

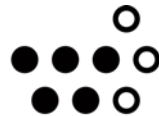
# Memories of a Fossil

## 1989-2021 IBO Highlights

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- Gérard COBUT
- Biology Teachers Association „PROBIO“, Belgium

Supported by



Wallonie - Bruxelles  
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# 1989, Brno meeting, IBO Foundation

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@ Mendel's monastery











Tomáš Soukup





Tomáš Soukup    Vítek Bičík



Jan Stoklasa



Pavol Elias

Jan Stoklasa



# 1990, Olomouc 1<sup>st</sup> IBO

- 6 countries
- Logo !
- 2 official languages



THE INTERNATIONAL BIOLOGICAL OLYMPIAD  
МЕЖДУНАРОДНАЯ БИОЛОГИЧЕСКАЯ ОЛИМПИАДА

Coordinating Center / Координационный центр:  
UDPM JF, 120 28 PRAHA 2, Havlíčkovy sady 58, Czechoslovakia  
Telefon: 73 60 51 - 4

Praha, 11. April 1990

Dear colleague,

You are cordially invited as observer to the  
First International Biological Olympiad, held 1. - 7. July 1990  
in Olomouc, Czechoslovakia.

The registration fee 200. - US \$ will cover the  
following items:

- lodging
- meals
- culturel and scientific programmes and excursions
- interpreters
- transport Prague - Olomouc and Olomouc - Prague

If You have any other requirements, please do not  
hesitate to contact the Coordination Centre in Prague.

The payment of the registration fee send, please,  
on the account:

19 - 26 - 29 - 021

Komerční banka , Václavské náměstí 42, Prague 2, Czechoslovakia  
/Commercial Bank, Place Venceslas 42, Czechoslovakia/  
not later than to 10th June ,1990.

Please, let us know in advance the exact date, hour  
and type of transportation to Prague and from Prague. We will help  
You with Your from the airport or railway station. Please, do not  
forget to take Your return ticket, because we will have not the  
possibility to cover Your return journey. In this matter You can  
contact UNESCO, M. I. ELFICK.

You will obtain the programme of the 1<sup>st</sup> IBO soon.  
We are looking forward to meet You here.

With best regards

President of the 1<sup>st</sup> IBO  
Prague





Peter Voogt  
Michel Asperges  
Irène Popoff





1991  
Makhachkala  
Dagestan  
(Russia, still  
USSR)



Giorgos Sakellaris





Alexander Siviglasov

Irène Popoff

19-20 Dec 1991  
1st Advisory Board Meeting, Prague  
*International Science Advisory **Board***  
Later: ISAB → AB



# IBO 1992 – Poprad, Czechoslovakia

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Not Greece ☹️



Andreas Ehn

Peter Voogt

Erwin Zabel





# Very Promising Competitor



(1993)

Lenka Libusová



# 1993 – The Netherlands

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- More and more fun
- More countries still joining (and earning medals)



Hans Morélis







# Varna, Bulgaria, 1994

Jan Fronk



Vítek Bicik





Sumonta Promboon



# 1995 Thailand

New IBO Trophy









# 1996 Ukraine, Crimea

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- My first *live* IBO!
  - With my colleagues Hugo Vandendries & Irène Popoff
  - Three lunches a day!
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Slow Speed Train — 600 km in 23 hours





