



International Mountaineering
and Climbing Federation

Annual Report 2013

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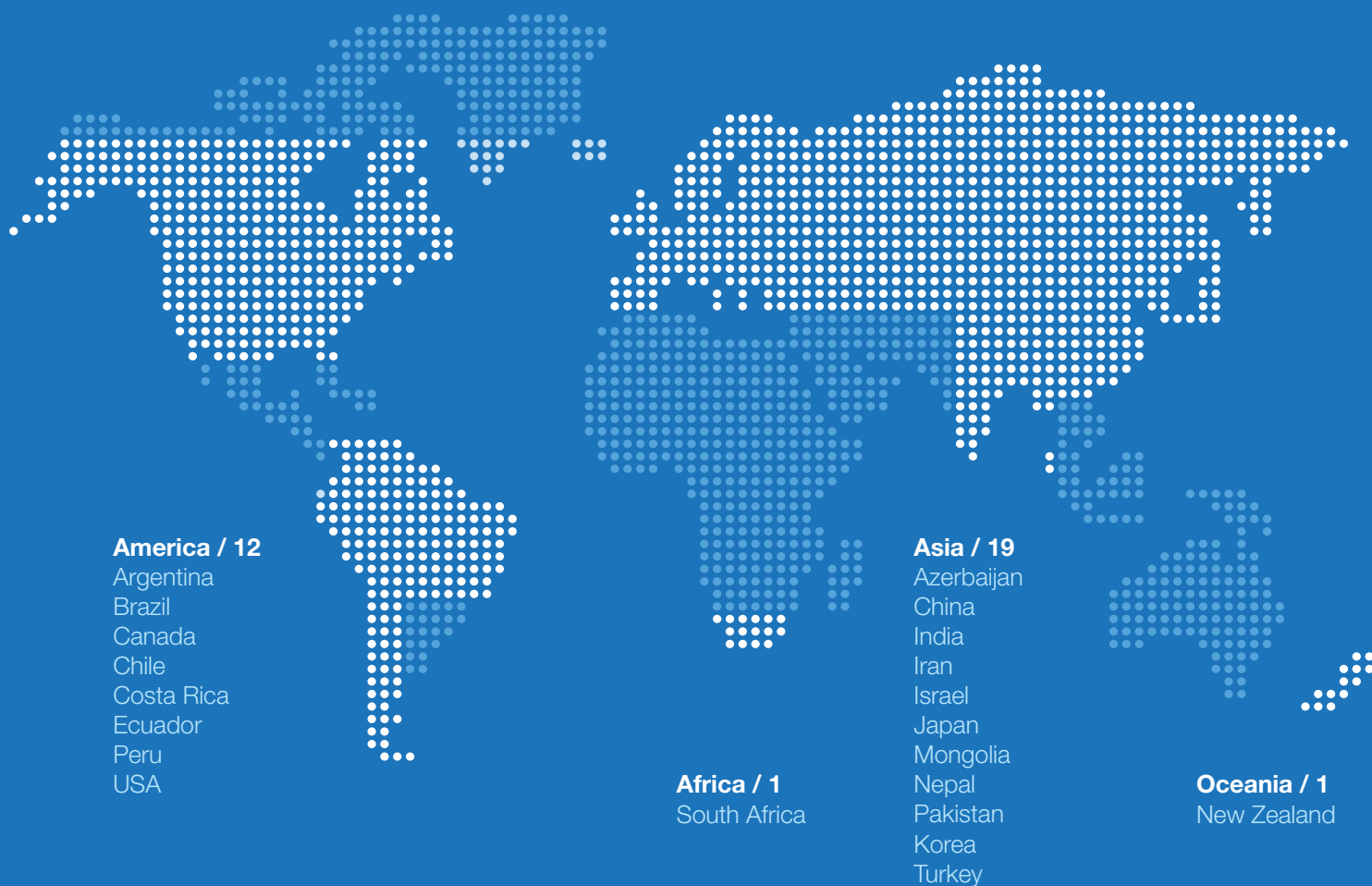
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Who we are

The International Mountaineering and Climbing Federation (Union Internationale des Associations d'Alpinisme) is a non-profit organization which brings together millions of men, women and children joined by their passion for mountains. Our members are national mountaineering and climbing federations and their delegates, voluntarily working in our experts' commissions.

Mission

Since our creation in 1932 we promote the growth and protection of mountaineering and climbing worldwide by:

- preserving their spirit and traditions
- advancing safe and ethical mountain practices
- promoting responsible access, culture and environmental protection
- supporting youth participation and the Olympic movement

Organisation

General Assembly

Supreme body of UIAA, every member association is entitled to be represented at the General Assembly.

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Doug Scott
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Safety | *Dave Custer*
Youth | *Israfil Ashurly*



Dear members of the UIAA,

I am looking forward to see you all soon for our General Assembly. It will be our first meeting since the election of the new Executive Board and Management Committee in Amsterdam, we have been working on implementing our strategic plan. My report is following the chapters of the plan.

Mountaineering

Most of our efforts and means have been put in Training Standards, Youth, Safety and Mountain Protection. More member federations are using our training standards, including Chile as the first member in South America. With several great youth events this year, we have an attractive programme for young climbers and mountaineers. The global UIAA safety standards continue proving their values. Last spring we coordinated the worldwide call back action for sub-standard via ferrata sets. A new standard for bouldering crash pads is on its way.

The Mountain Protection Award for sustainable tourism in mountains has been released and is currently being promoted. We are also working on the further development of access and expeditions in mountain ranges around the world.

Competition Sport

With the support of The North Face Korea we are able to further develop ice climbing competitions as planned. It is an attractive and spectacular sport and very appealing to young people. We can look back on a great season with World Cups in Korea, Switzerland, Italy, Romania and Russia. We also had our first Youth World Championship, in Switzerland. The program for next season will be the most extensive so far with a full World Cup circuit, youth championship, the first event in North America and our presence at the Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games in Sochi.

