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GPN's General Meeting in Luxembourg is approaching!!



Our next GPN's General Meeting that will take place on October 29th and 30th, 2012, in Luxembourg is approaching. Anders and all Emile Weber's team are preparing every single detail to host the meeting with the highest attendance of the GPN's history (50 participants already registered!!) and they will show us the best of this small but lively and bustling city. Our hotel chosen, [Légère Hotel](#), is very well located and is a perfect starting point for our activities. In case you desire to stay a few extra days and enjoy the City of Luxembourg, [click here](#) and find all the different activities that Luxembourg can offer to you. The agenda will be sent out over the next month, in September.

NEW MEMBERS

GPN'S FAMILY GROWS!!

We're pleased to announce a new member in Malta, Zarb Coaches!! They will attend the meeting as membership candidate during our next General Meeting in Luxembourg. [See more](#)

On the other hand, we are moving forward in South America, and we are considering opportunities with companies in Brazil (Gray Line Brazil) and Peru (Inka Express)!!

NEW PARTNERS

We welcome our new Strategic Alliance Partners:

DAIMLER EVOBUS

We are really happy to count finally with the leading full-line supplier on the European bus and coach market. Daimler



GPN's attendance to IMG's Annual Meeting



IMG (Global Passenger Network's American and Canadian member) held last week, August 13-16, 2013, one of its two annual Strategic meetings (SAM) at Snowbird Resort, Utah. Peter Wagner, our GPN's treasurer, attended the SAM meeting on behalf of GPN where he made a GPN's presentation to IMG Members to update on membership on the GPN. There, it was chosen the IMG's operator of the year, and the company that won the award for 2013 was Free enterprise System.

Group, with its two brands, Mercedes-Benz & Setra, will make us a special presentation in Luxembourg. Looking forward to meeting them and discuss with them further during our GPN's General

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VAN HOOL

GPN is very happy to announce our partnership with them. As you know, Van Hool is a major bus manufacturer in Europe and for over 65 years, they have the reputation for designing and building high quality, state-of-the-art, customized products. Luxembourg will be the beginning of a very fruitful collaboration between them and our GPN's members!

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MONOCHEM

Worldwide Monochem is a global company with 60 years of experience manufacturing premier deodorizers and cleaning solutions. They offer products formulated especially for the Motor Coach. Are you interested in finding out more about Monochem?

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Latest News of our Members



STAF CARS, our GPN Member in Belgium, together with the coach builder Van Hool, are currently designing a “nightliner” coach with 30 Royal Class seats and 30 beds. [See more](#)



REYKJAVIK EXCURSIONS, our GPN member in Iceland, has recently become member of Vakinn, a quality and environmental system specially designed for Icelandic tourism. [See more](#)

Vakinn is a step forward in implementing standards for Reykjavik Excursions – Kynnisferðir. They already have a certification for ISO 14001 Environmental Management System and are well on our way in implementing OHSAS 18001 Occupational Health and Safety System.

BLAGUSS, our GPN member in Austria and Slovakia, continues with a new bus generation of Setra in the future. They take the first buses of Comfort Class 500 and sign a general agreement for 100 buses. [See more](#)



International Motorcoach Group (IMG), the leading motorcoach operator network in North America, introduces its new brand and logo. Based on the pillars of Performance, Excellence, Confidence, IMG’s new brand carries the positioning of “Setting



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Setting the Standard

the Standard.” [See more](#)

OLIVARI, our GPN member in Croatia, released its new catalogue for the season 2014 during July just in time for the RDA workshop in Cologne. The catalogue was presented and promoted during the RDA. Visit their website <http://www.volivari.com/en> and find out more about their services and programs.

VDL Bus & Coach will introduce the Futura FMD2 during Busworld 2013, a new model within the Futura family. The Futura FMD2 is a multipurpose vehicle that takes maximum advantage of the modular construction technique employed by VDL and all the related benefits. The new Futura FMD2 will be on display at the VDL Bus & Coach stand (hall 4, stand 404) during Busworld 2013 (18-23 October 2013, Kortrijk, Belgium). [See more](#)



International Motorcoach Group (IMG), our GPN Member in Canada and USA, after many years of absence from IPW, has attended at the IPW (formerly known as Pow Wow), Las Vegas, the largest travel trade show in the United States. IMG President, Bronwyn Wilson, co-shared the IMG stand with Chuck Gunnels, Arrow Stage Lines and Rodd Zeitler, Escot Bus Lines. [See more](#)

Plan your attendance at World Travel
Market 2013



We have already booked our booth for World Travel Market 2013 that this year will take place from the 4th to the 7th November. GPN's stand is located in a very nice location at the Global Village where we can benefit by being on the main aisle, by the entrance to the Meridian Club and the Business Travel Market (stand GV548)

I remind you that as GPN's members you can use the booth for free for your meetings and marketing and promotional material. You are all invited to make use of it!!

Schedule this trade show in your agendas, plan your attendance and... make the most of our brand new GPN's stand!! (Above GPN's stand picture WTM 2012)

Happy summer holidays to everybody!!

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