

Presentation Podium

The invention relates to a presentation podium which exhibits a closed, self-supporting, polygonal or circular frame into which at least one insert element is insertable.

Such a podium may be seen to be known from German GM 8,431,566.

The underlying object of the present invention was to develop such a podium further so that possibilities for the placing and fastening of various accessory articles, including bulky ones, and for the attachment of price boards and notice boards, can be created in a simple manner.

According to the invention there is provided a presentation podium which includes a closed, self-supporting, polygonal or circular frame into which at least one insert element is insertable, wherein inwardly pointing support bolts are fastened adjacent the upper edge of the frame, the or each insert element being insertable into the frame so as to maintain an all-round air gap from the frame.

The frame may be produced in sandwich construction with the widest variety of material combinations.

Advantageous further developments of the invention may be learned from the further patent claims.

The object of the invention will be explained more fully below with reference to exemplary embodiments illustrated in the drawing, in which:

Fig. 1 shows a perspective view of a presentation podium,

Fig. 2 shows on a larger scale a section along the line II-II in Fig. 1 with a platform in place,

5 Fig. 3 shows on the same scale a section corresponding to that of Fig. 2, but through an embodiment with an inserted plant tub,

Fig. 4 shows a partly fragmented side elevation of a presentation podium with a bracing element plugged in  
10 for a ski box to be presented, and

Fig. 5 shows a section corresponding to Fig. 2 through another embodiment of the invention.

The presentation podium illustrated in the drawing exhibits an inherently closed, rectangular self-supporting  
15 frame 1, which is composed - as Figs. 2 and 3 show - of an outer sheet-metal skin 1a and an inner wood layer 1b. However, a wide variety of sandwich constructions would be conceivable here, such as aluminium/corrugated aluminium/aluminium, steel or aluminium with PU foam on the inside  
20 etc., Somewhat below the upper edge of the frame 1, inward-pointing support bolts 2 are fastened on its inside, upon which a platform 3 (Fig. 2) may be placed or a plant tub 4 (Fig. 3) inserted, for example. A uniform all-round air gap 5 then remains between the frame 1 and the platform 3 or the  
25 plant tub 4, which is ensured by the fact that the platform 3 or the plant tub 4 exhibit hook-in slots 6 with a correspondingly limited extension in depth.

The podiums are equipped with wheels 7 to facilitate moving them.

The support bolts 2 fulfil further functions in addition to those described above. Thus, accessory elements, the wall thickness of which in the region within the air gap should correspond approximately to the width of the air gap 5 in order to achieve a stable position, may respectively be placed on two support bolts 2 arranged adjacently. Thus, a bracing element 8 for a ski box 9 to be presented is shown in Fig. 4 of the drawing, which consists of two opposite retaining plates 10 which are connected by a rod 11.

Price boards or notice boards may be fitted to the presentation podiums in the same manner.

In order to secure valuable exhibited goods, such as tyres for example, it is also possible to pass a wire cable provided with a lock through beneath the support bolts.

Lastly, a somewhat varied embodiment of the invention is illustrated in Fig. 5 of the drawing. Here support bolts 13 are likewise arranged somewhat beneath the upper edge of a frame 12, upon which however a platform 14 provided with downward-angled edge regions is not placed directly. On the contrary, a retaining angle 15 provided with a U-shaped cross-section is fastened to the frame 12 by the support bolts 13, and the platform 14 is hooked into it. The air gap 16 is insured here, as in the embodiments of the invention previously described.



Claims:

1. A presentation podium which includes a closed, self-supporting, polygonal or circular frame into which at least one insert element is insertable, wherein inwardly pointing support bolts are fastened adjacent the upper edge of the frame, the or each insert element being insertable into the frame so as to maintain an all-round air gap from the frame.
2. A presentation podium according to claim 1, wherein the or each insert element is located on the support bolts.
3. A presentation podium according to claim 1 or 2 wherein the or each insert element includes a hook-in slot, the hook-in slot adapted to be insertable on the support bolt so as to maintain the all-round air gap.
4. A presentation podium according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the support bolt includes a collar, which collar is adapted to maintain the all-round air gap between the or each insert element and the frame.
5. A presentation podium according to claim 1, wherein the insert element is located on a retaining element, which retaining element is fastened to the frame.
6. A presentation podium according to claim 5, wherein the retaining element is fastened to the frame by said support bolts.



7. A presentation podium according to claim 5 or 6, wherein the retaining element comprises a U-shaped cross-section.

8. A presentation podium according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein an accessory part or parts is/are located on two or more adjacent ones of said said support bolts, which accessory part or parts have a wall thickness substantially the width of the air gap.

9. A presentation podium according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the insert element comprises a platform, or a plant tub.

10. A presentation podium substantially as described wherein and with reference to, and as illustrated in, the accompanying drawings.

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