



Appointment of Yves Morin as President: goals of its mandate

At the last UITIC-Calzatecnia Congress held in Mexico, from 7th to 9th October 2010, the first speech of the new President Yves MORIN pointed out the great potential of the UITIC.

I am proud and happy to be elected as President of UITIC for several reasons:

First, UITIC was founded in France, Evian, in 1972, the "French association" then became an "international" association.

Then, two founders of UITIC were managers at CTC at that time, Jean BARADUC and Magdeleine JANERIAT.

Last, the third founder, Georgy BIDEGAIN, was a French shoe manufacturer; he was the uncle of Jean-Pierre BIDEGAIN who is present today.

I would like to remind the objectives of our Association:

- to promote and develop the technical knowledge in our industry.
- to organize international congresses,
- to stimulate exchange of information between its members.

Accordingly, my goals will be:

- To continue the job done by the prior team conducted by Dr. César ORGILÉS. He opened the association to worldwide members (Japan, Taiwan, Mexico...), he managed and succeeded to organize the first UITIC Congress to be held outside Europe, the venue was in Tunis, Africa, held in 2005, and today the first Congress in Latin America, in Leon, Mexico.
- To open our Executive Committee to members from Africa and Asia such as technicians from China, India, Vietnam, etc. It is important to remember that the worldwide production of shoes

is approximately 20 billion pairs, of this figure, Asia manufactures about 80 %. A significant step forward will be to open our Executive Committee and to agree to a representative from Africa as 1st Vice-President, Mr. Malek KHÉLIL, from CNCC.

In consideration of the changing market, we can imagine a Congress located in Asia in the near future...

- Another aspect to consider is the evolution of our Association. Nowadays we have seen that management is important to our industry: Management of Innovation, of Human Resources, of Information, of Marketing, of Fashion, etc.

We have already introduced management topics in our Association, separate from topics of a technical nature, for example our "Award for Management". I feel that we must pay more attention to this dimension in the future.

We could also consider welcoming new management members in our Association, who are not only Technical Managers.

- Finally our Association should be more open to the world, stimulate economic efficiency, stimulate management issues, among them H.R. is one of the most important. And of course, our Association must stimulate innovation in environment, "Sustainable growth" now being a major issue. In conclusion I have a gratifying duty to perform which I know will give us all much pleasure. After resigning from his post in this General Assembly, the Executive Committee proposed to appoint Dr. César ORGILÉS as an Honorary Member of the International Association of Shoe Industry Technicians, the highest honor which we can allow upon any of our own Members.

Dr. ORGILÉS has been a Member of the UITIC



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Committee for 33 years; he held the office of Vice-President from 1983 to 1991. He then held the office of President till present, he has been our president for 19 years, which is the longest term of office in our Association.

And now, it is a great honor to award Dr. SCHMEL with the Diploma of Honorary Membership. Dr SCHMEL joined the Committee in 1987, he held the office of Treasurer from 1996 till 2008. He dedicated 12 years to our Association's accounts. Dr. ORGILÉS and Dr. SCHMEL deserve to be recognized and honored for their valuable contribution to the development of our Association and their active interest in expanding the Association across the European frontiers. We hope we will enjoy their companionship for many years to come.

I also want to congratulate our General Secretary Esperanza ALMODÓVAR, who held this position from 1999 until 2010, without her involvement nothing would have been possible.

Finally, I also want to congratulate all of you for the work completed up until today and with a specific dedication for Roger MAES who brought to our Association a clever view of our Market and so many winning cards. This has proven useful in difficult times!

Thank you very much for your support,
"Muchas Gracias".

Yves MORIN
UITIC President

2012 congress: the call for venue is officially open!

Any country member of UITIC can be a candidate for the 2012 congress.

Please send us at uitic@uitic.org a brief letter/mail before 14 July 2011 stating:

- why your country could organise the next congress (advantages)
- which location and date it might be organized
- which association will be responsible for the whole organization (including finance)

The Executive Committee will vote and take a decision by the end of August in order to decide the country and place of the 2012 congress.

Here are the last locations of the UITIC Congress:

1972	EVIAN	France
1975	ALICANTE	Spain
1977	MAYENCE	Germany
1979	BRISTOL	Great Britain
1981	BELGRADE	Yugoslavia
1983	MILAN	Italy
1985	BUDAPEST	Hungary
1987	ALICANTE	Spain
1989	NANTES	France
1991	MUNICH	Germany
1993	ATHENS	Greece
1996	PORTO	Portugal
1999	FERMO	Italy
2002	BUDAPEST	Hungary
2005	TUNIS	Tunisia
2008	ELCHE	Spain
2010	LEON (Guanajuato)	Mexico

UITIC AT FMM&T INDIA



During the FMM&T trade fair on Saturday 14 May, as UITIC President, Yves MORIN delivered the presentation "From Globalization to Corporate Social Responsibility". The purpose of his communication was to explain how, in Western countries, new consumer approaches regarding sustainable growth have a direct impact on the way companies may drive their business. Specifically, in terms of social responsibility, different social standards are now promoted and requested by buyers for international trade.

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"UITIC AWARDS"

The 2010 UITIC Awards for the three categories were given during the official dinner of the Mexico Congress to:

- Technical - Mr. Enio E. Klein (Brazil), Abicalçados consultant
- Scientific - Mr. Sergio Dulio (Italy), Freelance consultant
- Managerial - Mr. Roberto Plasencia Saldaña (Mexico), Footwear manufacturer

The award-giving ceremony took place during the official dinner of the Congress.

As in previous Congresses, a special mention to the press was included among UITIC Awards: Revista CalzAvance, the dissemination tool of the Chamber of Footwear Industries of the State of Guanajuato (CICEG).

2011 MEMBERSHIP FEES: ARE YOU UP TO DATE?

Paying your membership is important to ensure the quality of UITIC activities. If you haven't already done your payment for this year, please send it to the Treasurer Enrique MONTIEL (emontiel@inescop.es) by using the UITIC form at www.uitic.org.

Fees:

- Associations: 65 € per group of 100 members / 195 € maximum
- Individuals & Technical Centres: 25 €

WEB SITE UPDATE



The UITIC web site has been updated! Launched in 2001, www.uitic.org proposes a large overview of UITIC activities. It now offers updated information concerning the goal of the Union, information about members' geographical area, registration and membership application, Executive Committee presentation, past congresses locations and dates and finally the "news". This part spreads the last press releases, and the archive of all of the UITIC News.

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