

Steinhude, April 6th, 2020

Dear Board Members, dear National Secretaries,

I would like to inform you about my decision to make my position on the Board of IDNIYRA Europe available ahead of time at the next statutory National Secretary Meeting.

It has been 21 years of trusting and fruitful cooperation with many board constellations, starting with Bart Reedijk as commodore.

Since 1999, initially associated until 2005, I was webmaster on the board and have contributed essential things for IDNIYRA Europe, such as NIA conform scoring software, Online Entry with ID-Check, Online Rule Test, Online Ballot. I would like to emphasize the special cooperation with OE-221 over many years. Thanks Niklas. During the season it was often a 24 hour standby service which I wanted to end after my current term of office, next year.

However, the work on the board has now led to a turnaround for me, which no longer guarantees further trustful and respectful work in the current constellation. I would like to thank all those who had given me their trust with their votes at the past Nat. Sec meetings and especially the many sailors from all countries for whom I have been in charge of the website.

IDNIYRA Europe will continue to be close to my heart, as it is my cross-national community that has brought me many friends and joy and has promoted the European idea extraordinarily - Wim van Acker once started it. Don't forget the roots!

Think Ice

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Gottke' with a stylized flourish at the end.

Dietmar (Godie) Gottke DN G-4