

To all members of the PostEurop  
Stamps and Philately Group

Brussels, 2 November 2016

## 57 Think Green stamps from 53 operators

We are very happy to inform you that a total of 57 stamps out of 62 possible have informed us that they have issued Think Green stamps. Only four operators, Great Britain, Greenland, Russia and Turkey (and no official information from 1 operator) decided not to join this joint issue.

All these images are now shown on PostEurop homepage

<http://www.posteurop.org/EUROPA>

On Saturday, 17 September, in a privileged and outstanding venue as the Militiezaal of the Brussels Town Hall, the PostEurop Stamps & Philately Working Group held its annual Philatelic Art and EUROPA Stamps ceremony, in a joint organisation with Bephila, Belgian foremost Philatelic association.

Here the link to the event;

<http://posteurop.tumblr.com/post/151092073802/posteurop-at-the-2016-philately-grand-prix>

Photos are available in the PostEurop photo gallery:

<http://www.posteurop.org/index.jsp?nodeId=93014&isoCode=en>

## Unauthorized/illegal Think Green stamps

We have to inform you also about several unauthorized and/or illegal issues in connection with this project. Enclosed with this newsletter issue is a separate presentation showing the extent of the problem. The only way to fight against this abuse of the EUROPA trademark and reputation is to spread the **information to the whole trade**, to postal operators, philatelic magazines, collectors, dealers, catalogue issuers.

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This illegal behaviour has to be stopped and we have to do it together. Those countries /regions who are victims of these illegals should immediately contact UPU/WADP Louis Virgile, e-mail; [louis.virgile@upu.int](mailto:louis.virgile@upu.int) or Stephane Guennet, e-mail; [stephane.CUENNET@upu.int](mailto:stephane.CUENNET@upu.int) and obtain an official denouncement of the illegal “print-outs”. See enclosed the circular from the Isle of Man for their illegal issue.

## Stamps and Philately Steering Group 2017 –2019

The steering group for the next period is;

- Anita Häggblom, Chair, Åland
- Agnieszka Trzarskowska, Vice Chair, Poland
- Emile Espen, Luxembourg
- Stela Prisljan-Fujs, Croatia
- Arjan Jochems, The Netherlands
- Pascale de Mezamat, France, new member
- Daniel Rodríguez Bester Spain, new member

Glendon Martinez, as observer, Gibraltar

## Proposals for themes 2019–2020

Now it is time to start the plans for our future EUROPA stamp themes. Members can send their proposals to Mrs. Agnieszka Trzarskowska, [agnieszka.trzaskowska@poczta-polska.pl](mailto:agnieszka.trzaskowska@poczta-polska.pl), at latest by 31 December 2016.

The full list of all proposals will be sent to all members for voting. The most favourite theme gets 3 points, the second 2 points and the third 1 point. Your votes have to be in PostEurop on 30 April 2017 at latest. The winning themes will be announced in September 2017.

For further questions, please contact Ms Anita Häggblom [anita.haggblom@posten.ax](mailto:anita.haggblom@posten.ax) or Mr Antonio Amaral [antonio.amaral@posteurop.org](mailto:antonio.amaral@posteurop.org)

Yours sincerely,

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