

**Jakob Volther** President Europe, Eastern Mediterranean and Africa (EEMA)



*Jakob worked from May 1974 to April 2016 with disabled adults, partly as Department Head of a single department but the last 14 years as Headmaster.*

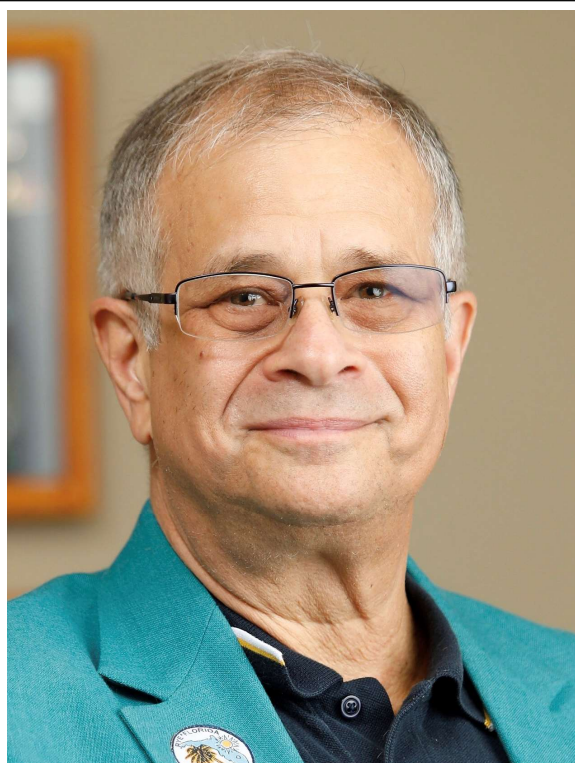
*On 31 March 2016, Jakob retired and started a new life in the furniture industry, where he and his sister have the rights to their father's drawings.*

*In Rotary, Jakob is a Charter member of Humlebæk-Nivå Rotary Club since 1985. The club has exchanged every year since its inception.*

*Jakob has been through all the posts in the club. Six years as District Counsellor for District 1470, three years Assistant Governor, Chair for Short Term in Multidistrikt Denmark, which he still is.*

*For the last three years, Jakob has been the first Dane to be President of EEMA. As you may know the youth exchange program began in Denmark. 😊*

**Al Kalter** Creator/Administrator, Rotary Youth Exchange Administration Hub (YEAH), and Chairman Emeritus of Rotary Youth Exchange Florida.



*Al has been a member of Rotary for since 1979 when he joined the Rotary Club of Eastwood (Syracuse NY) in District 7150, followed by Rotary Club of Mandarin (Jacksonville FL) in District 6970 since 2000. Al has served Rotary with 100% attendance for 39 years, with a Paul Harris Fellow x 6. He has made an enormous commitment to Rotary, especially Youth Exchange, in all that time.*

*He has 35 years' experience in development and support of custom business software. He began development of Rotary Youth Exchange Administration Hub (YEAH) in 2008, and this is currently being used by more than 260 districts worldwide, namely USA – Every multi-district and several independents, Canada - 19 of 23 districts. National multi-districts of Finland, France, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and United Kingdom, plus all of the districts in Belgium (4) and South Africa (3). Individual districts in Bolivia, Brazil (11), Colombia, Mexico (3), and Thailand (2). Rotary Youth Exchange Australia is now moving onto YEAH, and Al will be giving an in depth presentation on how to obtain maximum use of YEAH.*

**Vanessa Fensom** Manager, International Quality (Schools) Unit.



*I joined the Queensland Department of Education's International Quality Schools Unit in 2005, accepting the position of Manager of the unit in 2006. The International Quality Schools Unit has 2 regulator functions – International Secondary Student Exchange programs in Queensland and a shared regulatory role with the Australian Government to administer the full-fee paying overseas student program in Queensland schools (CRICOS).*

*Both these roles have given me a wealth of insight into all aspects of international education in both Queensland and Australia.*

*I was the Chair of the National Coordinating Committee for International Secondary Student Exchange (NCCISSE) from 2011 to 2018, and have been actively involved in the development of legislation in both the exchange and full-fee paying overseas space, to support, strengthen and grow our Australian International Education industry.*

*I was born in Germany, immigrating to Australia with my family in my teenage years. While I am a Brisbane girl, I have spent a number of years living in New Zealand. My opportunities and experiences have instilled a life-long passion for our international education industry and a keen understanding of the challenges that our students face in adapting to a new environment and the amazing opportunities that come with greater understanding and appreciation of our wider world.*

**Jessie Dunbar-Bickmore** Manager, Rotary Programs for Young Leaders & Alumni Relations



*Jessie supports a team of twelve that develop resources that build knowledge and capacity to elevate Interact, Rotaract, RYLA, New Generations Service Exchange, Rotary Youth Exchange, and alumni activities around the world. She works closely with several RI committees on policy matters and directly supports the Rotaract Preconvention, Youth Exchange Officers Preconvention, and relevant content for the Rotary International Convention. As Youth Protection Officer for RI she, along with several colleagues, advises on youth protection policies, procedures, and compliance. She joined Rotary in 2014 as a Programs and Promotions Specialist, transitioned into Senior Supervisor for Rotary's Programs for Young Leaders in July 2016, and began in her current role in December 2018. Jessie earned a BA in International Studies with a certificate in Asian Studies from the University of South Florida. Prior to Rotary, she spent several years in marketing at Japanese-owned trading firms and lived in Japan for two years teaching English as a participant of the Japan Exchange & Teaching Program.*

**Peter Cross** Owner/Manager Gocross Media



*Owner of Gocrossmedia. 36 years in Advertising & Marketing. Started my career in Film & television production as a director. I like to stay busy and love the outdoors. My wife and I have travelled extensively around the world. My sports nowadays are: surfing, cycling, walking & swimming. I am the father of three young men.*

*I thoroughly enjoy helping people and businesses with my IP in Advertising & Marketing. I am truly blessed to enjoy what I do for a living. Being able to combine strategic and creative thinking in pitches and presentations is my unique skill. The biggest thrill in what I do is seeing great results from the campaigns we produce.*