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34th
IELA CONGRESS
& General Assembly

June 23rd | 26th

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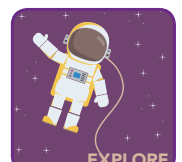
June 26th | 28th

EVENT RESULTS 2019

The Venice Event legacy: JOY – BRAVERY – PURPOSE - CONSISTENCY

Geneva, Switzerland, July 8th, 2019 - The Human Factor was the focus at the 34th IELA Congress & 8th IELA Partnering Event from 23rd to 26th June 2019.

Transformational leaders empower their team beyond immediate self-interest through influence, inspiration and encouragement. They are capable of elevating their colleagues personal achievement, goals and ideals beyond individual levels to that of the organisation and, most importantly, society itself. This was exactly IELA's goal this year: To accompany the UNLOCKING of each and every delegate's POTENTIAL in order to BOOST change with new ideas carried back to the office by every single participant.



The 2019 results

269 delegates representing 147 companies from 50 countries joined the 34th IELA Congress

379 delegates representing 209 companies from 57 countries attended the 8th Partnering Event

3.405 pre-arranged meetings took place during the Congress and PE networking sessions



IELA Board of Management election results

The formal 2019 **General Assembly** opened proceedings with a brief report of IELA's Chairman **Vicki Bedi** as well as the Treasurer's Report by Guido Fornelli. Re-elected for a further two-year term: **Mariane Ewbank** (Fulständig Shows e Eventos MC Ltda, Brazil), **Jim Kelty** (Airways Freight Corporation, USA) and **Emmanuel Pitchelu** (E.S.I. Expo Services International, France). First-time elected members for a two-year term were **Priscilla Leong** (Global COO & Finance of Agility Fairs & Events, Singapore) and **Sandi Trotter** (TWI Group Inc., Canada). Members remaining for another year are **Vicki Bedi** (PS Bedi Group, India), **Guido Fornelli** (Expotrans S.p.A., Italy), **Feyzan Erel** (Gruptrans International Co. Inc., Turkey) and **Christoph Rauch** (BTG Messe-Spedition GmbH, Germany).



Awarding Quality

The **IELA STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE SURVEY** is the unique tool that benchmarks our members' performance. The winner of the respective category – Export Agent, Domestic Agent or On-Site Agent – receives the Best Agent Award at the annual IELA Congress, the highest quality recognition within the Industry.



The Top 3 Performers were presented during the Gala Dinner on June 25th 2019:

Export Agent 2018:

1st Place: PANEXPO Gesellschaft für Transport- und Messelogistik mbH, Germany

2nd Place: Ishikawa-Gumi, Ltd, Japan

Domestic Agent 2018:

1st Place: Transit Air Cargo Singapore Pte. Ltd., Singapore

2nd Place: FILS International Freight & Logistic Services LLC, United Arab Emirates

On-Site Agent 2018:

1st Place: Transit Air Cargo Singapore Pte. Ltd., Singapore

2nd Place: ELF SHIPPING LLC, United Arab Emirates

This year **Mariane Ewbank**, former IELA Chairwoman 2016-2018, received the **Honorary Member Award**, joining the list of the 14 IELA Honorary members.



Focusing on Education and Training, the Working Group Chair, Bas Wiendels, handed over Best Student Awards to the two ex-aequo **Best Students of the 2019 IELA Winter Seminar**, **Jessica Abaty**, from E.S.I. Group, France and **Hafizzudin Noor Mohammad**, from R.E. Rogers (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd.

IELA congratulates all awarded members!

The IELA Forum

We explored, unlocked and unfolded the power of the HUMAN FACTOR.

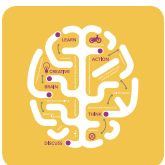
TRANSITIONING – TRANSCENDING – TRANSFORMING were the motto.



Many thanks to our Keynote speakers **Mario Pecheny** “Waiting in a cross-cultural and globalised world” and **Sofia Allegra Crespi** “Unlocking Human Potential”. These two academic speakers showed how to **Shift your perspective** and asked the fundamental questions: **How can I adjust my skills to technology?** and **What is the future of my business?**



The **Think Campus** session was uniquely comprised this year of a discussion panel made up of IELA customers. Moving from a product-focused to a **customer-centric perspective** was the focus and thanks to the moderator **Florent Jarry** (AMR Int. Ltd.) and the discussion panel **Laurent Noël** (Comexposium), **Markus Metzmacher** (ifm electronic gmbh), **Giacomo Lucchini** (UFI) and **Giovanni Bifulco** (Italian Trade Agency).



The **Breakfast Brains** sessions were as always popular and addressed diversified subjects including the **IELA Power UP Leadership Programme for Women**, the **Digital Transformation and Airline Charges**. Many thanks to **Luigi Bianchi** (Wexlog) and **Daniel Mithran** (Jim Project & Expo Logistics (M) Sdn. Bhd).



Filled with energy and ideas, the **Stream to Action** sessions “**Unleash your Organisation’s Full Human and Creative Capacity**”, “**Boost Your Resilience at Work**” and “**Reverse Mentoring**” captured the delegates’ interest and incorporated their active participation. We would like to thank **Sofia Allegra Crespi**, **Maria Rosa Rocco** and **Mario Pecheny** for moderating these sessions.

Under the theme “**Sustainability**”, the next **IELA Congress** will take place in Limpopo, South Africa from June 27th to 30th 2020.

IELA Partnering Event

The worldwide unique platform corroborated the Power of Networking.



The IELA Partnering Event has once again made a name for itself as the solely global networking event of the exhibition logistics industry. IELA thanks all participants and members for creating a rewarding event where we boosted the Human Factor!

We spent a great moment together, meeting old friends, identifying new opportunities, making new friendships and developing new business.

Once a year, IELA is grateful to continue to bring the world's major players, newcomers and niche solutions providers of the Exhibition and Event logistics industry to one place. We look forward to welcoming the world to the 9th Partnering Event in Johannesburg, South Africa from June 25th to 26th 2020.

SEE YOU IN

SOUTH AFRICA 2020

SAVE THE DATE

9th PARTNERING EVENT
June 25th • 26th
Sandton Convention Center, Johannesburg

35th IELA CONGRESS & General Assembly
June 27th • 30th
Legend Golf & Safari Resort - Limpopo

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IELA Upcoming Events



> **2nd IELA Connect**
October 14th 2019 - Marrakech, Morocco



> **3rd IELA Operations Summit**
February 13th - 15th 2020 - Bangkok, Thailand



> **9th IELA Partnering Event**
June 25th - 26th 2020 - Johannesburg, South Africa



> **35th IELA Congress & General Assembly**
June 27th - 30th 2020 - Limpopo, South Africa



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About IELA:

The International Exhibition Logistics Association is the global industry network enhancing the professionalism of the transportation logistics and freight handling segments of the exhibition & event industry. IELA works with venue owners, organisers and national associations educating, training and sharing expertise for safe and secure operations around the world. The quality brand IELA is currently represented by 175 members and 31 affiliates in 56 countries.

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