

*"The Rosglav Pivo Brewing competition is a nice and unique opportunity for Russian Craft brewers to show their range of innovative Beers. For international judges it will be a very nice introduction of the exciting Russian Beer scene".*

### **Statement Jan M. van Bragt, The Netherlands.**

Along with his career as a French teacher, Jan M van Bragt, is a teacher in Beer (StiBON NL, Tatteljee B) and a true connoisseur of beer for 30 years.

He is a former editor-in-chief of the Dutch beer magazine PINT and co-writer of several beer books, such as: Dutch Beer Book, Benelux Beer Book, Beer Tasting Guide, Beer Style guide, Belgium by Beer.

He has worked for some Dutch and Belgian breweries and was enthroned as honorary knight of the Brewers Mash Staff in Brussels. He is co-founder and organizer of the Kerstbierfestival in Essen, Belgium.

Jan has national judging experience at Dutch and Belgian homebrew competitions (BKG, Brand Brewery, Bierfestival Groningen, To Beer or not to Beer, Leuven Innovation Festival), PINT Bock Beer Competition (Netherlands), Kuyt Beer Competition (Netherlands), Dutch Beer Challenge (Netherlands), and has participated as a judge in the international beer competitions like Brussels Beer Challenge (Belgium), Poznanskie Targi Piwne (Poland), Birra dell Anno (Italy), International Beer Competition (Japan), Barcelona Beer Challenge (Spain), Iberian Awards Aveiro (Portugal), World Beer Awards (England) and World Beer Idols Prague (Czechia)

His long experience in the beer sector also includes a participation in 1988, as a beer taster, in the TV program "The Beer Hunter" Our daily Beer, with Michael Jackson. In 2017 his book about the Beer Icons of the Low Countries will be released.