Wine tasting



Paula van Kranenburg

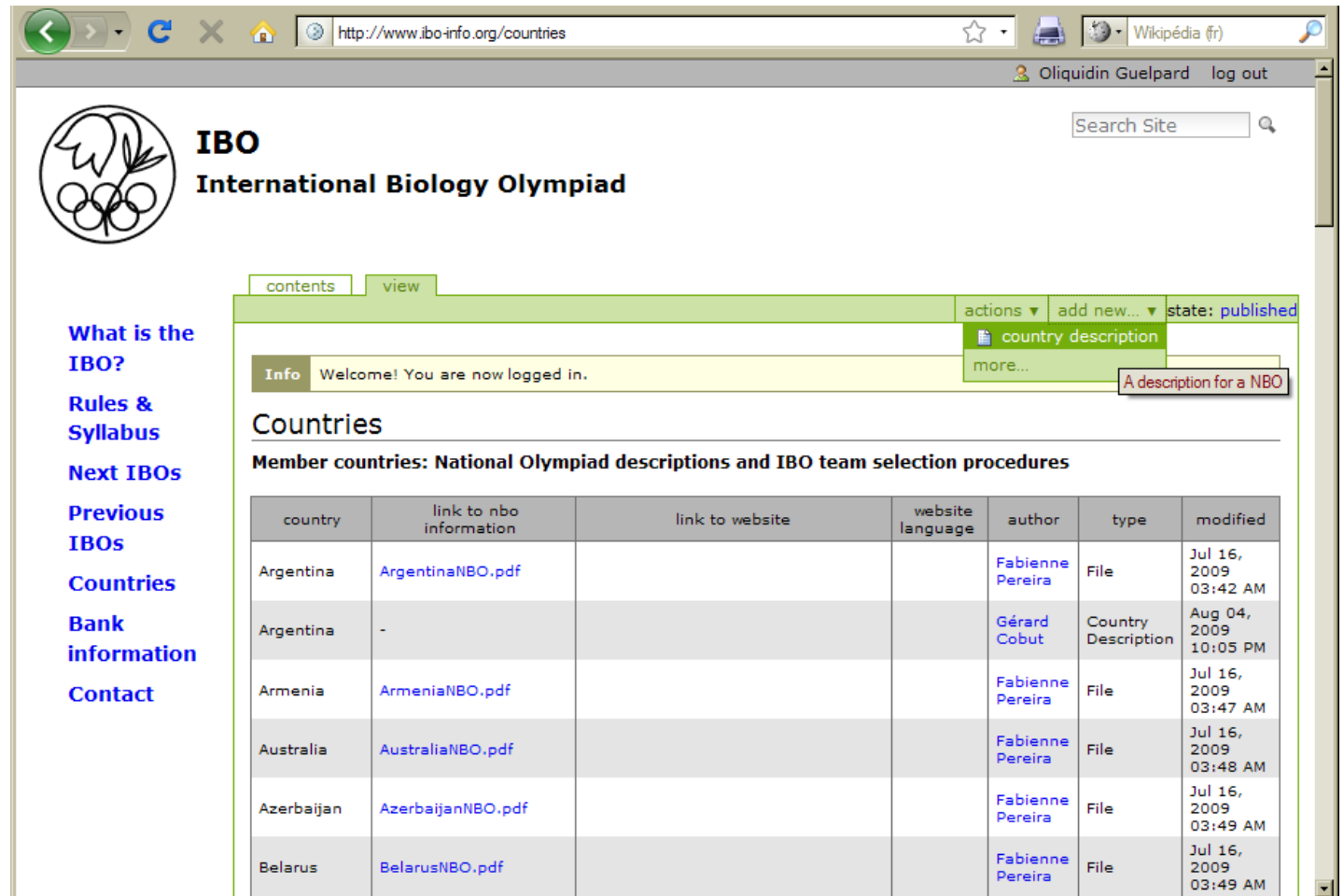


# 1997 Turkmenistan





# IBO website launch



The screenshot shows the IBO website interface. The header includes the IBO logo, the text "IBO International Biology Olympiad", a search bar, and a user login "Oliquidin Guelpard log out". The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with links: "What is the IBO?", "Rules & Syllabus", "Next IBOs", "Previous IBOs", "Countries", "Bank information", and "Contact". The main content area has tabs for "contents" and "view". Below the tabs, there is a "Welcome! You are now logged in." message. The "Countries" section is titled "Member countries: National Olympiad descriptions and IBO team selection procedures". It contains a table with columns: country, link to nbo information, link to website, website language, author, type, and modified. The table lists six countries: Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Azerbaijan, and Belarus, each with a link to their NBO information and a description of the type of information provided (File or Country Description).

| country    | link to nbo information           | link to website | website language | author           | type                | modified              |
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| Argentina  | -                                 |                 |                  | Gérard Cobut     | Country Description | Aug 04, 2009 10:05 PM |
| Armenia    | <a href="#">ArmeniaNBO.pdf</a>    |                 |                  | Fabienne Pereira | File                | Jul 16, 2009 03:47 AM |
| Australia  | <a href="#">AustraliaNBO.pdf</a>  |                 |                  | Fabienne Pereira | File                | Jul 16, 2009 03:48 AM |
| Azerbaijan | <a href="#">AzerbaijanNBO.pdf</a> |                 |                  | Fabienne Pereira | File                | Jul 16, 2009 03:49 AM |
| Belarus    | <a href="#">BelarusNBO.pdf</a>    |                 |                  | Fabienne Pereira | File                | Jul 16, 2009 03:49 AM |





