



NEWSLETTER

Forwards into a new season!

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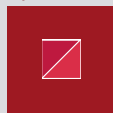
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Dear IBF Member,

Autumn is upon us, and now that we are all back from holidays, the IBF is looking forward to a new season of speaker dinners, pub quizzes, seminars and networking events... plus a few surprises!

You may have noticed that the IBF has changed its membership structure for 2014. Individuals and SMEs will now be replaced with two new categories - "Small-Business" (0-10 employees) and "Medium-Size" (11-50 employees). Corporates, Partners and Patrons will keep the same name. Whilst small businesses and corporate members will save on membership fees with this new structure, we recognise that individuals and larger SMEs will see a slight increase in fees and, because of this, we are offering all members within these categories the opportunity to pay their 2014 membership fees before 15th October, 2013 and thereby keep to this year's rate.

IBF members and friends can also read all about these changes on the IBF's brand new website, designed by the fantastic staff of the IBF's newest partner, Web 4 All! Now you can

register for events online, check out the gallery, leave comments, download past seminar presentations and quite a lot more.

There are a lot of great events coming up in the next few months and, as always, we have tried to include something for everyone. In November, the Marketing Group will host the last workshop in its 2013 Marketing Lifecycle series, a look into social media in marketing. There will also be another popular IBF Pub Quiz, the annual Real Estate Group Speaker Dinner, and the 7th Annual IBF Christmas Party!

If there are any events that you would like to see in the future, or any other suggestions you may have for the IBF, please come along to voice them at the Annual General Meeting, taking place in November. There will be three seats on the Board of Directors up for election, so if you are interested in filling out an application, please let us know!

We look forward to seeing you at an IBF event soon.

With warmest regards,

The IBF Board

Eva Doyle
Jonathan Hallett

Daniel Tylinger
Michael Stimson

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IBF Patron: Avestus Real Estate

Avestus Real Estate is one of the leading real estate developers in Central and Eastern Europe. The company is the full-service development arm of Avestus Capital Partners, a leading international real estate investor based in Ireland. Avestus Real Estate acts as a principal and advisor in originating, structuring, financing, developing and managing a diversified portfolio of assets. In the CEE region key markets are the Czech Republic, Poland and Slovakia.

In the Czech Republic the developer has in its portfolio a residential project, Modransky Haj, and an office complex, Explora Business Centre. Modransky Haj is one of the most exciting new communities in Prague. It features a variety of living options including apartments, villas, semi-detached and single-family homes, as well as a retail plaza. The Explora Business Centre is a modern, high-tech, Class A office park located in one of Prague's most dynamic and fastest growing business destinations, Prague 5 – Nové Butovice. Because of its size of 21,000 m², Phase I of the Explora, the Jupiter Building, has some of the largest floor plates available in Prague, with up to 2,830 m² per floor.

Building strength with elegance represents Avestus' commitment to an ongoing graceful application of business strategy supported by, and resulting in financial strength and rewards. The company has a headquarters office in Prague and regional offices in other markets.



RECENT EVENTS

IBF Pub Quiz IV

Thursday, 22nd August - James Joyce Irish Pub



The fourth IBF Pub Quiz turned up the heat this past August, with even more difficult questions from resident quizmaster, Luke Ryan. Five teams battled for the gold through two gruelling rounds of trivia, with 'The Mixed Bags' narrowly beating 'The Odds & Sods' in overtime. Look out for information on the final battle of 2013, taking place in November.



Back to Business with DDS and CANZA

Thursday, 19th September - Jalta Hotel



For the second instalment of the Back to Business networking event at the Jalta, the IBF was proud to partner with CANZA, as well as offer its support to the Czech children's charity, Dejme Dětem Šanci (DDS). Guests of the event enjoyed a wine tasting competition with La Cave d'Adrien, great music with DJ Martin Miklaus, a sushi-rolling demonstration and competition with COMO, and lots of great raffle prizes from IBF members!

After Work Drinks

Tuesday, 11th June - La Cave d'Adrien

In June, La Cave d'Adrien hosted a lovely social evening for the IBF, with fantastic wines and delightful French delicacies. Adrien Bricout, owner of the wine shop, raffled off two magnum bottles of one of its specialty wines, PERLE d'Azur 2012 - Chateau Sainte Roseline, to one very lucky member!

IBF Pub Quiz III

Tuesday, 18th June - James Joyce Irish Pub

The third IBF Pub Quiz saw a great turn-out despite the summer heatwave. The James Joyce arranged for another impressive menu, and two rounds of new questions were rolled out. Thanks to Wilson & Partners, Point Park Properties, JWA and Schoultz and Partners for all the enthusiasm, and 'heads-up' to any other members who want to join in the action: these are the teams to beat!

Speaker Dinner with Jiří Marek - VP of Sales & Marketing at Czech Airlines

Tuesday, 25th June - V Zátíši

In June, the IBF hosted its second speaker dinner of the year with the VP of Sales and Marketing at Czech Airlines, Jiří Marek. Mr Marek spoke candidly about the nature of the airline industry over an excellent V Zátíši meal. We look forward to seeing Mr Marek again very soon!

Marketing Lifecycle Series: Customer Management

Wednesday, 18th September - CMS Cameron McKenna

The fourth instalment of the IBF Marketing Lifecycle series featured speakers Michael Stimson and Natalia Folbrycht, sharing their advice on how to attract and retain clients in the Czech Republic today. Look out for more information on the final workshop of the series, which will speak about the dos and don'ts of social media in marketing, coming soon!

Welcome to our newest members:

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Get your Early Bird Christmas Tickets now!

Tickets for the 7th Annual IBF Christmas Party are now available! Contact us now for individual tickets, or for a table of eight.