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President's Message Sachit Kumar, CII

Warm greetings to all!

Another term is nearly over and all has gone according to plan. Reviewing our accomplish-



ments over the last three months makes me proud to be a part of such a dynamic organization. I have gained immensely from all our members, who are the epitome of professionalism in our field. Your approach and willingness to evolve together is commendable.

I am really impressed with the time and energy donated by all of our Board members in keeping CII running as smoothly as it does. By having such a dedicated Board, we are able to truly meet the needs of our membership.

As the Head of Legislative Committee, Anne Styren must be commended for going the extra mile. Anne and Tonie Goorts have collaborated with the Board, past presidents and colleagues, to successfully complete a major project of revising the bylaws and R&R. It is now ready to be sent to all CII members for their review and feedback.

The efforts of our Public Relations & Marketing Committee has given us exceptional results. We have enriched the overall image of the CII. Our participation in the ASIS Regional Meeting in New York from April 27 -28, 2016 and the ACFE

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62nd Annual General Meeting

Gothenburg Sweden August 23-27 Submitted by Anne Styren

Click here to register for 2016 AGM

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Are you ready for the first ever Scandinavian CII AGM Conference?

Have you registered to attend Gothenburg, Sweden, August 23-27? And secured a room at the hotel?

Perfect! Or – are you still making up your mind? Well, we hope that you decide as quickly as you can.

Several outings and special treats depend on numbers, so the sooner you register, the better! Here is the registration and reservation links: for the 2016 AGM Registration <u>Click</u> <u>here to register for 2016 AGM</u> and here is the link to the Gothia Towers CII reservation <u>Make</u> your reservation >>

If you haven't attended an AGM before, you might ask; What are the benefits of coming? Why invest in a trip to the Scandinavian AGM? Well, the seminars (see page 5) will bring new knowledge and broadened horizons of course, but the biggest benefit of coming to a CII AGM Conference is the opportunity **Continued on page 4**

Editor's Message

by Lois Colley



Investigating "Outside the Box": Strategies to Overcome a Slowing Economy

Has business been slow lately? In a service-oriented economy, PI's can be among the first to feel an economic downturn. Think about it: less hiring means fewer background checks. Less "play money" means businesses and individuals are less likely to litigate and investors more prone to shy away from making any moves.

Fears of the next global recession have begun to shape the world stage. Given the IMF recently referred to the financial world outlook as a "fragile conjecture," we begin to think about what might help our businesses become "recession proof," and how to protect our intricate, skilled industry from the ever encroaching database giants.

A recent news article caught my eye about a Florida school district hiring private investigators to research dubious claims of families residing "in-district." Broward County school district is beginning to hire PI's to verify home addresses for students. Parents declare those addresses to schools under penalty of perjury, meaning they can be prosecuted as a third-degree felony. The district is using CLEAR (the Thompson Reuters system), to develop the addresses, and turned up 85 questionable locations, each of which will be investigated within a budget of \$375.00 USD per address (after providing the families with a chance to prove/ validate their claims of residency). This is a great "out of the box" idea to market services. Economic slowdown or not, we must partner with technology and not allow it to run us over like a Mack truck. If you have a creative idea to fortify our individual businesses and our industry, please share it.

For our June issue, we are proud to announce the launch of the new CII educational website as well as share some excellent press for our own Leon Hart of InTime Investigations (UK). And we're thrilled to remind CII members to register for the upcoming AGM in gorgeous Gothenburg, Sweden, August 23-27. I had the privilege of visiting Sweden in the 1990's and found it to be an exceptional country. Niclas Franklin and co-host Anne Styren have lined up a wonderful experience for CII members, full of education, fun, and *fika*. What's *fika*, you ask? Well you can read a bit of it in their update on the AGM, but to really experience it, you'll have to book your trip to Gothenburg!

Vis ses snart,

Lois Colley



CII launches educational website

www.ciieducation.org

It is with great pride that CII announces the creation and launching of our new educational website www.ciieducation.org. CII is delighted to offer this site exclusively to CII members as a benefit of membership. We believe that this home for educational videos will augment our exceptional training at the AGM and in the Councilor by offering a variety of topics germane to investigation techniques;, security systems and business skills. We trust that you will both learn and enjoy as you become a more accomplished professional and business person. Once you are on the site, you must log in to view the presentations. The login and password have been previously made available to all CII members-- if you need this information again, please contact us. We are requesting that since this site is for the exclusive use for CII members, that you do not provide login information to non-members. Also, please note that the videos and contents are the sole property of the presenter and/or the Council of International Investigators. Any transferring, recording, or dissemination of any or all of the contents of any of these videos, without the express written consent of the author/ presenter and the Council of International Investigators, is strictly prohibited



Michele Stuart

Our first presentation is **Internet Profiling,** by **Michele Stuart**. It is an exceptional Power Point presentation, that is sure to enhance your knowledge of the critical skill. For those of you who have never attended one of Michele's presentations, here's your chance to tap into Michele's knowledge base which is an invaluable resource.