1998 Kiel,  
Germany









Eckhard Lucius





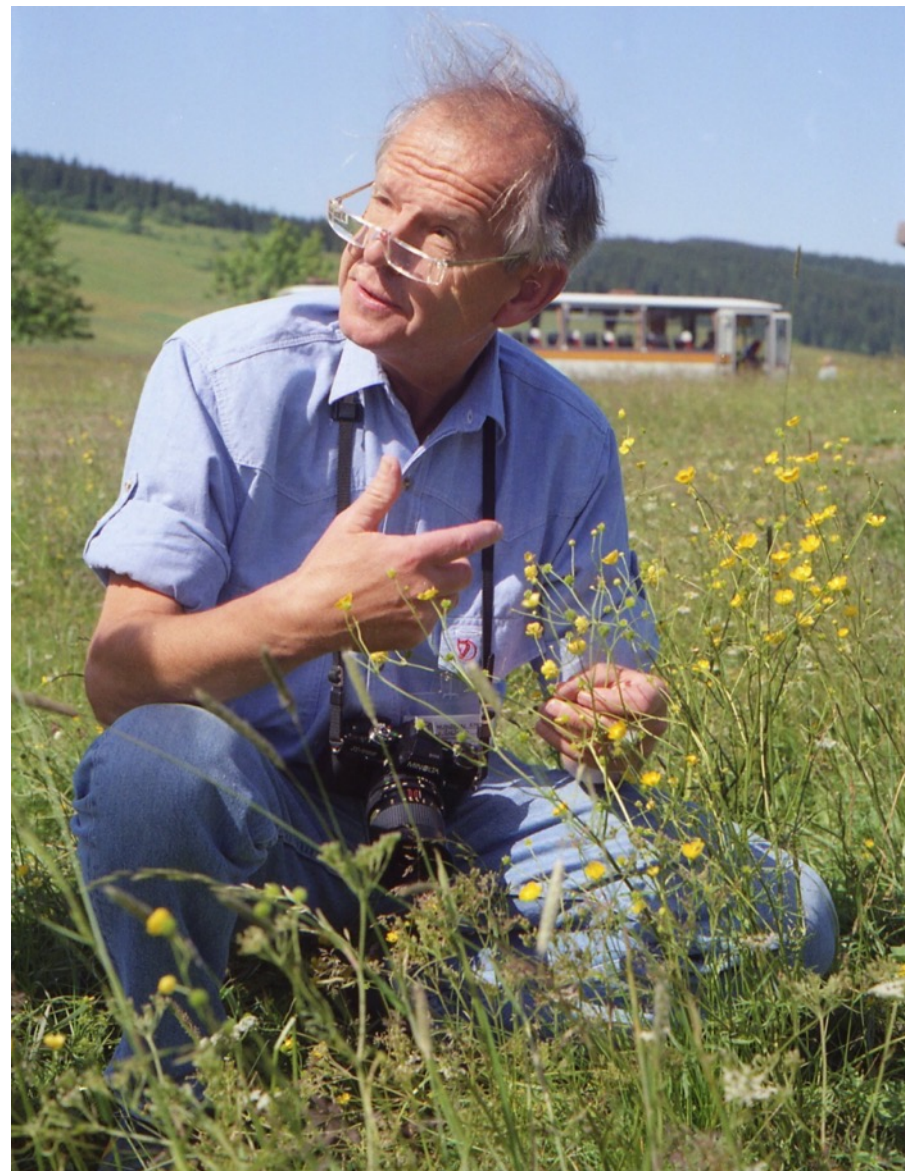
Uppsala 1999

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Andreas Ehn







Turkey, 2000

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# 2001: Brussels

1<sup>st</sup> IBO in the 3<sup>rd</sup> millennium



HRH Prince Laurent of Belgium





Louis De Vos



Gérard

Hugo





Translator - Interpreter Olga Waksman



IT specialist Alexander Friedmann



# Latvia 2002



Uldis Kondratovics   Maruta Kusina





The funniest award ceremony ever!



