



JANUARY 2010

## EDITORIAL



A new year has just started, rich in projects for our members and partners; you will find here a reminder of current events.

To structure our action, we have initiated our working groups, some of which *Compagnons des Ports du Monde* and *Tourism and Communication* are starting to concretely bear fruit.

Just as we now have correspondents meant to reinforce the Network in each port city...

Now it is up to you to enrich these initiatives by suggestions, proposals, experiences. You can count on us to collect and release the news from each port city, and efficiently promote the actions you would like to highlight.

As our yearly Presidency is about to open with Denmark, I would like to wish you all a prosperous year!

Yours sincerely,

Loïc Frémont

## NEW MEMBERS 2009

Thirteen new members in 2009 :

Spectaculaires, Espace des sciences de Rennes, Groupe Hersant Media (Lyon), CCI Marseille-Provence, Glasgow Cultural Entreprises, MBA-Multimedia, Essilor Canada, Groupe Fairmont (Hôtels Reine Elizabeth et Château Frontenac), Selectour Voyages Morvan, Société des Amis de Jacques Cartier.

Our correspondents (non subscribers):

Béatrice Javaudin, Clientis, Montréal – Economic Affairs

Sylvie Gendreau, Les Cahiers de l'Imaginaire, Dinard, Montreal –Cultural Affairs

Jérémy Rossignol, Président 2009 of the « Jeune Chambre Economique » in Pékin

## GLASGOW : CELTIC CONNECTIONS FESTIVAL

For 17 years, the Celtic Connections festival took place in Glasgow. It was held this year from 14th to 31st January 2010.



At this occasion, Genoa, Glasgow, Saint-Malo, Sonderborg met on the 29th January 2010 for the **Showcase Scotland**, to work on various topics and introduce the Danish delegation (Iben Hausschultz, Communication Officer and Else Redzepovic, Project Manager European Capital of Culture, Sonderborg

Kommune) to people responsible for Culture in Glasgow.

We remind you that Glasgow will take on the presidency of the Network in **2014**, at the occasion of the Commonwealth games. The Network will benefit from new perspectives towards member states, just like **Cadix**, taking on the presidency in 2012, with openings towards Latin America.

## NEWS FROM CANADA IN 2010

The Network reinforced its northern pole in Canada, thanks to new members and partners in Montreal and Quebec.

The Fairmont Group, represented by Caroline Ouellette, Sales Manager, confirmed their subscription to the Network with the hotel Queen **Elizabeth** in Montreal and **Château Frontenac** in Quebec.

The Company **Essilor Canada**, (subsidiary of Essilor International is world leader in ophtalmic optics), represented by Gérard Malledant, President, is now an associate member.

Beginning of 2010, the coordination team has acted as a go-between for Clientis, our correspondent in Montreal by organizing meetings with CCI Rennes, ESC Rennes, IDEA 35, Thermes Marins of Saint-Malo, Selectour Voyages Morvan, Palais du Grand Large.

Through the "Société des Amis de Jacques Cartier", the fondation Macdonald Stewart, owner of the Manoir Jacques Cartier in Saint-Malo, is a member of the Network since 2009. With Spectaculaires (also member of the Network), the foundation wishes to develop this partnership, and renew the summer event entitled « On m'appelait Jacques Cartier ».

Other cultural events: note that the **Jazz Ballets of Montreal** performed in Saint-Malo, at the Théâtre de la Ville, **on 7th February 2010**, and the Théâtre du Nouveau Monde will soon perform as well.

## READY FOR SCIENCES



In partnership with Espace des sciences of Rennes, member of the Network, the third conference of the series « The Thursdays of Espace des sciences » took place on February 3rd at 20h30 at Théâtre de la Ville, Saint-Malo: **A fantastic journey to the centre of the brain**, with **Jean-Didier Vincent**, neurobiologist, Professor at the French University Institute and at the medical University of Southern Paris. More than 500 people responded to the invitation.

The next conference, **At the laser light**, with **Marc Brunet and Marc Vallet**, physicians, Professors at the Institute of Physics of Rennes, University Rennes1 will take place on **4th March 2010 at 20h30** at Théâtre de la Ville.



**Mission to Genoa from 26th to 29th October 2009** : this mission has been organized at the request of Espace des sciences of Rennes, to show the Science festival of Genoa to a delegation of Rennes Métropole led by **Mrs Sylvie Robert**. The visits and meetings were organized in conjunction with Genoa.

The Network is invited to participate to the next "Notte Bianca" which will take place the second week-end of September 2010. This was confirmed by Cesare Torre, Director of the promotion of Genoa while we were in Glasgow.

## WORKING GROUP : TOURISM

Some local members of the working group **Tourism & Communication** met at the Palais du Grand Large to improve the website and create a space to exchange documents (via extranet). Régis Leguennec (MBA) will make a proposition, submitted to the working group set up in Marseilles and led by Mr François Richou, CG35 and President of Comité Départemental Tourisme.

## « COMPAGNONS DES PORTS DU MONDE »



The projet *Compagnons des Ports du Monde* was presented to the ESC Rennes School of Business and a partnership is now starting, led together with **Laurence Lambert**, head of the International relations of the School.

Glasgow, Cadix, Genoa and Dublin, the four founding historical ports of the Network, will select a young *compagnon des Ports du Monde*. Denmark taking on the Presidency for the year 2010-2011, will also choose a candidate to participate in the project. Application form and conditions required to be loaded on our website!

## INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVES OF THE NETWORK



Following a meeting with Mr Bernard Kouchner, the French Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Network has received the support and patronage of the French Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs which will facilitate our future missions abroad.

## NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD IN RENNES AND SAINT-MALO ON 25th and 26th JUNE

The institutional and economic meeting will probably take place in RENNES and the cultural meeting in SAINT-MALO.

### REMINDER ON THE FUTURE PRESIDENCIES

- 2010-2011 **Denmark**, on the theme of sustainable development and their candidature of «European Capital of culture » in 2017
- 2011-2012 **Cadix** at the occasion of the first liberal Constitution of 1812
- 2012-2013 **Marseilles**, European Capital of Culture 2013
- 2013-2014 **Glasgow**, for the Commonwealth Games
- 2014-2015 **Canada**, Montreal and Quebec

## LIVE FROM THE NETWORK

We ask all our members and partners to send us news from their « port »

### DENMARK



#### From Sonderborg :

In the light of our project « compagnons des ports du monde », the project entitled « Bright Green Youth » at the occasion of the 15th conference on climatic changes organized by the United Nations, seems quite interesting : 500 young people from 14 to 18, out of 40 different countries, have met in August 2009. The objective was to find concrete solutions to problems linked to energy and environment.

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

### SPAIN

The magazine GECA (Gestores culturales de andalucia) published an article written by Antonio Rodriguez Cabañas, director of the Fundacion Provincial de Cadiz. The article presents our Network (in Spanish)

<http://www.gecaandalucia.org/index.php/revistas>

### SCOTLAND

Glasgow is a city where music never stops! Nominated *UNESCO city of music in 2008*, more than a hundred musical events take place each week and has joined the Network of creative cities.

<http://www.glasgowcityofmusic.com>

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