

PRESENTATION OF THE NEW SWISS AIRMAIL CATALOGUE

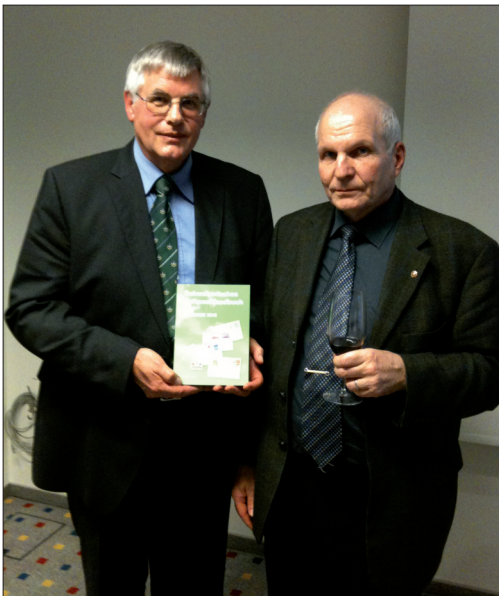
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THE NEW SWISS AIRMAIL CATALOGUE IS OUT! The Schweizerische Aerophilatelisten Verein (SAV, Swiss aerophilatelic society) just presented at Zurich the 2013 edition of the news Swiss airmail handbook. The new compendium replaces the 13-year old edition from 2000.

Never took it so long to publish a new edition. Emerging out of the shadow of its predecessor editor and long time president Roland F. Kohl and internal personal issues delayed the publication for years. Also computer related and technical issues were quite time consuming. The 2013 issue is the first edition entirely produced on a computer!

And it is the first edition in full color. The new catalogue is therefore not just a step forward, it is a quantum leap forward. It is now a compendium with more than 950 pages. Thousands of stamps, covers and cachets are illustrated within the listings. This gives the handbook a complete new character. It is no longer a sole listing of data and information but it became an appealing ambassador of Swiss aerophilately. The new, fresh and colorful layout is quite attractive - for both, those looking for detailed expert data as well as for those looking for general information about a quite fascination chapter in Swiss history: Aerophilately.

Congratulations to the SAV and in particular to catalogue commission president René Koller for a truly fantastic work! This review is to be continued in the next issue of the ZEPPELIN POST JOURNAL with a detailed review of the Swiss zeppelin and catapult sections. ■



Presentation SAV president Heinz Berger (left) and catalogue commission president René Koller (right) with the new catalogue.