

## Dear EPA members and colleagues,

2015 has been an exciting year for the EPA – with the successful 17<sup>th</sup> EPA congress and exhibition in Berlin in September as the highlight.

We wish you all a peaceful christmas, a quiet time during the holidays and a great start into the new year.

Elisabeth Herles and Gerry Trost-Heutmekers, EPA Secretariat



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## EPA Board – Allocation of responsibilities

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## EPA Policy and Strategy Committee

Ferenc Kocsis is the new chairman of Policy and Strategy committee. He took over from Peter Martens who had successfully lead this committee for the past ten years. Peter will support Ferenc initially and will remain active in the Policy and Strategy committee as well as the organisation of the 18th EPA congress in Rotterdam in September 2017.



## Push&Pull: Trainings

As part of the project Push&Pull, which is funded by the EU, trainings are being organised. The purpose of these national training events will be to train city authorities and mobility

experts, who will introduce or improve parking space management in cities with the aim to use (parts) of the revenues to foster sustainable mobility. The training events address city authorities, mobility experts, transport consultants, researchers or any other professionals working in the field of sustainable urban mobility. For further information or registration to a training event please visit the project website.



[www.push-pull-parking.eu](http://www.push-pull-parking.eu)

## New EPA full member: Polish Parking Association



POLSKA ORGANIZACJA  
BRANZY PARKINGOWEJ

[www.pobp.org.pl](http://www.pobp.org.pl)

EPA welcomes a new national member association. The Polish Organisation of Parking Industry (polish: Polska Organizacja Branży Parkingowej; POBP) was established in July 2015. The founding companies are parking operators, equipment resellers and manufacturers, some of which are local companies, others are subsidiaries of multinational organizations.

Objectives of POBP are to participate in national, regional and local policies in relations to parking, to work together with law-making institutions, in terms of motions and opinions regarding legal acts that could impact activities of members, to promote the development of the parking industry and to create and care about the industry's ethical standards.

## Women in Parking WIP Networking Event at Intertraffic 2016

An informational networking event for Women In Parking (WIP) will be held on 7 April 2016 during the Intertraffic in Amsterdam. The event aims to engage discussion regarding the formation of a Women In Parking European Chapter. Women In Parking is the premier association dedicated to promoting the advancement of female parking professionals by providing networking, leadership and career outreach opportunities to its members. The organization was originally founded in 2011 in the United States but has since garnered international support and interest in membership.



WOMEN  
IN PARKING

All parking professionals regardless of gender are invited to attend and support the organization's mission to promote a more diverse workplace. Guest speakers from the European parking community as well as Women In Parking members from the United States will be present.

**Contact for a personal invitation:** WIP Secretary Tiffany Yu, email: [yu.tiffany@scheidt-bachmann-usa.com](mailto:yu.tiffany@scheidt-bachmann-usa.com)

**Date:** 7 April 2016, 5-7 pm CEST **Location:** Booth 02.102 (Scheidt & Bachmann), Hall 2, RAI Amsterdam, Netherlands



## EPA Brochure



A new handbook presents the European Parking Association, its range of activities, its member associations, congresses, cooperations, projects and representation. A comprehensive and valuable source of information for everybody related to parking in Europe who wants to get to know the EPA.

The A5 brochure with 36 pages is being distributed to all EPA members and is available by request from the EPA Secretariat.

## European Standard Parking Award and ESPA GOLD

The European Standard Parking Award ESPA is a standard for good quality in parking structures. ESPA Gold is for those car parks with high levels of customer services and comfort. EPA provides a comprehensive excel checklist for download on its website, whilst each national member association independently organises the procedure to award the standard to the operators or owners of the parking facility.



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The excel checklist for the ESPA and ESPA Gold has been debugged and amended during the course of last year. The current version recommended for use is 1v22. It is available for download on the EPA website [www.europeanparking.eu](http://www.europeanparking.eu) together with a manual to fill in the list. The excel checklist is currently available in English, German, Portugues, French, Dutch and Spanish. EPA member associations may order the acrylic signs including mounting parts at 200,- € per piece at the EPA Secretarit and are requested to inform the Secretariat which car park has been awarded.

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## Conferences, Events, Seminars

### 18<sup>th</sup> EPA Congress and Exhibition



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