“… a vision becomes true …”

The chronicle of the
LAZARUS UNION
2007 – 2017
in words and pictures
We thank all comrades for their contributions to this impressive chronicle of over ten years and dedicate this chronicle to all spouses, wives, and lifelong companions, all friends, children and all patrons and friends of the LAZARUS UNION in friendship and gratitude. However, special thanks are valid the comrades Andreas Haftner, as a chronicler, and Oliver Gruber-Lavin as a foreign language assistant. Without these both engaged comrades this chronicle would never have come about. A lot was already forgotten and was recalled with this chronicle again to our memory.
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Dear reader of this chronicle!

When I safely returned to Austria together with my family after a 5-year business stay in the Dominican Republic in 2005, I wanted to give back a little of all the good that life had provided for me.

I never was seriously ill, never was jobless, never was in money troubles, have a wonderful wife to which I am happily married for 47 years, have two smart sons, daughters-in-law, and grandchildren. More than enough reason for me to do something for others, to make some charitable work, or so I thought.

A year later I made my decision and the Lazarus Union (under a different name by then) was founded in 2006. What I would never have dared to expect, not even in my fondest dreams, was that

- in 2017 the Lazarus Union would become a world-wide relief organisation with more than 21,000 members in more than 120 countries,
- the Lazarus Union would become an organisation with "special consultative status as NGO with the United Nations" and
- in 2017 the Lazarus Union would get nominated for the nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

All this obviously impossible happened, a vision became true!

For this I thank all my comrades, the commanders of the various countries and groups, my board of management and the directorate, as well as all friends and supporters of the Lazarus Union, who made all this possible.

I wish all readers of this chronicle a good time!

Senator Prof. h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt
President and Union Commander in Chief
Grand Master of the Lazarus Union Knighthood of Honour
Dear readers, comrades and friends!

In 2006, when the LAZARUS UNION was founded under the name “Lazarus Hilfswerk Niederösterreich”, later “Lazarus Hilfswerk Ostarrichi”, not even in our dreams did we think that this organisation, now named LAZARUS UNION, would have more than 18,000 registered members and again that number as “affiliated members” world-wide in 2015.

Today all these dreams have become reality and the LAZARUS UNION indeed managed all that. Effective from May 1st, 2014, the LAZARUS UNION has been awarded “SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE STATUS” with the United Nations ECOSOC (Economic and Social Council)

We want to once more explain what the meaning of this "special consultative status" means for the Lazarus Union.

It means, among other things, seven delegates accredited by name to the United Nations! Seven delegates each in New York, Geneva and Vienna.

These delegates not only are allowed to follow all UN ECOSOC meetings but do have the right to pipe up, file own proposals in the name of the Lazarus Union and look for allies with other UN delegations. The delegates have their own seats with name tags in meetings and conferences and may also use offices and conference rooms to prepare for meetings and conferences in the three cities named.

All Lazarus Union delegates with the United Nations possess a "UN ground pass" which gives them permission for unlimited entry to the UN buildings. In 2015, we do plan to make use of this especially in New York, the UN seat of ECOSOC. In Vienna, we use this option almost monthly.

Not even the biggest optimists (including myself) had thought that the Lazarus Union got awarded this international status by the United Nations so fast and without major problems.

I want to thank all here who participated in this success. First and foremost I thank the late secretary general Chev. Erich Josef Kadlec, who died suddenly last year and who was the inspirational driver for our UN application, also doing all the necessary research and who is now among us, symbolised by this picture.

Thank you, Erich, in my name and in the name of the LAZARUS UNION!

The Lazarus Union as such can be compared to a "group holding organisation" as the Lazarus Union members are the various local Lazarus Union organisations and the various groups and unions affiliated with the union. Every one of these groups and local organisations possesses ONE vote at the general assembly. To this the members of the chair and the board of management, all nominated by name, are added so that the fate of the Lazarus Union is directed and guided by approximately 120 members entitled to vote.

As the Lazarus Union asks neither for admission fees nor for membership fees from its members, the administration of the local members is in the responsibility of
the local commanders or groups and unions affiliated with the Lazarus Union. Membership numbers are reported (rather) informally to the Lazarus Union HQ and are not verified.

Only when a member wants to be in uniform and to carry rank and insignia of the Lazarus Union it is necessary to send an extra personal application to the Lazarus Union for the chair to decide upon acceptance as an extraordinary member. The union commander then confirms the "rank" suggested by the local commander or changes it as he sees fit.

In other words, the "invisible" membership number is definitely to be considered higher than the official figures suggest and, according to my conservative estimate, thought to be more than 40,000. All members from organisations affiliated with the Lazarus Union as "group member" are accepted and counted as "affiliated members", even when not (yet) known by name. They also will be granted the right to be in uniform, if applied for. As of now more than 6,000 members officially are in uniform and registered by name.

Also for the Lazarus Union it is not that important how many members there are as the Lazarus Union wants to communicate an attitude based on tolerance, piety, charity, and altruism and not on "collecting membership fees."

Important is the pursuit of our mission, not the money! Because of this absolute voluntariness is emphasised. NOBODY must be forced into doing something. Only personal honour may compel someone to carry on with a duty taken over until either a successor is found or the member is released from the duty again.

Nobody is compelled to go in uniform! Nobody is compelled to buy devotional objects! Nobody needs to buy wearable distinctions! There merely is the RIGHT to do so if one WANTS to do it and the pre-conditions are met! This seriously distinguishes the Lazarus Union from (many) other organisations, something that also has to be stated with clarity. And the profit coming from all those items sold goes 100% into our various projects. Expenses are waived from all members, as is stated in our statutes.

We spend no money for representative offices, cars, furniture, or "trips by officials." All members pay for their personal expenses themselves. Even tele-phone bills for duty calls from private mobile phones.

ALL officials, unions, and groups being members or associated with the Lazarus Union must follow this principle or leave the Lazarus Union. On this issue, there is absolutely no tolerance from my side! The Lazarus Union is proud that as a result of these strict guidelines less than 2% of the official budget are labelled "administrative cost." Most of those are for paper and ink for printing of various documents. More than 5,400 membership certificates, rank certificates, legitimations, and award certificates have been printed by the secretary general’s office in 2014 and almost 50% of all awards have been awarded WITHOUT insignia fees.

It shall also be noted that all expenses are checked by “10 independent eyes” and a monthly statistical analysis is performed as well as a financial statement covering all receipts and expenditures. Receipts and expenditures are also done as well as booked by different persons! Full transparency is a very important and essential concern to me!

Finally, I thank all commanders and comrades in all countries where the Lazarus Union is active for their dedication. I thank our board of management for their valued contributions. But especially I thank my chair and the extended supporting circle who together with me have done the main work for the Lazarus Union in the past year. I count on this and I trust you! To this effect I also ask you to forgive me if I seem to be a little brisk and gruff occasionally and call a spade a spade. I am not perfect but I work on it and I wish us all more successful and creative activities for our fellow humans and all the power and endurance necessary.

Everyone can do something!

Let us create new perspectives together!

Oliver Gruber-Lavin FRSA MBCS

Secretary General of the Lazarus Union
Grand Chancellor of the Lazarus Union Knighthood of Honour
3 WHO ARE WE?

3.1 BASIC DECLARATION

The CSCI is open to all people, no matter the ethnic affiliation, religion, social status, sex, age and whatever membership to associations, societies and Orders, as long as these accept and follow the principles of ecumenical, humanitarian, brotherly love according to St. Lazarus.

Everyone who feels connected to these goals and is ready to work for these ideals, will be cordially welcome in the CSCI. The CSLI herewith declares a commitment of neutrality regarding all groupings of the Order of Lazarus and will not take sides in any issues.

The CSLI regards itself as an international welfare organization for all groups of the Order of Lazarus and will cooperate in friendship with all these groups on an international basis if desired. The CSLI commits itself to reconciliation, tolerance and brotherly love.

This policy statement is established and anchored in the statutes of the CSLI and can only be changed or amended by a majority of 75% of the members in a General Assembly. (See also Section 19 of CSLI-Statutes)

3.2 SELF-PORTRAYAL OF THE LAZARUS UNION

The LAZARUS UNION has roots dating back to 1973 and developed (with a few detours) into today’s form in 2010. With currently more than 15,000 members in 62 countries on all continents the LAZARUS UNION is at the moment the largest of all “Lazarus-Formations” worldwide.

The LAZARUS UNION is also listed with the United Nations as an NGO (Non-Governmental Organisation).

According to its possibilities the LAZARUS UNION is a world-wide operating charity organisation supporting all who are in need of help, friendship, comfort, or care.

The LAZARUS UNION is open for all people who are able to identify themselves with the mission statement of the LAZARUS UNION and does NEVER ask for the denomination of its members.

The LAZARUS UNION considers and respects this right of freedom of religion as the sole and personal moral issue of every single member.

After all, most religions of the world are represented in the LAZARUS UNION.

The LAZARUS UNION vigorously resists any and all “assimilation” attempts from certain religions and their
representatives and stresses the full neutrality of the LAZARUS UNION against all religious communities

The LAZARUS UNION never puts any form of pressure on its members and leaves participation in religious activities solely in the conscience of the single member

The LAZARUS UNION is therefore NEITHER a religious NOR a secular order and as such neither indebted to ANY religious group nor does it allow itself to be taken in by any religious group

This self-portrayal is valid for the complete LAZARUS UNION as well as for the LAZARUS UNION Knight-hood of Honour as a knightly association!

3.3 EXCERPT OF THE STATUTE

3.3.1 § 01 Name, Headquarters and Fields of Activity

a) The name of the association is “LAZARUS UNION” (or English: “UNION CORPS SAINT LAZARE INTERNATIONAL”).

b) Abbreviated form of the name: “CSLI”

c) It is headquartered in 2100 Leobendorf near Korneuburg NÖ, Castle Kreuzenstein (titular seat courtesy of the lord of the castle) and extends its activities to Austria and other countries of the world.

d) Mail delivery address is A-1220 Wien, Spargelfeldstraße 162/Haus 196.

e) The association is a legal personality in accordance with the law regulating registered associations 2002 and is an independent, humanitarian, voluntary non-profit relief organisation following the ideals of Saint Lazarus. It can offer voluntary and at any time revocable relief services to other governmental and non-governmental organisations (NGO) but by doing so gives neither up its independence nor its right of self-ruling.

f) Setting up branch associations is possible.

g) Spiritual protectorate as Grand Protector over the LAZARUS UNION and its Knighthood of Honour (§05) can be awarded to single persons by decision of the board, which can also deny it again.

3.3.2 § 02 Goal and Purpose of the Association

The association which is strictly non-profit oriented purposes the support and service of needy, sick, handicapped, or old persons in easing their everyday life by performing errands, transport services, support services and supportive sick care. The association is above party lines and supra-denominational. Clerical recognition of any kind is not sought for. Especially financial and material disaster relief support at home and abroad shall be provided. The association also engages itself supporting the homeless. It shall also serve as an umbrella organisation for other groups also working as support services which orient themselves at the ideals of St. Lazarus and become members of this association. It shall in the future act as a parent organisation for additional (CSLI) associations. It advocates human and children's rights as well as justice and equal rights and feels obligated to the values of the United Nations. The actual United Nations Secretary General will be automatically and generally recognised and
accepted as General Protector of the Lazarus Union.

Every member should be CSLI small own initiatives, and where there is an opportunity, to make another people a joy, let us do it. It may be an easy smile, which costs nothing, but is able to do a lot.

We feel deep respect for everyone. We accept people as they are. We are open to all people, irrespective of their nationality, ethnicity, religion, age, social status or origin.

3.4 MISSION STATEMENT

We are an independent and private charitable organization in accordance to the ideals and the spirit of St. Lazarus. We are connected by the task to bring back joy into other peoples’ lives, to provide disaster relief, furthermore to care for and provide help to disabled people and the homeless. We work voluntarily and our members include volunteers from all age groups, professions and social backgrounds.

We feel deep respect for everyone. We accept people as they are. We are open to all people, irrespective of their nationality, ethnicity, religion, age, social status or origin.

The quality of the relationships between our members is our primary. We give occasions to develop self-esteem and life skills to all our members.

We face the challenge of everyday changing missions and tasks. We are united by our team spirit. Our members have the opportunity to evolve in both spiritual and personal fields.

We offer safety and transparency to our friends and supporters for their numerous gifts both immaterial and material. We are dedicated to a competent, efficient and responsible use of our available resources strictly according to our statues.

Inspired by our values, we accept every woman and every man in her / his uniqueness. We are guided in everything we do or think by the principles of love for all people, trust, mindfulness, joy, responsibility, courage and the willingness for reconciliation.

The main principles of the CSLI are tolerance, humility, mercy and charity.

3.5 OBJECTIVES

- A living consequent charity to all the people were help is needed. No matter what race and ethnicity, what religion, what social status, what sex, age and affiliation to the clubs, societies and religious ever they have.
- Building a strong international group of like-minded people to deal with the objectives of the CSLI can identify with and a personal contribution to development. As always, this contribution will also look like.
- For CSLI members, there is whatsoever no exclusion of other people. Everyone has the right to individuality and the acceptance of this individuality. Just as it is this right to others should be ready to apply.
- Cooperation with other relief organizations and groups to the same or similar goals as the CSLI and aspire. Linked to altruism with experience and available know how these groups too.
- A further training and development of the Air Wing CSLI and camaraderie experience, together with our annual main event for “Fly with handicap and homeless people” and our individual “Fly in’s.”
- Commitment to help homeless people through voluntary work with making homeless people services in dormitories and the collection of funds for home-less housing finance them.
- Use of personal private time to other people, such as homeless people without a fixed home, listen, respect for them and these people use this to show that they are accepted as they are!
- Every member should be CSLI small own initiatives, and where there is an opportunity, to make another people a joy, let us do it. It may be an easy smile, which costs nothing, but is able to do a lot.

Anyone can participate.

Let’s create new perspectives together.

To act and live in according to the CSLI motto:

“LET US CREATE NEW PERSPECTIVES TOGETHER”
3.6 HISTORY OF THE CSLI

Established in 2006 as a subsidiary association of the 1973 founded “Saint Lazarus Volunteers (LHW Lazarus Hilfswerk)” named “Lazarus Hilfswerk Landesgruppe Lower Austria – LHWO”.

February 2007: separation from the “Saint Lazarus Volunteers”. Autonomy and change of name to “Lazarus Hilfswerk Ostarrichi – LHWO”.

Caused by a lawsuit forged by the “Saint Lazarus Volunteers” based on “similarities of name” change of name to “Corps Saint Lazare Ostarrichi (St. Lazarus Corps Ostarrichi) – CSLO”.

March 2008: VOLUNTARILY and full subordination under the protectorate of the PIA UNIO “Order of the Knights of St. Lazarus of Jerusalem, Grand Priory of Austria, shortly Order of Lazarus”. The CSLO sets up of a Board of Directors consisting of the highest members of the Chapter of the Order of Lazarus. The Order grants the status of “official relief organization of the Order of Lazarus” to the CSLO.

On 2nd September 2008, the CSLO was dissolved by the Board of Directors because of disagreements between the Board and the Executive Committee.

On 16th September 2008, it was re-established as CORPS SAINT LAZARE INTERNATIONAL (Stank Lazarus Corps International), briefly CSLI. The CSLI cooperates with all organizations and sub-groups of the Order of Lazarus, who accept this cooperation, on a worldwide basis and presents the acquired know how without any limitations.

After reaching more than 2600 members worldwide, the constituent general assembly was held on 27th June 2009. The founder of the CSLI, Senator h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt, was elected for four years as the first president of the CSLI.

To keep step with the world-wide scorching growth of the CSLI and its different formations on 7th September 2010, the LAZARUS UNION was founded as a worldwide umbrella organisation for the various CSLI groups in more than 50 countries and with more than 11,000 members already. It is registered and recognised officially under the Austrian ZVR registration number 023914681. The constituent general assembly was held on 8th December 2010, with Senator h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt being elected as president and Union Commander Mrs. Dr. Med. Martina Mitter as vice president, both for a period of four years.

On 15th January 2011, the CORPS SAINT LAZARUS AUSTRIA (Sankt Lazarus Korps Österreich) CSLA was officially founded in its constituent assembly and registered under the Austrian ZVR number 451929423 and officially recognised as an association by the state. At the same time, all Austrian members of the CORPS SAINT LAZARE INTERNATIONAL have been recognised as CSLA members and all non-Austrian members as LAZARUS UNION members, all with their respective function and rank. The (old) CORPS SAINT LAZARE INTERNATIONAL was then officially and unanimously dissolved by the general assembly.

Since 1.1.2012 the Lazarus Union, together with the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union, as independence aid organisation, is under the protection of the United Grand Priories of the Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem. The LAZARUS UNION is not a part of this organization.

