was founded. --- **1975** the Danish Project Management Society started. Steen Lichtenberg and Morten Fangel had organised the 3rd World Congress the year before in Stockholm. Later both became presidents of the INTERNET. --- **1979** the German GPM was founded after the 6th World Congress in Garmisch-Partenkirchen (Germany).



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1981 world experts on “Network Planning” were invited to the first joint PMI (Project Management Institute Canada) – INTERNET Congress in Boston. The Chairman was Robert B. Gillis, who was in these days member of the Board of INTERNET too.

Isn't it remarkable to read these facts today??

1994 AFITEP in France organised the 13th World Congress (1996) in Paris. INTERNET got a namesake – a new international telecommunication system. Participants on PMI conferences visited the INTERNET booth to get the latest news of INTERNET development. Visitors gave us puzzled looks when getting information about our PM Associations while they thought of the telecommunication technology. --- Finally the French congress team declared strictly: “Change the name or the World Congress will not take place in Paris again.” The Executive Board (ExBo) renamed INTERNET to **IPMA** (our **third** and actual **name**), but retained the logo.

You will find more dates and details in the following

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You already have started the CD-ROM, which was produced as a gift for IPMA's 40 Years Anniversary and which was distributed to the IPMA family during the birthday dinner of the 19th IPMA World Congress in New Delhi.

This first version 2005 shows a first documentation with the following chapters

Chapter 1	Organization and Officers
Chapter 2	National Associations
Chapter 3	World Congresses
Chapter 4	Symposia
Chapter 5	Expert Seminars & Workshops

This first version 2005 is not complete. We propose kindly to recognise this documentation as an initiation and motivation to complete this first edition with important, but so far not provided information, key dates and photos. You might agree that this work is really important, as

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This edition describes only about 75 % of all existing information of important value.

Therefore we decided not to print this version 2005. The first printed version we plan to present on the next IPMA World Congress 2006 in Shanghai. We, Klaus Pannenbaecker and Sebastian Dworatschek, promise to take care of the 2006 version. Our dream is 95% completeness.

We also suggest to continue this documentation with updates every 2-3 years as it will prove to be useful.

Each National Association can use this material for its own advertisement.

IPMA is more able to underline and communicate its competences.

We both thank the IPMA ExBo for this project and the budget. We congratulate the National Associations for their contribution. We thank especially Karin Dworatschek to find the right photos out of thousands about the decades of INTERNET / IPMA life time as well as Dorothea Bensch-Pannenbaecker for her experience and patience on the computer.

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