

RI Europe/Africa Office Club and District Support NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the new Rotary year

This year, Rotary International President Holger Knaack is encouraging Rotarians to seize the many opportunities Rotary offers to enrich their lives and the communities they serve. He also urges members to embrace change and enable Rotary to expand and thrive. "We will capture this moment to grow Rotary, making it stronger, more adaptable, and even more aligned with our core values", Knaack said.



We at the RI Europe/Africa Office (EAO) wish you an exciting and successful year! With its 44 multilingual employees from various backgrounds and nationalities, our office supports approximately 300,000 Rotarians in 115 countries of Africa, Europe, and the Middle East. This region represents 25% of the Rotary world! In CDS, we are delighted to serve as your primary contact and we look forward to supporting you during this year.

For District Governors

Your Monthly Communication to Clubs

As district governor, you are required to communicate with all the club presidents and secretaries in your district at least once per month. This communication is important and should provide club leaders with news and reminders from their district as well as Rotary International. We would appreciate it if you could send a copy to your Club and District Support (CDS) team. To find out more about its content, take a look at your District Governor's Manual. Please also visit the [Office of the President](#) in My Rotary to read our Rotary President's monthly message, and consult the [calendar](#) to find all Rotary's monthly themes and observances, as well as important due dates and upcoming events.

For District Governors-elect

District Governor's and Club officers' online courses

Please note that you will not receive any officers' manuals in July. The District Governor's Manual, which will serve as a complete reference for your upcoming year of service, is now available as multiple interactive courses in the [Learning Center](#). These courses are best completed before your governors-elect training seminar.

In the Learning Center you will also find the Club President's online course, along with all other club officers' courses, which have replaced the former manuals.

Tips of the month

Club Planning Assistant

We know that leading a club is a big job with many responsibilities. The new [Club Planning Assistant](#) online tool allows you to explore possible solutions to issues your club might be facing and it offers customized strategies, tools and ideas designed to boost your club's health. Answer some questions about your club and get specific advice to address your club's challenges. Then build the suggested strategies into your club's membership plan.

Membership Month

August is designated as Membership month. Discover the Learning & Reference section of My Rotary and make use of the membership resources available [here](#).

Don't forget that in January 2019 the RI Board of Directors adopted a new [Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion](#) statement committing Rotary to cultivate a diverse, equitable, and inclusive culture, celebrating the contributions of people of all backgrounds. Do your clubs reflect this statement? Encourage them to take the course on [Building a Diverse Club](#) and to use the [Diversifying Your Club](#) assessment and act on its results.