March 2013, the LAZARUS UNION was registered as NGO by the United Nation Organization (UNO).

At 21st June 2013, the Castle of Kreuzenstein nearby Vienna become the titular castle of the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union after the given approval of the owner of the castle, Earl Hans-Christian Wilczek.

May 2014: The LAZARUS UNION as a registered and accredited NGO is proud to now announce officially that the LAZARUS UNION has been awarded “SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE STATUS” with the United Nations ECOSOC (Economic and Social Council). A big honour and distinction for the LAZARUS UNION and all the members.

January 2015: Our new statutes § 18 a (2014) contains in amongst others: „… the CSLI commits itself to neutrality towards all groups of the Order Saint Lazarus and will refrain from any partisanship ….” This passage expulses definitely any affiliation to a specific “Lazarus Group” or any “Order of St. Lazarus”. Indeed, it makes it necessary, to check all alliances, if they commit a breach of this self-declared neutrality. For this reason, the Lazarus Union converts the current affiliation to the “Hospitaller Order of St. Lazarus of Jerusalem of the United Grand Priories” in a “cooperative friendship” effective with 15th January 2015. Therefore, the Lazarus Union is not an affiliated as member or “sister organization” with any “Lazarus Groups” or “Orders of St. Lazarus” and as UN-NGO registered organization in “Special Consultative Status with the United Nations (ECOSOC)” independent.

December 2015: Foundation of the “International Leadership Academy der Lazarus Union-ILA”

January 2016: More than 20.000 members worldwide.

January 2017: Nomination for the “Nobel Peace Prize 2017”.

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3.7 OFFICERS PLEDGE

Upon my Honour, I pledge that I will give my best to fulfil my duties towards the principles and the mission of the CSLI to my best knowledge and conscience.

Upon my honour, I pledge to exercise the duties accepted by me as a CSLI officer of my own free will towards the CSLI, my comrades and the Board of management until those duties are taken from me again.

Upon my honour, I pledge to keep up, protect, and defend the CSLI honour and esprit de corps and never allow any violation of these principles. If I feel that I cannot oblige any more I will ask for honourable leave.

Upon my honour, I pledge to keep secret even beyond my CSLI service time any CSLI internal matters against all and any without exception.

This pledge I give of my own volition, under no compulsion, and conscious of being an officer of the CSLI from this very moment on.

It is not possible for every officer to publicly make this pledge. By accepting his commission, the CSLI officer is bound to this pledge. It is accepted when not objected to at least four weeks after the date shown on the officer’s decree.

3.8 UN GLOBAL COMPACT RESOLUTION

The LAZARUS UNION – CSLI and the LAZARUS UNION KNIGHTHOOD OF HONOUR commits itself to respect the goals of the UN Global Compact all over the world. They are targeted at the protection of the environment, the facilitation of the human rights, the granting of international work standards, and anti-corruption. The LAZARUS UNION – CSLI and the LAZARUS UNION KNIGHTHOOD OF HONOUR are aware of this responsibility towards environment and society and the importance of the principle of sustainability.

3.9 UN-NGO UNITED NATIONS

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(=Profile Code) 632158) is proud to now announce officially that the LAZARUS UNION has been awarded “SPECIAL CONSULTATIVE STATUS” with the United Nations ECOSOC (Economic and Social Council). A big honour and distinction for the LAZARUS UNION but also for all the members who have made this success possible. Having been awarded with special consultative status is not only a new challenge for the LAZARUS UNION to internationally prove itself but also is a RESPONSIBILITY to support and back up the goals and the spirit of the UNITED NATIONS to the best of our abilities.

"... the UNION LAZARUS stands for the understanding among nations and the peace on earth. It stands for human rights and child rights as well as for justice and equal treatment and feels obliged to the values of the United Nations ..."

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Material badges for sewing on (7.5 cm). These Insignia is lent to all people who support this action with 10 EUR.

3.9.1 UN delegates of the LAZARUS UNION

Among the rest, this “special adviser’s status” means: In particular called and accredited delegates of the LAZARUS UNION with the United Nations! Seven delegates in New York, Geneva and Vienna.

These delegates may take part with all meetings of the ECOSOC of the United Nations not only as “an observer”, but also have the right to contact to word, to introduce own applications in the name of the LAZARUS UNION and to search "allies" with the delegations of the UN member countries. The delegates have own places with nameplate by the meetings and conferences and may also use offices and discussion rooms in the approach of these meetings and conferences for own discussions in three UN towns.

All delegates of the LAZARUS UNION with the United Nations have „UN Ground passport“ which entitles to the unlimited entrance of the UN buildings.

Vienna

Senator h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt
President CEO and Head of Delegation

Oliver M. Gruber-Lavin
Deputy Head of Delegation

Ludwig Brunner
Delegate
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Herbert Paulis  
Delegate

Josef-Maria Gebel  
Delegate

Roberto Ortiz  
Delegate

Brian Reynolds  
Delegate

Rosemarie Murth-Brich  
Delegate

Peter Scherer  
Delegate

Geneva

New York

UN-City Geneva

UN-City New York

Senator h.c.  
Wolfgang Steinhardt  
President CEO and Head of Delegation

Bernd Höhle  
Delegate

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Wolfgang Steinhardt  
President CEO and Head of Delegation

Martin B. von Grossmann  
Deputy Head of Delegation

Danny Koch  
Delegate

Stefan Urs Breu  
Delegate
3.10 HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER?

As stated in the Declaration of Intention of the CSLI, all people are welcome who can identify with the ideals of St. Lazarus and want work in and for the CSLI.

The CSLI strictly emphasizes on the voluntariness of every kind of contribution in the CSLI. In other words, NOBODY will be forced to do anything in the CSLI that is not his/her own VOLUNTARILY will. Any kind of help or activity is welcome. This may be an ACTIVE membership as well as a purely material support. The CSLI only expects from its members that the assigned responsibilities have to be executed to the best of one’s knowledge, as long as these are not officially handed over again. This means that anybody may apply for any function or task in the CSLI (see the organigram of the CSLI); certainly, anyone may also qualify for the highest positions in the executive committee!

Unlike e.g. in communities such as some organisations the Order of Lazarus – without wanting to generalize – where criticism of the leadership is not only impossible, but also the “consultation” of a member is equalised with an “extraordinary privilege” (on which the member has no title), the CSLI does not only fully tolerate, but also actively desires and asks for dialogue and constructive criticism! Everyone has the right to express him/herself and each member has the right to be heard. All decisions are made according to democratic principles.

The statutes of the CSLI are no “secret” and you can find the statutes on the website under “Statute”. In the download section, you will find the relevant application forms for membership in the CSLI.

As a person, you can become an “active” or “supporting” member in the CSLI, as a firm or association you can only become a “supporting” member. Active members please do not forget to fill out the “education profile” in order to determine the various skills, privileges etc., because without this information only the status of a “supporting” member can be granted!

Adolescent people, from the age of 12 to 18 years, can get a “CSLI youth member”, if their parents or legal guardian(s) agree. (The corresponding form can be found in the download area.)

We ask you to fill out the appropriate form and to send it to the specified address by snail mail or via email. The application will be initially checked and tested by the different involved commands and departments (Google, Facebook, Twitter, references, etc.) and then forwarded to the local national commander. The local national commander delivers his opinion, or his recommendation and he also suggested the rank of the new member in the few of his future tasks in the CSLI.

The confirmation of the membership (decree) will be sent back to you upon approval of the board. The last decision about the CSLI rank is made by the Union Commander in Chief.

The CSLI is looking forward to YOUR application for membership in the CSLI!

3.11 GROUP MEMBERS

- The Sword of Freedom
- STK-Lettenreuth, BRD Oberfranken
- Humanitas Corps Austria-AHC
- Instituto Brasileiro do Meio Ambiente e Preservacao Ecologica
- CSLI Group VI “Scouts of Malta and Gozo”
- United Grand Priories of the Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem
- Grand Priory of the Mediterranean of the Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem
- The Equestrian, Secular and Chorister Order of Saint Joachim
- „DER WEG“ Verein zur Arbeitsplatzförderung
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Fliegergruppe Wien im Österreichischen Aeroclub
AERIAL Lazarus Air Corps
Aerial Helicopter

Order of Saint Michael Archangel
Flugsportverein Stockerau FSV 2000 (honorary member)
Aerial East s.r.o.

LAZARUS UNION
Union Corps Saint Lazarus International CSLI

DECREE

Hereewith it is certified by the board of the Union Corps Saint Lazarus International CSLI, registered and recognized by the law and the government of the Republic of Austria under the official registration number ZVR: 0239140E that
The Sword of Freedom – special unity under the patronage of the Lazurus Union as a group member of the Union

Naval comradeship Vice Admiral Archduke Ferdinand Max, Styrian Command
4 THE UNION

4.1 SPIRITUAL OFFICERS

In the course of the foundation of the LAZARUS UNION and the restructuring of the CSLI going together with this all spiritual officers will from 1. October 2010 onwards be a part of their respective national command. The LAZARUS UNION on purpose gives up any „spiritual general protector“.

The CSLI in the future refrains from personally naming its spiritual officers on its official website. The local CSLI organisations know their chaplains and for outsiders this is of no significant relevance. We hope that they still will accompany us on our way and continue to be spiritual comrades to the LAZARUS UNION.

The CSLI in its large diversity has Catholic, Old-catholic, Protestant, Anglican, Muslim, Jewish, Hindu, Buddhist, many other Christian, and also atheistic members. The presentation of spiritual officers on the website could hurt the religious feelings of members probably not (yet) being represented by clergy of their faith.

Therefore, it was decided to take care of this situation by not publishing any spiritual officers on the CSLI website. One of the principles of the CSLI is neutrality and this shall also be executed with religious matters. Another sign of this neutrality is that the CSLI has always refrained to ask on its membership application form details about the religious beliefs of the applicant.

We as CSLI will not succeed in that all religions get along with each other but it is considered a LARGE success if all CSLI members regardless of which religious belief they adhere to always act in the spirit of ST. Lazarus and promote TOLERANCE, HUMILITY, MERCY and CHARITY.

There will be the day when intolerance, quarrel, and discord will be over. We strongly believe in this. We as CSLI members try to put in our small contribution to make this happen.
4.2 CSLI CHAIN OF COMMAND

4.2.1 Executive Board

President and Union Commander in Chief
Senator Prof. h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt

1st Vice President and Deputy Union Commander in Chief
S.E. Roberto Ortiz

2nd Vice-President
Ludwig Brunner

Vice-President Music
Friedrich Lentner

Vice-President
David Douglas PhD

Vice-President
Ian W. Tough

Vice-President
Prof. Dr. Antonio Virgili

Secretary General
Oliver Gruber-Lavin

Dep. Secretary General
Prof. (FH) Dipl.-Ing. Herbert Paulis

Treasurer
Rosemarie Murth-Brich

Dep. Treasurer
Martha Fichtl

Dep. Treasurer
Peter Scherer

Auditor
Monika Gries

Auditor
Josef Maria Gebel
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Austria
Wolfgang Leithner

Director (Vice Chairman)
Spain
H.E. Armando M. Serrada

Director (Vice Chairman)
Austria
H.E. Hans-Christian Wilczek

Member Pakistan
Kashif Gharfoor

Member Austria
Hans Rudolf Gries

Member Austria
Dr. Gabriel Halat

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Hannes Hochmuth

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Dr. Oswin Hochstöger

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### 4.2.3 Board of the MK-EFM

**Senator h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt**  
Chairman

**Hannes Hochmuth**  
Dep. Chairman

**Vacant**  
Secretary

**Monika Gries**  
Treasurer

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4.2.5 Union Command

Union Commander in Chief
H.E. Senator h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt

Deputy Union Commander in Chief
H.E. Roberto Ortiz

Adjutant of the Deputy Union Commander in Chief
Major CSLI Daniel Max d’Utra Liebscher

Adjutant of the Union Commander in Chief
Major CSLI Hannes Theissl

Adjutant of the Union Commander in Chief
Major CSLI Thomas Laserer

4.2.6 Staff division

Main Commander
vacant

Ass. Main Commander
WOI Werner Winkelhofer
4.3 CSLI UNIFORM

The CSLI is a uniform-wearing relief organisation and as such openly acts against the current ousting of all forms of uniforms from official support and rescue services. Every active CSLI service man/woman is responsible for obtaining his/her uniform and all accessories at his/her own expenses. But sustaining members not wanting to wear uniform are most welcome to assist in plain clothes during various operations like air days or homeless and handicapped persons support events. There is no compulsion whatsoever in the CSLI to wear uniform.

BUT when the uniform is worn it must adhere to the regulations and be in unstained condition. The corresponding CSLI commissary has not only the right but the duty to exclude CSLI members from events if their uniform does NOT comply with the regulations. This is NO depreciation but a gesture of respect towards all other comrades obeying the (necessary) uniform regulations. All uniform wearing persons (not just those from the CSLI) are in the focus of the public so the board of management cannot compromise here in any way.

4.3.1 CSLI "Uniform Component“ Structure

The new uniform structure breaks the parts of the uniform in so called “components”. This approach shall make it easier for members and interested persons to understand and obtain the uniform correctly. The uniform – regardless of general, Navy Corps, Air Wing etc. – always consists of a special pair of trousers, a jacket, a special head gear, and fitting badges. This fact was incorporated into the new regulations.

| Badges: | Will be covered in an extra chapter |
| Trousers/skirt: | Are identical for all organisation parts, may only differ because of rank |
### CSLI Uniform

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<th>Tie:</th>
<th>Always black resp. black with CSLI coat of arms; bow tie only with gala uniform, also black</th>
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<td>Shirt:</td>
<td>white, long or short sleeves; badge on left side; shoulder loops according to organisation part</td>
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<td>Mission uniform:</td>
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<td>Headgear:</td>
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<td>Shoes:</td>
<td>Black plain leather shoes (NO patent leather shoes!)</td>
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#### 4.3.2 CSLI uniform badges:

The Lazarus Union has a great number of badges and corps insignias. Their use with the uniform is regulated as follows:

- **CSLI coat of arms yellow/green**
  - **Left sleeve (uniform jacket, shirt, fatigues)**

  As all requests to wear uniform must be submitted to the CSLI and permission can come from there EXCLUSIVELY, on the left side the CSLI coat of arms in yellow/green must be worn!

- **UN-NGO Badge**
  - **Right sleeve (uniform jacket, shirt, fatigues)**

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On the right sleeve, a badge/coat of arms can be worn (if no UN-NGO badge is worn) voluntarily APPROVED badge/coat of arms of specialised organisation (here as examples):

- **Knighthood of Honour**
- **Leadership Academy**
- **CSLI Navy Corps (general)**
- **CSLI Navy Corps (special)**
- **Other badges**

**Supplementary provisions:**

For the gala uniform, the corps badge in black has to be used on the left sleeve.
4.3.3 Function Badges / Formation Badges

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**Formation Badges**

As you all know the LAZARUS UNION has neither registration fees nor membership fees. The LAZARUS UNION finances itself only by means of voluntary donations and the “CSLI-Shop”. These donations fund our various projects (music, homeless, disaster relief, and handicapped people, e.g. air days).

For this reason, the “LAZARUS UNION formation badges” have been created and the board asks all uniform wearing members of the various formations of the LAZARUS UNION and also everybody sympathising with the LAZARUS UNION to acquire these formation badges by making a donation. For the time being the number of badges will be limited!

Individuals may acquire ALL formation badges at the same time. LAZARUS UNION members may but wear only THREE at the same time on their uniform and they are also required to be members of the formations designated by the badges worn (see also the LAZARUS UNION uniform guidelines).

The net profit from this action (like already mentioned above) will go into our projects. “GOLD” badges may ONLY be worn by LAZARUS UNION members. “PLATIN” badges may be worn by everybody as a sign of camaraderie and friendship.

"Golden" Version - CSLI members only

**LAZARUS UNION General**

**LAZARUS UNION Executive committee, board of management, directors**
4.3.4 Uniform Trousers / Belt

General CSLI uniform and gala uniform trousers are black with red piping. CSLI Navy Corps and Air Wing use trousers in dark blue. In special cases (CSLI, Navy Corps, Air Wing) black trousers without piping can be worn. CSLI Navy Corps members are free to use white trousers during summer.

Generals and the Union Commander of the Lazarus Union only are allowed to wear black trousers with lampasses. Ladies are free to wear uniform trousers. Uniform skirts must conform to the same regulations.

At special occasions (will be marked as such) ladies wear instead of trousers a black skirt (covering the

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knees), black opaque tights and black leather court shoes with fitting – not too high – heels.

**Belt**

Belts with metal buckles and different logos are approved.

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**4.3.5 Uniform Shirt and Tie**

Lazarus Union uniform shirts are similar for all sub-organisations. Badges are according to chapter 3. Sleeves can be short or long. All shirts must have shoulder loops.

