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### Many ECA members take part in the World Circus Day

Organized by the **Fédération Mondiale du Cirque**, the first World Circus Day was celebrated in 36 countries on 17 April 2010. After the **European Circus Association (ECA)** had launched the European Circus Day in 2008, this European event has now gained world-wide significance.

The day had been prepared with active support by the **European Circus Association** and thus its world-wide success is also due to the fantastic participation of many ECA members. Whether in Germany, in the Netherlands, in Italy, Spain, France, in the Scandinavian countries or in Eastern Europe: on that day, the circus “in all of its many forms” (according to Princess Stephanie of Monaco) was honoured and celebrated. Circuses, both classical and contemporary, were joined by circus festivals, circus friends and circus historical societies, professional circus schools, youth organizations, museums and libraries housing circus collections, representatives of local governments, public sector cultural organizations and state-sponsored circus companies.

The European Circus Association represents the European circuses to authorities and the general public. The ECA wants to promote circus arts and culture and to protect this important part of our common cultural heritage. **ECA President Urs Pilz** is vice president and artistic director of the International Circus Festival in Monte-Carlo. Nearly all renowned European circuses are members of the ECA.

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On the pictures

- 1) “Colonel Joe” at Circus Krone’s elephant breakfast in Heilbronn.
- 2) Arie Oudenes received a donation from a benefit performance for the ECA, organized by Gran Circo Mundial in Sevilla.
- 3) Horsemen during a street parade in Budapest, organized by the Hungarian Circus and Variety (Maciva).

More pictures can be obtained from Dirk Kuik:

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