ESU head - Gunter Romenath - to attend SWC in Thailand

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President of the European Sumo Union, Mr. Gunter Romenath, has confirmed to Sumo Fan Magazine that he will be attending the Sumo World Championships in Chiang Mai, Thailand on the weekend of November 17th and 18th.

Mr. Romenath has attended all Sumo World Championship events since 1992, and has twice organised the tournament in Germany, in 1999, and more recently in 2004.

With SFM under the impression that the International Sumo Federation has still not retracted its 2006 ban on certain ESU officials attending the event*, exactly how the tournament plays out behind the scenes could prove as exciting as the eventual action on the dohyo.

* no press releases having been received from IFS sources, nor announcements posted on the official IFS homepage.