That's why the UNION LAZARUS has resolved to take over the internationally usual principles of the organisation of such units and the suitable marking from order and rank structures in the form of a suitable uniform and to carry suitable rank badges and functional badges on this. We do this with pride, joy and corps mind!

Shirts may be used, however, with tie.

Honorary knights may attach on both sides of the shirt collar the sign of the honorary knighthood (oak leaves with swords)

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Accepted service ties are: black or dark blue cloth ties (similar to ties used by fire brigade or police).

For the gala spencer and the Navy Corps gala jacket a black bow tie is approved. For ordinary gala uniforms a black tie has to be used.

**4.3.6 General CSLI Uniform Jacket (Main Uniform)**

Uniform jacket for ladies and gents is dark blue with four pockets (ladies two pockets or may use men’s jacket) and badges on the sleeves.
Officer’s buttons are in gold, NCO and rank and file have silver buttons (“cranked”). For officer’s buttons from our shop with Maltese cross can be used.

**Uniform buttons**

Rank badges are worn on the lapels. For all ranks the jacket goes with black trousers. Additional function badges can be fixed to the uniform jacket.

For the Navy Corps CSLI anchors can be worn on both sleeves (8 cm above lower sleeve border) but the corresponding rank badges must be worn.

Air Wing pilot wings can be worn over the right breast pocket.

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All ranks wear a black name tab with green cross pâte. All ranks wear grey gloves similar to those worn by army officers, three-fold stitched on the back of the hand, no button.

Knights of Honour may attach the order’s symbol above their medals.

Personal medals and awards are worn according to the common army’s regulations. For big events medals can be worn in original.

The method of how medals are to be worn will be regulated for each official event.

### 4.3.7 CSLI Navy Corps Uniform Jacket

The uniform jacket for the CSLI Navy Corps is dark blue, double-breasted, with 6 to 8 gold anchor buttons (uniformly per organizational unit, whenever possible). The arms are applied as in paragraph 3.
Officers wear their ranks – in common with international practice - on both sleeves in the form of gold braid with the appropriate CSLI anchor (circumferentially sewn or plug badge / disk version with pins - consistency of design depending on the organizational unit). Gold braid is worn 60 mm from the lower edge of the sleeve; with broad stripes of 15 mm and narrow stripes of 7.5 mm; stripe spacing is 3 mm.

For NCOs and other ranks, the rank insignia are as illustrated in chapter 16, mounted on both sleeves 60 mm from the lower edge of the sleeve.

Members’ own orders and decorations are worn according to the usual requirements for the Armed Forces. For large events Orders are also worn in the original.

The way medals are worn for official events is also specified consistently.
Female members wear the same Navy Corps uniform as the male members. However, the cut of the jacket can be customized!

### 4.3.8 CSLI Air Wing Uniform Jacket

The uniform jacket for pilots is the normal dark blue, double-breasted pilot jacket with gold buttons. The shirt, tie, trousers, and belt must be worn according to the rules already described.

The appropriate rank stripes and CSLI badge are worn on each sleeve. The CSLI Aviator’s wings are worn on the left breast.

### 4.3.9 Gala Uniform Jacket / Music Corps / Spencer

#### Gala uniform

The gala uniform is similar to the general CSLI uniform (same design, rank and other badges) with the exception of the following points:

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<td>Aviator's wings GOLD with cross</td>
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The fabric is "broken" white in colour and the rank insignia are worn on a 4x8 cm, turned bordered black plate, (borders are GOLD for Officers, SILVER for NCOs and other ranks).

In addition, braided epaulets are worn WITHOUT rank insignia. (epaulets are GOLD for General Officers, GOLD / SILVER for all other Officers and SILVER for NCOs).
Officers of the CSLI Navy Corps can also wear a gala uniform. For this the same cut is used as for the blue naval jacket. The fabric colour must again be off-white. The ranks are applied as on the blue jacket (gold stripes), but on black backings. The gala uniform epaulets are the same as those on the normal dress uniform. As a coat of arms, the Navy Corps crest, hand embroidered on a black background, is worn!

Members’ own orders and decorations are worn according to the usual requirements for the Armed Forces. For large events Orders are also worn in the original. The way medals are worn for official events is also specified consistently.

Music Corps / Spencer

The Music Corps of the Lazarus Union wears as official service uniform the gala uniform or the blue standard uniform of the CSLI, depending on the nature of the performance. On the left sleeve, the standard CSLI coat of arms (yellow / green) is worn. On the right sleeve musicians wear the badge of the CSLI Music Corps. In gala uniform, a Music Corps aiguillette is worn on the left side.

Members’ own orders and decorations are worn according to the usual requirements for the Armed Forces. For large events Orders are also worn in the original. The way medals are worn for official events is also specified consistently.

Spencer

Furthermore, a black or white Spencer jacket (the white Spencer jacket is optional) can be worn with a black cummerbund (buttons have a “Maltese Cross”). The epaulets are braided and carry the appropriate rank insignia (GOLD for generals, GOLD / SILVER for all other officers and SILVER for NCOs). Pilots also wear, on the sleeves of the Spencer, the appropriate gold stripes and corresponding badges. Orders and awards are worn only in their miniature versions. There is no provision for a gala uniform for other ranks.
For female members, an adapted gala jacket has been approved. All the badges, buttons and insignia are to be used the same as for male members. Additionally, a black / dark blue dress is worn with the jacket on appropriate occasions.

**Deployment Uniform**

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The medium blue beret serves as headgear!

**4.4 HEADGEAR**

The Lazarus Union has three different forms of headgear, the beret with corresponding badge, various forms of peaked caps (CSLI common, Navy Corps, Air Wing) and the side cap.

All headgear versions are also for ladies!

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4.4.1 Summer Uniform

In summer temperatures (by command) the uniform jacket is not to be worn. Instead, a white shirt with short sleeves is worn. As headgear, the beret is worn in all organizational units. The exception is the Navy Corps. Besides the white cap, the side cap can also be worn there. White trousers are also permitted in summer temperatures in the Navy Corps.

The name badge is placed on the right side of the shirt. Above the name, a maximal of two rank badges are allowed and must be 0.5 cm apart. Additionally, mounting straps can be worn according to the organizational unit. Service ribbons and miniature medals are not worn on the shirt (except the “light version” see President). Arm patches should be.

4.4.2 Winter Uniform

In winter temperatures (by command), a blue, double-breasted coat is worn as an outer garment (a grey coat can be used until the acquisition of a blue one). The UN NGO emblem is affixed on the left sleeve of the jacket. Mounting straps are used depending on the organizational unit. No collar tabs are worn on jackets. As headgear, the peaked cap or light blue beret is worn according to rank (These must be the same on command!). Everyone must wear either grey or black
gloves, according to the pattern for officers of the armed forces, stitched three times on the back, without buttons.

4.5 UNIFORM CODE OF CONDUCT

The CSLI has decided to be a uniform-wearing charitable organisation. Yet nobody is forced to do anything in the CSLI. This also applies to the wearing of a uniform. While each member has the right and approval to wear the CSLI uniform, individuals who choose not to wear one are still welcome. Being a CSLI member is a matter of conscience and this of course does not depend on a uniform! If, however, a uniform is worn (and for some operations the wearing of a uniform is necessary for security reasons), the following uniform code of conduct applies to all CSLI members:

CSLI events:

At all CSLI events the uniform is not only “permitted” or “desirable”, but compulsory for owners of a CSLI uniform.

Social Occasions:

When a member of the CSLI attends certain social functions and the wearing of a uniform is appropriate to the occasion (e.g., family gatherings, balls, meetings by veterans’ organizations, theatre visits, ceremonies of heraldic orders or similar events), the CSLI uniform is not just “allowed” but also desirable!

Other Uses of the CSLI Uniform:

The CSLI basically welcomes the wearing the CSLI uniform in the approved types of dress by its members! At the same time, it should be duly noted that the dignity and reputation of the CSLI uniform must be followed when wearing it. The occasion must be appropriate, worthy and must not compromise the reputation and dignity of the CSLI.

The wearing of the CSLI uniform in court, during political protests, in certain locations and at inappropriate occasions is strictly prohibited.

In the case of uniform violations, the superiors of the member (who are also responsible for compliance with the code of conduct) can impose a uniform ban that can only be lifted by the respective group commanders (group leaders), the federal commander (chief of the staff) and/or the Union commander.

After a violation, a corresponding written report shall be sent to the executive committee. The dishonourable wearing of the CSLI uniform may entail expulsion from the CSLI for “behaviour damaging to the Union”. As a uniform-wearing aid organization, all members of the CSLI must always bear in mind their responsibility as role models.

Miniature Insignia

Full-Size Insignia

(By order of command for events with festive character; Honour Guard always)
ONE medal bar (which does not include more than 12 decorations).
TWO neck badges.
THREE (grand) breast stars on the left side of the uniform.
THREE badges on the right side.
On the jacket, the space between the ribbon bar to the chest pocket seam must measure 45mm.

**Miniature Insignia**
(Unless otherwise indicated, always).

ONE service ribbon bar (must not exceed 6 rows in total. For single-row ribbons bars allow a space of 12 mm in between the breast pocket stitching, for multi-row undress ribbons the space is 2 mm).
THREE breast stars, 3 miniatures of grand breast stars on the undress ribbon bar or left side breast pocket (no grand stars as these are supported only at full-size insignia).
THREE badges on the right side.

**Honour Guard:**
Members of the Honour Guard wear the honour fourragère (braided cord) on the right side of the uniform at ALL events! Members with double or multiple positions can wear the fourragère voluntarily in addition to their other positions (one is always in the Honour Guard).

**Adjutants:**
At ALL events adjutants wear the rank-specific cord on the right side of the uniform!

**Adjutant Cords:**

Silver Adjutant Cords: are appointed by the commander; the commander must have the rank of a major.

Gold Adjutant Cords: are appointed by the Grand Commander (of Germany, of USA, etc.); the commander must have the rank of a lieutenant colonel.

General Adjutant Cord: worn by members of the executive committee of the CSLI.

**Music cord:**
At ALL events members of the Music Corps wear the music cord on the left side of the uniform.

The name badge is only worn on the right side (of the jacket or shirt), above which two badges can be worn at 0.5 cm each (e.g., aviator badges and rank insignia). Name plates must be buy by the own (Dimensions: 15x80mm, cross 10mm, font 6mm). Two pins on the back.

### 4.5.1 CSLI Uniform, not allowed are
- Service ribbons on shirts (except for the “light version”)
- Decorations of associations that are not typical in Austria (like triangular ribbons) or follow the honours system appropriate to individual countries.
Miniature medals, medal bars or chains (except for badges, coats of arms, etc. right breast pocket).

- The simultaneous wearing of a miniature service ribbon on a medal bar and its full-size original (except for neck badges miniature medals).
- A dress shirt as the highest expression of the type of dress at a funeral.
- Patent leather black shoes or shoes that do not match the uniform visually.
- It is expressly prohibited to wear the rank insignia of the CSLI on metal rank insignia: NEW Design

In order to stay current on the international stage, the executive committee of the Lazarus Union has resolved to implement a new design for the rank insignia for all members. The main purpose was to appear more discreetly. Besides the new insignia design, a more streamlined rank structure is also being implemented.

But the real and most important reason is the fact that nearly 50% of all CSLI members are not of Christian faith, but still want to wear the CSLI uniform and insignia. A cross as a dominant part of our rank is much too "faith-related" and not everyone should be expected to wear it. The best compromise seemed for us to be the “ROSETTE”.

During the period of transition, both the embroidered rank insignia and the new metal rank insignia can be worn alongside each other. The new metal rank insignia are mounted directly on the uniform.

The exact structure and the corresponding rank insignia have been taken from the rank insignia grid.

Rank Insignia / Rank Assignment

In case of any catastrophes and on demand the CSLI works together with other uniformed units.

Each operation would be chaotic and dangerous without any equivalent structure and hierarchy of command. For this reason, the CSLI has decided to accept the usual international principles for the structure of such units and also the equivalent identification of within the structure of command and the corresponding rank as it is now presented.

The rank and function badges will be adapted correspondingly. In order to avoid any mixing up with military or police formations, the additional clause “CSLI” will be used behind the rank.

Because of this suffix other organizations are able to identify the forces on duty of the CSLI and to arrange in order the rank or the function.

Rank signs may only be used after having received the decree issued by the Union Commander.

The hierarchy of the rank signs can be taken from the chart. The detailed composition of all rank signs for all uniforms can be seen on the homepage at “The Union – Uniform – Rank Signs”.

The symbolism of the CSLI rank signs:

The CSLI has put a lot of thought into the choice of the signs. In order to avoid any confusion with other uniformed aid organizations and in order to distinguish ourselves clearly concerning distinctions and rank signs, the CSLI decided (as mentioned above) to use the NEW rosette as an “elementary basis” for all rank signs. The change of the elementary symbol from the former cross patty to the rosette shall explain the religious open-mindedness of the Lazarus Union.

Members of other religious confessions do not have to wear crosses on their uniforms.

In general, the structure of this symbolism is quite easy!
Depending on the rank one to three simple rosettes can be worn additionally.

Any other badges are actually no rank signs but function badges that have to be returned in case the appropriate function is no longer fulfilled.

The symbol of the General Officers contains the laurel wreath as a sign of honour and additionally the sword of the CSLI. The sword symbolizes the great honour of the function holders within the “chain of command”.

Furthermore, depending on the rank one to four simple rosettes will be worn.

The final graduation of the rank badges applies to the members of the international presidium. Here the laurel wreath is completed by crossed marshal rods. They characterize the highest ranks within the CSLI!

In addition to that one to four red surrounded rosettes will be worn.

A special symbol was chosen for our diplomats. It is a bundle of oak leaf’s and is to symbolize power, perseverance, and loyalty. It is an important service and needs great commitment, loyalty and skills. The “higher” service is symbolized with a golden oak leaf, the “lower” service with a silver one.

4.6 RANK STRUCTURE
# Lazarus Union

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### Spiritual Officers

- Chaplain
- Reverend
- Country Chaplain
- Federal Chaplain
- Chaplain of the Lazarus Union

### Uniform Badges

- ILA Student
- ILA Graduate
- ILA Teacher
- Knight of Honour

### Youth Members

- Below 10 years
- 10-12 years
- 13-14 years
- 14-16 years
- 16-18 years

### Sleeve Badges

- Lazarus Union
- Navy Corps General
- Leadership Academy
- Community Program
- CSLI Brasilia
- Knights of Honour
- CSLI General Corps Badge
- CSLI Corps Badge
- CSLI Navy Corps Badge
- Navy Badge
- Diplomat Officer Rank
- Diplomat First Rank
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1st Sergeant Major of the Lazarus Union

- Rank of Honour
- Commanding Sergeant Major
  - On discharge of the executive committee
- Sergeant Major
  - On discharge of the executive committee
    - Single member (depending on age and affiliation)
  - Commission
    - Major Chief Petty Officer
- 1st Sergeant
  - On discharge of the executive committee
  - Commission
    - Major Chief Petty Officer
- 2nd Sergeant
  - On discharge of the executive committee
  - Commission
    - Chief Petty Officer
- Sergeant
  - On discharge of the executive committee
  - Commission
    - Chief Petty Officer
- Corporal
  - On discharge of the executive committee
  - Commission
    - Chief Petty Officer
- Private 1st Class
  - On discharge of the executive committee
- Private
  - On discharge of the executive committee

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4.6.2  Shop

Every member of the CSLI has to buy his / her uniform himself / herself. (The uniform commissioner can inform about the possibilities of procurement.)

4.6.3  The Uniform Commissioner

The Uniform Commissioner (Brigadier CSLI Ing. Peter Domweber.) is responsible for the drafting of the regulations, the monitoring of their application and for each kind of information!

4.7  SYMBOLISM OF THE MALTESES CROSS

The geometric shape of an eight-pointed cross is found in antiquity, and especially as decorative element in Byzantine culture from about the 6th century. The association with Amalfi may go back to the 11th century, as the design is allegedly found on coins minted by the Duchy of Amalfi at that time.

The Knights Hospitaller during the Crusades used a plain Latin cross. The association of the *Maltese Cross* with the order dates to the late-15th century, it is possibly first mentioned in 1489 in a regulation requiring the knights of Malta to wear “the white cross with eight points”. However, these 8-points do not signify that the shape required was that of the four-arrowhead form of 1567, or anything near it, as there are many variants of an 8-point cross.

In the 15th century, the eight points of the four arms of the later called Maltese Cross represented the eight lands of origin, or languages of the Knights Hospitaller: Auvergne, Provence, France, Aragon, Castile, Portugal, Italy, Germany and England.