UIAA Policy

I have visited many of our members. The purpose of these visits was to promote the UIAA, but also to support the position of the member federation with the local or national authorities and to cooperate in the development of mountaineering and climbing. We have put a lot of effort in our relation with the German Alpine Club (DAV) and Austrian Alpine Club (OeAV) with the result that they have applied for UIAA membership again. While attending several events, I have been able to speak to a number of key people of the IOC and SportAccord and to promote the UIAA and its values.

Finances and core services

Our financial position is good and stable. With the great support of The North Face Korea we are able to fully fund the work for the ice climbing competitions. Several issues with outstanding membership fee payments of previous years have been resolved which is a positive sign of loyalty towards our organisation. An important focus for this year is to implement supporting and coaching for our commissions and staff, to make sure we all accomplish the tasks of our strategic plan. Our staff is a very valuable asset for our organisation. We had two changes in the staff. Valerie Thoeni has moved to Moscow but she will stay involved by part-time working remote on the Mountain Protection Awards. She has been replaced by Stephanie Stettbacher. Our office manager Gurdeepak

Ahuja has stepped down for personal reasons and is planning to go back to India. We are very grateful to Gurdeepak for all the effort he has put in the growth of our organisation. His successor is Florian Jeanrichard. He lives in Switzerland and worked as an improvement manager for a top international food and beverage producer. Florian brings a lot of experience, both as a manager and as an active outdoor sportsman and mountaineer.

Communication and media

We have managed to achieve sufficient visibility of The North Face Korea at the Ice Climbing World Cup circuit, despite the short preparation time. This will be even improved next year. Having a such a prominent partner is a sign of trust in our organisation and in the future of the sport of ice climbing. But it is also a serious responsibility which has to be carefully managed by us. Our attendance at the largest outdoor tradeshows in Europe proves to be useful, not only because of sponsor relations but also for the relation with our safety label holders. Our presence on social media is increasing but needs attention. Several modules for our website are being developed and implemented, leading to a new website.

Overlooking the progress in 2013 I feel confident that we are on the right track. There are still many challenges ahead of us, but the future looks bright. I am very thankful to my fellow board members. We are a team of five, and despite our small number, we have achieved a lot of results for our mountaineering and climbing federation. The cooperation with our commissions, the management committee, all other volunteers and the office is very valuable. Mountaineering and climbing are at their best when you are in the companion of good friends. That also applies to managing our federation.

Yours faithfully



Frits Vrijlandt / UIAA President

UIAA 2013 highlights

- Creation and development of the Mountain Protection Award project
- Ice Climbing World Tour in 5 countries, 32 countries represented, 204 athletes (186 men / 70 women)
- 1st World Championship youth event, 50 youth participants from 9 countries
- DAV (Germany), OEAV (Austria) join as UIAA federation members
- Raise of 20% of IOC grant for 2013-2016 and preparation to the Ice Climbing presentation at the Sochi Olympic Winter Games

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Mountaineering

Quality training of volunteer mountaineering leaders

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2013 Achievements

- 7 accreditations
- 5 new applications

One of the main activities of the UIAA is to support its member federations in their mountaineering and climbing education programs. To achieve this goal, the UIAA has developed Training Standards in order to encourage internationally recognized sound practices in the training of voluntary mountaineering leaders and instructors.

This activity is managed by the Training Standards Panel of experts, which is part of the UIAA Mountaineering Commission. The panel collaborates with the International Federation of Mountain Guides Associations (UIAGM).

The Training Standards Label is a voluntary certification that is awarded to an existing or a new system of training in mountaineering and climbing that meets the requirements of the relevant UIAA Training Standards. Based on the member federations' request, training and assessment schemes are reviewed by a UIAA expert and endorsed by the international panel. After successful completion of the training evaluation, the federation receives an accreditation. This ultimately allows volunteer leaders who have completed an accredited national training assessment, to be recognized around the world.

To help with a limited human resources, a database with an online management system of applications and re-validations is being developed.

The Petzl Foundation has supported other leader training development activities of the Panel, especially in Asian countries. In India, we started developing the Ladakh Project with the Indian

Mountaineering Federation, for logistical reasons, this project with its enormous potential, has been put on hold and been replaced with a training program that is in direct partnership with a local community development group.

Activity Standards

- Mountain Walking and Trekking (summer)
- Winter Mountain Walking and Snowshoeing
- Sport climbing (outdoor/indoor)
- Rock climbing (eased placed protection)
- Ice Climbing
- Alpine Climbing
- Ski Mountaineering

In Nepal, the Panel has collaborated successfully with the Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA) and several additional organisations to develop a training program. The training program is now autonomous and is approaching a full qualification structure with handbooks and logbook. The tutor training program has also benefitted recently from the addition of High Impact Tourism Training (SNV), using their expertise and funding to develop tutor training resources and extended training programs. More than 50 candidates have now completed the training course, and of these 15 have also completed the tutor training course, along with five UIAGM members who did an assessor workshop.

Steve Long

Chairman of UIAA Training Standards Panel, BMC delegate:

"It's been a real pleasure to watch our students from 2011 develop as mountaineers and tutors. Several are now keen climbers and mountaineers and they have already amassed some impressive ascents after the course, as well as becoming excellent tutors. The student and tutor training resources that we have developed for this course present a unique opportunity for other federations to benefit from."