We are looking for additional presentations to post in the future. If you have a professional presentation on a security, investigative, or business topic, please forward a synopsis of your seminar to the CII office at **skirby@cii2.org**. All presentations must be approved by the Education Committee prior to posting. All uploads must be in the MP4 format.

This site is the culmination of the efforts of a lot of your colleagues over a long period. The idea germinated at the Board Meeting in New Delhi, when it became obvious that thanks to the great planning and execution by the hosts, Pawan & Sachit, that we would generate a handsome profit at that meeting. The Board wanted to leverage the generosity of our sponsors to give back to the members a tangible benefit, which we believe we have done. To our knowledge, CII is the only investigative organization of our size that offers this to our membership.

A special thanks goes to Michele Stuart who helped shepherd us through the process and generously provided us with the first video presentation, at no cost to the Council.

This site exemplifies our tag line: "Specialized Solutions through a Global Network." We hope you enjoy it.

SUBMISSIONS WANTED

If you have a video presentation you would like to post on the CII educational website or if there is a particular topic you are interested in please contact

Steve Kirby skirby@cii2.org

Welcome to the first AGM in Scandinavial Welcome to Gothenburg August 23-27 2016

Niclas Franklin & Anne Styren

to talk to fellow investigators, peers and experts from all continents.

Nothing beats meeting face to face, sharing warstories and learning from each other. That's why the programme also has "space" for spontaneous meetings, for sitting down with new friends, for a "fika" – this so very typical Swedish thing. "Fika is much more than having a coffee. It is a legitimate reason to set aside a moment for quality time" Learn more here about this very Swedish phenomena.

There are also several scheduled networking opportunities during outings and dinners. And speaking of the planned outings; our evening archipelago cruise will show us an area, ranked as one of the world's 10 most beautiful spots by CNN. Another evening you'll experience a Swedish lakeside barbecue and, last but not least; only those present at the Gala dinner will know if ABBA

will show up or not! The banquet will be held in Gothia Towers spectacular roof-top restaurant with amazing views over the city. The optional Saturday tour is presented separately here in the Councilor.



We do need to learn, broaden our horizons and get new input from experts and peers at our seminars. We've put together a program where the main themes are; cultural aspects in investigations and security issues. They will also give hands-on and true stories.

And a final treat – have you noticed this year's gift? A jacket, well suited for the salty Atlantic winds;



TRAVELING TO SWEDEN? YOU MAY NEED A VISA.

Do you need a VISA? A list on this link <u>Sweden-visa-requirements</u> will show which nationalities needs a visa. <u>If you need an invitation letter, contact Steve at the CII Office</u>. Some Swedish Embassies have an online visa form <u>Online-Swedish-visa-form</u> Apply soonest; due to the European refugee situation, there might be delays in getting the visa application through the system.

Top 10 Reasons to come to

Sweden 2016 AGM

- **10. Unbelievable scenery**
- 9. See where Stieg Larson wrote his "Girl with the Tattoo" Books
- 8. Educational Seminars
- 7. Swedish barbecue
- 6. Gothenburg parks and waterfront
- 5. Networking with CII members
- 6. Easy jump off to Norway fiords; Finland; Russia, Denmark; and Iceland
- 3. Awesome CII windbreaker to all attendees
- 2. Will ABBA be there?
- 1. Come on—everyone knows that CII meetings are the most fun!!

62nd Annual General Meeting The Scandinavian Way

Gothenburg Sweden August 23–27, 2016



Tuesday 23 August

09.00-19.00	Registration
14.00-17.00	Board meeting
10.00-16.00	Golf
19.00-22.00	Welcome reception
22.00-00.00	Hospitality Suite

Wednesday 24 August

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09.30-10.30	Opening ceremony	
10.30-11.00	Coffee 🧧	
11.00-12.00	Seminar 1 Strategic Disclosure of Evidence in Suspect Interviews 💦 🙀	
11.00-15.00	Spouse tour— To the Incredible Marstrand (includes lunch) 🛛 🛛 🚺 📝	
12.00-13.30	"Speed dating lunch"	
13.30-14.15	Seminar 2 Scandinavia and the Scandinavians	
14.30-15.30	Seminar 3 How to Conduct Investigations in Nordic Countries & the Baltics	
15.30-16.00	Coffee	
16.00-18.00	Relax	
18.00-22.00	Networking boat trip and seafood dinner in the archipelago	
22.00-00.00	Hospitality Suite	