# Belarus 2003

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Natalia Maximova

Galina Romanovec





A Dictator...







2004 Brisbane, Australia

Starring Andrew Walter!









Sasha Rubtsov

Vladimir Pasechnik



Shirley Lim



# China: 2005

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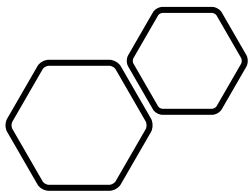
Jindong Zhao



A one-man band !







Jan Černý



Vítek leaving IBO







Argentina 2006









Gladys Mori de Moro



# Roberta!

*Homo sapiens*

*Hydrochoerus  
hydrochaeris*  
(Capybara)





2007 Saskatoon Canada



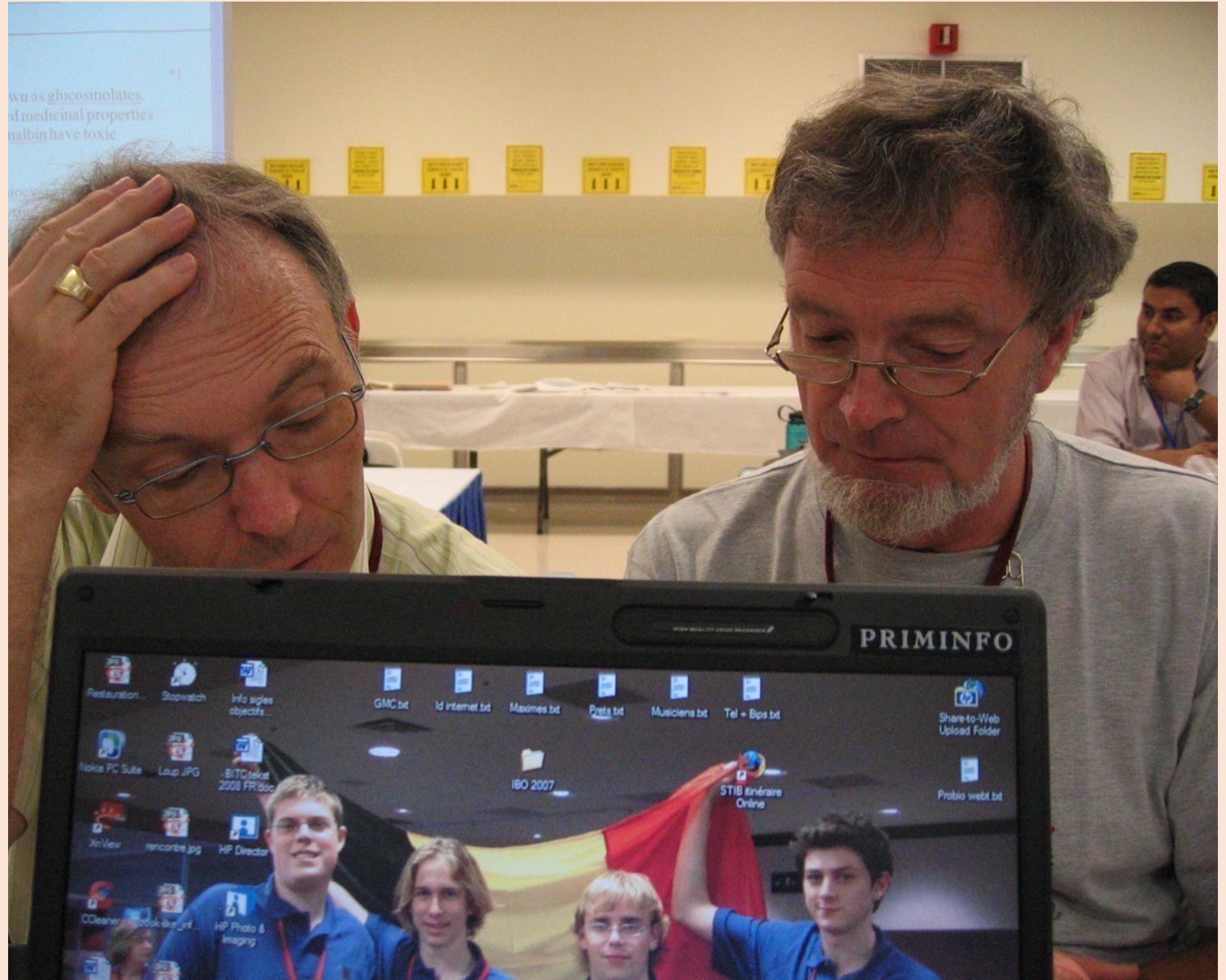








Jean-Louis Michard



Louis De Vos



# 2008 India, Mumbai





- Rekha Vartak
- Anupama Ronad











Practical Exam



"Rana"