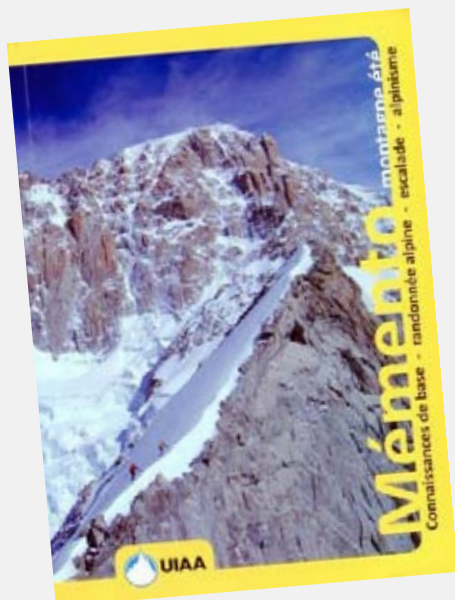
Zimba Zangbu Sherpa

President of Nepal Mountaineering Association

"Nepal Mountaineering Association (NMA) started to conduct mountaineering training in 1979, and so far 1,842 trainees have graduated under different training programs. Our continuous effort to meet UIAA Training Standards in our training programs has also helped us to produce skilled human resources for mountaineering and high altitude trekking, resulting in the decline of accidents in the Himalayas."



In 2013, the Mountaineering Commission published a second edition, of 'The Memento for Summer Mountaineering and Climbing Activities, published 2012, which now includes via ferrata activities. This addition is at the moment only available in French.



This handbook is the result of a fruitful collaboration with our partner the Petzl Foundation which supported the project technically and financially and provided its illustrations database. The first edition was made possible thanks to the investment of the Fédération Française des Clubs Alpins et de Montagne (FFCAM), the Club Alpin Belge (CAB), the Alpine Club of Canada (ACC) and the Ecole nationale d'escalade du Québec (ENEQ).

Pierre Humblet,
Mountaineering Commission President:

"This is a handbook for field use targeting the member-organization volunteers, regardless of origin, education or level of literacy, who are eager to increase their technical knowledge and skills, and reduce the risks inherent to mountaineering activities. This is not a kind of "Bible" at all but a tool offered to federations wishing to follow the Training Standards developed in the UIAA Mountaineering Commission. The importance of the drawings facilitates technical communication between climbers and mountaineers.

The soon to be released English version is being published under the direction of the Alpine club of Canada and is not only a translation and will contain updates. A reprint of the French version, including these updates is about to be released. . The UIAA and the Petzl Foundation have received many offers for future translations in other languages such as Spanish and Turkish. This "Memento" is definitively a success!"

The Mountaineering Commission, (Legal Experts Working Group), is also working on the development of a database about Mountain Accidents Case Law. The plan is to use this database as a tool to collect mountain accident statistics under the supervision of Chiaki Aoyama of the Japan Mountaineering Association.

www.theuiaa.org/about_mountaineering_commission.html



Engaging future generations

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2013 Achievements

- 10 global youth summits organized in Europe, Caucasus, Russia, Mongolia, Kyrgyzstan and South Africa
- 140 participants
- 25 federations involved
- Partners Nicas and Arisf
- 1 Handbook for Event Organizers

- Exchange of knowledge: support programs combining training with environmental, cultural and ethical issues
- Provision of expertise: event organisation and youth activities directed at small federations
- Increase of visibility and attractiveness of mountain activities through competition events and collaboration with media and sponsors

In 2013, the Youth Commission promoted its handbook among member federations. The Commission has also collaborated with the National Indoor Climbing Award Scheme (NICAS), publishing a new advice sheet pamphlet called, "Young People and Climbing Walls." This pamphlet is aimed at young climbers and coaches, and is due out at the end of the year.

The document covers areas such as facilities, staffing, route setting for young people, group management and coaching, indoors to outdoors, targets, youth competitions, safety and security, introductory sessions, parental involvement, interviews with top young climbers, youth and wall entry, coaching style and more.

The commission has produced also three guidelines related to ice-climbing youth competitions:

- Rules and Regulations Guidelines: www.youtube.com/watch?v=0LAUBzmTJ3E
- Training Guidelines: www.youtube.com/watch?v=gclzblh7Tx8
- Route Setting Guidelines: www.youtube.com/watch?v=wSlirP6B_Y

Global Youth Summit

Every year the Youth Commission coordinates youth events with mountaineering federations as part of the Global Youth Summit. These events aim to provide techniques and practices to participants, to raise awareness about mountain protection issues and to promote peace by encouraging participation of different countries from sensitive regions. Participation begins at age 10 and varies depending on the type of events.

Program Youth Events 2013

- 2 ice-climbing meetings, France (January and March)
- School adventure clubs (canyoning, walking and climbing), France (July)
- Discovering the World Around, Italy (July)
- Lenin Peak, Kyrgyzstan, (July-August)
- Europe-Asia 2013 Rock Climbing Festival, FYR Macedonia, Greece, Ural Mountains (July)
- Rock Climbing Festival, Mongolia (August)

The UIAA believes in the importance of encouraging young people in climbing and mountaineering activities and the UIAA Youth Commission is key to making it happen. The commission assists member federations in establishing youth programs and support existing ones. It helps with the training and developing of youth leaders by organising international seminars and training courses. It also prepares guidelines which member federations can use to develop their own courses. The Commission acts as a forum of exchange of information on good practices, ideas and experience regarding youth and mountaineering.

In 2013, priorities of the Commission were:

- Education through event organization: youth leaders training, climbing and ice-climbing route-settings (global youth summits and competitions)

www.theuiaa.org/gys_2013.html

2013 Achievements

- 6 projects supported
- Sponsor: Western University of Azerbaijan
- 2 partners: IMS and IUCN

The UIAA Mountain Protection Commission aims to encourage and support the conservation of natural resources, landscapes and diverse cultures in mountain regions with a specific focus on the promotion of positive behaviour and education in mountain tourism and recreation.

the best practices associated with the mountain ecotourism agencies and associations. The award team is made up of a group of international experts who will review all activities and projects presented. They will present the award in March 2014 to the most innovative and sustainable project.

