

Photographic Alliance of America (PAA)

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PSA-FIAP Planning Meeting April 2019

The FIAP and PSA Presidents, the PSA International Partnerships Emissary, and the FIAP Partnership & Promotion Director met in Florida on April 26 and 27, 2019 to outline and prioritize the steps that could be taken to create a consistent, closer, working relationship. Specific issues of mutual concern were discussed and potential actions to solve these issues were delineated. Some areas of difference in each organization's standards/regulations for the conduct of a salon/exhibition were reviewed and suggestions for compromise were made.



April FIAP-PSA Planning Meeting.

The topics of mutual importance and significance for the future conduct of International Salons/Exhibitions were discussed. Those determined to be a priority to be accomplished were organized into a document for each organization to review and discuss with their respective program directors, committees, and boards. A plan was developed for the entire FIAP Board of Directors to hold their next Board Meeting during the 2019 PSA Conference in Spokane.

FIAP & PSA Finalize Memorandum of Understanding

On September 25, during the PSA Conference four members of the FIAP Board including the President, Secretary General, and the Directors of FIAP

Patronage and FIAP Distinctions; and four PSA leaders including the President, the Director of Exhibition Services, the International Partnerships Emissary, and the individual developing the software for salons/exhibitions to apply for PSA recognition, met to refine the document developed following the April meeting. The document was finalized as the Memorandum of Understanding to be signed following the dinner of the FIAP Board and PSA Executive Committee.



PSA-FIAP finalize Memorandum of Understanding.

FIAP-PSA Dinner & Historic Signing of Memorandum of Understanding

On September 27, the PSA Executive Committee and the PSA International Partnerships Emissary had dinner with the FIAP Board. Following dinner, the FIAP & PSA Presidents signed the FIAP-PSA Memorandum of Understanding.



FIAP and PSA Presidents sign Memorandum of Understanding.



FIAP Board-PSA Executive Committee dinner.

PSA Honors Banquet

On September 28, 2019, at the close of the PSA Honors Banquet, PSA President, Elena McTighe, called FIAP President, Riccardo Busi, to the podium where she presented him with his PSA Qualified Photography Distinction (QPSA). Riccardo then presented Elena with the ESFIAP for Excellence of Services rendered to FIAP. Riccardo also addressed those gathered and ended his comments by inviting the PSA Executive Committee to attend the 2020 FIAP Congress in India.



Riccardo presents Elena with ESFIAP.