Thursday 25 August

09.30-12.00	Spouse tour #2—Guided tour of Gothenburg
09.30-10.30	AGM
10.30-10.45	Coffee
10.45-13.00	AGM
13.00-14.30	Award Luncheon Guest speaker Sven Alhbin
14.30-17.00	Relax and time for workout
17.00-17.30	Coffee
18.00-23.00	Networking dinner and barbecue
23.00-00.00	Hospitality Suite

Friday 26 August

- 10.30-10.45 Coffee
- 10.45-11.30 Seminar 5 Private Investigations Against the Illegal Tobacco Business
- 11.30-12.30 Lunch
- 13.00-17.00 Board meeting
- 13.00-17.00 Optional tours (RIB tour, Volvo museum, etc.)
- 19.00-00.00 Gala Banquet—Roof top restaurant & entertainment

Gothenburg

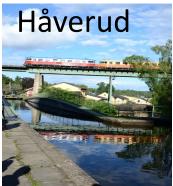
Saturday 27 August

09.00-20.00 Optional tour to Swedish countryside, Norwegian border & southernmost fjord

Cll Countryside tour - 27 of August







Three stops at three very different locations, 09.00 am - 08.00 pm <u>Håverud</u> The channel's big attraction is the aqueduct in Håverud. It was an ingenious solution to a major problem. It did not seem possible to build the canal and the locks here because of the soft rock and the deep valley where the river rushed.

<u>Svinesund (Norwegian border)</u> Svinesund is a strait between Sweden and Norway and forms the border between these two countries. Svinesund is a part of Idefjorden. At Svinesund are also Svinesund Bridge and Old Svinesund Bridge witch are important for international traffic.

Smögen The boardwalk at Smo[°]gen is in the summertime one of Sweden [′]s most popular tourist destinations. It is located along the south side of Smo[°]gen [′]s old fishing port. The wooden boardwalk which is about 1000 metres long starts at the fish market.

Lunch and dinner are included. Price: 125 USD

The CII Bylaws revision – a project in two steps

Submitted by Anne Styren—Vice President

Many years ago the Executive Board started a project aiming to modernise the CII bylaws and how the Executive Board operates. After several years of deliberations and considerations the bylaws were changed in 2013. The main change was a reduction of the number of board members which in turn effected the organisation of the Executive Board; two examples are that the numerous Vice Presidents became just one and the old tradition of the President being slowly advancing from 3rd VP up to President Elect became a new format where the President was elected within the Executive Board. And that is where we are now; with an Executive Board of 9 members that elects the President from within its group.

At the 2015 AGM in New Delhi, feedback received by numerous senior CII members suggested that the bylaws and the election of the President needed tweaking, with the intention to change and improve the functioning of the Council;

> - The President should be elected by the membership, not internally by the Executive Board

- The number of members in the Executive Board should be flexible, not static

- The experience and continuity should be kept and possibly improved

- And the documents, the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations, should be made simple and easier to understand and use.

So what has been done?

The Executive Board decided to act on these suggestions and the Legislative Committee together with a special Bylaws team have worked very hard this year. However – we are not completely ready. The proposal is therefore to change our bylaws in two steps; Phase 1 and Phase 2. The reason is that the entire revision task is too complex to be managed in one year - we have tried our best, but it cannot be done. (We are after all volunteers, managing our companies, our jobs, family and life as well as working for the CII.)

Phase 1, presented to all members now in June 2016, includes new texts for bylaws and rules and regulations. This revision has primarily changed the content of the bylaws and R&R (more about the changes below) and

also made some layout changes. But the texts are not done to perfection – especially the need for making them simpler and into one single document remains and will be done in Phase 2. So the Phase 1 bylaws will be active for one year – and then the final revision will be done in Phase 2 and voted upon at the AGM 2017.

Why the two phases – why not just wait and make it all in one go next year? We feel that changing the election procedure of the President is very important. We want this to come in force now, not pushing it forward 2 more years. Furthermore the Executive Board does need flexibility to be able to increase its numbers. And finally, there are some issues in the current bylaws that were not consistent and created confusion – so while wanting to make a revision quickly, there was also very much to work with; therefore a revision in two phases was the solution. We feel that it is the best way forward.

What does it mean?

