



*Protecting, preserving and promoting world motoring heritage
Protéger, préserver et promouvoir le patrimoine automobile mondial*

Retro Albania
to the attention of
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Subject: symposium on partnership with governments and institutions

Dear Mr Gonxhja, dear Blendi,

Over the past few days, many participants of the Tirana Symposium on 29 April have already expressed their appreciation and thanks to you and the team that perfectly organised and facilitated this important event.

I would like to repeat in a few words what has already been said in all these posts: it was an amazing experience! For many, if not most of the participants, it was their first stay in Albania. Actually, it was also my wife's and my first overnight stay in your country. And we, like everybody else, loved it!

Because it is truly astonishing what has been set up in just three decades, in the knowledge of the scarcity and oppression under which the country suffered in the 40-plus years before.

The presence of the Albanian Minister of Culture and the Mayor of Tirana showed that Retro Albania has succeeded in integrating historic vehicles well into Albanian society. I congratulate you on that. This is a promising sign for the future.

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I trust that you and your team will continue to achieve success in protecting, preserving and promoting the historic vehicle scene in your country. In doing so, you can count on the support of FIVA and its members. I am glad that so many have found their way to Tirana, and I am sure many more will follow to discover how beautiful the country and its people are.

Meanwhile, I wish you good luck with all your projects. And I am sure they will also become a success, just because of all the passion and good ideas you and your team are investing in them.

I look forward to meeting you and your team again.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Tiddo Bresters", is written over a diagonal line.

Tiddo Bresters
FIVA President