



## INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF INVENTORS' ASSOCIATIONS

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### New Year Message 2008

Ladies and Gentleman,

I cordially greet the members of International Federation of Inventors' Associations, inventors and innovators all over the world. IFIA has member organizations from 84 countries; therefore IFIA is a non governmental world organization that represents the interest of all inventors.

What are the most important inventor interests? The answer is simple: unified, simple and cheap world-wide patent protection and the fast utilization of inventions without difficulties.

In the year of 2007 we worked hard to represent these main interests. IFIA organized the World Cup of Computer Implemented Inventions for the advancement of a unified patent protection of this modern form of invention. A campaign for the Community Patent in the EU had been started by IFIA too.

Concerning to the utilization of inventions we organized the series of international invention exhibitions. IFIA members presented hundreds and hundreds of new works in 14 cities of four continents. This was a very useful tool for the international marketing of inventions.

IFIA reached a mature adult age. In this year, in 2008, IFIA is forty years old. Since 1968 IFIA became a real international organization, thanks to my predecessor, Dr. Farag Moussa. And now we must show the power of this adult IFIA and inventors world-wide. Therefore we organize IFIA Jubilee events this year.

- In February: we will celebrate the First International Inventors Day in Bangkok.
- In May: we will show the inventive activity of ladies in Seoul.
- In October The IFIA General Assembly together with the world's largest inventions show will be a great demonstration of the future in Suzhou, China.

Our Friends, as you see your chances are great. To be more active in 2008 than before! Show the world your capacities and your results. Forward IFIA, forward inventors!

Finally I wish you a Happy New Year and a lot of success at your inventive works.

András Vedres president