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To all Presidents of the FISM member societies and Delegates in the General Assembly

Dear President, Dear Friend in Magic,

It's a pleasure to keep you informed on the latest developments and projects.

ADMISSION OF NEW SOCIETIES

Art. 10.5 of the FISM Statutes states that "The Board of Directors will be charged to gather information concerning the magical standing of the applicant Society. The result of this inquiry will be sent to the General Assembly before the voting". Following the applications of the Corte dei Miracoli and the Club Magico di Roma, here is the outcome of our investigation:

CORTE DEI MIRACOLI (HOUSE OF MAGIC) – ITALY

- The application letter was received on June 18th, 2024.
- All the necessary documents (list of the members, Statutes of the club) were sent in attachment.
- The entrance fees were paid.
- Sponsorship letters (represent more than 50% plus one of the total votes of the FISM Italian member associations):
  1. CMI (Italy)
  2. CADM (Turin - Italy)
  3. CLAM (Milan - Italy)
  4. Circolo degli Illusionisti (Rome – Italy)
- President: Luciano Donzella
- Members: 31 (thirty-one)
- Address: Via Cestoni, 61 – Livorno (Italy)
- Website: www.cortemiracoli.it

Establishment: The Corte dei Miracoli was founded in Livorno (Italy) in 1993 by five magicians who combined their skills and knowledge to promote the art of magic. As association, the Corte dei Miracoli has produced a series of successful shows performed throughout Italy. In May 1999, the Corte dei Miracoli inaugurated the House of Magic in Livorno, a venue exclusively dedicated to the art of magic. Since its opening, it has hosted hundreds of shows for the public and served as a center for Magic Art Courses, training dozens of aspiring magicians over two decades. In 2024, the Corte dei Miracoli relocated to a new magic theatre in Livorno, which can accommodate up to 100 spectators. This venue continues to uphold Livorno's rich tradition of magic, dating back to the 18th century and the early 20th century, with notable figures like Tony Wetrik (Antonio Pastacaldi), one of the world's most renowned conjurers of the 1910s and 1920s.

Activity: The Corte dei Miracoli has always been very active. Its contributions include a wide array of live performances and educational activities. Among its members are internationally renowned professionals such as Alberto Giorgi and Laura, Francesco Fontanelli, Federico Pieri, and Mago Altan, to name just a few. Last but not least, the Corte dei Miracoli has hosted performances by Silvan, Tony Binarelli, Alexander, Arturo Brachetti, Bustric, Raul Cremona, Vito Lupo, Jamy Ian Swiss, Magic Christian, Pit Hartling, Rocco Silano, and Shoot Ogawa, among many others.

CLUB MAGICO DI ROMA – ITALY

- The application letter was received on August 22nd, 2024.
- All the necessary documents (list of the members, Statutes of the club) were sent in attachment.
- The entrance fees were paid.
- Sponsorship letters (represent more than 50% plus one of the total votes of the FISM Italian member associations):
  1. Magic on the move (Turin - Italy)
  2. CADM (Turin - Italy)
  3. CLAM (Milan - Italy)
  4. Club Magico Bartolomeo Bosco (Turin – Italy)
- President: Davide Spada
- Members: 72 (seventy-two)
- Address: Sala Teatro Primo Piano, in Via Tiburno 33 - Roma (Italy)
- Website: www.clubmagico.it

Establishment: The Club Magico di Roma (C.M.I. Gruppo Regionale Lazio) was originally established in 1957. Its first meeting dates back to September 22nd, 1957 when Giampaolo Zelli invited in his house some of the most skilled magicians of that period: Arsenio, Desideri, Iraci, Mornati, Raimondi, Riccardi, Sbardella and Strauss. At the end of that meeting the Club Magico di Roma was officially born and Zelli's house served as a headquarters for all the magicians in Rome till 1969 when Vinicio Raimondi was chosen as the new leader of the club. From that time the meetings have been organized on a weekly basis. Today the club has a strong community of members made up of professional and non-professional magicians.

Activity: The main goal of the Club Magico di Roma is to spread the magic art in Rome and all over the country with weekly activities for magicians and non-magicians as well. Magic shows, lectures and workshops are its key activities. Its pride is also the School for Magicians with its wide range of classes focused on the different disciplines of magic. The Club Magico di Roma constantly works to improve the quality of its magic school enlisting the most skilled magicians as teachers for young people and professionals. Once a year the Club Magico di Roma organizes in Rome the National Magic Congress Trofeo Arsenio with stage and close up contests.

The voting for the admission of these new societies shall take place after January 1st, and before May 1st, 2025.

FISM QUALIFIED CONTEST (FQC)

Many FISM Qualified Contests are being planned for 2025.

The next approved FQCs will be:

- **The Japan Cup**
  - Organizer: JCMA (Yosuke Fuchiwaki)
  - Place: KIOI FORUM, New Ohtani Garden Court 1F, 4-1 Kioicho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo (JAPAN)
  - Website: nippon-magic-foundation.org/home/jcma/
  - Date: March 8th, 2025

- ***Les Maîtres de la Magie***



  - Organizer: 2D Production
  - Place: Espace Jean Vilar, place de la Convention 59210- Coudekerque-Branche (France)
  - Website: www.lesmaitresdelamagie.fr
  - Dates: 31st January – February 2nd, 2025

- ***Magic Gathering "Golden Cat"***



  - Organizer: Quick Hands Project (Dani Belev - Vensan Petrov)
  - Place: Palace of Culture - Тимок 2, 5300 Gabrovo, Bulgaria
  - Website: goldencat.eu/en/
  - Dates: March 13th – 16th, 2025

If you are interested in organizing a FISM Qualified Contest, please read carefully all the information on the following links:

- FISM Compliance Contest System (EN)
- FISM Compliance Contest System (DE)
- FISM Compliance Contest System (F)
- FISM Compliance Contest System (ES)

IMPORTANT:

No FISM Qualified Contest gives direct access to the FISM CCM and even less to the FISM WCM. A magician can compete in the FISM CCM or WCM ONLY by following the FISM Contest Rules and Procedures art. 1.

- FISM Contest Rules and Procedures

FISM PARTNERSHIP FOR ORGANIZERS AND DEALERS

Becoming a FISM Partner means having visibility on the FISM website and contributing to help the magic community with discounts for events or buys. If you are a magic convention or festival organizer or a magic dealer, you can become a FISM Partner without any cost, **only by giving discounts** to FISM card holders to attend your events or to buy your products.

Click on the links Organizers and Dealers to see how many of them are already FISM partners.

For any further information, you can send an email to partner@fism.org .

CONSULTANCY GROUPS

New members have been appointed by the Board. In particular:

MEDIA

- Shigeru Tashiro (Japan)

  He is the FISM ASIA Social Media Manager and served as a photographer during the FISM ACM 2024. At this link is his Curriculum Vitae for reference.

COMMUNICATION

- Jiang Zhenghua (China)

  He serves in the FISM ASIA Communication Consultancy Group. Additionally, he is actively involved in various well-known digital magic projects. At this link is his Curriculum Vitae for reference.

FISM WORLD MAGIC DAY

- Magic Christian (Austria)

  He is a FISM Award winner, a renowned magic historian, the initiator of the FISM World Magic Day, and now the first member of the brand new consulting group dedicated to promoting this special day. At this link is his Curriculum Vitae for reference.

Best regards,

Andrea Baioni
International President

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