This year the Commission and office put great effort into promoting the Mountain Protection Award project among interested agencies and associations, as well as, potential sponsors. UIAA staff attended the Berlin European tourism trade show (ITB), and approached almost 50 travel agencies from different parts of the world to build awareness and promote the project.

The Western University of Azerbaijan

Comment on the value of Mont Blanc as a World Heritage Site

In March this year, the Mountain Protection Commission came out in support of a quest by non-profit organization, ProMont Blanc, to designate Mont Blanc on the UNESCO World Heritage List. The statement emphasized that Mont Blanc's unique and spectacular peaks shaped by rock and ice are similar to Yosemite National Park, which was designated as a World Heritage site in 1984. The commission will continue to work with ProMont Blanc to promote the World Heritage value of this important massif and to protect it from the destructive pressures of expanding commercialization.



The past year saw the creation of the Mountain Protection Award project. This award aims to encourage key mountain stakeholder groups (travel and expeditions agencies, as well as associations, conservation organizations, public and private authorities) willing to develop a community-based tourism that simultaneously contributes to the conservation of ecosystems and sustainable livelihoods for local people.

Since 2013, a new website has been developed to promote the award and

has come on board as the sponsor for the inaugural award in 2013 and it has, in cooperation with the UIAA, supported a conference on 'Sustainable Tourism,' that was held in Baku in September. Further collaboration with International Union for Conservation and Nature (IUCN) and the International Mountain Summit (IMS) is also underway. The UIAA will also present the Mountain Protection Award project at the IMS annual event in Brixen (Italy) in October 2013.

Prof. Dr. Bruno Messerli
King Albert Medal of Merit:

"Natural and cultural mountain resources and treasures must be preserved and this can only be done by a world organization like UIAA with its member associations in all continents. I encourage and support the UIAA mountain protection commission in its activities."

http://www.theuiaa.org/commissions_mountain_protection.html

Minimize accidents through international standards

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2013 Achievements

- 20 standards
- 1789 certified products
- 57 manufacturers
- 15 laboratories

A key mandate of the UIAA Safety Commission is to help climbers manage the inherent risks of climbing and mountaineering with safe equipment. Since 1964, the Safety Commission has developed equipment standards which are recognized around the world. Although, being similar to the European Standards (EN), the UIAA standards have additional requirements for some types of equipment. Such equipment includes dynamic ropes, connectors, anchors, energy absorbing systems and braking devices. A unique feature of these standards is that they are the result of the collaboration between the Commission experts, laboratories and manufacturers. Working groups are responsible for the equipment testing and research. The UIAA label on climbing equipment remains a sign of quality and security.

In 2013, significant developments occurred on a number of fronts. These included, the continued work on a standard for anchors (bolts) in corrosive environments, preliminary work on the development of a standard for bouldering pads, as well as, a requirement for the cyclic loading of via ferrata energy absorbing devices. Standards work has also proceeded on non-metallic (plastic) chocks, energy absorption of ropes of loaded over edges, harnesses in up-side-down and sideways configu-

rations, and dynamic belay slings (formerly "lanyards"). Also, a consensus has been reached regarding the testing procedure of, 'dry coating of ropes.' Safety Commission delegates, who also serve on the European Commission's committees, are keeping the UIAA informed on a number of European Standards of interest to the climbing community. These include standards for avalanche airbags and via ferrata construction.

Another core activity of the Safety Commission is the distribution of information and education concerning safety issues. Answers to questions regarding standards and equipment failure posed by individual climbers, manufacturers, other climbing and standards organi-



zations, and journalists are regularly provided to help serve the climbing community. Recommendations for equipment use related to each type, has been available on the UIAA website since 2012. These recommendations are based on British Mountaineering Council documentation. As part of the Commission's education mission, testing is also being done to determine how strong carabineers are when bent over an edge. This information provides the

climbing community with data regarding such loading.

The recall system put in place two years ago now has the most updated information and the possibility to inform the international mountaineering and climbing community about various recalled products. In February 2013, the Safety Commission organized a meeting in Munich, Germany with manufacturers and laboratories regarding concerns about the via ferrata Energy Absorbing Systems. Following a comprehensive test program conducted on used or aged rope friction based via ferrata sets, the climbing industry has found that some of these sets can fail in a fall situation. This led to the recall of certain via ferrata sets and the UIAA issued a worldwide alert to inform its federation members and, the climbing community to check the information on the manufacturers' sites.

Ing. Petr Vladyka,
Research & Development Department,
SBU II ROPES, LANEX a.s.

"The UIAA label is accepted in many countries and, therefore, we can ship our products around the world. It's also an important marketing issue. We attend UIAA meetings and participate in the creation or improvements of UIAA international standards. The UIAA organization and their members are close to the climbing community (they are also climbers), therefore, they have many experiences from the real environment. We can react together more quickly to actual problems or needs of climbers our own products."

http://theuiaa.org/commissions_safety.html

Facilitate access to areas

Increase the knowledge about mountain medicine

Access

The primary goal of the Access Commission is to promote easy access for mountaineers and hikers, and to encourage harmonious and respectful practices in the outdoors.

As part of its work, the Commission maintains an online database of best practices on access related issues. The database is meant to help federations negotiate access for its members and the general public, and provide best practice access information for climbing, mountaineering and walking.

There are currently eight information papers on access issues available in three languages.

The Commission has also released an online Wiki resource of worldwide climbing access issues which allows climbers to obtain information about climbing access and cultural practices in countries that they may wish to visit. This resource will also help in the exchange of information and experiences between national federations.

www.theuiaa.org/best_practices.html

Medical

The Medical Commission aims to increase the knowledge on mountain medicine among doctors and mountaineers all over the world. It gathers mountain medical experts in order to reach an international consensus on the difficult issues of prevention and the treatment of illness and injuries. To this end, it conducts research, sets standards for training and provides forums where experts meet to discuss which recommendations to make.