Symbolism

Sermon on the Mount (Mt 5, 1-12)

- Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
- Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
- Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

The eight points also symbolize the eight obligations or aspirations of the knights:

- to live in truth
- to have faith
- to repent one’s sins
- to give proof of humility
- to love justice
- to be merciful
- to be sincere and wholehearted
- to endure persecution

Eightfold misery of the world

Illness and desolation, homelessness and hunger, coldness and guilt, indifference and unbelief.

The Lazarus Cross of the Union

The Roman philosopher and statesman Cicero (106–43 BC), like Plato, limits the list to four virtues: “Virtue may be defined as a habit of mind (animi) in harmony with reason and the order of nature. It has four parts: wisdom (prudentiam), justice, courage, temperance.”

Saint Thomas Aquinas defined the four cardinal virtues as prudence, temperance, justice, and fortitude. According to Aquinas the cardinal virtues are natural revealed in nature, and they are binding on everyone.
Additionally, he described the three theological virtues: faith, hope, and charity. Thomas also describes the virtues as imperfect (incomplete) and perfect (complete) virtues. By his definition a perfect virtue is any virtue with charity, charity completes a cardinal virtue.

**The Major Prophets**

Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel

**The Four Evangelists**

Matthew, Mark, Luke, John

**4 Cardinal Points and 4 Elements**

North, East, South, West

Earth, Water, Fire, Air

**12 in the Bible**

**12 Tribes of Israel**

Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Zebulun, Dan, Naphtali, Gad, Asher, Joseph, Benjamin

**12 Minor Prophets**

Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi

**12 Disciples of Jesus**

Peter, James, John, Andrew, Bartholomew or Nathanael, James, the Lesser or Younger, Judas, Jude or Thaddeus, Matthew or Levi, Philip, Simon the Zealot, Thomas

**Cosmic Symbolism:**

12 hours of day and night
12 months
12 Signs of the Zodiac,

**4.8 THE LAZARUS UNION AND THE ORDER(S) OF LAZARZUS**

The LAZARUS UNION has roots dating back to 1973 and developed (with a few detours) into today’s form in 2010.

With currently more than 20,000 members in more than 90 countries on all continents the LAZARUS UNION is now the largest of all “Lazarus-Formations” worldwide.

The LAZARUS UNION is also with the United Nations as an NGO (Non-Governmental Organization) in “Special Consultant and Observer Status” with the United Nations (ECOSOC).

According to its possibilities the LAZARUS UNION is a world-wide operating charity organisation supporting all who are in need of help, friendship, comfort, or care.

The LAZARUS UNION vigorously resists any and all “assimilation” attempts from certain organizations and their representatives and stresses the full neutrality of the LAZARUS UNION against all groups and formations of the Lazarus Order worldwide.

![The green Maltese-Cross - the symbol of the Lazarus Order.](image)

**Extract from the statutes:**

“...it is stated here expressively and clearly that the LAZARUS UNION is neither a spiritual nor a secular order and neither claims nor seeks such a status. Maintaining knightly traditions and virtues is claimed and sought for as these are essential parts of the mission and the foundation of the LAZARUS UNION and as such are embedded in the statutes and in the Knighthood of Honour. The LAZARUS UNION is an independent group neither wanting to be taken for any
other “Lazarus formation” nor wanting to imitate on of them…”

**On the Legitimacy of the Lazarus Order**

The Order of Saint Lazarus is not an Order of Ecclesial Knights recognized by the Holy See as an Order of Knighthood, such as The Military Order of the Knights of Malta or The Knights of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre, but it is a Chivalrous Association with an ecumenical character, great merit and a long tradition.

Since the Order of Saint Lazarus was a religious Military Order, only the Pope has authority over matters of legitimacy.

From 1608 The Order of Saint Lazarus received Papal approval on condition that the women of The Order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel were an integral part of the Order. During the French Revolution, all Royal Orders were dissolved, including The Order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. The Order of Saint Lazarus henceforth no longer enjoyed Papal protection and was, de jure, thus no longer extant.

Neither Charles X, nor his successors as head of the Royal House, or the Pope have ever tried to have The Order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel for women revived. Therefore, the French King ruled that the Order of Saint Lazarus must also cease to exist.

The revolutions of 1830 and 1840, as well as the lack of support from The Vatican, led the leadership of The Order place it under the protection of the Melkite Catholic Patriarch. However, the Melkite Church is subordinate to the Holy See and its Patriarch is not authorized to have an Order of Knights under his protection without permission from the Pope. The same is true for Bishops.

The fact that a Prince officiates as Grandmaster does not give an Order legitimacy. For an Order to be legitimate, it must be either Sovereign (e.g. The Order of Malta), or be under the protection of The Pope, a sitting Head of State (e.g. The French Legion of Honour) or the legitimate head of a Royal dynasty. The Order of Saint Lazarus is neither one nor the other.

According to Canon Law, an Order is valid for 100 years after the death of the last of its members. The last member of the Order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel died in 1857. The Order is therefore out of time and can no longer form an integral part of The Order of Saint Lazarus. The Legion of Honour considered the Order of Saint Lazarus and The Order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel as a single entity and, because it has not been possible for this to exist since 1956, de jure The Lazarus Order as an Order of Knighthood in the traditional sense can no longer exist. The Order of Malta and The Knights of the Order of the Holy Sepulchre for their part consider membership in The Order of Saint Lazarus as incompatible with their statutes, and the International Committee for Orders of Knighthood (ICOC) assigns the Order of Saint Lazarus to the list of “self-styled” orders.

The Order of Saint Lazarus lives on de facto as one of the world’s recognized Christian ecumenical organizations directing its charitable and social activities according to the traditions of the extinct Order of Knights. The modern form of the Order was created privately in 1910. Today the “O” in the acronym OSLJ no longer stands for “Order” but, more correctly, for “Organization.”
How is the relationship of the LAZARUS UNION to other “Lazarus Groups”? 

The LAZARUS UNION – CSLI is neutral towards all “Lazarus Groups” or “Orders of Saint Lazarus” and is equally close or distant to all of them (depending on your point of view). Any other representation or description, links or other „usurpation“ are therefore undesirable, obsolete, inaccurate and counterproductive for our self-declared neutrality.

….and first of all, the following information should not be held back:

The Lazarus Union is neither a “self-styled” order, nor a member of any order, something it clearly and publicly states in its official (by law and approved by the authorities) statutes.

- The Lazarus Union is a non-profit association.
- The Lazarus Union is fully registered and recognized in the public official register according to Austrian laws.
- The Lazarus Union is legally obligated to hold an annual general assembly.
- The Lazarus Union must officially publish its management, visible for everybody.
- The Lazarus Union is non-political and non-denominational.
- The Lazarus Union is required by law to have its finances checked annually by two auditors.
- The Lazarus Union is a registered UN-NGO organisation with special consultative Status with ECOSOC.
- The Lazarus Union every year publishes the minutes of its general assembly.
- The Lazarus Union every year publishes its audit report and submits it to the UN.
- The Lazarus Union does not pay any reimbursement to any member as stated in the statutes.
- The Lazarus Union has to prove its legal and financial status to the United Nations.
- The Lazarus Union spends less than 2% of the total budget for “administrative” costs for years already.
- The Lazarus Union elects its management during the general assembly in democratic way.
- The Lazarus Union does not differ between “the president” and a “common” member.
- The Lazarus Union has the rule that all members have the same rights and duties.

It is obvious to us that not all “Lazarus Groups” and “Lazarus Orders” are happy with the openness and transparency of the Lazarus Union. But in our times, if you consider joining one of the various “Lazarus Orders” or “Lazarus Orders”, check for your own safety and security very carefully all these things before you sign any paper of membership or other commitment. If you refrain from doing so, it may cost you a lot of money for nothing. Some of these organisations do not even have a clear legal status or are no legal personality and can therefore not be prosecuted easily. The Lazarus Union is anxious to make sure that the name “Lazarus” is not misused for any form of deceptive business practice.

4.9 CSLI PARTNERVERBÄNDE

The CSLI endeavours an exchange of with many organisations. With such “friendship certificates” there is only promoted the understanding, but also the mutual respect and tolerance to each other. The CSLI expand
its friendly relations with other organizations continuously and documented it through the exchange of “friendship certificates”

- Hospitalier Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem, Grand priory of Austria
- St. Joachim’s Order
- Order of St. Michael
- Commenda Cavallieri del Tempio San Giovanni Battista-Terra del Salento
- Patrulha Aérea Civil – BAC Brasil
- Österreichischer Kameradschaftsbund ÖKB (Austrian Veteran Association)
- ÖKB Landesverband Niederösterreich
- Aerial Helicopter

- Fliegergruppe Wien
- Flugsportverein Stockerau FSV 2000
- Pilotenclub Wien Flugverein und Flugschule
- Radetzky Orden
- Dolomiten Helicopter
- HELITEAM Austria
- ÖKB Stadtverband Mödling
5 CSLI KNIGHTHOOD OF HONOUR

5.1 PREFACE

The true orders of knighthood (i.e. those, recognized by the Roman Catholic Church as such) are the Order of Malta, the Teutonic Order and the Order of the Holy Grave. Beside those, nowadays there is a number of other organizations calling themselves „orders of knighthood“.

Those organization are „knightly associations“ at the best, whose members try more or less to accomplish the traditional knightly virtues and (try to) live in accordance with the organization’s Constitution, Statutes, Codex of Honours or whatever the name of the relevant document may be.

CSLI is far from commenting on or evaluating of those „modern knighthoods“, as it is not her task at all. Everyone, who acts in a knightly way – under whatever conditions and circumstances – deserves the full respect of CSLI.

On the contrary! The traditional virtues of the old knighthood haven’t lost anything from their importance today. All the attempt to accomplish those virtues and all the effort to move also others to accomplish them are nowadays even more important and necessary than any time before.

CSLI, as a voluntary, humanitarian, charitable and world-wide organization, would like to promote those virtues (faith, hope, love, mercy, wisdom, justice, courage and temperance) whenever and wherever possible, and therefore (although not being an order of knighthood proper) it was decided to introduce the symbolical „Knighthood of Honour“. 
5.2 RELEVANCE

NOBODY must or needs to become a dame or knight of honour of the Lazarus Union. It is a privilege if somebody becomes one! Everything is voluntary and without any coercion. To belong to the Lazarus Union Knighthood of honour means …

- full allegiance towards the Lazarus Union, the Grand Master, and the chapter.
- to defend the Lazarus Union whenever necessary.
- to speak in favour of the Lazarus Union.
- to keep the secret of the recognising handshake.
- to remain from anything which could be detrimental to the Lazarus Union.
- never to reveal any internal issues.
- to obey one's duties as a citizen.
- to respect and support all sisters and brothers of honour.
- always to act as an example towards other humans.
- to consider one's personal honour as one's highest personal value.
- to respect all humans and their honour.
- to accept all humans in their own uniqueness.
- to accept any religion as personal decision of the individual.
- to aid other fellow humans as far as possible and reasonable.
- to give joy to other fellow humans.
- to desist any actions considered dishonourable.
- willingness for peace and reconciliation.
- to obey the knighthood's conduct of honour.
- to always remember the two questions asked during the investiture ceremony.
- to never one-sidedly leave the Lazarus Union Knighthood of Honour.

5.3 THE KNIGHTHOOD

The CSLI's Knighthood of Honour is primarily intended for the officers of CSLI from the CSLI staff officers above. It could be also given also to the non-members of the CSLI and under the special circumstances as a reward for exceptional accomplishments also to the lower CSLI officer ranks. Women and men are equal.

The grades of the Knighthood of Honour are as such:

- CSLI Knight/Dame of Honour
- CSLI Knight/Dame Commander of Honour
- CSLI Knight/Dame Grand Commander of Honour
- CSLI Grand Cross Knight/Dame of Honour
- CSLI Collar Knight/Collar Dame

Every CSLI staff officer can send a petition for the Knighthood of Honour to the Presidium of the CSLI. The petition for an award to a third person can also be send by not less than three CSLI staff officers.

The petition must be accompanied with substantiation and relevant documents. All the charitable and humanitarian activities of the petitioner should be documented, as well as the involvement at the Fire Fighters, Red Cross and similar organizations, in the elderly, disabled and homeless care facilities and the personal involvement in the furtherance of the universal peace and understanding between the nations.
Usually the grades of the Knighthood of Honour are awarded in the order mentioned above, but under the special circumstances – mainly by the non-members of the CSLI – the respect could be taken also to the social position, age and the reputation of the future CSLI Knight of Honour. But as a rule, the „skipping” of grades should be avoided.

The award of the Knighthood of Honour is always accompanied with the extraordinary membership in the CSLI (without member fees).

Save the mentioned grades also the following honorary titles could be awarded, always with the specification „…of the CSLI Knighthood of Honour”:

- Grand Chancellor or Chancellor
- Grand Marshal or Marshal
- Grand Prefect or Prefect
- Grand Legate or Legate
- Standard of the Knighthood of Honour

The TOTAL number of members of the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union is limited with 144:

- 100 Knights of Honour (87)
- 25 Knight Commanders of Honour (15)
- 10 Knight Grand Commanders of Honour (6)
- 6 Grand Cross Knights of Honour (3)
- 3 Collar Knights of Honour (2)

( ) = actual Standing 29. April 2017

**Knight Expectants (23)**

NOTE: The number of Knight Expectants is unlimited!

### 5.3.1 The Granting

The 7 Steps to the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union

(These steps are exclusively internal rules of the Lazarus Union and as such are not subject to external evaluation by third parties. Everybody who applies for membership as a Knight of Honour and is accepted into the society voluntarily accepts these rules.)

#### 1st Step

Knightly behaviour and a shining example for others in daily life in one’s personal background, social engagement, and readiness for peace. Neither age nor background, race or religion play any role. Men and women are treated alike. There is no redress in law for being awarded the knighthood of honour but it is considered to be a privilege to belong to this society.

#### 2nd Step

Personal application (Applicant is required to hold the rank of a staff officer in the CSLI) in which the reasons are laid out why the applicant asks being awarded the Knighthood of Honour. Alternatively, an application from a third party which is supported by three CSLI staff officers. (When an application is filed from a third party the candidate shall be asked if he or she is willing to accept the honour in case it is granted.)

#### 3rd Step

Discussion and vote by the chapter. Three voting rounds are possible and a decision must be unanimously. Two voting rounds are secret and the third one must be open. Also, the third round must be unanimously in case acceptance is granted. Any member of the chapter who votes against membership of an applicant must give reason for this repudiation. Whatever the result is, any third voting result is final and binding.

#### 4th Step

Handing out the brevet (advance notice) which informs the candidate that he or she will be awarded the Knighthood of Honour and how to proceed further. The Grand Master decides on the rank being awarded.

#### 5th Step

Formal acceptance by the candidate in written form within 60 days. Then the preparation period for the candidate commences which has no fixed duration and usually ends with the next upcoming investiture. Investitures will be held as decided by the Grand Master.

#### 6th Step

Formal final “observation period” of the candidate by the chapter. Formally this time is called “postulant period.” This is the time when the Grand Master decides the possible date for the investiture. In this period, the final eligibility of the candidate is decided. Also, a date for an investiture which has been fixed is subject to delay, suspension or even cancellation.
7th Step

The official investiture in a solemn environment according to the defined ceremony. If for geographical or financial reasons it is not possible for the candidate to personally attend an investiture the investiture is considered fulfilled if an appropriate certificate has been written out and the candidate’s name has been read out officially but in his absence during an investiture ceremony. Only then the postulant is considered a Knight of Honour of the Lazarus Union. There is no provision for autonomous withdrawal from the Knighthood of Honour by the Knight of Honour.

