



**Report**  
**IRO-Judges Test and IRO-Judges Meeting**  
**10. – 12.6.2005, Zatec (CZ)**

The IRO judges test and judges meeting took place from the 10th to 12th of June 2005 in Zatec, Czech Republic. Under the leadership of Mr. Otto Lanz, the IRO spokesperson for training and deployment these 3 days were organized by the czech rescue dog group SZBK.

The IRO judges test was scheduled for the first day. The examination board consisted of 3 examiners: Mr. Otto Lanz, Mr. Alfons Fieseler and Mr. Kurt Joss. 10 judge aspirants from different countries and continents took part in the exam. In the morning the theoretical part that included 100 questions was accomplished. The participants had to answer 90% of the questions correct. In the afternoon the practical part of the test took place. Each aspirant had to judge three dogs in obedience and dexterity, one at tracking search, one at rubble search and one at area search. 2 of the 10 participants were successful at the test and became IRO judges.

During the following two days (11th and 12th of June 2005) the judges meeting took place at the same location. The focal point was the new IRO-Testing standard that will be valid as of January 1st 2006. This new testing-standard was elaborated in cooperation with the FCI. Also at the judges meeting the IRO judges had to show their knowledge in theory and practice.

At the end the judges worked in groups of three in order to create a new judges guideline for IRO Tests.

Thank you to Mrs. Helena Sabatova and the group SZBK for the great organisation work they have done!

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