Since 1990, the UIAA Medical Commission has collaborated with the International Society of Mountain Medicine (ISMM) and the International Commission for Alpine Rescue (ICAR) on a Common Mountain Medicine Diploma.

Another side of the Medical Commission's activities is the publication and distribution of Advice Papers. These papers provide recommendations translated into many languages that become a valuable resource for climbers and medical staff alike. An emphasis is put on health problems that only occur at high altitude. Among the issues included are acute mountain sickness, nutrition and water disinfection.

In 2013, the Commission worked on the medical aspects of the risks and benefits of the use of drugs to enhance altitude performances. A publication will be available in October 2013. A review is also being done on cardiac problems at altitude, neurological problems at altitude and diabetes management in the mountains.

www.theuiaa.org/mountain_medicine.html





2013 Achievements

- 1 Sponsor: The North Face
- 5 World Cups: Cheongsong/Korea, Saas Fee/Switzerland, Rabenstein/Italy, Busteni/Romania, Kirov/Russia
- 2 World Championships - Lead in Asia (Cheongsong/Korea) and Speed in Europe (Kirov/Russia)
- 32 countries represented in competition season
- 206 athletes competed (186 men/ 70 women)
- 1 First Youth World Championship with 50 athletes from 9 countries (Saas Grund/Switzerland)

The UIAA supervises the organization of the annual UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour and World Cup championship competitions. Competitive ice climbing is a fairly new competition sport and has grown more popular in the past 10 years. In 2013, the number of participating countries in UIAA World Cups and Championships went up by almost 20%.

The use of custom designed ice structures for each competition venue, the acrobatic performances required, as well as, the friendly atmosphere that surrounds each event, makes the sport challenging, dynamic, and inspiring.

Athletes compete in two disciplines lead and speed. They compete on various ice formations which can be natural frozen waterfalls, icefalls, ice slabs, rocks covered with frozen water, ice or on artificial structures.

The Ice Climbing Commission is also responsible for framing the rules and regulations for ice climbing competitions, with the aim to ensure their quality and fairness. The commission organizes technical courses for route setters and judges in order to inform them about the latest rules and innovations for this sport which involves technical expertise.

In 2013, the Ice Climbing Commission collaborated with the UIAA Safety Commission to focus on safety issues which occur during competitions. Special efforts are underway to develop the sport among young climbers and efforts are being made to frame special regulations for youth competitions. The past year saw continued improvement in the organization of tour events and higher climbing standards by athletes.

Goldwin Korea, the official licensed partner of The North Face in Korea was the UIAA official sponsor of the 2013 UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour. This collaboration involves a long-term joint commitment to champion and develop the sport of competitive ice climbing.

http://www.theuiaa.org/ice_climbing_organisation.html

Angelika Rainer

Italian Athlete

"For me the personal highlight this season was the first UIAA World cup in Rabenstein in Italy, close to my hometown and winning in front of family and friends for me was a special feeling. Speaking about the ice climbing movement I am happy that it is evolving every year with new competition venues and an increasing number of stages. In 2014, there will be for the first time six stages and in 2015, there might be one competition in the US. The level of competitors has been constantly growing over the last 10 years and also the organization of the UIAA World Cup is becoming better."

Anti-doping

UIAA is recognized by International Olympic Committee and World Anti-doping Agency (WADA) as a code compliant international sport federation. The mission of the Anti-doping Commission is maintaining the UIAA doping control program at an excellent level, as well as, to educate and inform accurately all competition stakeholders.

In 2013, the Anti-doping Commission made 4 doping controls per competition and 4 doping controls out of competition. All results were doping negative. Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUE) were prepared, but there were no athletes that were using prohibited substances because of medical treatment.

http://www.theuiaa.org/antidoping_commission.html



Kihak Sung
Chief Executive Officer of Goldwin
Korea - The North Face

"I am very delighted that we will support global climbers as sponsor company of the UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour series from 2013 to 2018. I also look forward to the ongoing success of all UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour events."

2013 Competition Results

Overall Ranking Women Lead

1	Tolokonina Maria	Russia
2	Rainer Angelika	Italy
3	Shin Woon Seon	Korea
4	Hrozova Lucie	Czech Republic

Overall Ranking Women Speed

1	Oleynikova Julia	Russia
2	Filippova Maryam	Russia
3	Feoktistova Ekaterina	Russia
4	Tolokonina Maria	Russia

Overall Ranking Men Lead

1	Park Heeyong	Korea
2	Tomilov Maxim	Russia
3	Sypavin Valentyn	Ukraine
4	Kuzozlev Nikolay	Russia

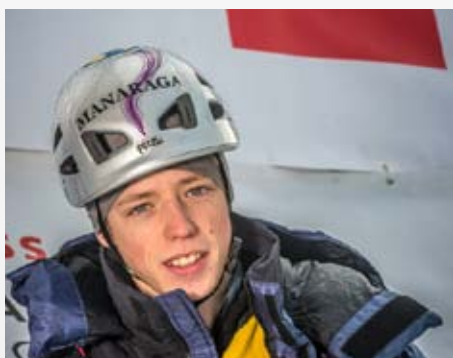
Overall Ranking Men Speed

1	Trapeznikov Egor	Russia
2	Spitsyn Ivan	Russia
3	Gulaev Pavel	Russia
4	Batushev Pavel	Russia





Young climbers from 10 climbing federations took part in the first UIAA World Ice Climbing Championship organized in Saas Grund, Switzerland in February 2013. 49 participants competed in lead and speed competitions (under 18 and under 22).