5.4 CHAPTER OF THE KNIGHTHOOD OF HONOUR

Senator h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt
Grandmaster

Oliver M. Gruber-Lavin
Grand Chancellor

LtCol ret. Rudolf Murth
Grand Marshal

Univ. Prof. Dr. Josef Michael Schramm
Knight Commander

Colonel ret. Helmuth Neidhart
Grand Cross Knight
Chronicle of the Lazarus Union from 2007 to 2017

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5.5 THE GRAND PREFECTS OF THE CSLI KNIGHTHOOD OF HONOUR

Ludwig Brunner
Knight Commander

Wolfgang Leithner
Knight Commander

Univ. Prof. Dipl.-Ing. Herbert Paulis
Grand Knight Commander

Hannes Hochmuth
Knight Commander

Josef-Maria Gebel
Grand Knight Commander

Hans-Rudolf Gries
Grand Knight Commander

Werner Winkelhofer
Knight Commander

5.5 THE GRAND PREFECTS OF THE CSLI KNIGHTHOOD OF HONOUR

Grand Prefect Germany
GenLt CSLI DiplVW Sven Dietel

Grand Prefect Italy
Maj. Gen. CSLI Prof. Dr. Antonio Virgili

Grand Prefect Spain
Lt. Gen. CSLI Armando Mendez Serrada

Grand Prefect Latin America
Gen. CSLI Roberto Ortiz
Grand Prefect Poland
Lt. Gen. CSLI
P. Gregory Batziag OFM Cap

Grand Prefect Canada
Maj. Gen. CSLI
David Douglas PhD

Grand Prefect United Kingdom
Maj. Gen. CSLI Ian W. Tough

Grand Prefect United States of America
Brig. Gen. CSLI Dr. jur. William Bryk

Grand Prefect Canary Islands
V. Adm. CSLI Prof. Hans König

Grand Prefect Turkey
Captain CSLINC
Ludwig Brunner

Grand Prefect Lithuania
Captain CSLINC
Giedrius Petruzis

Grand Prefect „Sword of Freedom“
Gen CSLI
Bernd Höhle-Kleinertz

Grand Legat Great Britain
Brig. Gen. CSLI Colin Lee
5.6 INSIGNIAS OF THE GRAND OFFICERS

- Livery collar Grandprotector
- Breaststar Grandprotector
- Livery collar Grandmaster
- Breast star Grandmaster
Insignias of the Grand Officers

Livery Collar Knight

Breast star Collar Knight

Livery collar Grand Chancellor with star

Breast star Grand Chancellor
Livery collar Grand Marshal

Breast star Grand Marshal

Livery collar Grand Prefect/ Grand Legat

Breast star Grand Prefect/ Grand Legat
5.7 THE GRANDPROTECTOR

Dr. Werner Fasslabend visited the Theresianum in Vienna and received his high school diploma in 1963. From 1963 to 1964 he studied English, French, Spanish, and History at the Wilbraham Academy in Massachusetts, USA. From 1964 to 1970 Dr. Fasslabend studied law at the university in Vienna, where he received his doctorate in 1970. From 1970 to 1990 Dr. Fasslabend worked for Henkel-Persil, finally in the position of a department manager.

His political career commenced with the ÖVP Marchegg and the ÖAAB (Österreichischer Arbeiter- und Angestelltenbund). From 1987 to 2007 Fasslabend was a member of the national assembly of the Austrian Republic (interrupted only by his function as a minister), from 2000-2002 he was third president of the national assembly of the Republic of Austria.

From 1990 to 2000 Dr. Fasslabend was minister of defence of the Republic of Austria. He was driving an active Austrian participation in a European security policy.
From 1997 to 2003 he was federal chairman of the ÖAAB and from 2004 to 2015 President of the political academy of the ÖVP (Österreichische Volkspartei – Austrian People’s Party).

Since 1959 Fasslabend is a member of the K.Ö.St.V. Leopoldina Gänsemdorf in the MKV and since 1995 a member of the MKV association Nordmark Hohenau.

Since September 5th, 2015, Dr. Fasslabend is Grand Protector of the LAZARUS UNION (UN-NGO with special consultative status with the United Nations – ECOSOC) when he was ceremonially inaugurated into his office. from 1997 to 2003 head of the ÖAAB and from 2004 to 2015 President of the “Politischen Akademie” of the ÖVP.

5.8 KNIGHT EXPECTANTS

The candidature for the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union

Prologue:

There are numerous applications for the Knighthood of Honour and it can be foreseen that many of those will have to be declined (by the sheer fact of the limit of a maximum of 12 knights/dames of honour per year), thus probably preventing the admission of some excellent knights into the knighthood. On the other hand, in the past we did accept some persons who later disappointed us by rarely ever showing up at our gatherings. While there is no permanent obligation for our knights of honour (voluntariness is the highest rule and nobody must or will be made to do anything) some knights of honour would not have passed the vote in the chapter, had there been some observation period before final admission was granted. To provide for a better approach in the future, the chapter has voted unanimously for the introduction of the "Candidature for the Lazarus Union Knighthood of Honour" and defined the following rules:

The candidature:

All Lazarus Union members and also other persons wanting to apply for the Lazarus Union Knighthood of Honour will have to find themselves a mentor (“godparent”) among the existing dames/knights of honour. Each Dame/Knight can only have three candidates at the same time.

This mentor applies to the chapter to accept the candidate as Knight Expectant and accompanies the candidate until his or her final acceptance into the knighthood.

The chapter decides during a meeting by open ballot with simple majority. In case of a draw the Grand Master’s vote is decisive.

The candidate is then accepted as a “Knight Expectant” resp. “Dame Expectant” and will have to prove himself/herself by actively partaking in our community during an observation period (which is basically unlimited in time).

The elevation:

After rising in rank to Knight Expectant Officer resp. Dame Expectant Officer, an application can be filed for a full membership in the Knighthood of Honour according to the usual rules. (This means either the candidate himself/herself or three Lazarus Union staff officers can file this application for the candidate, or his/her mentor alone can file the request to the chapter.)
The observation period:

This allows the Lazarus Union and the chapter on one side but also the candidate on the other side to scrutinise each other and to verify if the mutual expectations can be met and as such helps to avoid wrong decisions regarding the final admission into the Lazarus Union Knighthood of Honour.

This qualifying period status can be revoked by the candidate himself/herself on one side but also by the chapter with simple majority without the need to state any reasons and without any further consequences. All insignia received have to be returned to the Lazarus Union, costs for these will be reimbursed. Any other expenses which may have been spent so far will not be reimbursed.

The insignia:

As a formal sign, the candidate will during the acceptance ceremony receive the Knighthood of Honour’s neck cross (without trophy and structure). The officer’s insignia looks similar but is laid out as a pectoral cross. The coat is a “plain coat” (knight’s coat without the Knighthood of Honour insignia) and the CSLI coat of arms. Purchase of the coat and insignia is voluntary!

Acceptance of the Knight Expectants resp. Dame Expectants will be in the course of a special ceremony held only for these candidates and NOT as an “opening act” during a regular investiture as this candidate acceptance shall also be considered a special moment in a candidate’s life. The ceremony shall be held as follows:

The candidate sits at the right side of his/her mentor. The “Master of Candidates” or the protocol officer calls for the candidate with the words:

“Dear ……..! You mentor has applied for you to be accepted into our community as a “Knight Expectant” (Dame Expectant) and the chapter has approved this request! Step forward!”

The candidate together with his/her mentor steps up in front of the Grand Master (the mentor stands behind the candidate, holding the coat). The Grand Master now asks:

“I ask you in front of the assembled Dames and Knights of Honour: Is it your free will to seek the Lazarus Union Knighthood of Honour?”

The answer is:
“With my honour, yes, it is!”
The Grand Master replies:
„So, receive the formal signs of your new status: the plain mantle and the cross. May you prove yourself in your candidature to finally be accepted in the Knighthood of Honour. Be welcome!“
The Lazarus Union Knight fanfare is played.
The mentor and the new “Knight Expectant” resp. “Dame Expectant” take again their seats.
This is the core ceremony which can be incorporated into several other ceremonies (e.g. Holy Mass, flag blessing ceremony, but NOT a regular knighthood investiture).

Remarks:
It is intended to have these applications in spring (April, May, or June) and regular investitures in fall (September or October). For the application, the regular Knighthood of Honour application form shall be used, but the mentor needs to sign as well.

Knighthood of Honour and candidature for persons with non-Christian beliefs

Already in former times like for example during the crusades with all their terror, injustice, cruelty, and lack of tolerance it was possible for knights to become accepted by their enemies as equals, even respected and held in high regards because of their courage, chivalry, and readiness for peace.

The LAZARUS UNION and so also its Knighthood of Honour do honour and respect all humans and their religions. So, this consequently is also respected concerning the insignia of the LAZARUS UNION Knighthood of Honour as it might be difficult if not impossible for non-Christian Knights of Honour to wear the cross as a symbol of their belonging to the LAZARUS UNION Knighthood of Honour.

Because of this, special insignia have been designed for Knights of Honour not belonging to a Christian religion. This so is a logical extension of our investiture ceremony where also care is taken for such personal situations. These insignia do not hold any crosses or other Christian symbols. Only on the middle medallion the waking of St. Lazarus is pictured and our four principles tolerance, humility, charity, and brotherly love are mentioned.

Those four principles are non-denominational and mirror the basic attitude of the LAZARUS UNION and its Knighthood of Honour. Of course, all Knights of Honour can wear THESE insignia.

The coats for knight’s expectant and Knights of Honour of non-Christian religions hold instead of the cross pattée the corresponding symbol of THEIR religion (e.g. the Hilal (crescent moon) for Islam, the Star of David for Judaism, the Dharma Wheel for Buddhism, the Torii for Shintoism, etc.). Knights expectant wear the corresponding hatchment only, Knights of Honour the hatchment with underlying crossed swords.

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We consider it important and explicitly worth mentioning that the investiture ceremony for the CSLI Knighthood of Honour is a continuation of the tradition of the knightly accolade. The mindset BEHIND this knightly accolade is MORE IMPORTANT than the ceremony itself. So, there is neither any claim to authenticity whatsoever nor shall this be a “copy” of similar ceremonies from other organisations or associations. There will always be some similarities, this is in the nature of things, but there will always be different characteristics regarding our understanding for such ceremonies.

So, for example, we do not think it appropriate for candidates to kneel in front of any “Grand Masters” or similar “dignitaries” as long as these do not belong to the clergy of any denomination. One kneels only (according to our opinion) in front of God or his clergy and NOT in front of another human (like you and me).

Out of this view results the following CSLI Knighthood of Honour investiture proceeding. This ceremony shall be simple and brief but according to the dignity of this award and before all it shall neither hurt nor interfere with the personal sphere of the future CSLI Knight of Honour neither in religious nor in personal ways.

Ceremony

The Knights of the Grand Cross, Grand Commanders, Commanders, and Knights of Honour present form a semi-circle. The bearer of the sword stands in the middle, to his right the Grand Master and to his left the Vice Grand Master or the highest-ranking member of the Knighthood of Honour present. To the right of the Grand Master stands the standard-bearer with the CSLI Knighthood of Honour standard.

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The Grand Master commences the investiture ceremony:

“In the name of the LAZARUS UNION and its Knighthood of Honour I cordially welcome all present to the following investiture for our Knighthood of Honour. All
candidates receiving dignity and rank today have been thoroughly examined and found worthy to be honoured with this ceremony officially in a secret ballot by the chapter of the CSLI Knighthood of Honour.”

The candidate is called, and after his name has been spoken he takes position in front of the semi-circle. He remains standing for the duration of the WHOLE ceremony.

“Dear ……, (the candidate’s first name is used!), you have been considered worthy by the chapter of the CSLI Knighthood of Honour UNANIMOUSLY and in SECRET ballot to belong to our society as …… (Here the rank and the position is stated which the candidate is receives or gets promoted to). Step forward!”

The Grand Master asks the candidate if he wants to belong to the society of the CSLI Knighthood of Honour with the following words:

“So, I ask you in front of the assembled society: Is it your free will that you want to be a member of our society as …… (Here the rank and the position is stated which the candidate is receives or gets promoted to) and to accept our mission statement?”

The candidate answers:

“I will, with all my heart!”

The Grand Master asks the candidate:

“Are you aware what it means to be a member of this society?”

The candidate answers:

“Yes, I am!”

The Grand Master then says:

“Into our Knighthood of Honour, we wholeheartedly welcome you. Receive the insignia of your new dignity: the sword, mantle, and the insignia of the LAZARUS UNION Knighthood of Honour.”

While the Grand Master speaks, the Sword bearer hands the sword to the Grand Master which is then presented to the candidates. At the same time, the candidate receives the folded mantle. The Grand Master then hands the insignia to the candidate with the words:

“Receive now the outward sign of your new dignity. Always remember the character of the eight virtues of a knight, and may you be given the power to act on them.”

Then the Grand Master takes the sword again, and with the following words (symbolically) knights the candidate, first on the right, then on the left shoulder, finally touching the crown of the candidate’s head:

“Through the power of the office entrusted to me you are, with this symbolic accolade, from this moment a member of our Knighthood of Honour, and I hereby bid you fraternally welcome to our circle.”

The Grand Master passes the sword back to the Sword bearer and gives the new Knight of Honour a triple kiss of brotherhood (right, left, right).

Should a clergyman be present, and the candidate so wishes, he steps in front of the clergyman, kneels and prays for God’s blessing with these words:

“I ask God for His blessing, that He gives me the strength to prove myself equal to this high honour and dignity.”

After being blessed and being handed his Knighthood of Honour certificate, the new Knight takes his place in the semi-circle of Knights.

(This ceremony takes place for each candidate) When all the investitures are completed, the Grand Master says following prayer:

Lord, make us an instrument of your peace,
that we practice love, where there is hatred,
that we forgive, where there is injury,
that we connect, where there is strife,
hat we tell the truth, where there is misconception
hat we bring faith where doubts are expressed,
that we awaken hope where despair torments
that we kindle a light where there is darkness,
that we bring joy, where there is sadness.

Lord, seek to make it:
not that we are comforted, but that we comfort;
not that we are understood, but that we understand;
not that we are loved, but that we love.

Because there is in giving, receiving.
Anyone who forgets himself, finds himself;
Anyone who forgives is forgiven;
And who dies, awakens to eternal life!

Amen!

The order for the investiture ceremony is completed.
To allow for our tolerance against ALL religious groups, as of now (February 2013) NO religious group will be “favoured” over others by “embedding” our investiture ceremony into their religious services respectively having it conducted by their representatives. Religious group’s representatives are of course honoured, welcomed, and respected persons also in the future but will not have any significant role within the investiture ceremony and as such only take part as special Lazarus Union guests of honour at a “Grand Investiture.”

At any rate it must be ensured that the location selected for an investiture is suited to the importance and dignity of the ceremony. Religious group’s houses of worship will be absolutely preferred. Other worthy places like museums, castles, palaces, concert halls, congress rooms, etc. can also be chosen as locations for investitures.

A “Grand Investiture” consists of the following major parts and takes between 70 to 90 minutes (depending on the number of candidates) and is recorded in a special “investiture guide.” The Grand Marshal is responsible for the correct execution and will be accountable to the chapter.

- Open-air concert by the Music Corps of the Lazarus Union
- Procession and ceremonial entrance
- Handing over of the pennants
- Renewal of the officer’s pledge
- Ceremonial investiture of the knights of honour
- Promotions and new ranks
- Awards and distinctions
- Commemoration of the dead
- Ceremonial move-out

The sole complexity and duration of a “Grand Investiture” makes any additional inclusion of other elements an unreasonable demand to all present. So, for this reason the inclusion of special rites of religious groups is deliberately waived.

The Lazarus Union Knighthood of Honour by its nature is NO “knightly order,” no matter how this term will be interpreted and the Lazarus Union has no intention to imitate or copy any religious or secular order if such orders do still exist rightly at all!

This would be beneath the Lazarus Union considering its size and importance, also the Lazarus Union does not regard this fitting. The ceremonial “Grand Investiture” shall simply ensure that the “knightly virtues” will not be forgotten in our days as such “knightly virtues” and “modern knights” today are more important than ever!

The term “investiture” in our days

(Translated from the German Wikipedia)
The term “investiture” does not show up at all in the Code of Canon Law and so is as such not in use within a Roman Catholic context. One important exception is the clerical as well as the secular knight orders where acceptance of new knights of the order is celebrated in the form of an investiture.

In the Protestant Church, the investiture is used to accept a priest/priestess into the parish after ordination. This happens within a Holy Mass and is often related to handing out various symbols.

In a secular environment, especially the act of a vice chancellor taking office at a university is called investiture. This usually happens within a ceremonial act accompanied by ministerial representatives.

The term investiture is used by various organisations instead of the term affiliation ceremony.

In German constitutional law, it is explicitly forbidden that state or county contribute to the administration or management of religious groups (as was common during the Middle Ages).

Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States are invested with their office.

5.11 HERALDRY

Each CSLI Knight of Honour has the right to use the below published kind of the Coat of Arm in accordance of his rank, together with his own personal family arm, or he can create his own personal Coat of Arm using this schema during his CSLI Knighthood of Honour.
Arm of the Grand Master

Samples for Knight arms

Chev. Leithner  
Chev. Özcan  
Chev. König  
Chev. Weigmann  
S.E. Chev. Steinhardt  
S.E. Chev. Neidhart  
S.E. Chev. Ptak  
Chev. Douglas  
Chev. Tough  
Chev. Kadlec †  
Chev. Gebel  
Chev. Wanderer

Chev. Wassertheurer ❁  Chev. H  Chev. Badziag  Chev. A


Chev. Hochstöger  Chev. Hochmuth  Chev. Höhle Kleinertz  Dame Gries
5.12 INSIGNIA

The membership is made clear by badge, insignia, orders and/or order garment.

As well as the UNION LAZARUS has other traditional knightly order communities for her members different ranks which are expressed by different insignia and are lent after salary. However, basically the 8 pointed, green order cross is no honouring, but a sign of the affiliation to the order.