The <u>Phase 1 proposals</u> (posted on the members only pages of the CII website), if approved by the AGM in Gothenburg this August 2016, will come into force after the adjournment of the AGM and the main changes that comes into force are:

> - That the Executive Board can increase their number of members as the fixed 9 is changed to a range; not less than 9 not more than 13 Board members.

> - That the President will be elected by the membership in 2017. The nomination and election procedures will be similar to how we today elect our Board members; any member can submit nominations for President and the Executive Board will also make one or two nominations. Election is held both prior to, and at, the AGM.

- That a new standing committee "The Advisory Committee" made up by the three most recent available Past Presidents will be supporting the Executive Board with advice and experience – creating more stability and continuity to the Council operations.

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Four Nominees for Executive Board 2016-2019



Sachit Kumar Globe Detective India

Years in Business: 29 Years in Council: 8 Meetings attended last 5 years: 5 Nominated by: Anne Styren

Maurice Amres GEB Security Services Guyana



Years in Business: 35 Years in Council: 12 Meetings attended last 5 years: 4 Nominated by: Sant Kaur Jayaram



Robert Fenech Barbary Coast Investigations USA

Years in Business: 21 Years in Council: 13 Meetings attended last 5 years: 5 Nominated by: James Kirby

David MacLeod Macil Group Australia



Years in Business: 6 Years in Council: 3 Meetings attended last 5 years: 3 Nominated by: Graham Dooley

> <u>Click here for the 2016 Ballot</u> <u>Click here for 2016 Candidate Bios</u>

Diversity in Nominees for Executive Board

Eddy Sigrist, Sheila Ponnosamy & Brett Mikkelson to leave Board

CII continues to showcase its diversity, with four nominees from four countries for three positions on the Executive Board. The three elected will serve from 2016 to 2019.

Nominees include current President, Sachit Kumar of India; former Board Member Maurice Amres of Guyana, South America; long time member and 2014 AGM host Bob Fenech of San Francisco; and from Down Under David MacLeod of Australia.

Voting will take place through the website between now and August 23. <u>Click here for</u> <u>the 2016 Ballot</u> Those who have not had the chance to vote electronically and are in attendance at the AGM will be provided a paper ballot.

Each candidate was nominated by a member in good standing and filled out a nomination form, which included a brief statement of why they wish to serve. <u>Click here for</u> <u>2016 Candidate Bios</u>

This is your association and it is important that you vote for the people you think can best run the Council and best represent your views and concerns.

Those leaving the Executive Board, after many years of diligent service are: Eddy Sigrist, Sheila Ponnosamy, and Brett Mikkelson. Each of these outstanding members deserves out thanks and accolades for time well spent and a job very well done.

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GOLD— Conference fees for 2; Delegate bag advertising; Full banner recognition; Inside cover ad in conference brochure; Website acknowledgement—**\$5,000**

SILVER— Conference fees for 1; Delegate bag advertising; Signage recognition; Full page add in conference brochure; Website acknowledgement—**\$2,500**

BRONZE— Delegate bag advertising; Signage recognition; 1/2 page ad in conference brochure; Website acknowledgement—**\$1,000**

PATRON—Delegate bag advertising; Shared signage recognition; 1/4 page ad in conference brochure; Website acknowledgement—**\$500**

PARTNER— Delegate bag advertising; Shared signage recognition; 1/8 page ad in conference brochure; Website acknowledgement—**\$250**

FRIEND - Business card ad in conference brochure; Website acknowledgement—\$100

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Bylaw and Rules & Regulations Proposal

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The Phase 1 proposal also makes the bylaws a bit easier to follow as portions of text have been moved for clarity; an example is that everything relating to Procedure is found under that Article, and not "here and there" in the bylaws. And finally there are many minor changes that describe how things should be done, primarily relating to the duties of the Executive Board.

We know that the texts are not written in perfect American English, there are a few linguistic errors and as Chair I apologise for them in advance. And there are also a couple of logical loops that need to be straightened out. But the aim of this Phase 1 revision is primarily to get the above mentioned main changes ready for your vote, the rest will be taken care of in Phase 2; because Phase 2 will work much more with the layout and linguistics of the text itself.

In Phase 2 we aim to create one single document of the bylaws and the rules and regulations (not two separate documents as we have today) where the explanations in the Rules and Regulations are included as an appendix. We also want to make the entire Bylaws simple, easier to read and understand, we want to make sure we are in par with international law as well as our capabilities.

We need to have rules in place that we can and will follow.

Bylaws are not static, with our very best efforts we may still need to tweak and adjust them in future. But the aim of this revision in two Phases is that we, after the AGM 2017, will have a document that will keep for a reasonable amount of time.

