



## Congress 2005, update

Thank you to all delegates, presenters, sponsors and volunteers!

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**Dear fellow SIETARians,**

We hope that those of you who joined us for the congress in France have had a chance to relax and recharge their batteries.

Thank you very much for your support for the 2005 congress. We keep receiving positive feedback and it looks as if most of you enjoyed your time at La Colle Sur Loup. We hope that you were intellectually stimulated by the discussions, presentations and the debates, emotionally charged by the passion of performers and speakers and may be even a little physically exhausted after talking and singing late into the night.



Delegates, organisers and presenters

In the coming days we'll be asking you for your feedback on the congress. Please take a minute to complete our on-line survey, as this is the best way for us to understand what worked and what should have been done differently.

This newsflash has one purpose: to thank all of you for your participation and support. Vincent Merk, our fearless tombola man has reported amazing results: we managed to raise €1600 (the car boot sale expertly organized by Grant Douglas included). The silent auction, organized by LaMonte Miller brought another €1000. Thank you all for that!



Volunteers

Very special thanks to all the volunteers from SIETAR France, who worked tirelessly and were the perfect hosts. We realize how hard that job was! [Edith Coron](#), [Laurence Sicot](#), [Nancy Bragard](#), [Marine de Labriole](#), thank you all! [Marine de LaBriolle](#) made the theatre arrangements, [Isabelle Demengeat](#) and [Anne H el ene Guttieres](#) did the Open Space event selection and design. [Caroline Wirta](#), [Jo elle Aden](#), [Nancy Caldwell](#), and [Christie Adams](#) were the proposal review team. [Nancy Bragard](#), [Grant Douglas](#), [Natalie Lutz](#), [Laurence Sicot](#) worked on translation and interpretation of key notes. And thank you to all the other volunteers from SIETAR France who helped in the preparation of the congress.

This is one more chance to thank all volunteers who worked tirelessly to make this congress the success it was:



**Patrick Boylan**  
Master of Ceremonies



**George Simons**  
Congress logistics



**Edith Coron**  
Programme



**Vincent Merk**  
Fundraising



**Grant Douglas**  
Logistics & translations



**Jeff Jackson**  
"Technical Guy"



**David Walsh**  
Fundraising



**Jonathan Levy**  
Programme



**Dounia  
Bouzar**



**Jacques  
Demorgon**

Our distinguished key-note speakers and performers made the evenings unforgettable. Thank you!



**Gail  
Prawda**



**Leila  
Buck**



**Meaghan  
Kimball**

Gail Prawda stimulated thinking in café philo, Leila Buck gave an entertaining opening to the congress and Meaghan Kimball's film challenged our notions of European culture. Thank you!

Thanks to our sponsors we could support many of the participants who wouldn't have been able to afford the congress otherwise – thank you for your generosity!



The work of our volunteers was essential. Thank you Anja, Katja, Kate, Mirka, Julienne, Stassie, Pierre, Florance, Aimee

The tireless efforts of the Sponsorship and Exhibitors Team co-ordinated by LaMonte Miller kept the wheels of the congress turning.

Thank you all!

Our gratitude too, to Siobhan Mullins who coordinated the moderators, Klara Falk-Bano and Sabine Wagner who ran the membership activities, Axinia Samoilova who organised the gala dinner and special thanks to Mareike Zettel, Anja Krüger, Zsuzsanna Tungli for their contributions.



Holding it all together was Christine Longé, our office secretary and co-ordinator of just about all congress administration. Thank you!

We were very lucky to have local help: Marie-Lise Charue, Norma Andersen, Danielle Godard, Leslie Joines, Caroline Wirta.

Thanks to the many of you participants who at the last moment pitched in to both find and be moderators for the in-congress presentations. Your help lightened the load for all the speakers, participants and organizers. Thanks again.

**Your involvement does not stop here! We invite you to:**

- [contribute to our new online magazine \(coming soon\)](#)
- [send your best congress photos \(max 3\)](#)
- [contact a committee](#)

We look forward to your contributions for the website and to the newsletters and newflashes.

Please stay involved – SE is a great organization and deserves your support!

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