

JUMV Case Study: The history of the Science & Motor Vehicles Conference



FISITA recently granted patronage to the JUMV 2015 International Automotive Conference that was established in 1967 as a professional seminar organised at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering in Belgrade, capital of the former Yugoslavia.

Founded by Dr. Jovan Todorović, Professor of Automotive Engineering and a former FISITA Vice President, the conference was initially organised in association with the R&D departments of main automotive component and vehicle manufacturers.

JUMV (the Yugoslav Society of Automotive Engineers) was later founded in October 1972 and soon became a FISITA Member Society, taking over organisation of the conference.

Beginning as a national conference with international participants, the conference quickly grew to become a truly international event, receiving significant contributions from the likes of Dr. Thomas Peter Newcomb, Guy Tidbury, Prof. Pal Michelberger, Prof. H. P. Lenz and many others.

This worldwide recognition coincided with the internal transformation of former Yugoslavia, and in 1986, Belgrade was the host city for the 21st FISITA World Automotive Congress, welcoming over 1,200

participants, the largest number of FISITA Congress attendees up to that time.

Despite great domestic challenges including political, economic and social crises leading to war, dissimulation and continued change in national name, size, and structure, the JUMV Conference has managed to survive. In April 2015, it will celebrate its 25th event.

Serbia is now a European Union candidate country and offers international investors great opportunities, particularly in the automotive engineering industry. Belgrade has become known both at home and abroad as the "capital of good life and spirit" offering all those who visit it a welcoming atmosphere and an ethos that looks towards the future.

The 25th Science and Motor Vehicles International Automotive Conference will take place from 14–15 April 2015 in Beograd, Belgrade.

More information
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