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Editor’s preface

As the editor responsible for preparing the report from the XX International Congress of Vexillology I am pleased to finally by able to submit the final result to delegates and others with an interest in vexillology. For the first time in the history of international congresses of vexillology the proceedings are published in electronic form — on a CD-ROM. This medium of publication is not only a reflection of the changing times, but also a choice influenced by cost considerations and concerns for timely publication.

Although delegates provided most of the material for their papers — both manuscripts and illustrations — in advance of congress, a lot of work still remained when delegates left Stockholm in August 2003. More than 30 chapters were to be edited into a single congress report. This is why it has taken about a year to prepare the present congress proceedings. Nevertheless, compared with previous congresses, the editor feels the production of the report has been rather speedy, especially as reports are still pending for several previous congresses.

Publishing a report of 600 pages in colour on paper would be a costly affair, which is why the organizing committee of the XX International Congress of Vexillology opted for publication on a CD-ROM. This also allowed for material to be published in full length, as the electronic medium lifts the length limitations of a paper publication and, as importantly, electronic publication allows for unlimited use of colour illustrations. Keeping in mind the strong visual aspect of vexillology, emphasis has been put on doing justice to illustrations in putting the report together. Contributors have been encouraged to provide vector graphics which are scalable for inspection of details. Scanned images and other bitmaps have been given the space needed in order to preserve as much detail as possible and efforts have been made to avoid heavy compression. As a result, some of the files on the report CD-ROM are rather large, which is why we have opted to split sections into individual files rather than going for a single file containing the entire report. Hopefully the technical choices made have resulted in a report that will function well and produce a satisfactory result both when read on a monitor and when printed out on paper, though this is of course also dependent on the equipment used by readers.

The editor wishes to thank contributors for their help in producing the report: contributors have assisted in proofreading and commenting on draft chapters in addition to preparing texts and illustrations. Further, the editor wishes to thank in particular Željko Heimer for offering technical advice and Ralph Kelly for providing vector images for several chapters.

It is the editor’s hope that the present report will evoke among delegates fond memories of a successful event in Stockholm but also that delegates will discover even more vexillogical knowledge in the proceedings than were passed on in the lectures and presentations during the congress week. Through this congress report those who were not present at the congress in Stockholm will also have the possibility to enjoy the results of the research of more than 30 vexillologists. The editor wishes enjoyable reading to all.

Dr. Jan Oskar Engene
Editor
Part One

Congress matters
Foreword by the Chairman of the Organizing Committee

Once again, I need to thank everybody involved with the huge work during the congress in Stockholm. I hope all the participants will forgive me for repeating things that have already been said in the speeches, but rather once too many than to forget anyone who deserve our gratitude.

The initiative came from Gustav Söderlund. At one of the previous congresses he was asked when the Nordic Flag Society would be the host of a congress in one of the Nordic countries. So we put a team together and a few main guidelines and conditions which in very short terms were
- same price as average of the last two congresses in Victoria and York,
- a minimum sum from various financial sponsors to cover the risk against a possible loss,
- accept from the general assembly of the Nordic Flag Society to go ahead and to use the name as host and
- Armémuseum as the co-host.

After getting the OK from the assembly and from Armémuseum, the choice of location between our capitals in the five Nordic countries was easy. It was Stockholm, of course. The rest was planning.

Apart from the idea that someone gave Gustav, we had our own reasons to host a congress. It seemed about time to make the Nordic Flag Society and our countries more visible to the rest of FIAV. Our society is 30 years old and runs well and moreover, we are one of the older members and bigger than many of the new and smaller members. So with all due respect to other societies who lined up to become elected, we felt that we not only were able to handle a congress but also that we sooner or later were obliged to stand up as the host.

First of all, lots of thanks to the team, who used their spare time over the last years to plan the event. To Leif Törnquist who arranged meeting facilities and lunches for the team over the last three years and who was the host in house during the week at Armémuseum. To Gustav for getting financial help from the sponsors. To Ulla Petrell, who was responsible for folders, homepage, registration of participants, etcetera. To our editor Dr. Jan Oskar Engene who decided guidelines for papers, the plan for lectures during the week and not least, for proceedings. To Dick Larsson who was our local man Stockholm and who arranged flagpoles, excursions and all the invisible stuff that make things work. And to Lars C. Stolt, who was head of the programme at the opening and who was the connection to the composer of the FIAV march. In the very beginning of the planning period, our former chairman Rolf Lindquist was involved, but he soon retired from the team. Everyone in the FIAV-group did their best effort during the week, which all together went according to plans.

Several almost invisible tasks had to be carried out in Stockholm. For all this help we want to thank Lars’s wife Aino, Dick’s wife Anette and daughter Cecilia, but also Rickard and Raija. They all helped with serving, packing and ran various errands at the info desk.
Last but not least, many thanks to Armémuseum who arranged facilities for the lectures, staff, lunches etcetera. From the very beginning it was a must that we had the Museum participate as co-host. We also owe many thanks to the City of Stockholm for the magnificent reception at the City Hall and to Riddarhuset for lending us their fantastic house on the first evening.

All the sponsors are listed elsewhere in the proceedings.

After FIAV 2003, the Nordic Flag Society is not only added to the list as one of the former hosts. There is more to it than that. We were forced to update information on participants from the Nordic counties and abroad. We had to construct a website for FIAV 2003, and now our own site has become reality. Guidelines for papers during the congress, combined with new technology, have made future distribution much easier.

