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AIPH sadness at loss of Doeke Faber

Members of the International Association of Horticultural Producers (AIPH) have expressed their sadness at the news that their former President, Dr. Doeke Faber, has passed away this week.

Dr. Faber, from The Netherlands, was President of AIPH from 2003 to 2012 and led the association through a period of significant change both within the global ornamentals industry and the association.

The current AIPH President, Bernard Oosterom, comments: "Doeke Faber used his passion for the horticulture industry and his leadership and diplomatic skills to bring together grower associations from around the world. He was particularly effective at stimulating interest in International Horticultural Exhibitions in Asia and helped in guiding cities in China, Thailand, Chinese Taipei, South Korea and Turkey to produce world-class exhibitions that raised the profile and importance of horticulture in those countries. He worked tirelessly for the greater good of the global industry and earned the respect and gratitude of industry representatives across the globe. He helped to build AIPH into a robust organisation and laid foundations that we continue to build on today. AIPH and the industry as a whole will miss him very much and our sympathies are with his wife and family as they deal with this sad time."

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Since 1948, AIPH has united horticultural producers in an international community that thrives to this day. Much has changed in that time. Technologies advanced, cities rose from the ground, and we have become more connected than ever. As a result, our essential bond with nature has been weakened. AIPH strives to reignite and uphold an appreciation of plants that we believe is a basic human instinct. We support the work of grower associations globally and together we champion a prosperous industry, growing plants that enhance lives, advance societies and sustain our planet, for this generation and the next.

