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Delegates Report

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Is it linked to IKD? Yes (at home page)

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Association Membership Criteria:

Having a license as private detective (practicing), having the university degree on Private Investigation (non practicing), being student of Private Investigations studies (students) or being a foreign Private Detective (foreign members). In any case: not having been disqualified.

Applicants must accept the APDPE Code of Ethics. APDPE Code of Ethics includes IKD Code of Ethics provisions.

Comments on Association Activities, if any:

- Monthly e-Newsletter.
- Monthly "Encuentro". "Encuentros" are learning meetings, open to all private detectives and free to members, including a talk and discussion on professional matters. The talk is given by a Private Detective that specializes in an area of practice or by an external professional. The monthly Encuentros was started in 2013 and has obtained a great attendance success.
- APDPE signed agreements with the universities of Madrid, Salamanca and Seville. According to these agreements, APDPE provides the professors for the Private Investigation studies at such universities and develop post-graduate learning activities joining to them for associates and other private detectives.
- Yearly "Summer Course" at El Escorial, organized by the University Complutense of Madrid. APDPE has proposed twice a 3 days course on professional related matters, being both times approved by the University. Requested in 2013, for July 2014 it has been approved the course on "Professionals: from Cinema and Media to real life". Lecturers include well-known Court Magistrates, cinema directors, actors, lawyers and private detectives. This activities help to improve the knowledge of PD activities and its legal statute to the society.
- Yearly Conference. A yearly conference has been done sine the foundation of the Association. It is a 2 days programme, focussed on professional matters. In 2013 it took place by the end of March in Cáceres, with the main subject: "Private Investigation as a tool against fraud and corruption". In 2014 it will take place by ending March in Toledo (taking advantage of the IV Centenary of the Spanish painter El Greco) and will be focussed on the Project to amend the Private Security Law, currently at the Spanish Parliament. Congresses are open to all private detectives, both national and foreign, and also include social and cultural activities.
- Related to the Project of a new law on Private Security, during 2012 and 2013 APDPE has focussed its efforts in promoting professional demands at the future new law. To assist to this, APDPE hired the services of a well-know legal firm, with a global budget of 90.000 EUR.
- APDPE has attended all IKD meetings in 2013. In London, APDPE was appointed to host the IKD meeting in 2015.
- APDPE is the legal representative of Spanish private detectives, being member at the National Commission on Private Security, joined by Spanish Government and the major associations on private security.



Total No. of Members: 426 (census at 31/12/2012)

Is there a Government License? : YES

If yes, under what authority? : Ministry of Interior

Name of Licensing Regulator Authority: Unidad Central de Seguridad Privada (a department of Spanish Police).

Comments on Regulation, if any:

As advanced, in 2012 Spanish Government started the works for a new Private Security Law. APDPE filed a documents with proposals to improve the legal regulation on Private Detectives, adapting the provision of 1992 PS Law to current times.

In 2013 the Government approved a draft-project (Anteproyecto), that was distributed to mayor professional associations. APDPE filed a document of allegations to the draft. Some allegations were adopted.

In 2013, the project was sent to the Spanish Parliament. APDPE met political groups to defend some pending allegations to the project. Ending 2013, the project was sent to Senate and news meetings with political groups took place.

In summary, APDPE holds a critical position to the project: some provisions are supported, some other are against professional legitimate interests and some matters that require regulation has been ignored. APDPE proposed to separate Private Investigation regulation from the Private Security regulation, by means of an specific Law on Private Security activities and the private detectives. This proposal was not accepted, nothing standing it has the general agreement in the PI sector, Court Magistrates and major politicians.

APDPE will still demanding this specific law.

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