Let me end this article with my sincere and warm thanks to all that have lent their time and experience to the Legislative Committee; my Committee partners that are current President Sachit Kumar and Toine Goorts, the Advisors and the extended bylaws team; Brian King, Ponno Kalastree, John Sexton, Tom Davies, Alan Marr, Nancy Barber, Jack Burke, Pawan Ahluwalia and Roy Whitehouse and of course the members of the Executive Board. All have read several drafts, commented, suggested, made corrections and helped make the documents to what they are today.

Thank you! Anne Styren, Vice President and Chair of the Legislative Committee



Jakarta Regional Meeting - May 3rd- 4th 2016 A recap

Submitted by Yosh Wong, Cll Emmaus (Asia Pacific) Limited, Hong Kong

The Asia Pacific Regional Meeting this year was held in Jakarta, the thriving capital of the Republic of Indonesia, and was attended by a party of 16 including CII members, guests and potential members. In addition to local members, some of the delegation travelled in from Malaysia, Australia, Philippines and Hong Kong – not forgetting our President Sachit Kumar and Regional Director for S.E Asia, Ponno Kalastree, who flew in from India and Singapore, respectively.

The Regional Meeting was presented at the JS Lus-

wansa and Convention Centre, which was a modest and extremely warm and friendly place. The first evening kicked off with a welcome cocktail at the Chill Bar, where members



were introduced to one-another by our host and after a late night of drinks and networking, everyone was up early for a full day of seminars.

On the second day, Host Jim Filgo officially welcomed everyone to Jakarta with words of gratitude to the Group's Patron Jeff Williams, who generously provided a sponsorship of USD 1,200 and to Wirda for her time in organizing the event. This was followed by Ponno's update on CII activities and the importance of the Asia Pacific region.



Member Mick Symons addresses the group

Australian member Mick Symons provided an insight into FCPA and UK Bribery Act using a case he handled in London, which was extremely informative and well received by the audience. This was followed by an equally well received presentation by our host, Jim

Filgo, on the physical security challenges to investors in

Rural Indonesia – with an insight on real life threats and demands for employment and contracts by the local villagers.

Our lunch was staged in informal settings where a scrumptious menu of traditional Indonesian delicacies was served. It was quite a feast and it gave us all, a chance to further mingle and interact with each other.

The afternoon rolled along with presentations from invited guests, namely, Mrs. R. Ayu. Hj.Irlisa (Nana) Rachmadiana, founder of Economic Review Magazine, who provided an insight into her work; Mrs. Farah Ratnadewi Indriani, who represented the Investment Coordinating Board, BKPM, who provided an excellent insight into foreign investment into Indonesia, the industries in demand and the "One Stop" incorporation of foreign companies; and Robert De Deo, a Money Laundering Investigator with the Criminal Investigation Department of the Indonesian National Police. To close off the day, a short panel discussion with Peter Coleman, Sachit and Jim was made, highlighting the issues and problems faced with Cross Border investigations.

After a long day of seminars, our group proceeded to the spectacularly-decorated Lar Djonggrang Restaurant for dinner and closing ceremony. The cuisine frequented by expatriates and tourists is renowned for serving traditional Indonesian recipes, which in the beginning of the 14th century, were formally served for the Kings. The menu was extensive and our host chose a good selection of dishes, which were well presented, supplemented by red wine. **Continued page 12**



Current Membership Numbers

Certified	285	Affiliate	10
Qualified	16	Honorary	6
Associate	2	Emeritus	4
Senior	21	Applicants	6

Total Membership 344 Countries Represented—62 Continents Represented—6

PENDING APPLICANTS

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Julian Rius Castor & Polux Consulting Barcelona Spain

Jonathan Girard Elite Investgations, Inc. Las Vegas Nevada USA

Ranjeet Wadawa Asian Detective & Intelligence Services Mumbain India

> Manpreet Kaur Greves Verification Solutions Dubai UAE

Jeremy King King International Advisory Group Markham (Toronto) Ontario Canada

More information about the applicants can be found on the CII website. Anyone with knowledge of these applicant's qualifications can contact Galen Clements at <u>galen.clements@comcast.net</u>

> <u>(Remember no posting about</u> <u>applicantson the listserv)</u>

Change in Membership Status

Jan Ross from Qualified to Certified Reggie Montgomery from Certified to Senior

Newest Members 2016

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Offe Bodeholt, CII UIP Consult AgS Copenhagen Denmark

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> **Philip Fung, CII** Emmaus (Asia Pacific) Ltd Hong Kong China

