

## SPEECH IN THE UKRAINE FOLLOWING THE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

### The President's Annual Report for 2013

I welcome the deputy members of all countries on the 63rd General Assembly here in Stryi, Ukraine.

The European Championships this year and in 2015, Russia stand under a tense political issue with no doubt.

In the Article of our Statutes we have therefore agreed, whereby the Board strictly follows this principle, that our Sports have similar rules to the Olympic Games, which are free from racism, religious or political influences.

Being your President it is my concern that this important convention is respected – for this reason I travelled to Russia and I am now in the Ukraine with you.

We are a large community of Sportsmen and our zeal is the practice of our Sports with respect for the accomplishment of the performance of the competitors, with no barriers whatsoever of his nationality.

2013 is although history, even though the European und World Championships, in Basel with over 150 model cars from 3 different continents was an absolute record! Many thanks to you, several notes reached the SSMC, confirming that it was a unforgettable experience of all present.

In 2013, 27 races in Europe and in 11 countries took place. The 6 Grand Slam Races were frequently booked due to the interesting prizes.

Our contacts to the Australian Sports Friends is more cordial, whereas the contacts to USA would require more spirit of Sportsmanship.

Finally I wish to thank local members for the excellent preparations of the Championships, and of course, our Public Relations Member, Mr. Tonu Sepp, who releases the updated results worldwide.

Finally I wish all members prosperous results, a cordial and peaceful time here in Styri with all our Sports friends.

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