Many of the activities and preparations involved in running this congress, have helped NFS to move forward. We got a lift to a higher level and we are now in better shape to meet the future as a more modern flag society.

This influence is also an asset to FIAV, whose member organisations are spread all over the world. And without any financial means, FIAV takes advantage from members and congress hosts, who give ideas and examples on using the IT development, which in the future will simplify connection to members, wherever they may live.

Finally, a congress is not only attending lectures. Lots of ideas and propositions pop up and some of them might even be practical and useful. One very vital question was part of the program – ”general guidelines” for a congress as a total. We discussed the social aspect of a congress as well as the price level. A lot of good and sensible comments were made on the issues but unfortunately, 29 countries could not agree on anything like guidelines, which should be quite easy. No wonder that the EU and the UN have their problems from time to time. So the need for guidelines is still there and will probably be discussed at future congresses.

We have received many reactions, all indicating that Stockholm was a success. We hope most of the guests feel that way. But one should not get too satisfied or self-sufficient. One of the future congresses could run as well as in Stockholm and it might be in a country much less expensive. Then suddenly it would become the ideal congress for most participants. But at the bottom line, we feel that ICV 2003 has given a push ahead, both for everybody from abroad and for us.

Finally, the NFS has moved a few steps further ahead in the right direction, which is one of our main ambitions – a closer connection between FIAV and the Nordic Flag Society.

I hope you enjoy the report from the XX International Congress of Vexillology.

Copenhagen in June 2004,
Michael Krag-Juel-Vind-Frijs
Chairman of the Organizing Committee
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Stockholm, 2003

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Tanaka, Chikako

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Pool, Mariska
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Jurecic, Walt
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  Mason Kaye: *The Flags of Portland, Oregon (1916-2002)*
  Ales Brozek: *Search for the symbols of the Ústecký region*
  Zeljko Heimer: *The Croatian county flags*

1200-1330  LUNCH

1330-1545  AFTERNOON SESSION: CIVIC FLAGS AND OPEN TOPICS
Chair: Jan Oskar Engene
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  Andriy Grechylo: *Contemporary flags of the Ukrainian regions: Old traditions and new designs*
  Dov Gutterman: *Sub-national flags of Israel*
  Anthony Burton: *Golden ochre blue down under*
  Edward Kaye: *Flags over Antarctica*

1600-1700  PANEL SESSION:
METHODS AND ORGANIZATION OF VEXILLOLOGY
Moderator: Gustav Söderlund
Introduction: Robert Raeside
Discussants: Jose Alegria, Ales Brozek, Ralph Bartlett, Peter Orenski

1800-2000  RECEPTION AT STOCKHOLM CITY HALL

WEDNESDAY  30 JULY

SIGHTSEEING by boat to Vaxholm fortress. Lunch included.
Departure at 10 o’clock from Strandvägen pier and return approx. at 2 o’clock to Slottsbackan pier. Afterwards possibility to visit museums.

THURSDAY  31 JULY

0900-1200  MORNING SESSION: FLAGS FROM HISTORY
Chair: Robert Raeside
Lectures:
  Marcus Schmöger: *The Roman vexillum*
  Jan Henrik Munksgaard: *Metallic vexilla on Viking ships*
  Jan Oskar Engene: *Flags of Danish trading companies*
  Roberto Breschi: *Flags in Italy under Napoleon’s pressure*
  Ralph Bartlett: *Wine, Women & Flags - The Birth of a Colonial Ensign*

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Chair: Barbara Tomlinson
Lectures:
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Tom Bergroth: *Flying National Colours in a Grand Duchy under the Imperial Double-headed Eagle — The Development of the Finnish Colours in The 19th Century*
Arthur Etchells: *Flags of the Finnish Civil War 1918: a vexillological survey*
Andreas Herzfeld: *National symbols under German occupation during World War II: White Russia, North Caucasia and Greece*

1600-1700  PANEL SESSION: FLAGS OF ISLAM
Moderator: Marcus Schmöger
Introduction: Anthony Burton
Discussants: Bruce Berry, Günther Mattern, Whitney Smith

FRIDAY  1 AUGUST

0900-1200  MORNING SESSION: FLAGS FROM HISTORY AND FOR THE FUTURE
Chair: Jan Oskar Engene
Lectures:
Michel Lupant: *Emblems of the State of Katanga (1960-1963)*
Bruce Berry / Eddie Watson: *Flags of the South African Department of Defence - 1994 and beyond*
Peter Pavel Klasinc: *The Slovenian flag*
Kari Laurla / Heikki Karjalainen: *Finnish scout colours*
Ronald Strachan: *Australia's icon flagpole. The flagpole at Canberra, ACT, Australia*

1200-1330  LUNCH
1330-1400  CLOSING CEREMONY
At Ordnance Yard
The mounted Dragoon Trumpeters of the Royal Life Guards arrive playing.

1415-1515  AFTERNOON SESSION. FLAGS IN ART - HERALDRY AND VEXILLOGRAPHY
Chair: Leif Törnquist
Lectures:
Magnus Bäckmark: *Banners in heraldic art*
Władysław Serwatowski: *Antoni Gaudii Cornet (1852 - 1926) as father of modern vexillography?*

1530-1630  CLOSING SESSION
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