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◆ Invitation to Prague ◆

Dear competitors and participants,

The registration and web site, www.intersteno.cz is fully operational providing you with the opportunity to visit it and add a word or two.

Primarily I would like to say thanks you to all who share in the organisation of our world championship and congress. I am glad that their work is appreciated. In recent days our congress has been given support by such significant institutions as the National Library, important representatives of the Czech Republic such as the Vice-chairman of the Chamber of Deputies and representatives of vocational organisations, for example the President of the Economic Chamber.



I believe that, above all, the work of the organisers will be most appreciated in Prague during the last week in July.

Patronages of significant personalities are an excellent prelude to this undertaking and an assertion of Intersteno as a vital and booming organisation. That is the start of a process by which we can prove that we are not a group of people who use typewriters but a modern organisation which has a role to play in the educational system, in scholarship and research and in modern technologies.

That is how we perceive Intersteno in the Czech Republic. We know that the future of Intersteno is in the hands of young people. That is why we created "Youth day" on Wednesday – a programme which will help to identify this group. Accordingly, all activities will take place in a modern university of agriculture which has a wide variety of amenities. This emphasis upon youth is also why we have arranged half price accommodation for ISIC cardholders. Friendship and contacts will be made not only during the competitions but also within the entire environment of the occasion.

We have no aim during the congress week other than to make your stay as pleasant as possible.

Beside the ceremonial banquet, when the award ceremony will take place in the fabulous **Žofín**, there will be the chance to stay in the neighbourhood of the congress.

We believe that the demonstrations and the firms that will exhibit in Prague will present such an array of services and products that they will interest experts and laymen alike.

Internet presentation at www.intersteno.cz is not only a place where you can register; it is generously prepared to become your guide during your week in Prague, the place where you will find information and where even your friends and relatives at home will be able to observe the

proceedings of the congress of Intersteno 2007. I invite you to Prague, the centre of Europe, the place which will have the honour to host the last of a succession of European congresses of our federation.

Jaroslav Poláček
Chairman of Steering Committee

◆ **General Assembly in Prague.** ◆

On the occasion of the Congress, a General Assembly is taking place. In 2007 this Assembly has a special appeal since two important activities are taking place:

- **the approval of the modifications to the Statute**, prepared by a Committee which has laboured long and hard. The proposals were approved by the Council in Antalya on September last. Additional information will be released on www.intersteno.org.

- **the election (by secret ballot) of the Members of the Board**. If the modifications to the Statute are approved, the new Board will last 2 years, instead of 4 years as previously set out in the Statute adopted in Rome.

◆ **Leipzig Open** ◆

This traditional meeting took place on 31st March, 1st April. On that occasion a steno competition took place, following the rules of CBA competitions of Intersteno. It was attended by stenographers of Germany, Czech Republic, Hungaria, Switzerland and Austria, using traditional shorthand as well as fast keyboarding method.

Many of the participants are well know to Intersteno people, and surely we will applaud them at the next Wordlchampionship. Here are the first 10 of the 36 successful participants.

| Pos. | Surname | Name | City | Cat. | Min. | Faults | Syllables |
|------|------------|--------------|----------|------|------|--------|-----------|
| 1 | Ferenc | Zsuzsa | Budapest | A | 5 | 64 | 470 |
| 2 | Kehrer | Manfred | Leipzig | A | 5 | 73 | 464 |
| 3 | Gremmer | Dr. Bernhard | Landshut | A | 4 | 49 | 440 |
| 4 | Wichmann | Jutta | Leipzig | A | 4 | 51 | 440 |
| 5 | Janovská | Helena | Prag | A | 3 | 33 | 400 |
| 6 | Vicai | Erika | Budapest | A | 3 | 39 | 422 |
| 7 | Árvai-Dani | Judit | Budapest | B | 7 | 46 | 398 |
| 8 | Kuhn | Matthias | München | B | 7 | 53 | 392 |
| 9 | Horváth | Éva Szilvia | Budapest | B | 6 | 16 | 374 |
| 10 | Barna | Beáta | Budapest | B | 6 | 40 | 374 |

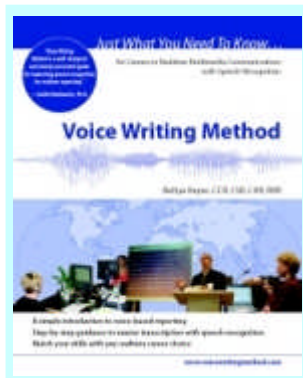
◆ **Ultra-wide band is now a Standard** ◆

Ultra-wideband (UWB), the technology set to replace USB and Bluetooth with fast wireless connections, has been granted a formal ISO standard, drawing a line under years of argument and encouraging faster delivery of UWB products.

The European Commission has approved UWB for use on Europe's airwaves, and given European countries six months (i.e. up to August 2007) to amend their national laws to enable it.

This will permit to European people to take advantage of this new opportunity in their wireless equipments.

❖ Voice Writing Method ❖



A book with this title was released by the American Colleague **Bettye Keyes**, and is edited by **David Rogala** a well known name in our group.

This book is very valuable not only as a professional tool for persons who want to take advantage of speech recognition technology, but to everybody who wants to understand what is involved, even if they cannot (or do not want) to use this technology.

Bettye Keyes and David Rogala will be glad to give full information during the next Congress in Prague and a lecture by them is in the programme of the Conferences.

This letter in PDF format is available [at this link](#). In our web site www.intersteno.org You can also find the previous issues at the menu "e-news".

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