AES SWISS SECTION NEWSLETTER

The AES presents a Special Event!

A combined meeting of the Diploma Ceremony for the graduates of the 2009 "Sound Technician" exams and "An Evening with Steve Dove"

Tuesday, the 25th of February 2010, 16h00
The Kursaal, Kornhausstrasse 3, Bern (Tram 9 from Hauptbahnhof)

SPEAKER:	Steve Dove
ORGANISERS:	Terry Nelson & the AES EC
LANGUAGE:	English

Following the success of the combined AES Special Event in 2008, which saw the AES EC Diploma Ceremony being combined with a special meeting in our "An Evening With..." series, the AES Swiss Section and Education Committee have decided to repeat the event for the 2009 exams.

The keynote speaker for both parts of the day will be Steve Dove, a well-known figure in the console and systems design world, as well as being somewhat of a legend in the world of live sound during his tenure at Clair Bros. Audio, USA.

Past ceremonies (and meetings) have featured speakers from the worlds of film (Ray Gillon) and music recording (George Massenburg). It was therefore logical to invite someone from the world of live sound.

Steve Dove began his audio career by being smuggled aboard the tender for Radio Caroline to become a radio technician at the tender age of 15! Some years down the road, he was one of the founding engineers at Alice in the UK and, amongst other designs, was heavily involved in the "Silk" digitally-controlled console. There then followed consultancy work for console design with SSL and a long commitment with Clair Bros. Audio in the USA for systems design and radio systems. Steve's reputation here led to his unofficial title of 'world's highest paid roadie"!

In the 90's, it was considered time to come off the road and go into consultancy. At present, Mr. Dove works closely with broadcast manufacturer, Wheatstone, in the realm of digital consoles and processing equipment. He is also concerned about the questions of loudness and is working with the various official groups who are trying to put standards into place.

It is expected that Steve Dove will address the graduates about the opportunities and pitfalls of live sound and that the subject for the evening meeting will cover Loudness and other topics. This will be an event that you will not want to miss!

16h00 Doors open
16h30 Diploma Ceremony
17h45 Apéro offered by AES/AES EC
18h45 « An Evening with Steve Dove »
20h15 Optional Dinner

NOTE: closing date for the dinner: **20 February**
Menu: Fr.45.- (drinks are NOT included)

Non-member: Fr. 20.- but new memberships will be taken (during apéro).

Please register as soon as possible at:
www.swissaes.org /programme /sign up

REPORT ON PREVIOUS MEETING

Radio Suisse Romande: Project NORA concepts, architecture and integration

Wednesday, 4th of November 2009, 16h30-20h00
at Radio Suisse Romande, Avenue du Temple 40, 1010 Lausanne

SPEAKERS: Damien Corti, Chef du service technique
Gérard Saudan, Chef de projets techniques, RSR
François Baudat, Administrateur audio, RSR
Christoph Jäger, dipl. El. - Ing. FH, Mediensystemhaus GmbH

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About 25 people were on this Wednesday evening at Radio Suisse Romande in Lausanne to listen to the ideas behind the project NORA and to see the implemented results.

The presentations were opened by Damien Corti and Gérard Saudan who gave a brief overview of the requirements, financial issues, the evaluation process of the chosen Mandozzi-System and some basic concepts like shared resources and redundant routers.

The second presentation was held by François Baudat and Christoph Jäger. The spoke about the architecture of the installed components and explained in detail some implementations like backup-scenarios, switch-over between the two main routers and controlling-functions. Also the scheduling functions and the power of the router internal logic were explained.

The third presentation was also held by François and Christoph. They spoke about some planning and realization aspects like a very tight schedule, documentation and measurements.

The presentations were followed by a guided tour through different control rooms and studios of Espace 2 and Info and technical rooms with the master routers in it.

The meeting was closed with Questions & Answers & Apéro.

The Swiss AES wishes to thank warmly Gian Guolf Bardola from Mandozzi Elettronica S.A. for the offered Apéro and Radio Suisse Romande for their kind collaboration in the meeting organisation.