CSLI Knight/Dame of Honour

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SLI Knight/Dame Grand Commander of Honour

CSLI Grand Cross Knight/Dame of Honour

Save for the insignia wear the Knights of Honour as a symbol of their knighthood also a black mantle with a velvet collar with the symbol of the CSLI Knighthood of Honour embroidered on the left side of the mantle.
5.13 BANNERS OF THE KNIGHTS OF HONOUR

The Knighthood of Honour is an old tradition revived by the Knights of Honour, who are entitled to their own banners at appropriate occasions (Investitures, meetings of the Chapter or the General Convention, visits to friendly Organizations or other major celebrations in Churches or in public).

On one side of each banner is the symbol of our Knighthood of Honour with the words “KNIGHTHOOD OF HONOUR LAZARUS UNION”, the same for everyone. On the other side are the individual arms of the Knight of Honour or Dame of Honour.
Here are some examples:
The owner of Kreuzenstein Castle has received the Chapter of the Knighthood of Honour and agreed that the castle may be the “official titular home of the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union” with immediate effect. This is a very important milestone in the history of the Lazarus Union and the Knighthood of Honour, and we owe a debt of gratitude to the Wilczek family, and especially to the owner of the castle, Hans-Christian Earl Wilczek. A visit to this wonderful castle is now almost a duty for each member of the Lazarus Union.

6.1 LOCATION OF THE CASTLE

The castle is situated north of the Danube on a hill in the Rohrwald forest, just above the town of Leoben and between the cities of Korneuburg and Stockerau. Its altitude is 266 meters above sea level and its height above the Danube is about 100 meters.

The castle hill is close to a bend in the Danube by the Vienna Gate and provides a sweeping view of the river and, upstream, the Korneuburg basin. Almost opposite, on the south bank of the Danube, stands Greifenstein Castle.

6.2 HISTORY

The medieval castle of the Habsburgs

The origins of Kreuzenstein, like most castles in Lower Austria, go back to the 11th Century. Built by the Formbach family, it came by marriage into the possession of the Counts of Wasserburg. Through Ottokar II of Bohemia, the castle passed into the possession of the Hapsburgs in 1278.
In July 1527, Baptist preacher Balthasar Hubmaier was transferred to Kreuzenstein having been arrested under the pretext of causing riots in Mikulov (Moravia). He was interrogated at the castle but refused a revocation and was sentenced to death. He was burned at the stake in Vienna on March 10th, 1528.

Until the Thirty Years War the castle was never conquered, but it then fell into the hands of the Swedish Field Marshal Lennart Torstensson. When he withdrew in 1645 he had it blown up in three (some sources say four) places.

**Reconstruction under the Counts of Wilczek**

In the 18th Century the ruins of the castle came into the possession of the Counts of Wilczek, who had amassed a large fortune through the family coalmines in Silesia. In 1874 Count Johann Nepomuk Wilczek, famous for funding polar exploration, began to gradually re-build Kreuzenstein as a show castle. While it by no means replicated the appearance of the former castle (a “Romanesque-Gothic pattern castle”), the remains of the medieval castle (especially parts of the curtain wall, trunk and parts of the east tower of the chapel) were incorporated into the design. With a little practice, the eye can distinguish the medieval building remains from the 19 Century masonry components. The re-building work began under the supervision of the architect Carl Kayser Gangolf. On his death in 1895, supervision passed to Ritter Humbert Walcher of Molthein and the artist Egon Rheinberger.

A family vault was built under the chapel where Count Johann himself has his final resting place. The entire castle was built partly from the ruins of the medieval castle and partly from a variety of original components that Wilczek gathered from all over Europe. In addition, the castle was stocked with a large collection of medieval furnishings. The work lasted 30 years – at the official re-opening on 6 June 1906 Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany, among others, was present. In 1915 lightning caused a fire that burned part of the library wing and archives.

**Kreuzenstein Castle today**

In 1945, during the fighting between the Wehrmacht and the Red Army, some of the rooms were badly damaged and many pieces of the collection stolen. Many of the manuscripts from the Wilczek collection are now in the Austrian National Library.

Today the castle is a popular destination from in and around Vienna as a museum. At the end of June each year a classical music Serenade was held in the castle courtyard. However, at the request of the Lord of the Castle, these will no longer be held here. On a nearby hillside is the Kreuzenstein Eagle Sanctuary where public birds-of-prey shows are held. It overlooks the Castle Inn, which has been re-designed to represent a medieval tavern.

And now, from June 2013, Burg Kreuzenstein is also the titular home of the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union.

**6.3 THE “BRIDGE” TO LAZARUS UNION**

When you look at the history of Kreuzenstein Castle, it is easy to see just why it is so well suited to be the titular home of the Lazarus Union Knighthood of Honour.

Just as Kreuzenstein was never conquered until the Thirty Years’ War and was only demolished in 1675, the Order of Saint Lazarus survived through the French Revolution only to be disbanded by decree in 1830. Just as the castle was built in the end of the 11th century, the Lazarus Order was founded at the end of the 11th century too. These parallels are unique!
Idealists resurrected the Order of Saint Lazarus in 1937 adopting the old chivalric traditions, and family circumstances enabled the Wilczeks to begin rebuilding their castle at the end of the 19th Century, again following the old traditions.

The new style castle has a slightly different appearance to the original Kreuzenstein, although many original components were used.

The “new” Order of Saint Lazarus can also attribute its “components” to Crusader roots, but in fact it is a new foundation (a new ‘castle’). The Lazarus Union is now a modern, worldwide, charitable organization working to build on the ideals of the original Order of Saint Lazarus, without itself having to be an Order (either secular or spiritual).

Built on the remains of the old castle, these ancient parts of the castle are clearly visible, just as the Lazarus Union Knighthood of Honour cherishes the old knightly virtues, maintaining them and making them visible in modern society.

So, the turbulent history of Kreuzenstein Castle and the no less eventful history of the Lazarus Union Knighthood of Honour fit together well, which is why we are so highly delighted to have just received THIS castle as our official titular home.

6.4 THE WILCZEK FAMILY

Count Johann Nepomuk Wilczek (1837 - 1922), the scion of an old Polish noble family ranging back to the 12th century, was one of the most important Austrian aristocrats of his era. Legendary for his personal modesty and frugality, he was one of the wealthiest entrepreneurs of the Habsburg monarchy, owning vast estates and the second largest coal mine of the empire.

On explicit request by Hans Christian Earl of Wilczek the investiture bestowing upon him the honour of a Collar Knight of Honour of the Lazarus Union, the highest award the Lazarus Union is able to give, was celebrated in the chapel of the castle which is also the burial site of his ancestors.

As a member of high nobility, he held the office of an influential chamberlain at the Viennese court while at the same being a generous philanthropist, dedicating considerable parts of his fortune to the promotion of arts, culture and science as well as numerous social institutions. His still significant achievements include the founding of the Vienna Ambulance Company (today's rescue and patient transport service of the City of Vienna) in 1881 in the wake of the disastrous Ring Theatre fire and the founding of the Vienna Rudolfinerhaus 1882 together with Theodor Billroth, the Viennese pioneer of modern surgery.

In his early years, he devoted himself to archaeological, art and natural history studies and undertook several hunting trips to Africa during 1860-1870. As an honorary member of the Austrian Academy of Sciences and President of the Austrian Geographical Society, Wilczek was the driving force and financier behind the first Austrian Arctic Expedition 1872 - 1874 led by Carl Weyprecht and Julys Payer. On the schooner Isbjörn he personally accompanied the expedition ship Admiral Tegetthoff from Spitsbergen to the Barents Island to establish a large depot of food and coal, shortly before the researchers’ ship became
locked in pack ice under dramatic circumstances, spending two long polar winters in the ice. Today, two islands discovered in the course of the Arctic Ocean expedition carry Wilczek’s name in remembrance of the expedition’s great sponsor.

As a personal friend and supporter of the most famous artists of his time – among others the most important representative of Austrian monumental history painting Hans Makart – Wilczek founded, among other initiatives, the Vienna Society of Friends of the Fine Arts. Besides the organization and financing of numerous art exhibitions, Wilczek was also curator of the Museum of Military History in Vienna from 1894 to 1918.

In addition to his great passion for art, his great personal fondness for collecting historical weapons and armor was one of the decisive triggers for the restoration of Kreuzenstein Castle, which today is the most famous monument of Wilczek’s extensive lifetime achievements.

Count Johann Nepomuk Wilczek has been honoured with multiple awards, amongst others by the Academy of Sciences, by Emperor Franz Joseph who knighted him to the Order of the Golden Fleece and by the City of Vienna, which made him an honorary citizen. Wilczek died in Vienna in 1922 and is buried in the family vault at Kreuzenstein Castle.
7 CSLI LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

7.1 GENERAL INFORMATION

To standardise the internal instruction for staff officers the “LAZARUS UNION Leadership Academy” was founded effect 1. December 2015. Task of this academy is to convey standardised “knowledge modules” regarding the LAZARUS UNION to officers and high-ranking NCOs. It is not an academic study and do not have academic grades!

Our biggest group member, the CSLI Brazil, with its “Academia São Lázaro de Estudos Cavalheiroscos e Humanitários (ASLECH)” is an accredited full member of UNAI (United Nation Academic Impact) and we have therefore agreed that our leadership academy within the LAZARUS UNION acts here in Austria as a branch. While the Leadership Academy is an independent unit, but under the umbrella of the CSLI Brazil respective of its ASLECH. So, we can avoid for ourselves a long-standing certification process.

These courses will in the first place be offered in Austria only. In the future, a self-study course shall be offered with final exam (multiple choice test with 25 questions, 20 of which must be answered correctly to pass) and an exposition covering a given subject.

Of course, participation in such seminars is voluntary (like everything in the LAZARUS UNION) but future staff officers (and knights of honour) shall consider this a privilege, not a duty.

In the first place about ten different modules shall be offered. At least 90% of the information and knowledge required for these modules can be found at our web site.

Presently the Academy is under the command of the Secretary General Office.
7.2 THE MEMBERS OF THE “ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE ACADEMY”

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(Austria)

Vice Chairman and Deputy Dean  
Prof. Mag.  
Gerhard Steinmetz MSc  
+ 6.11.2016  
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Univ.-Lector Dr. Med.
Gabriel Halát,
FA f. Unfallchirurgie
(Austria)

Prof. Dr.
Adílio Jorge Marques, Post-
DocSc DSc MSc
(Brazil)
7.3 INSIGNIAS OF THE ACADEMY

7.3.1 Sleeve badge of the academy

To wear on the left sleeve instead of the “CSLI arm” “Corps sign” of the academy for all students, graduates, council members, members and lecturers.

7.3.2 Badge for students (SLA)

To wear above the right breast pocket After finishing of the “first” module

7.3.3 Badge for graduates (GLA)

To wear above the right breast pocket After finishing of the „Staff Officer Course“

7.3.4 Badge for Council members, members and lecturers (MLA)

To wear above the right breast pocket, as sign of the function

7.3.5 Honorary badge of the academy (HMLA)

To wear above the right breast pocket. For extraordinary merits

7.3.6 Chain of Office, Dean

Chain of Office of the dean of the International Leadership Academy ILA, Prof.(FH) Dipl.-Ing. Herbert Paulis.
7.4 TRAINING OF STAFF-OFFICERS

The education in the staff officer occurs in the leadership academy of the UNION LAZARUS in the following departments and fields:

The education of the beginning Lazarus Union staff officers was subjected after the re-orientation as international NGO with special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations of a check and was radically reworked. Building up on the already available knowledge of the Lazarus Union the leadership academy prepares officers for her first uses as a staff officer.

The education is put on extensively and covers questions interdisciplinary, among the rest, also from political, more socially, more historically, economic, ethical and technological view. Besides, the discussion with social developments belongs also to the firm component of the course.

Beside the content adaptations the education of the staff officers in Lazarus Union considers the new didactic-methodical draught of the academy. Action orientation and method knowledge come to the fore beside the mediation of basic theory knowledge even more than up to now. The “action” is put in the centre and the “wish” and “skill” of the course participants is promoted. This demands the active cooperation of the learners. Therefore, the conditions are created for the fact that the beginning staff officers can develop her already available competence and acquire new competence.

Moreover, the base course contributes staff officer (ILA-BLS) with achievement assessments and exam results. The course participants must file three achievement proofs from the modules „bases Lazarus Union“ „individual leadership competence“ as well as „surgical planning“.

Despite the exam to be taken the education, advanced training and continuing education of the participant officers is central. It is an important stone within the scope of the lifelong learning and with it for the use of the further teaching offer of the leadership academy Lazarus Union.

7.4.1 Aims

- Understanding the bases of the UNION LAZARUS
- Know the duties and organisation of the UNION LAZARUS
- Recognise and perceive duties of a staff-officer
- Strengthen the readiness for the takeover of responsibility
- Leading a unit

7.5 FLIGHT ASSISTANT’S SEMINARS

In view of the CSLI handicapped flight days in the airfield of Stockerau the CSLI organises together with AERIAL flight school HELICOPTER Leopold Reidinger flight assistant’s seminars.

These flight assistant’s seminars exist of a theory course and a practical education by the helicopter. After the passing of the theory course a written check from the reported theoretical range of topics occurs. A licensing to the practical part assumes a written exam positively taken to 80% (Multiple Choice).

The successfully finished course is confirmed with a document and it is acquired with it also the right to carry the „silver airman’s wing“ of the air CSLI Wing which the bearers expel as qualified CSLI flight assistants.
7.6 PILOTTRAINING

Our partner association AERIAL AIR LAZARUS CORPS, ALAC, with the ZVR 799163033, received the education approval of the Austrian civil aviation authority AUSTRO CONTROL as a training centre for private helicopter pilots to JAR-FCL.

In May 2013, an extended training answer was issued by the Austro Control. Our foundation member CSLI and air CSLI Wing squadron commander “helicopter”, Captain Rainer Eisinger, with more than 5,500 helicopter flying hours (of it more than 3,000 hours than flying instructor) in his flight book and more than 13,000 flights, one of the experienced flying instructors and helicopter pilots in Austria. He is married with Karin Eisinger and father by twins (sons). In his youth, he was a motocross professional. Together with our Union Commander Senator h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt (helicopter-occupational pilot's licence No. 340) the occupational helicopter pilot's education was finished Rainer Eisinger (helicopter-occupational pilot's licence No. 353).

Command of the Academy
Presently the Academy is under the command of the Secretary General Office

Secretary General of the LAZARUS UNION
Oliver M. Gruber-Lavin FRSA MRS MBCS

The scientific leader of the academy and Dean is Deputy Secretary General
Prof.(FH) Dipl.Ing. Herbert Paulis
and he is also chairman of the “Advisory Council of the Academy”..
8 CSLI MUSIC CORPS

8.1 MUSIC CORPS OF THE LAZARUS UNION

The Lazarus Union Music Corps was brought into being by Friedrich Lentner in 2012. The music formation can very individually be adapted to fit various performances. Formations are possible starting from a brass quartet or quintet up to a full-scale brass orchestra with 50 players. All music styles can be played although there is a preference for Viennese music and traditional marches.

During deployments, the sounding body will be supplemented by our own sutlers and a standard bearer. Since March 2013 full member of the Viennese Brass Band Organisation. Many musicians have served at the Austrian Army Guards Music Corps and so it is obvious that there are many contacts.

8.2 LAZARUS UNION MARCH

Johann Hausl composed a march for the LAZARUS UNION. It contains parts from the "Pappenheimmarsch" and the "Kreuzritter-Fanfare" as "main topics". This march was dedicated to the president of
the UNION LAZARUS, Senator Prof. h.c. Wolfgang Steinhardt.

8.3 MARCHING FORMATION

The march formation is our signboard with appeal to the public. In 2016 this formation was engaged with the German music parade and finished cheered appearances with tattoos in Kempten, Wurzburg and Stuttgart in front of up to 6000 spectators.
Promenade concerts and guest appearances at friendly organisations also belong to it. A climax was also the 35\textsuperscript{th} Austrian wind music festival in Vienna.

8.4 ENSEMBLE FORMATION

Our different ensembles are available for Investitures, various celebrations or representation appearances in the smaller frame.
8.5 BIG BAND

The Lazarus Union Big Band arose from the already existing Vienna-Skyline-Bigband of our music officer Friedrich Lentner. With this band, we do have the possibility to pay tribute to the great musicians of the big band era.

Music by Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Harry James, Tommy Dorsey, Benny Goodman, Woody Herman, Glenn Miller, the voice of Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald, Billy Holiday, to name but a few as well as the many instrumental soloists enchant us just the same way as they did enchant humans in their days.