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> **John Withers, CII** Intercity Reliant Priority Investigations Belfast No. Ireland UK

23 NEW MEMBERS IN 2016! More to come

Jakarta Regional Meeting Wrap up

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From Sachit's smile, it can be seen how much we enjoyed the dinner and the short encounter with busy Jakarta

On Day Three, although visiting the Sarinah Shopping Center and lunch at Batavia Café was cancelled, some of the energetic members who were still in Jakarta nevertheless ventured out. For myself and my colleague, this trip was not complete unless we see the "real" Jakarta. We took a taxi to Jakarta's poverty-stricken "riverside" communities in North Jakarta, found in temporary shelters and beneath bridges. On a brighter side, we visited the 17th century Kota Intan drawbridge, toured several Dutch architectural buildings in Old Batavia, the old port of Sundra Kelapa to see the sail boats, Old China Town and the Maritime Museum.

Special thanks to Jim Filgo and his colleague Wirda Asparina for staging a memorable gathering. All in all, it was a meeting attended by a small group of Asia Pacific members and non-members alike, enabling good opportunities to network. Many thanks to our host, Jim, for organizing excellent speakers and for his hospitality. See you all in Gothenburg!



Jim Filgo lectures on the challenges of investigation in Indonesia

European Regional Meeting in Poland a Smashing Success Submitted by Alan Marr

In April the Council held its Annual European Meeting in Warsaw, Poland hosted by CEE Consulting Group. It was another very successful meeting attended by 32 members and guests from 12 countries, including U.K., India, Germany, The Netherlands, Sweden, France, Italy, Spain, Romania, Poland, Israel and Slovenia. We had some great meals and walking tours including the Holocaust Museums. The experiences were very moving and helped our understanding of the terrible times of World War Two.

We also voted for the location of the 2017 European Meeting, which will now be hosted by Bernarda Skrabar, in Ljubljana, Slovenia between 12 and 14 May, 2017.

The Council and attending members give a BIG THANK YOU to Paddy Beiner and Roza Pniewska for all their hard work in organizing this excellent meeting.

Awards Nominations Sought

With the AGM fast approaching in less than two months, the Council is looking for nominations for the International Investigator of the Year (IIOTY) and the Meritorious Service Award (MSA).

Nominations for the IIOTY are due by July 23 and should contain details of an exceptional investigation or service to a client. Members in attendance at the AGM will vote for the awardee in the event of multiple nominations.

The MSA nominations are due by July 8, and should cite extraordinary service to the Council by a member. The MSA nominations are reviewed by the Awards Committee, which then makes a recommendation to the Executive Board who selects the recipient.

Forward your submissions to the CII office at skirby@cii2.org

President's Message

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Conference in Las Vegas from June 12-14, 2016 have given us an excellent platform to create awareness and uplift the overall image of our organization.

We have had two extremely successful regional meetings – Warsaw in April 2016 hosted by Paddy Beiner and Jakarta in May 2016 hosted by Jim Filgo. I would like to congratulate them for their sincere efforts to make this possible with an excellent attendance.

Our AGM in Gothenburg in August 2016, hosted by Niclas Franklin, is ready to go. He has organized and arranged a packed agenda. Hotel Gothia Towers is an excellent property with exceptional rates for the conference (€150 all inclusive). Also arranged are special evenings, outings and seminars. I do hope that all of us will make the effort to attend the CII AGM in Gothenburg.

It is with great pride that I would like to announce the launch of our new educational website <u>www.ciieducation.org</u>. The first training video is already uploaded, and we have plans to upload two additional videos before August 2016. To our knowledge, CII is the only investigative organization of our size that offers this to their members. We welcome views and feedback from our members on this initiative.

I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible in the August 2016 AGM in Gothenburg, and I invite you all to be increasingly active in CII in order to make our association stronger and bigger.

With best wishes and looking forward to seeing you all in Gothenburg.

Yours,

Sachit Kumar

President,

Council of International Investigators



CII AGM Sweden August 23-27

CII Members Working For You

Members Marc Reed; Ryan Colley; Steve Levine. Sandra Stibbards & Sachit Kumar volunteer time to recruit members and promote the CII

Looking to promote our members' collective skills and talents to potential clients, several members, led by Marc Reed and Ryan Colley, spent time at the **ASIS International Regional Conference** at the Javitz Center in New York April 27 & 28 and at the **Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE)** conference in Las Vegas, June 12-14 both introducing the Council and it's worldwide membership to potential clients and at the same time recruiting new members.

