



11. Governor's Letter Mav 2016



Dear Rotarian Friends!

The last weeks of my Governor term are flying by like a flash. Probably, this is the reason why I experience Rotary even more intensively than ever before. The **PETS/SETS** in [Austria](#) and in [Bijeljina](#) were memorable moments as I understood that it is time to hand over my duties to Paul Jankowitsch.

I would like to thank all of you for your help and organization as well as your considerable interest.

Due to a cold, I was not able to attend the **Charter ceremony** of our 81st Austrian Rotary Club. But, I would like to invite you to learn more about the [RC Graz-Süd](#) on our website.

I am very happy about our family growth. In Srebrenica I had the opportunity to [charter](#) the **Interact Srebrenica**. Together with a huge Austrian delegation we welcomed the youngsters.

Thank you, my friends from the Rotary Club Srebrenica for your constant efforts. It was a great pleasure to celebrate your **10th anniversary**, too. Furthermore I would like to express my fundamental consent for the honoration of Gerhard Loschnigg and your long lasting partner, the Rotary Club Klosterneuburg.

It makes me proud that our youth is exceptional and breathtaking:

- **Rotaracters** from **Tuzla, Brčko** and **Doboj** went to [Italy](#) to promote their camp for blind people.
- The Austrian **Rotaracters** arranged a [donation race](#) for the benefit of the children's hospice MOMO.
- A delegation of the **Intarconnect** team [built a house](#) in Srebrenica.
- The **RAC Sarajevo** organized a [gala ball](#) and raised funds for the Special Olympics team of Bosnia and Hercegovina.

Apropos **Special Olympics**: As agreed on the PETS/SETS in Bijeljina, I kindly ask you to get in touch with the **RC Sarajevo-International Delta** as Mrs. Kasey Vannett took over the duty to coordinate the raised funds. I am really looking forward to this joint project. The Austrian Rotary Clubs will host the delegations and you will enable the Bosnian-Herzegovinian athletes to come to my hometown. Thank you so much in advance!!

The **RC Weitra** hosted the first event regarding the Special Olympics 2017. The kick-off in the castle of Weitra was an amazing happening. Please have a look at the [pictures](#)!

To be qualified to apply for a **Foundation's Global or District Grant** you have to attend a topic related seminar. We discussed this fact in Bijeljina and Amira Žmirić from the RC Banja Luka Gloria invited you already for the next workshop. Please do not miss the opportunity on June 18th.

I attached the final program of our **District Conference** in Bruck on June 10th and 11th. Simultaneous translation will be provided and therefore I hope to see a lot of you again. The registration is open until June 1st.

Wishing you a good start of the week;

Yours,

Gerhard Hellmann
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