# AB 2008 in Prague

@ the Stone Bell House, Starometské Náměstí!





# 2009 Japan

20<sup>th</sup> IBO  
H1N1 flu







His Imperial  
Highness Prince  
Akishino,  
Princess Kiko

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Tsukuba night!

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# 2010 Korea

Video competition









2011 Taiwan









Vice-President of Taiwan, Vincent C. Siew









Shirley Lim   Tony Tan, President of Singapore   Tit-Meng Lim

2012  
Singapore









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Pitiwong Tantichodok

Maruta Kusina



Hans Morélis  
leaving IBO







2013 Bern - Switzerland

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- Daniel Wegmann
  - 100% digital exams







are commonly used, and each of the following statements is true or false:

True

False

A. Alpha diversity is higher in Plot 1 than in Plot 2.

B. Disturbance seems to increase beta diversity in this ecosystem.

C. Species B is likely to be a pioneer species.

D. *Impatiens* D is likely to be a seedling of species whose seedlings invade *Impatiens* D to perform best in the presence of *Impatiens* D.

ans over all species 1, ..., S present in a habitat and  $p_i$  is the relative abundance of Species i. A simple map of estimating beta diversity from a plot is given by

$$\sum_{i=1}^S p_i \cdot \ln(p_i)$$

INSIDE THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM

Inspectors Theoretical Exam: Thursday July 18th  
Change  
Let it be the first - write your name on the  
Meeting point: Kiosk at 10:00 am

City tour Thursday morning

Meeting points:  
• Hotel Bore, Kiosk at 10:00 am, Hotel  
Allegre and Hotel Waltham  
Meet at 10:00 am at Kiosk at 10:00 am

• Hotel Metropole and Hotel Kiosk  
Meet at 10:00 am at Kiosk at 10:00 am





2014 Bali Indonesia







A photograph of a modern rooftop terrace. The terrace has a curved, multi-level structure with a bright yellow upper level and a red lower level, both featuring glass railings. The ground floor is a wooden deck with several rectangular planters containing green plants and purple flowers. A staircase leads up to the upper levels. The background shows a cityscape under a cloudy sky.

2015  
Denmark





Kirsten Wøldicke











2016 Vietnam







Es versammelten sich heute,

**am 23.07.2016, um 09:00 Uhr in Hanoi, Vietnam**

die in der Anwesenheitsliste namentlich eingetragenen neun Personen.

Poonpipope Kasemsap eröffnete die Versammlung und erläuterte den Zweck der Zusammenkunft:

Es soll der Verein „International Biology Olympiad e.V.“ gegründet werden. Mit Einverständnis aller Anwesenden übernahm Poonpipope Kasemsap die Versammlungsleitung und Beat Schwendimann die Protokollführung.

Die Versammlungsleitung schlug als Tagesordnung vor:

- 1. Aussprache zur Gründung eines Vereins,**
- 2. Diskussion eines Satzungsentwurfs und Verabschiedung der Vereinssatzung,**
- 3. Wahl des Vereinsvorstandes,**
- 4. Anmeldung des Vereins und weiteres Vorgehen,**
- 5. Festsetzung der Aufnahmegebühr und der Mitgliedsbeiträge für das kommende Geschäftsjahr.**

# Initiating IBO association





2017 UK

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Norma Broadbridge





# IBO e.V. is incorporated

- 1990 – 2016: IBO = a club of nice persons
- 2017 on: IBO = a legal entity  
(1st International Olympiad to get structured!)
- IBO Office development