Between the two events CII members handed out hundreds of CII brochures, business cards, mousepads, pens, notebooks, and luggage tags, all advertising the Council. Numerous people were introduced to the Council and many said that in the future, when looking for a top security professional or investigator, they will be sure to look on the CII website first and foremost.

The CII office will be following up with thank you emails to all the people who stopped by and visited the booths.

CII a Supporting Partner at Nice Global Forum / International Congress on Homeland Security & Crisis Management

The Council was invited and accepted an invitation to be a supporting partner of an international forum dealing with homeland security and terrorism being held October 25-27 in Nice France.

The forum is expecting some 30 international counter terrorism experts as speakers to delegates from around the world.

As a supporting partner, CII receives prominent placement of our logo on the Forum's website and each delegate will receive a CII brochure in their welcome package. For more information about this conference click on this link: <u>www.niceglobalforum.org</u>

Featured Article

Who's watching YOU? Private Investigator shows how EASY it is to track your EVERY move

By CHARLES J. LIDGUARD & FELICITY THISTLETHWAITE reprinted from Express Co. UK

CII's own Leon Hart, Managing Director of InTime Investigations recently showed the UK news outlet Express how a skilled private investigator is capable of carrying out a fast paced, public surveillance investigation while completely undetected. The news organization chose one of their own editors to be surveilled for a whole day by In-Time Investigations, and Leon Hart's successful surveillance operation resulted in a seventeen page report documenting the subject's activities for the day, with 50 pictures, a 15 minute video, and two maps of her routes. Despite the editor knowing that she would be followed at some point that week, she was completely unaware of In-Time's surveillance. Congratulations to Leon Hart on getting great press for the industry, and a special thank you for his mention of CII in this fascinating piece!

IF YOU thought private detectives were just for the movies, you were wrong. Express.co.uk looks into the world of private detective agencies and what it's like to be stalked.

Walking to the bus stop, the last thing you'd imagine is that the man casually strolling along at five paces behind you is filming your every move. Following you. Taking note of everyone you talk to, and writing down your conversations.

But that's exactly what happened to Lifestyle Editor Felicity Thistlethwaite who was 'tracked' for a whole day by a private detective agency in London.

To celebrate the release of London Spy on DVD, unsuspecting Felicity was followed, filmed and photographed for seven hours by InTime Investigations.

The leading surveillance experts demonstrated exactly how easy it is to trace the average person's movements.

The company offers a wide range of investigation techniques for the wondering wife or suspicious husband.

For just £45/hour, you can pay for the company to un-

dertake 'surveillance'.

Background checks will set you back a mere $\pounds 285.00$ or you can have a vehicle tracked for anything above $\pounds 550$.

On the day Felicity was followed, it was a simple case of tracking her movements - and the results were incredible.

I thought I'd know if someone was filming me but I wasn't aware of the detective at all Felicity Thistlethwaite

Armed with a Covert Camera Recorder, DSLR camera and various other equipment, the detective managed to follow the 27-year-old from her house, onto the tube and all the way to work without raising suspicion.

Speaking about the day in question, Felicity said: "I knew at some point that week I was going to be followed for research - so I had a heightened awareness of my surroundings. Despite this, I didn't see a thing.

"I'm shocked. I truly believed I'd know if someone was filming me or taking my picture in public but I wasn't aware of the detective at all."

After trundling to work completely unaware she was being followed, Felicity nipped out of the building to meet a friend.

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After receiving the report, it was clear the detective had been filming under a table and had close-up shots of Felicity's friend.

The report read: "The male has been tactile with the SOE on the walk often touching the SOE. They both seem quite comfortable in one another's company.

"After taking a seat the male approaches the bar, buys two drinks and returns to the table. They continue engaged in what appears to be animated conversation."

After six hours of being followed, Felicity was handed a 17-page report documenting her every move that morning.

It included 50 pictures, a 15 minute video and two maps showing her route to work and where - exactly - she went with her friend that afternoon.



Scary? Yes. Felicity said: "I didn't think this sort of thing happened in real life. Yeah, in the movies it seems like fun but actually being followed - without knowing about it - is scary.

"Would I use it? Maybe. You know what they say about a scorned woman..."

Legally speaking, technically surveillance could be a 2A offence of stalking under the Protection of Freedom Act 2012 - and that act amends the Protection from Harassment Act 1997.

But it would be fair to say it would be very difficult to convict a PI.

The House of Commons Home Affairs Committee

What we would always suggest, when instructing an investigator, is to ensure they belong to the the Council of International Investigators (CII)... Leon Hart CII published a report on private investigators in 2012 in which they admitted 'No one knows precisely how many private investigators there are in the UK'.

