Another year has come and gone. It’s time to ring out the old and ring in the new! OR should we say walk out the old to step into the new.

With the New Year brings new beginnings. With so many walking events to take advantage of, new programs, revised challenges to come, lets start planning for 2016 or for some 2016 is done so be sure to see the 2017 Calendar!

**NEWSFLASH-LATEST DATE CHANGE**

Beijing revised the date for their 2016 event: The International Mountain Walking Festival will be held on the second weekend of September, on September 10 & 11, 2016.
Promoting an active worldwide walking community

Here are the recaps of information of the joint endeavor but be sure to obtain further details at

Each year there will be a maximum of 6 join IML-IVV events.

**IML & IVV Cooperation cups 2016**

*Canberra (Australia) IML event 2nd - 3rd April*

*Kitzbuehl (Austria) IVV Europiad 26th - 27th - 28th May*

*Beijing (China) IML event 10th - 11th September*

*Lurago D'Erba (Como / Italy) IVV event 1st - 2nd October*

*Taipei (Taiwan) IVV Asiapiad / (IML event) 12th - 13th November*
A brief overview of the fulfillments required of the joint cooperation:

- Event must be at least 2 days
- Each day 20km must be offered, longer distances can be offered, desired different daily routes
- Common IML, IVV stamp and/or award when completed each day of event with minimum 20 km (10 km for over 70 when offered)
- If event is an IML member the usual stamp must be given, must also be given in the IML Passport and usual IVV stamp in the IVV book

A special record book may be purchased at the joint event. After successfully completing the joint event, on the last day the participant receives a stamp. Clips, Medals, Patches are available for purchase.

The stamps of all the IVV & IML joint events only counts for the common IML & IVV awards

All the following stamps already given in the past, before January 1st 2016, by the cooperation of IVV and IML, are included in these new regulations. All these participations at an IVV Europiad, or an IVV Asiapiad or an IVV Olympiad will count for the common IML & IVV awards.
Here are the common IVV & IML (8) events which will count for the new IML & IVV award system.

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From All of Us, To All of You ~ We Wish You

a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!

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