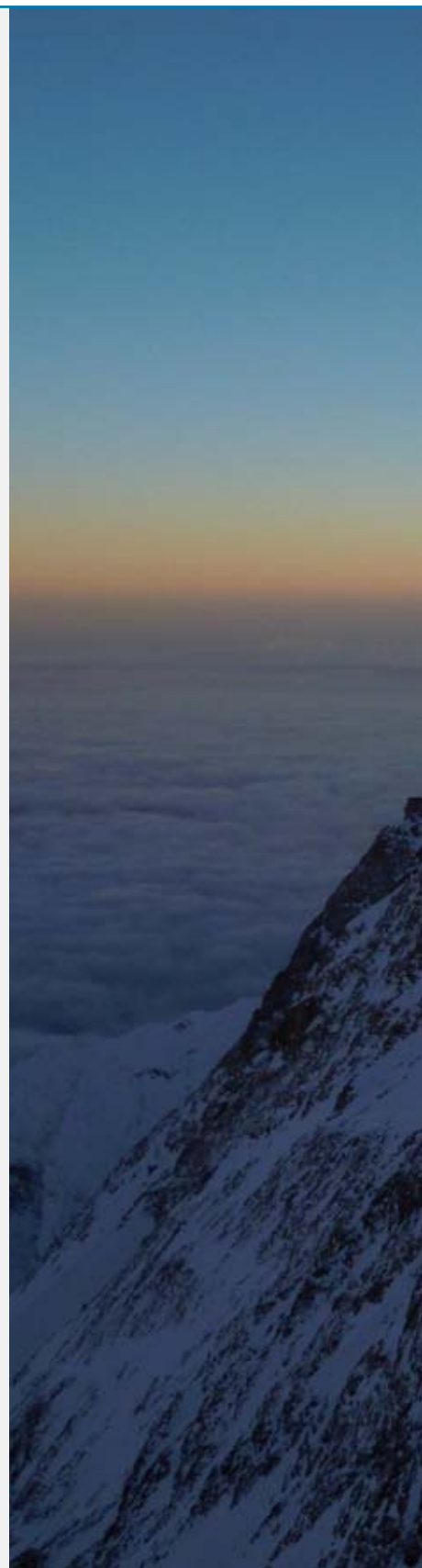


Proshchenko Radomir
Russian Mountaineering Federation
u/18 Youth World Champion 2013
(Lead and Speed)

"I had a great time in Saas Grund. It was my first ice climbing international competition. I thank UIAA and The North Face for organizing and supporting this event."

2013 Youth Competition - Results

Under 18 Women Lead		
1	Smirnova Nadezhda	Russia
2	Perevozchikova Oksana	Russia
3	Labarile Vivien	Switzerland
Under 22 Women Lead		
1	Klingler Petra	Switzerland
2	Kratochvílová Martina	Czech Republic
3	Koscheeva Ekaterina	Russia
Under 18 Women Speed		
1	Smirnova Nadezhda	Russia
2	Perevozchikova Oksana	Russia
3	Imboden Annina	Switzerland
Under 22 Women Speed		
1	Koscheeva Ekaterina	Russia
2	Imboden Annina	Switzerland
3	Vasilevykh Aleksandra	Russia
Under 18 Men Lead		
1	Proshchenko Radomir	Russia
2	Schweizer Sebastian	Switzerland
3	Anthamatten Thomas	Switzerland
Under 22 Men Lead		
1	Huser Kevin	Switzerland
2	Garbolino Octave	France
3	Svoljšak Janez	Slovenia
Under 18 Men Speed		
1	Proshchenko Radomir	Russia
2	Ryapolov Sergey	Russia
3	Malshchukov Vadim	Russia
Under 22 Men Speed		
1	Malykh Leonid	Russia
2	Kartashev Vladimir	Russia
3	Huser Kevin	Switzerland





Overview

The UIAA office communicates with member federations, the larger mountaineering community and the media through its website, monthly newsletter, email alerts and social media platforms. We are, as part of the implementation process of the UIAA Strategic Plan, in the process of developing a new website that will allow better engagement and increased communication with member federations and showcase the activities of the UIAA to a social world. The UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour which takes place between January and March of each year continues to be a big driver of traffic and interest in the UIAA.

The monthly newsletter, where member issues and the work of the commission members are highlighted for reaches almost 2,000 subscribers including member federations.

On the social media front, the UIAA office continues to develop and improve its presence on Twitter (over 6,000 followers) and Facebook page (over 5,000 followers) where the work of the commissions and the activities of UIAA member federations are displayed. This is a work in progress, and plans are underway to develop a new member alerts template, through the new website, to quickly share member issues and mountaineering expedition news which can then be through social media platforms which have wide followings.

New website

There are four main goals:

- A fresh and lighter design
- Improved functionality through the ability of member federations to more easily upload mountaineering expedition reports and updates, photos, videos and other documents which can then be shaped into social media products to be shared with member federations and the world.
- Better backend integration of various content management systems we currently use for services including a new members only area, events calendar, Safety Label, ice climbing athlete registration, the Mountain Protection Award, a planned system for Training Standards accreditation and a proposed worldwide accident database. This also includes a brand new library system to organize key documents, reports, photos and videos.
- A new home for the UIAA Ice Climbing World Tour through improved live-streaming, a new live results database and better tools to display photos, videos and stories of athletes and the sport.



We would like to thank our sponsors and partners

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Sponsors

Ice climbing



The North Face, Inc. is an outdoor product company specializing in clothing and equipment for climbers, mountaineers, skiers, snowboarders, hikers, and endurance athletes, at a professional and chic level.

