



Walled Towns Friendship Circle

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Where will our next symposium be held?

Fredericia, Denmark
September 17th - 19th



WTFC Welcomes New Members

Capdepera, Spain
Fredericia, Denmark
Trnava, Slovak Republic
Alanya, Turkey
Boyabat, Turkey
Bursa, Turkey
Karadeniz Ereğli, Turkey

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From "Heb beraber, Sen ve ben" to "Sammen, du og jeg" (together, you and me)

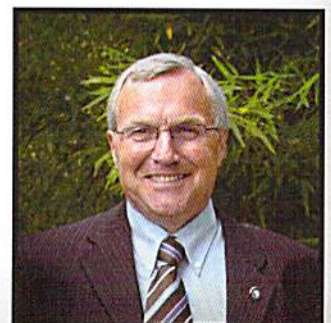
It has certainly taken longer than we would have liked, but here it is at last: the first Newsletter of 2010. The amount of work that had to be done in order to get a descent administration was far more then we could have foreseen at the election in October. Fortunately we could keep regular mailcontact with most of you about current affairs.

In our opinion the paper version of the newsletter, besides digital communication; in particular Teknet and our website, is a continuing useful instrument for communication, especially to show to colleagues or people from other Walled Towns. Besides informing you by Newsletters, we will try to intensify the information coming to you by the WTFC website and Teknet ; for example by a special feature "News of the Month"so that there is an extra reason to visit the Website regularly.

Furthermore I hope that many more members will play an active role and submit articles about their towns, on their general experiences or projects they are involved in. In this way it is possible to at the same time promote your town.

I thank all who contributed to this Newsletter and also to those who will now take the opportunity to submit a contribution to the next Newsletter

President: Peter van Roosmalen





WTFC present at Europe's Day Celebration in Capdepera



Capdepera is situated in the Northeast of Majorca. King Jaume II ordered the building of the castle as a small walled town in the year 1300, in order to repopulate the eastern part of the island at times of tension. The fortress is built on a strategic position with panoramic view on the coastline, in particular on the channel of Minorca that separates two islands. In 1854 the castle lost all strategic importance and military presence was withdrawn. Since 1983 the premise passed to the municipality. After thorough restoration, the castle is now open to the public. About 75,000 paying visitors per year climb up Capdepera's steps to visit its beautiful former military inheritance. The municipality recently has become a full member to both FICAM – the Iberian organisation of Walled Towns – and the WTFC. The town has the ambition to take part in EU cooperation projects related to cultural heritage and tourism. Representatives from FICAM and the WTFC were invited to present both organisations on Europe Day, 9th of May 2010. Roberto Rubiolo, architect in Plasencia, represented FICAM and the Circle was represented by the Secretary General, Huibert Crijns. They both gave a speech and a presentation to an audience of the mayor and councillors, Majorca's EU contact point and representatives of the Islands government, seated in Palma. Capdepera has several seaside resorts such as Cala Ratjada and also the beautiful Canyamel Golf Course to offer to the visitors. If you are interested in visiting this fresh WTFC member or if you have ideas on cooperation, please contact Martina Fornes of the town council at +34 971819467 or martina@ajcapdepera.net