The discussion came about after the phone-

hacking scandal. There is an on-going debate into whether or not PIs should be regulated more heavily.

Leon Hart, Managing Director of InTime Investigations told Express.co.uk: "First things first, carrying out surveillance in a public area - any company or any individual is allowed to do that.

"The same as when you employ a builder or plumber, they need to be registered with a governing body. The private investigation sector isn't particularly governed. What we would always suggest, when instructing an investigator, is to ensure they belong to the World Association of Private Investigators (WAPI) or the Council of International Investigators (CII).

Also, the company should be registered with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and that is in relation to data protection laws. We're registered with all these." *Continued next page*

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What concerns did Leon have with unregulated, off-the-cuff private investigators? He said: "As a professional company it's frowned upon when other companies are using inappropriate methodology.

"We regularly hear of investigators obtaining information they shouldn't, and investigators that overcharge and don't provide the information the client requires.

"It's the same with any company or trade, there will be cowboys out there."

Watching the Detectives

Submitted by Steve Kirby

Our regular Detective Watcher, **Joan Beach Reistetter** took the month off to recuperate so for this issue your favorite Executive Director took on the PI duties with the following results:

Sandra Stibbards & **Cynthia Hetherington** each presented seminars at the ASIS New York conference in April. Sandra was also accepted to present at the ASIS Annual meeting, which will be attended by over 5,000 delegates from around the world this fall. Quite a coup.

Speaking of speakers: Jonathan Turner lectured at the ACFE conference in Las Vegas in May. At that same conference, several other CII members were seen about, including Mick Symons, Sachit Kumar,

Marc Reed, Twani Tyndall, Steve Levine, and Zafar Anzum.

Several CII members, including **Goolam Monsoor, Alan Marr, Pawan & Bunty Ahluwalia**, were seen dancing and celebrating **Jacob Lapid's** son Kfir's marriage to the lovely Nicole Nichan. **Brian McGuinness** can provide mentoring to the happy couple as he and his lovely bride just celebrated 32 years of wedded bliss.

Italian member **Alice Cappiello** was elected to the Board of Intellenet at their annual meeting in Toronto this month.

Ending on a gracious note, **Alan Marr** is pleased to report that due to the generosity of many CII people, as well as other friends and loved ones, the memorial donations in **Vicki Marr's** name to the Home Start Runnymede and Woking was \$4,260 US dollars.



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Featured Article

RESOURCE OF THE MONTH - Following the Money ... Bitcoin?

By Lauren Sowers

Following the money is one thing- following the Bitcoin is another. Have you ever needed to research a Bitcoin transaction in the course of an investigation, but didn't know where to turn? Bookmark <u>https://blockchain.info/</u> in your browser.

Blockchain reports Bitcoin transactions in real time, and you can search the database for free. Here's what the search box looks like:

Search

You may enter a block height, address, block hash, transaction hash, hash160, or ipv4 address...

Address / ip / SHA hash

Search

In order to use and understand this tool, let's look at a bit of Bitcoin terminology.

A bitcoin *address* is a unique Bitcoin public address. This is a front-facing number that can be seen in transaction logs. It is different from a user's Private Bitcoin Address, which should not be shared with other users. This consists of 26-25 alphanumeric characters. There are currently two address formats in use- one kind begins with the number 1 and the other begins with the number 3. Bitcoin generates a brand new address for every transaction. Addresses are case sensitive and exact- so they must be typed exactly or copied and pasted for accuracy. Addresses are used only once. They are not wallets or accounts. They only receive funds. Bitcoin transactions have no origin- that is, no "from" address. (The explanation for why there is no origin is highly technical and can be found here: https://en.bitcoin.it/wiki/From_address)

A *Hash 160* is a cryptographically hashed Bitcoin public address in a shorter format- basically, a computer generated shorthand for an address.

A **transaction hash** is known in the Bitcoin world as a "tx ID". In essence, it's just a way to look up the specific transaction on the Bitcoin blockchain.

An **IPv4 address** is an IP address in binary/ 32 bit numeric form. For instance, your target's IP may be 69.89.31.226, but your IPv4 is 01000101.01011001.00011111.11100010. There are lots of free web tools to make the conversion easy. Here's one to try: <u>http://www.ipaddressguide.com/</u>

Do you have any Bitcoin investigative wisdom to share? Or a new research tool that will benefit your CII colleagues? Let us know!

Welcome to Sweden!

Cll Annual General Meeting in Gothenburg, Sweden 23th to 26th August, 2016

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