

## IEEE Region 8 Jubilee Book Coordinator Report October 2012

Within the period from April to September the core group of the Editorial Board consisting of the project champions Tony Davies, Martin Bastiaans, Kurt Richter, Roland Saam, and Charles Turner had a face-to-face meeting right after the meeting of the Region 8 Committee in Berlin followed by three Skype conferences where the progress of the particular anniversary projects described below were analyzed and discussed..

### **Anniversary Projects:**

#### 1. Web-Based Histories:

1.1 Martin Bastiaans reviewed his article on the Early History of Region 8. Parts of it will be included in his paper presented at HISTELCON 2012 in Pavia, Italy, in September during a special session on the History of Region 8. At this conference Tony Davies as well as Jacob Baal-Schem will present papers on the expansion of Region 8 activities and membership in Eastern Europe from 1990 and R8 Conferences, respectively.

1.2 All Region 8 **Past Directors** who did not respond yet were asked again to send in their short memoirs containing the highlights of their term as directors. Unfortunately, the response was very low.

1.3 In June a review of the Section histories posted to the **Global History Network (GHN)** showed that entries of only 18 Sections can be considered as completed, the entries of 8 sections are partially complete, while 30 Sections have not posted their history yet. The 18 Section Histories completed were posted by the following Sections:

Austria, Benelux, Germany, Hungary, Iran, Israel, Jordan, Latvia, Morocco, Nigeria, Norway, Portugal, Republic of Macedonia, Russia NWT, South Africa, Turkey, Tunisia, UK&RI.

Hopefully, at the R8 Meeting in Tallinn more Sections can be added to the above list.

#### 2. Oral History

##### 2.1 Interviews completed:

The following interviews have been completed and transcribed for posting to the GHN:

Reg Russel	6 <sup>th</sup> Director	Basil Osborne	12 <sup>th</sup> Director
Rolf Remshardt	19 <sup>th</sup> Director	Baldomir Zajc	22 <sup>nd</sup> Director

##### 2.2 Interviews planned:

The following interviews are planned to be completed by the end of 2012:

Jean Lebel	2 <sup>nd</sup> Director	Charles Turner	16 <sup>th</sup> Director
Tony Davies	21 <sup>st</sup> Director	Kurt Richter	15 <sup>th</sup> Director

#### 3. Minutes of the R8 Committee Meetings

Since all minutes are scanned this project can be considered as completed.

However, the minutes of the 4 meetings listed below are still missing. Therefore, our request is repeated:

**Whoever can find copies of one of those minutes may report to Martin or Kurt!**

1965	Fall meeting	Geneva, Switzerland Section
1966	Fall meeting	Leuven, Benelux Section

1968 Fall meeting Tel Aviv, Israel Section  
1974 Fall meeting Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia Section

#### 4. Region 8 News - Special Anniversary Issue

It was agreed that the special anniversary issue would be published in March 2013, ahead of the Madrid meeting of the Region 8 Committee. The content of this special issue is still being discussed within the Jubilee Core Group together with the R8 News editors. However, since the view angle might be too narrow it is planned to contact prominent R8 members and non-members asking some key questions about what they would be interested to read in such a special anniversary issue.

#### 5. Anniversary celebrations

An outline of the planned celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Region 8 Committee Meeting in Madrid in March 2013 will be presented orally by the R8 Director-Elect Martin Bastiaans at the 99<sup>th</sup> meeting in Tallinn.

**This report will be updated at the R8 Meeting in Tallinn, Estonia.**

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