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ESU as guest at major rally of the German Showmen's Association

Politicians take a stand on Europe-wide showman issues



View into the auditorium of the Congress Centre Düsseldorf.

The procession of the showmen's flags is always a unique, significant and very emotional moment at every event organised by the European Showmen's Union. This was also the case in Düsseldorf on 14 January, when the flag delegations of the DSB and ESU associations marched into the auditorium of the Congress Centre South at the start of the German Showmen's Association's major rally to great applause from the many hundreds of guests. In his welcoming address, Albert Ritter, President of the DSB and the ESU, proudly recalled the long tradition of the flags, which symbolise the unity of showmen and showwomen in Europe.

Prominent representatives from politics, business, administration and associations had accepted the DSB's invitation and gave speeches on current industry topics such as

labour shortages and safety at fairgrounds. In his speech to the elected representatives, President Ritter called for support for the security of fairgrounds and Christmas markets. He clearly criticised the increased licensing costs of GEMA, the Society for Musical Performing and Mechanical Reproduction Rights, for music at Christmas markets. He also said that the excessive bureaucracy with its documentation obligations and requirements was no longer affordable for businesses.

Following the rally, the ESU representatives, including Vice President Atze Lubach-Koers and Deputy Secretary General Nina Crommelin, had ample opportunity to socialise with colleagues at the reception evening.

Impressions from the large rally:



President Albert Ritter welcomes the guests.



Procession of the flags. Photo: DSB



Vice President Atze Lubach-Koers. Photo: DSB



ESJU President Bernhard Parpalioni. Photo: DSB



Albert Ritter gave a particularly warm welcome to the new ESU exhibitor representative from Austria, Ilona Wiesbauer.



Mona Neubauer, Minister of Economic Affairs and Deputy Prime Minister of North Rhine-Westphalia (3rd from left) in the ESU circle. Photo: DSB

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