The company sponsors the UIAA in the organization, coordination and management of its Ice Climbing activities.
www.thenorthface.com



RedFox is a Russian outdoor company that produces garments and equipment for outdoor activities. RedFox is behind a number of adventure races such as the Adventure Race, the Elbrus Race and the RedFox challenges.
www.redfox.ru

Mountain protection



The Western University in Azerbaijan aims develops program on ecotourism issues and studies. It supports us for the Mountain Protection Award and the organization of a conference on mountain ecotourism knowledge and practices.
www.wu.edu.az/

General



Grivel
www.grivel.com



Pieps
www.pieps.com/en



Bächli Sport
www.baechli-bergsport.ch

Partners

Mountaineering



Petzl foundation
www.petzl-foundation.org

Youth



National Indoor Climbing Award Scheme (NICAS)
www.nicas.co.uk



Association of IOC Recognised International Sports Federations (ARISF)
www.arisf.org

Ice climbing



International Olympic Committee (IOC)
www.olympic.org

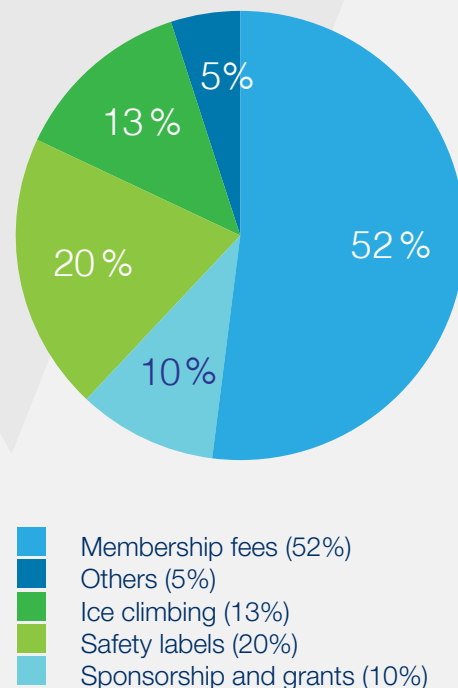
Balance sheet

Balance sheet / CHF		
	12/31/2012	12/31/2011
Assets		
Current Assets		
Liquid assets	496,925.98	332,456.06
Cash and Bank	496,925.98	332,456.06
Accounts receivables	8,430.16	5,907.37
Other accounts receivables	8,430.16	5,907.37
Prepaid expenses	21,588.28	14,899.50
Total Current assets	526,944.42	353,262.93
Fixed assets		
Tangible fixed assets	684.00	276.7
Equipment, furniture	684.00	276.7
Intangible assets	2,297.00	2,867.00
Safety Labels	2,297.00	2,867.00
Total Fixed assets	2,981.00	3,143.70
Total Assets	529,925.42	356,406.63

Liabilities and fund

Liabilities & Funds / CHF		
	12/31/2012	12/31/2011
Current Liabilities	9,583.85	13,118.85
Creditors	9,583.85	13,118.85
Accrued Liabilities	262,201.68	122,605.95
Total Liabilities	271,785.53	135,724.80
Funds		
Funds	11,435.45	11,435.45
Solidarity fund	2,763.10	2,763.10
Access and conservation fund	14,198.55	14,198.55
Capital of the association as per January 1	206,483.28	195,822.67
Profit/loss	37,458.06	10,660.61
Profits for the year	37,458.06	10,660.61
Capital of the association as per January 1	243,941.34	206,483.28
Total Liabilities & Funds	529,925.42	356,406.63

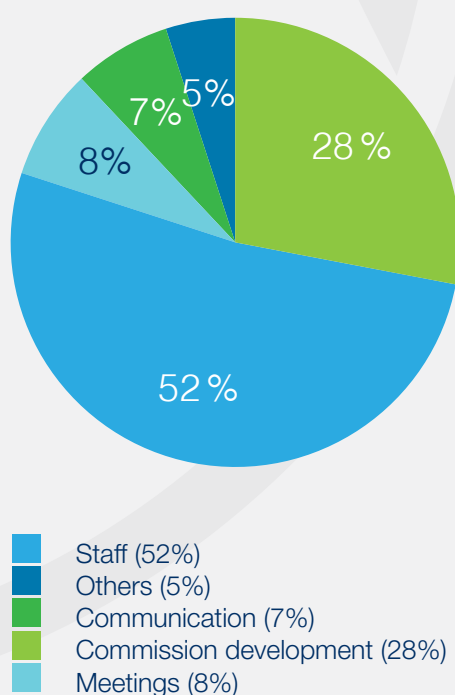
2012 Income allocation



Profit and loss statement

Income statement / CHF		
Income	2012	2011
Membership fees	251,267.87	238,193.61
IOC annual grant	18,600.00	18,000.00
UIAA safety label	93,883.53	108,089.00
ARISF Grant for youth development	5,249.85	4,951.00
Ice climbing competitions	62,567.26	42,064.65
Safety commission	2,349.36	5,559.14
Sundry income	3,030.16	5,220.00
Sponsorship	6,600.00	0
Petzl Training standard	11,439.60	0
SAC contribution for office cost	20,000.00	20,000.00
	474,987.63	442,076.40

2012 Expenses allocation



Operating expenses / CHF		
Commissions		
Safety	2,196.91	2,572.10
Medical	0.00	2,191.50
Mountaineering	2,997.87	5,176.11
WG Training standard	14,077.75	0.00
Youth	12,061.58	12,755.30
Mountain Protection	6,267.91	0
Access and conservation	2,008.44	914.52
Ice climbing competitions	66,007.54	39,491.89
Anti-doping	2,727.92	2,489.83
Special projects Budget	1,331.10	9,597.49
Other operating expenses		
Travel and accomodation	35,345.00	61,331.42
Safety label administration	6,784.97	3,680.43
Other operative expenses	4,956.93	5,074.50
Staff cost		
Salary	197,340.00	188,359.20
Social charges	27,848.50	28,851.15
Sundry staff expenses	103	25,680.00
Web staff expenses	19,300.00	0
Administration		
Office rental costs Bern	11,000.00	11,001.00
Stationary and software	972.35	1,430.38
Audit	2,484.00	5,470.00
Sundry administrative expenses	4,992.31	6,588.78
Communication		
Annual report	1,667.60	880
Website	7,078.42	7,671.84
Sundry communication expenses	78	0
Depreciation		
Depreciation on material and immaterial assets	1,188.70	840
Operating Costs	274,052.88	276,521.35
Operating loss / profit	44,170.83	20,279.96
Financial result		
Interest and profit on deposits	710.85	1,152.72
Bank charges	-1,669.10	-1,343.08
currency discrepancy	-786.52	-3,564.19
	-1,744.77	-3,754.55
Other expenses		
Membership fees GAISF	4,000.00	4,000.00
Gifts	968	1,864.80
Profit for the year	37,458.06	10,660.61

As a sponsor / donor

You can support globally or one activity in particular.