2018 Iran

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2019 Hungary

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Sandor Ban

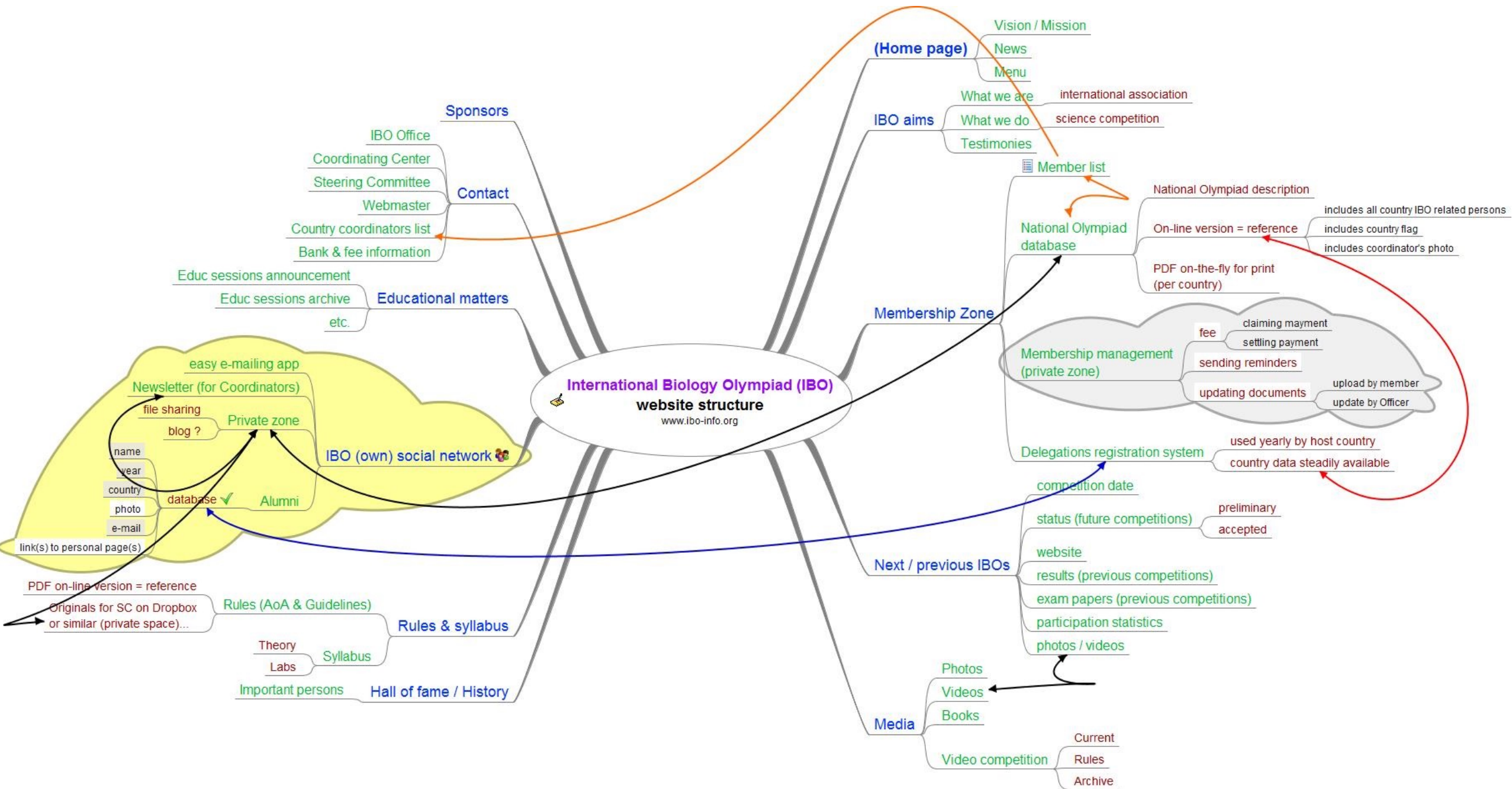




2020 — New web  
site

The IBO brings together  
the most gifted biology  
talents around the world.







# More Prominent Figures



Anindya *Rana* Sinha



Sebastian Opitz





Jan Cerny

Alexandre Salsmann

Michaël Terzo











José Matos



Mary Oliver — Poonpipope Kasemsap





# Chairpersons

- Hans Morélis  
1995
- Poonpipope Kasemsap  
2008
- Ryoichi Matsuda  
2018









