

# FISA-BULLETIN 2026-01

Dear FISA Members,

Biberberg, February 17, 2026

With today's first FISA Bulletin in 2026, you will receive the most important news and an outlook for the current year. Regardless, I recommend that everyone visit the FISA website. Thanks to Stefan Bruylants' dedication, you will always find a comprehensive overview and valuable information there: <https://fisa-web.com/>

## 1. Literature

Three members have responded to my call for submissions of important or relevant literature for our collecting areas. I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to Chris Hargreaves (CANADA), Piyush Khaitan (INDIA), and György Lővei (HUNGARY).

Since we currently have twenty-six members, I would be grateful for further submissions. The goal is to provide guidance and support those interested in collecting areas with recommendations. Thank you in advance for your support.

As a precaution, I repeat my request as follows:

Please include the following information for each entry:

- Book title
- Author
- Publisher - Contact information
- Publication date
- Number of pages
- Availability
- Price

*Ideally, please send a photo of the cover image.*

## 2. AMSIPEX-26

This fantastic exhibition is now live, and the WORLD AIR MAIL DAY Virtual Webinar will take place on February 18, 2026. With six presentations by renowned experts in 5 1/2 hours, a substantial program awaits. Please take the time to attend. If you have not already done so, please also inform your members via email today.

Date: Wednesday, 18 February 2026

🕒 Time: 15:00 IST (The meeting room will open 15 minutes early for fellowship)

🌐 Platform: Zoom

<https://tinyurl.com/AMSIzoommeeting>

Meeting ID: 921 3527 4549

Passcode: 125235

Visit [www.amsipex.com](http://www.amsipex.com) to view the webinar schedule

## 3. WhatsApp Group

We have a WhatsApp group for board members and delegates of our affiliated clubs for two years now. We currently have fifteen members and are happy to welcome more. If you are interested, please send a message to the following number:



**+49 172 5131381**

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## 4. 52. FISA-Congress 2026

We have decided to hold the 52nd FISA Congress on August 28, 2026, in Gmunden during PHILA TOSCANA. A separate invitation with all the details will follow. The congress itself will take place at the Hotel GRÜNBERGHOF in Gmunden, while the exhibition will be held at the Toscana Congress Center Gmunden.

Hotel capacity in this beautiful resort town nestled between mountains and lakes is limited and in high demand, especially during the summer. Therefore, I strongly recommend booking now and planning your travel arrangements.

We are pleased to announce that the Austrian Post will be issuing at least one special stamp and a commemorative postmark for this occasion. We also anticipate issuing an aerophilatelic and astrophilatelic cover, as well as a vignette sheet. In addition, the following official special postmark of the Austrian Post will be issued:



Furthermore, we are planning a limited-edition helicopter delivery service to the 69th Gordon Bennett Cup (Gas Balloon World Championship) in Filzmoos, Austria. Also, the Liechtenstein Post Office will issue a special commemorative stamp for the FISA Congress. Other announcements may also be made.

I would particularly like to draw your attention to the special exhibition dedicated solely to exhibits in the fields of aerophilately and astrophilately. The registration deadline is May 31, 2026. The registration form is enclosed.

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## 5. International Digital Membership (IDM)

Many clubs are already taking advantage of this fantastic opportunity, and up to 25% of their members benefit from it. We have the impression that there's still room for improvement here. Therefore, we recommend that you familiarize yourself with the topic again. All information is available at the following link:

<https://www.fisa-web.com/news/idm-page/>

The next FISA Bulletin 2026-02 will be published in May 2026. If you have any topics or suggestions for it, I would be delighted to include them.

I wish all the speakers at tomorrow's meeting and all the exhibitors at AMSIPEX '26 every success. It's wonderful that so many people are so dedicated and keep our passion alive.

I hope to see you all in person in Gmunden, Austria in August 2026.

Warm regards, yours

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