- Branding and commercial rights
- Marketing and promotion tools
- Online and media presence
- Event promotion
- Networking and Training Tools
- Activities participation
- Attend UIAA events



As a member federation

As a mountaineering and climbing association you can be part of our global community and benefit from:

- Advice and training through the network of volunteer experts
- Participation in the development of international standards, agreements, guidelines and advice papers
- Expansion of your network with other UIAA members through our events, conferences and meetings
- Promotion of your athletes in the Ice Climbing World Cups and World Championships
- Advocacy of your actions to increase free access to and protection of mountains all over the world
- Possibility of qualification for recognition and financial support from your National Olympic Committee

As a national delegate

- Exchange your expertise by volunteering in the commissions
- Be part of the development of international standards, guidelines and advice papers
- Promote a project or an issue related to mountaineering and climbing
- Expand your network with other specialist and federations at an international level

As a manufacturer

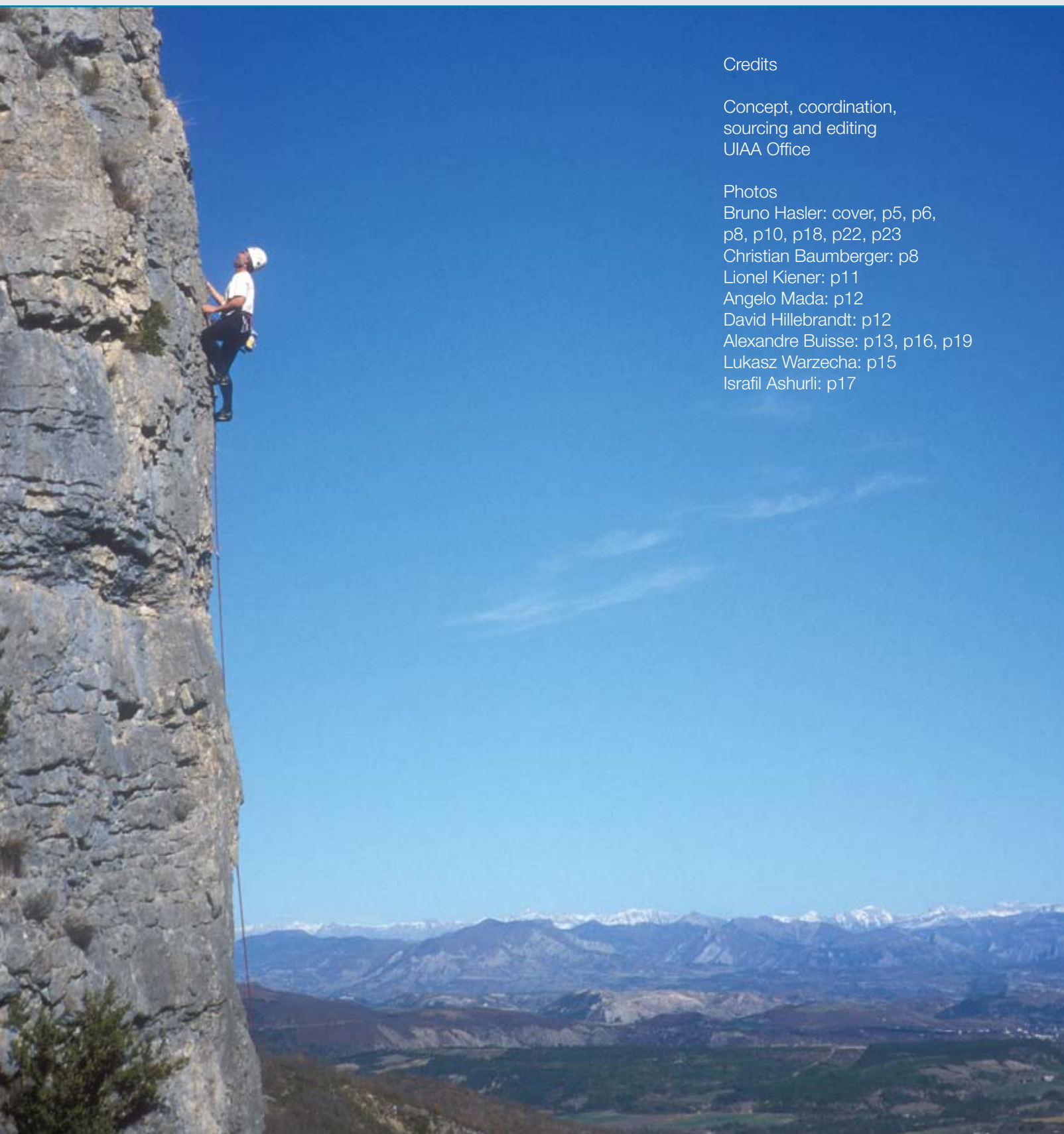
- Get the UIAA Safety Label on our equipment
- Be part of the creation and development of the UIAA Safety standards
- Increase the possibilities to sell your equipment in the world
- Raise your marketing image

As a social media supporter

- Be informed rapidly about our events
- Access many more forums
- Raise/forward issues at a world-wide level
- Increase your network

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