



Fellowship of Rotarian PDGs (and Friends)



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Thanks to all of you who have joined our new fellowship. We believe it has some exciting possibilities to improve and enhance the existing friendship and fellowship among Rotarians who have served as district governors along with the other purposes set forth in the bylaws. With your assistance, the fellowship continues to flourish with more than 200 members from 172 districts in 32 countries.

We have now selected and recruited the additional nine directors prescribed in the bylaws, and I am pleased to announce their participation. They are Bob Aitken from Australia, Mario Cesar de Camargo from Brazil, Jason Chan from Hong Kong, Henrique Gomes de Almeida from Portugal, Steve Leonard from the USA, Geeta Manek from Kenya, Jim Moulson from Scotland, Penny Offer from Canada, and Gulam Vahanvaty from India. They are an outstanding group of PDGs from around the globe, who will help us to shape the future of our new fellowship.

There will be a first meeting of the new board of directors on Friday morning, 21 June, in Lisbon. And then, even more importantly, the first annual meeting of our members will be held at 1:30 on Friday afternoon at Pavilion 3, Room 3005, in the convention center. The meeting will last until 4:30, and then we plan to host a reception for all registrants and spouses from 5:00 to 6:00 in the same location. So please come early and stay late for our very first annual meeting on 21 June in Lisbon!

The PDGs Fellowship will have a booth at the convention, and it will be located at Booth 1504 that is admirably located on the center isle in Pavilion 2 of the convention center. Please plan to spend some time at the booth to meet both old and new friends. We will need help to staff the booth for the entire convention, and we will contact you again to seek your assistance when our plans for staffing the booth are completed.

Now is a good time for you to alert your PDG friends about the new fellowship. Despite our early success, most PDGs are still unaware of it, and a brief note from you will provide a new opportunity for your PDG friends. Just ask them to look at our website at www.pdgsfellowship.org, and they can enroll online. And they will appreciate the tip from you about the new fellowship!

We are fortunate to be Rotarians, and we are even more fortunate to be past district governors. We automatically are members of a very elite fraternity of men and women who have earned the title of PDGs, and now we have the opportunity to make the fraternity even better for all of our fellow PDGs. Let's make the most of it for the benefit of all concerned!

For questions about the fellowship, please contact the chair, Ray Klinginsmith, at rayklaw@sbcglobal.net or the secretary, Ann Lee Hussey, at annlee001@yahoo.com.