The big band was founded by Friedrich Lentner already in 2002. Many of the musicians he assembled are professional musicians and played in various other big bands in and around Vienna for several years already.

The band has a broad performance portfolio, from birthday serenades to big band mornings and concerts to great balls and company events. Also, the instrumentation can vary from 9 musicians up to the full big band with 20 musicians as required.

We also do have singers like for example our W. "Frankie" Warner who has donated himself to the interpretation of the music of Frank Sinatra. So, we do also have a two-hour Frank Sinatra show in our repertoire where we present the greatest hits of this unforgettable singer and entertainer in original arrangements. This show already did have great success in Austria and Germany.

8.6 DIRECTOR OF MUSIC FRIEDRICH LENTNER

He is appointed by the board of the LAZARUS UNION to lead our music corps worldwide and to develop the further growing of this formation.

Friedrich Lentner, the 2nd in a family of musicians, was born in Vienna on the 17th October 1963. At the age of 7 he began to learn the piano and the violin, but at 14 stopped playing the violin and began instead to learn the trombone with Prof. Georg Ruehl. After lower school, he opted for the popular Vienna state secondary school for students of music.

He continued his concert trombone studies at the at the Vienna Conservatory with Prof. Horst Kübelböck and Prof. Mosheimer. During this time, he played engagements at the City Theatre, Baden; at the Spa Orchestra, Baden; at the Raimund Theatre; at the National Theatre and at the Mörbisch Operetta Festival. In
1983, he graduated from the Music High School and immediately secured an engagement as first Trombone at the Raimund Theatre.

Friedrich is a long-time member of the Board of the Vienna Brass Band Association, and has been awarded their Golden Badge of Honour. Since 2004 he has also been on the Board of the German Federal Championship as a consultant responsible for military music. In December 2010, he became Board Representative for the music sector in the Lazarus Union (Union St. Lazarus Corps International).

These days, because of his classical training and experience of Viennese music in various theatres, he is keen to use the traditional public orchestra to make the works of the old Austrian composers better known.

In autumn 1984, due to the takeover of the Raimund Theatre by the Vienna United Stages, the entire ensemble was dismissed and new tenders were prepared. Friedrich used this occasion to complete his military service. He served with the band of the Vienna Guards, where he performed as a trombonist and bass flugelhorn player.

After 14 months, his service in the Guards Band ended and he began studying for the civil service examination for police officers. In 1987, he joined the Vienna Police Band and continued his studies at the Conservatory. In 1989, he graduated with the National Diploma and in the autumn of that year got a job with the Music Schools of the Municipality of Vienna.

For 14 years he leaded the Hagenbrunn local band in Vienna very successfully. In April 2002, he took over directing the Imperial Vienna Regimental Band, Infantry Regiment No. 4, from a highly respected musical colleague who had sadly died suddenly, till March 2013. Beginning April 201, he is full responsible for the CSLI Music Corps worldwide.

Friedrich is currently still with the Vienna Police Band as 1st tenor and trombone, as well as teaching the trombone at music schools in Vienna. He devotes his free time entirely to music, appearing in various big bands, string orchestras and brass ensembles. For 10 years he has led his own big band (see www.sinatra.at) with which he travels widely, at home and abroad.

In his pursuit of learning he has attended the Conservatory of Vienna for the Conducting Brass Music course, under the direction of conductor Thomas Doss, and taken various workshops.
9 CLI NAVY CORPS

9.1 EXCERPT FROM THE STATUTES

"... The association does not aim for profit and would like to maintain the comradeship and the tradition of the former Austrian-Hungarian Navy, the worldwide seafaring and the inland shipping and maritime shipping ...."

So, it's written in the Statute. Today, Austria has no access to the sea and therefore no navy, but a great History and tradition to maintain.

9.2 CHAIN OF COMMAND

[Diagram of chain of command]

Excerpt from the statutes
9.3 NAVAL COMRADESHIP VICE ADMIRAL ARCHDUKE FERDINAND MAX

Flag of the Naval Comradeship Vice Admiral Archduke Ferdinand Max.

The name „Vizeadmiral Erzherzog Ferdinand Max“ was selected deliberately and the Comradeship was founded 8th 12.2010 by electing the board. On 8th 1.2011 was entered in the Austrian register of associations at the local court with the number 882175885.

9.3.1 Archduke Ferdinand Max

Maximilian was born on 6th July 1832 in the Schönbrunn Palace in Vienna, capital of the Austrian Empire. He was baptized the following day as Ferdinand Maximilian Joseph. The first name honoured his godfather and paternal uncle, The King of Hungary and the second honoured his maternal grandfather, The King of Bavaria.

His father was Archduke Franz Karl, the second surviving son of The Emperor of Austria, during whose reign he was born. Maximilian was thus a member of the House of Habsburg-Lorraine, a female-line cadet branch of the House of Habsburg. His mother was Princess Sophie of Bavaria, a member of the House of Wittelsbach. Intelligent, ambitious and strong-willed, Sophie had little in common with her husband, whom historian Richard O’Conner characterized as “an amiably dim fellow whose main interest in life was consuming bowls of dumplings drenched in gravy.” Despite their different personalities, the marriage was fruitful, and after four miscarriages, four sons—including Maximilian—would reach adulthood.

Portrait by Mathew Brady, um 1864.

Rumour’s at the court stated that Maximilian was in fact the product of an extramarital affair between his
mother and his first cousin Napoleon II, The Duke of Reichstadt, only legitimate son of French Emperor Napoleon I; the Duke’s mother was Marie Louise, Duchess of Parma, former Empress of the French, Maximilian’s aunt. The existence of an illicit affair between Sophie and the Duke, and any possibility that Maximilian was conceived from such a union, are widely dismissed by historians.

Career in the Austrian Navy

Commander in Chief

Maximilian was a particularly clever boy who displayed considerable culture in his taste for the arts, and he demonstrated an early interest in science, especially botany. When he entered military service, he was trained in the Austrian Navy. He threw himself into this career with so much zeal that he quickly rose to high command.

He was made a lieutenant in the navy at the age of eighteen. In 1854, he sailed as commander in the corvette Minerva, on an exploring expedition along the coast of Albania and Dalmatia. Maximilian was especially interested in the maritime and undertook many long-distance journeys (for Brazil) on the frigate Elisabeth. In 1854, he was only 22 years—as a younger brother of the Emperor, and thus a member of the ruling family—he was appointed as commander in chief of the Austrian Navy (1854–1861), which he reorganized in the following years. Like Archduke Friedrich (1821–1847) before him, Maximilian had a keen private interest in the fleet, and with him the Austrian naval force gained an influential supporter from the ranks of the Imperial Family. This was crucial as sea power was never a priority of Austrian foreign policy and the navy itself was relatively little known or supported by the public. It was only able to draw significant public attention and funds when it was actively supported by an imperial prince. As Commander-in-Chief, Maximilian carried out many reforms to modernise the naval forces, and was instrumental in creating the naval port at Trieste and Pola (now Pula) as well as the battle fleet with which admiral Wilhelm von Tegetthoff would later secure his victories. He also initiated a large-scale scientific expedition (1857–1859) during which the frigate SMS Novara became the first Austrian warship to circumnavigate the globe

Legacy

Maximilian has been praised by some historians for his liberal reforms, his genuine desire to help the people of Mexico, his refusal to desert his loyal followers, and his personal bravery during the siege of Querétaro. However, other researchers consider him shortsighted in political and military affairs, and unwilling to restore democracy in Mexico even during the imminent collapse of the Second Mexican Empire. Today, anti-republican and anti-liberal far right groups who advocate the Second Mexican Empire, such as the Nationalist Front of Mexico, are reported to gather every year in Querétaro to commemorate the execution of Maximilian and his followers. Maximilian is portrayed in the 1934 Mexican film Juárez y Maximiliano by Enrique Herrera and the 1939 American film Juarez by Brian Aherne. He also appeared in one scene in the 1954 American film Vera Cruz, played by George Macready. In the Mexican telenovela “El Vuelo del Águila”, Maximilian was portrayed by Mexican actor Mario Iván Martínez.
ian disinterest in naval matters led to an uneventful career. She was rearmed with newer guns in 1874 and again in 1882. Stricken from the naval register in May 1886, Erzherzog Ferdinand Max was employed as a tender to the gunnery training school from 1889 to 1908. She remained in the inventory until 1916 when she was broken up for scrap.

**Battle of Lissa**

On 16 July, Persano took the Italian fleet, with twelve ironclads, out of Ancona, bound for the island of Lissa, where they arrived on the 18th. With them, they brought troop transports carrying 3,000 soldiers. Persano then spent the next two days bombarding the Austrian defences of the island and unsuccessfully attempting to force a landing. Tegetthoff received a series of telegrams between the 17 and 19 July notifying him of the Italian attack, which he initially believed to be a feint to draw the Austrian fleet away from its main bases at Pola and Venice. By the morning of the 19th, however, he was convinced that Lissa was in fact the Italian objective, and so he requested permission to attack. As Tegetthoff's fleet arrived off Lissa on the morning of 20 July, Persano's fleet was arrayed for another landing attempt. The latter's ships were divided into three groups, with only the first two able to concentrate in time to meet the Austrians. Tegetthoff had arranged his ironclad ships into a wedge-shaped formation, leading with Erzherzog Ferdinand Max at the centre; the wooden warships of the second and third divisions followed behind in the same formation.

![An illustration of Re d'Italia rolling over after having been rammed by Erzherzog Ferdinand Max](image)

An illustration of Re d'Italia rolling over after having been rammed by Erzherzog Ferdinand Max

While he was forming up his ships, Persano transferred from his flagship, Re d'Italia to the turret ship Affondatore. This created a gap in the Italian line, and Tegetthoff seized the opportunity to divide the Italian fleet and create a melee. He made a pass through the gap, but failed to ram any of the Italian ships, forcing him to turn around and make another attempt. During the second attempt, Austrian gunfire had disabled Re d'Italia's rudder, leaving her incapable of manoeuvring. Tegetthoff seized the opportunity to ram the Italian vessel, and ordered his ship to maximum speed. After two collisions that occurred at angles too oblique to inflict serious damage, Erzherzog Ferdinand Max struck the ship more directly. The Austrian ship's ram tore a gaping hole in Re d'Italia's hull on the port side, though Erzherzog Ferdinand Max sustained no significant damage herself. Tegetthoff reversed course, allowing the Italian ironclad to lurch back to port and quickly sink. Tegetthoff initially ordered his crew to lower boats to pick up the Italians struggling in the water, but the Italian ironclad San Martino was approaching, and he could not allow his ship to become a stationary target. Instead, he ordered the aviso Kaiserin Elizabeth to remain behind and pick up the survivors while Erzherzog Ferdinand Max engaged San Martino. The other Italian ships, however, did not realize Kaiserin Elizabeth was attempting to pick up the Italian survivors, and so opened fire on her, driving her away from the men in the water.

By this time, the coastal defence ship Palestro was burning badly, soon to be destroyed by a magazine explosion. Persano broke off the engagement, having lost two ships, and though his squadron still outnumbered the Austrians, he refused to counter-attack with his badly demoralized forces. In addition, the fleet was low on coal and ammunition. The Italian fleet began to withdraw, followed by the Austrians; Tegetthoff, having gotten the better of the action, kept his distance so as not to risk his success. Additionally, the Austrian ships were slower than their Italian counterparts, and so they could not force a second engagement. As night began to fall, the opposing fleets disengaged completely, heading for Ancona and Pola, respectively. Erzherzog Ferdinand Max had fired 156 shells in the course of the battle. She had kept boarding parties on her deck, ready to attack Italian vessels, but the opportunity had not presented itself in the engagement; steam powered ships could simply reverse course and disengage before a boarding party could cross over. Erzherzog Ferdinand Max was not significantly damaged by Italian fire or the ramming attempts. A few armour plates were slightly dislodged, the paint had been stripped from the hull where she had collided with Re d'Italia, and she had a minor leak from the concussion, but she was otherwise unscathed.
Later career

After returning to Pola, Tegetthoff kept his fleet in the northern Adriatic, where it patrolled against a possible Italian attack. The Italian ships never came, and on 12 August, the two countries signed the Armistice of Cor-mons; this ended the fighting and led to the Treaty of Vienna. Though Austria had defeated Italy at Lissa and on land at the Battle of Custozza, the Austrian army was decisively defeated by Prussia at the Battle of Kö-niggrätz. With the war over, Erzherzog Ferdinand Max went into the British Royal Navy shipyard in Malta to have her bow repaired. As a result of Austria’s defeat, Kaiser Franz Joseph was forced to accede to Hungarian demands for greater autonomy, and the country became Austria-Hungary in the “Ausgleich of 1867”. The two halves of the Dual Monarchy held veto power over the other, and Hungarian disinterest in naval expansion led to severely reduced budgets for the fleet. In the immediate aftermath of the war, the bulk of the Austrian fleet was decommissioned and disarmed.

In 1869, Kaiser Franz Joseph took a tour of the Mediterranean Sea in his imperial yacht Greif; Erzherzog Ferdinand Max, her sister ship Habsburg, and a pair of paddle steamers escorted the Kaiser for the trip to Port Said at the mouth of the Suez Canal. The two ironclads remained in the Mediterranean while the other vessels passed through the Canal into the Red Sea in company with Empress Eugenie of France aboard her own yacht. The Austro-Hungarian ships eventually returned to Trieste in December. In 1874, she was rearmed with a battery of fourteen 7 in (180 mm) muzzle-loading Armstrong guns and four light guns. Her battery was revised again in 1882, with the addition of four 9 cm (3.5 in) breech-loader guns, two 7 cm (2.8 in) breech-loaders, a pair of 47 mm (1.9 in) quick-firing revolver guns, and three 25 mm (0.98 in) auto-cannons. Erzherzog Ferdinand Max was stricken from the naval register on 19 May 1886 and her armament was reduced to eight 10 cm (3.9 in) guns. The following year, these were removed and a single 26 cm (10 in) gun and a 24 cm (9.4 in) gun were installed. From 1889 to 1908, she served as a tender to the gunnery training school. The ship was ultimately broken up for scrap in 1916 during World War I.
10 CSLI AIR WING

10.1 THE IDEA OF THE CSLI AIR WING

What is the CSLI Air Wing?
What are the expectations towards CSLI pilots?
What can CSLI pilots actually do?

Within the CSLI this idea was born as an addition to the many other dedicated helpers when more and more pilots joined the CSLI. Because of the experience gained from past natural disasters, when helicopters were used in case of emergency, the idea was born to build a “CSLI Air Wing” and to integrate it into the CSLI. This idea was obviously kind of a “niche” within the usual relief organizations. Many adopted this new idea and signed up for the CSLI Air Wing (formerly called CSLO Air Service).

A group of about 40 pilots forms an important part of the members of the CSLI. They were formerly members of the CSLO and have joined the CSLI. Some of them have a flight experience of several thousand hours of flight; this group consists of mission pilots, cargo & general aviation pilots, flight instructors as well as qualified private pilots. Following the principle of the CSLI other relief organizations currently build up and support similar structures in other countries.

We basically classify the pilots of the CSLI in three groups and without devaluing anyone: We distinguish mission pilots, experienced professional pilots and professional pilots. To be classified as mission pilot an experience of at least 850 hours as pilot in command (PIC) is needed. Mission pilots will fly missions in case of disaster. Experienced professional pilots who have an experience of at least 300 hours as PIC will perform flights in case of official events like flight days and special flight events for the disabled etc. The classification may furthermore depend on the exact type of flight license, i.e. whether it is a PPL (Private Pilot License) or one that entitles to perform commercial flights (Commercial Pilot License).

The flying squadrons in the clubs (FSV2000, Fliers Group Vienna) form the “humanitarian” CSLI backbone for the Air Wing, as they show the airport to disabled people and take care of them. Furthermore, our pilots explain the airfield operations and aircraft to our...
visitors, offer sightseeing flights (if physically possible) and on occasion also offer longer distance flights in case of joint operations with other flight squadrons or clubs.

You can easily learn about our work and the tremendous success in various press releases and TV reports.

These flights are simply rated as private flights with passengers. At the beginning, it is expected that the flights are financed by the pilot him-/herself. Until the CSLI Air Wing itself will have sufficient resources (through advertising by supporting members), the costs are replaced by the CSLI. Those pilots, however, that fly around with disabled people on their own expense, will get their “reward” for this in the form of “free flight hours”.

We do not expect more than 1-2 funded flight hours per year from every of our pilots. If there are not enough personal funds available, our pilots do not need to fly; the care for disabled people around the airport is at least as valuable! It is very important that the squadrons do not just wait until they get the order to act. They have to take the initiative and be there for the disabled people; thus, our pilots can give a little more sense to their lives than just flying around in circles.

To avoid any kind of misunderstanding:

Not only pilots are welcome in the CSLI. Each one who wants to take care of disabled people is very important for our cause and can make a difference for the community!

