



AMSIPLEX-26

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We are pleased to announce AMSIPLEX-26, the 2nd International Virtual Aero- and Astrophilatelic Exhibition, to be held from 14th to 22nd February 2026. As part of these proceedings, we will celebrate World Air Mail Day on 18th February 2026 with an International Webinar, Special Cover release, and other activities.

We have confirmed support from the following societies as Joint-Organisers:



American Air Mail Society



Royal Belgian Astrophilatelic Society, COSMOS



Cercle Aérophilatélique Français (C.A.F.)

AMSIPLEX-25 held in February 2025, marked a significant milestone in the field of aero- and astrophilately. This was the 1st International Virtual Exhibition, and it received overwhelming global participation (the AMSIPLEX-25 report is attached). We introduced several pioneering initiatives aimed at inclusivity, education, and engagement:

- **Medals Awarded to All Exhibitors (Including Eligible Single-Frame Exhibits)** For the first time, all exhibitors were recognized with medals. Notably, all single-frame exhibits that scored between 55 and 100 marks were also awarded medals, encouraging broader participation and maintaining high standards of exhibit quality.
- **Introduction of the "Novice Class"** A new Novice Class was introduced, exclusively for first-time exhibitors. This innovation aimed to nurture emerging talent and provide a supportive platform for newcomers to philately.
- **Online Feedback Sessions with Juries** Post-exhibition, interactive feedback sessions were held virtually, allowing exhibitors to directly engage with juries. These sessions provided constructive critiques and guidance, enhancing the educational value of participation.

Additional innovations we plan to introduce in AMSIPLEX-26 include:

- **Broad spectrum exhibiting.** We will encourage exhibits under all FIP classes (e.g. Postal History, Postal Stationary, Thematic etc.) so long as they are built around Aerophilatelic and Astrophilatelic topics. These will be judged under the FIP rules applicable to their respective classes.
- **World Team Championship.** We will allow three exhibitors from a single country to form a team. While their exhibits will continue to be eligible for individual medals, the team scores will be aggregated and medals awarded to the team in the name of their country.
- **Inviting all FISA member associations to be joint-organiser.** We are trying to rope in as many of the 26 national Aerophilatelic and Astrophilatelic associations world-wide to participate even more actively in Amsipex as joint-organisers.
- **Multi-language support (experimental).** We are planning to allow exhibits to be submitted in English, French, German and Spanish with a facility for jury and visitors to view the exhibit in any of these languages.

While we will be posting our schedule including IREX and entry forms shortly, you can start planning your individual exhibits as well as forming your teams for the single frame World Championship medal for your country.

I request all clubs and societies to come forward and sign up as joint-organisers and to share this communication with your fellow members. Please write to me in you want a translation of this message in a language of your choice.

For more details about AMSIPLEX-26, please visit our official website: www.amsipex.com which we will constantly update.

With Warm Regards,

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