10.2 AIRPLANE-SQUADRON 1

| Base airfield: | Stockerau |
| ICAO-Code:    | LOAU |
| Frequency     | 122,85 |
| Aircraft      | Cessna, C-172, C-182, Piper, PA-28, Katana, DV-20, DA-40 |

10.3 AIRPLANE-SQUADRON 2

| Base airfield: | Vöslau |
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Thomas Bauer,
Major CSLI und Squadron commander

I began my aeronautical career in the flight association FSV 2000 in Stockerau in the Jahren1995, and got to know at that time our president Wolfgang Steinhardt. By other flight training in the USA I resolved in autumn, 2000 to move in the USA. Shortly after I got to know my Mrs. Elizabeth and live since that time in Oklahoma and Arizona. I started to inform as a flying instructor and also worked as a pilot for a cargo company with starting point Dallas. I am impressed over and over again about all good actions, ideas and things Wolfgang Steinhardt brings to life and is to be very proudly a member of the team CSLI.
11 HONOUR GUARD

11.1 ABOUT THE HONOUR GUARD

“The Guard of Honour should be the figurehead of the Lazarus Union, representing its discipline and order! It should therefore be regarded by everyone as a privilege to be a member of the Guard of Honour.”

The Honour Guard was established by the Bureau of the Lazarus Union. The main task of the Honour Guard is the proper representation of the insignia of the association. These include specially adopted flags, banners and decorations such as the bugle. In order to fulfil this task properly the members undergo training, especially in the area of formal drill. No item of the complete uniform can be missing for Guard members.

As an outward sign of membership of the Honour Guard, the Guard lanyard in gold is worn on the right shoulder.

Appearances by the Honour Guard at events organized by other associations is also one of our most important tasks. By such appearances we can best represent the Lazarus Union. In the picture below three of our members can be seen during their participation in an event at Langenlois.
The work for our own events should be mentioned as an absolutely main task. In the pictures below members of the Honour Guard can be seen during an Investiture. These functions constitute a main event and are attended by all comrades. At internal CSLI events Honour Guard members assistant with general Tasks.

Furthermore, members of the Honour Guard strive to best support our comrades of the Lazarus Music Corps. At the Music Corps concert in front of the Schönbrunn Palace, for example, Guards served as the Standard Bearers.
Since 5th September 2015, the Honour Guard is under new command. Major CSLI Paul Vrablik and his deputies, Captain CSLI Peter Domweber and Lieutenant CSLI Thomas Laserer direct the fortunes of the newly established Group.

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Honour Guard Officers

2nd Lieutenant CSLI Honour Guard
Michaela MATZKA
Member of the Honour Guard

1st Lieutenant CSLI Honour Guard
Herbert Alexander BAUER
Commander CSLI Navy Corps and 1st Lieutenant of the Honour Guard

1st Lieutenant CSLI Honour Guard
Andreas MENHARDT
Member of the Honour Guard

2nd Lieutenant CSLI Honour Guard
Alexander BANHOFER
Member of the Honour Guard

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Peter KOZIOROWSKI
Member of the Honour Guard

Ensign CSLI Honour Guard
Lucas HÄUSL
Member of the Honour Guard
11.3 CODE OF CONDUCT

The name Honour Guard symbolises the principles of our organisation.

The word “Honour” describes a certain inner feeling and consequently a certain outward behaviour towards other individuals and groups (associations). In particular, when dealing with the insignia of the Lazarus Union, this feeling of honour should be in the foreground and impose on all members a very high standard of behaviour.

The word “Guard” also illustrates its purpose. It stands for the preservation of our honourable insignia and the stipulated purpose of the Community of the Lazarus Union – the practice of common humanity.

11.3.1 §1 Appointment

Candidates for the Honour Guard should, from the outset, be clear about its responsibilities. If there are mental or physical obstacles to acceptance, the candidate can voluntarily relinquish his/her candidacy. Mentally, the candidate should have the necessary knowledge to appreciate the events of our association, to study the ceremonies and witness them sympathetically. Physically, the candidate should be able to drill for certain periods with or without a banner. To this end, there is no age limit! If the above-mentioned conditions exist there is no obstacle to appointment, the candidate may join the Honour Guard and be able to procure the uniform (for external identification of his/her affiliation).

11.3.2 §2 Membership

Members of the Honour Guard must behave within the association according to the principles of the Lazarus Union. Their activities are balanced and coordinated by the Commander and his Officers. For example, allocating functions at events for which members have volunteered (i.e. Standard-Bearer, Bugler, Escort Officer, Group Commander, etc.). In addition, it would be commendable if members of the Honour Guard would actively contribute, beyond their voluntarily assumed services, at the various other significant events of the Lazarus Union (e.g. flight days, etc.).

11.3.3 §3 Rights & Obligations

Each member of the Honour Guard has the same rights and a voice in decisions in the Assembly of the Honour Guard. Commitment to take part in events where the Honour Guard should be represented is on a voluntary basis. The structure of the Honour Guard provides only for orderly conduct within the group. The instructions given by the Commander or his Deputy are to be followed to ensure good order. However, petitions or requests by members of the Honour Guard will be considered for implementation.

11.3.4 §4 The Guard Lanyard

As an outward visible sign of belonging to the Honour Guard, each member wears the Guard lanyard on the right shoulder of the tunic. The lanyard symbolizes the member’s affiliation to our elite group and therefore essentially represents our reputation.

11.3.5 §5 Termination of Membership

Should a member of the Honour Guard, for professional, official or health reasons, no longer be able to participate in events as a Guard, he/she can apply to the Commander for an honourable discharge from the Honour Guard. After acceptance of the resignation, the Guard lanyard must be given back to the Guard Commander.

Where a Member is unable to participate in events for health reasons, but would nevertheless like to retain a connection with the Honour Guard as a member because his/her heart is still with the Guard, this will be permitted as a matter of course and noted by the Commander.
11.3.6 §6 Exclusion

In the case of dishonourable behaviour by a Guard, or Guards, the Commander will first issue a warning order. Repeated misconduct will result in exclusion from the Honour Guard. Here the Guard lanyard is removed immediately.

11.4 SIGNAL HORN OF HONOUR

On the occasion of the extended presidium meeting CSLI on the 19th of June 2010 1st Lt. CSLI Christoph Ptak handed over a “Signal Horn of Honour”
12 **DESASTER RLIEVE**

12.1 **CSLI AN AID ORGANIZATION IN THE EVENT OF A DISASTER**

Due to costs reasons, the LAZRAUS UNION CSLI in Austria is up to now only as a coordinating organisation for disaster operations of the local CSLI organisations in different countries, because just as in Austria many professional organizations are very active and a “shadow organisation” there is neither helpful nor cost effective. But we keep ready the units of our CSLI Air Wing for the support of other aid agencies on request and if needed.

However, we hold still the units of our CSLI Air Wing ready for the support of other relief organisations if these should be requested. The CSLI has already performed in the following countries emergency help: Haiti, Brazil, Chile, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Japan, Spain and Australia.

![CSLI Command vehicle](image1.jpg)

![CSLI Emergency vehicle](image2.jpg)
Other emergency vehicles

12.2 SPECIAL UNITS

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13 INTERNATIONAL

13.1 CSLI GLOBAL

At the moment, the UNION LAZARUS operates on all continents, in more than 100 countries.

13.2 STRUCTURE AND CHAIN OF COMMAND

The organization structure of the CSLI.
13.3 WHY?

The only important and “essential structure of the CSLI” is the individual member!

Success or failure of the CSLI is determined by each individual member itself. It’s the decision whether the members follow the ideological principles of CSLI or not.

Therefore, the CSLI is growing “up from the base” and not “top down”.

If, therefore, individual members team up in their immediate area to launch an individual project this is the CSLI in its true sense. This smallest CSLI unit is called the “team”. The team members elect their commander (Team Leader) among the team members and they also elect a dpt. Commander. These two serve as representatives, furthermore as a contact, and have to be reported to the Federal Commander. These “teams” can and should be formed everywhere and meet regularly; furthermore, they should find like-minded people who want to work in accordance with the principles of the CSLI.

Several such teams which are in a regional contiguous territory chose a District Commander and his/her deputy among their members, who have to be reported to the Federal Commander. The District Commander and his/her deputy are the direct and responsible contact persons for the higher command levels.

Several “District Commands” will form a “National Command”. Again, the Team Commanders and District Commanders elect their own National Commander and his/her deputy. As a link to the Federal Command an “executive officer” will be appointed, who will lead the National Command together in cooperation with the National Commander and his/her deputy. All decisions are made according to democratic principles!

The “Command III / 3” of Group III “Operational commands” and its management serve as a drop-in centre and point of contact for each National Commander.

Depending on the size of the individual Team, District and National Commands, the Federal Commander of the CSLI will award the corresponding ranks. As a sign of confidence, however, any elected or appointed commander is entitled to award to the members of his staff ranks up to one rank below his/her own rank. This decision will be confirmed by the Union Commander in Chief of the CSLI in the form of a promotional decree.

Due to the LAZARUS UNION do not want an “inflation” of ranks, here is the “guideline” for:

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<td>Active “solo fighters”</td>
<td>2nd Lieutenant</td>
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<td>Team Commanders</td>
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<td>District Commanders</td>
<td>Major, but usual Captain</td>
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<td>Area Commanders</td>
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<td>Commanders of big countries (Commander in Chief – CIC)</td>
<td>Major General, but usual Brigadier General</td>
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All deputies dress either the same rank or a rank under it. All ranks for functions from group leader’s deputy, will award exclusively from the union commander of the CSLI.
13.3.1.1 CSLI-rank structure as per 1.7.2017

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13.3.2 The CSLI Worldwide

CSLI Switzerland

President: Stephan Breu

CSLI Czech Republic

President: Jiri Kopal

CSLI Germany

President: Dipl. Verw. (FH) Sven Dietel

- CSLI Central Germany: Dipl. Verw. (FH) Sven Dietel
- CSLI Western Germany: Peter Michael Neuen

- CSLI Northern Germany: Hans Georg Pesch
- CSLI Southern Germany: Dipl.-Ing. Andreas Weigmann

13.3.2.1 CSLI Brazil

President: Gen CSLI Roberto Ortiz

13.3.2.2 CSLI Great Britain & Ireland

President: Grand Perfect Knighthood of Honour Ian W. Tough

Commanders in GB&I

GB&I Group Command, CIC
- Steven Turner

Wales
- Fr. David Bennett

North England
- Colin Lee

South England
- Karnn Bates (Acting Commander)

South England
- Deborah Demsey (Deputy Commander)

Channel Islands
[possible Command under review]
Principles

The principles of CSLI are four-fold: TOLERANCE, HUMILITY, MERCY & CHARITY. Full details about CSLI at international level can be found at Lazarus-Union.org

Formation

Formed on 4th May 2011, CSLI GB&I group Command comprises the C-in-C, Adjutant, Group Liaison Officer, Group Publicity Officer, Group RSM, Admiral of the CSLI Navy, and Chaplain General. The national structure comprises Commands for North England, South England, Scotland, (all) Ireland, and Wales. At some future stage, we may consider the possibility Command for the Channel Islands.

Service Activity in CSLI GB&I

We are very keen to promote the service aspects of CSLI, focusing our activities where, although we are small, we feel we can make a difference. Our members are encouraged to undertake training in the use of Defibrillator equipment (AED), and Mental Health First Aid (MHFA). Both of these training activities are linked to our support for search and rescue, and search dog’s groups. On AED, we are also looking at the provision of AED location information through technology sources.

Charitable Activity in CSLI GB&I

In addition to practical support, some of our members have made financial contributions to Lowland Search Dogs Kent (LSDK).

Ceremonial Activity in CSLI GB&I

As our numbers grow, we hope to offer the services of our members by forming a small Colour Party under the direction of the RSM. The Colour Party will assist in the investiture events of organisations with which our members are connected.

CSLI Navy Activity

A further option for the future is for the CSLI Navy to take part in a sea rescue role. Ceremonially, members of the CSLI Navy have links with HMS Victory, they themselves being members of the Order of St Joachim, of which Admiral Lord Nelson was himself a member.

CSLI College of Chaplains

The CSLI College of Chaplains is a wholly ecumenical body, indeed, CSLI welcomes men and women of all faiths and none. There are currently 2 Chaplains within CSLI GB&I. As well as looking after our spiritual well-being, the College of Chaplains has a role in the recruitment, appointment and assignment of Chaplains to the various Commands within CSLI GB&I.

Membership and Recruitment

We want to make CSLI in GB&I accessible to suitable candidates, both male and female, of all ages. In that regard, we are aiming to keep costs to an absolute minimum. We do not impose any fees for membership, beyond the international commitment for members to acquire one of the levels of the CSLI Foundation Cross within 12 months of acceptance as a member.

Uniform

With cost in mind, the wearing of uniform is only to be compulsory for members of the Colour Party we intend to form, and we have sourced a basic working uniform to fulfill that need. All other members of CSLI in GB&I are of course welcome to wear uniform if they wish.

Meetings and Events

We have settled into a twice-yearly meeting structure, with additional ad-hoc events through the year, usually in conjunction with other organisations.

13.3.2.3 CSLI Italy
13.3.2.4 CSLI Turkey

President: Ludwig Brunner

13.3.2.5 CSLI Poland

President: P. Grzegorz Badziag OFM Cap

13.3.2.6 CSLI United States of America

President: Javier Lopez

13.3.2.7 CSLI Argentina

President: Gustavo A. Taricco Calvo

CSLI Austria (CSLA)

The Corps Saint Lazarus Austria (CSLA) is a group member of the LAZARUS UNION.

President & CIC
Dr. Oswin Hochstöger

Vice-President
Werner Winkelhofer
13.3.2.8  CSLI Denmark

President: Helle Christensson

13.3.2.9  CSLI Spain

President: Armando Méndez Serrada

- CSLI Northern Spain: Felix Alberto Heredia
- CSLI Southern Spain: D. Francisco Alberto Calleja Rivadeneyra

13.3.2.10  CSLI Slovakia

President: Mag. Daniel Holecek

13.3.2.11  CSLI Belgium

President: Chev. Manuel Duchesne

13.3.2.12  CSLI Sweden

President: Viktor Carlson

13.3.2.13  CSLI Bulgaria

President: Mag. Saschka Zhurkov

13.3.2.14  CSLI Kroatien

President: Dott. Domenico Musumarra

13.3.2.15  CSLI Portugal

President: Capt. Jorge da Silva

13.3.2.16  CSLI Hungary

President: Dr. Gábor Orosz

13.3.2.17  CSLI Serbia

President: Aleksandar Bácko

13.3.2.18  CSLI Lithuania

President: Giedrius Petruzis

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13.4 **CSLI INTERNATIONAL CORPS „SWORD OF FREEDOM“ (SOF)**

The Sword of Freedom – Corps is a registered, humanitarian, international peace and relief organization (NGO) inside and under the umbrella of the LAZARUS UNION. In more than 120 countries it supervises, maintains and supports various national and international aid projects. Its purpose is to promote and support needy, sick, disabled and elderly people. Individual sections are active worldwide through financial, material and personal assistance where necessary in cases of poverty, misery and disaster.
The SOF Corps’ steady commitment is characterized by the three pillars of helpfulness, respect and tolerance. The strong association of members consists predominantly of police, fellow athletes, martial artists and volunteers. All have joined forces in the service of life, peace and common humanity with the purpose expressed in the phrase: “We are for others with no one alone”. All activities and actions are apolitical and neutral. Everyone, regardless of origin, religion, ethnicity, race or social status is welcome, as are any other interested parties.

“Humanity is life in action!” As part of its fraternal peace work the SOF Corps regularly organises transnational events where worldwide international contacts are made and friendships maintained. The Corps maintains and supervises many youth and adult groups in leisure, sport and experiential learning in which the integration of people from other cultures and those with disabilities are important components.

“Help where the heart demands action”: In the field of social welfare the SOF Corps regularly organizes fundraisers and fundraising projects for the benefit of charitable purposes. Various aid projects are supported in the Philippines, Nepal, Africa, India and Thailand, as well as projects in Europe and South America. This support extends from assisting humanitarian aid delivery and the use of medical auxiliary corps to the pastoral care of the needy.

The badges and insignia of the uniformed forces of the Sword of Freedom – Corps consciously do not use the cross as a symbol. They feature instead the unique distinctive SOF symbol, the flaming sword.

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13.4.2 Ranks (SoF)

13.4.3 Magazine

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The LAZARUS UNION wants to prove this in word and deed. Therefore, on this occasion of being awarded with special consultative status in May 2014 the LAZARUS UNION has donated the “UN-NGO Cross of Remembrance”. The net profit goes to the UNHCR of the UNITED NATIONS.