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Dear School Sport Friends,

The season of the World Schools Championships, which were organised on three different continents with a participation of 52 countries, ended on a positive note. Each Organising Committee brought a piece of their culture to the championship and each world school championship is worth it. The Educational Games is our main educational project, combining cultural and physical activities with disabled pupils. Triathlon took place in one of the most famous places of the historical heritage in France. Our Brazilian colleagues set up, especially for the occasion of the championship, modern infrastructures with all facilities along the beach. The Athletic World Schools Championship was organised, for the first time, by a school, and the first Combat Games worked hand in hand with UNESCO and students from a university.

As the previous edition, this one is entirely dedicated to the ISF World Schools Championships 2015, yet with the exception of the first ISF World Schools Championship Baseball 2015 in October taking place in Dominican Republic.

October will be an important month for the ISF, as the 2nd Executive Committee will take place and the important decisions that resulted from the Convention will be discussed to accelerate the modernization of the Federation. Together, with the Management Committee, we have around 20 proposals to discuss. I can already announce that the season 2016 will be rich in changes, among others, the access to world schools championships will be facilitated, the foundation will have a major fundraising event and the collaboration with international federations will be reinforced. Before the wind of change be in our sails, I wish all the national federations great success for the national school sport day as the Danish example further in this edition.

Laurent Petrynka
Best #ISFWSC2015

Remember #ISFWSC2015 Football with a small difference between players of Denmark & Guatemala ! #MundialEscolarFutbol

La Chine a le sens du spectacle #ISFWSC2015 Cérémonie d'Ouverture #MondialScolaire #athlétisme #Wuhan @uniss !

Encore notre équipe de France lors de la cérémonie d’ouverture du Mondial scolaire d’athlétisme ! #isfwsc2015 #Chine

#isfwsc2015 #athletics cup opening ceremony in Wuhan, #China #amazing
Last night during the @ISF_EduGames opening ceremony! #ISFWSC2015

Remember #ISFWSC2015 #BasketBall with a small difference between the players of #Chili and #China! :)

Vamos hermanas!!!! @catasalazar @fern_salazar éxito en el #mundialescolar #versailles #ISFWSC2015 @isfwsco2015

Photo souvenir à l'@Elysee avec nos Champions du Monde @UNSS autour de @fholland and de ses Ministres! #ISFWSC2015

28th opening ceremony #isfsc2015 #Triathlon in #Versailles: coaches, athletes Have a look on the road and venues youtube.com/watch?v=TmOnrQ...

Video des circuits du championnat du Monde de Triathlon... Video des circuits du championnat du Monde de Triathlon, épreuves Versailles, 2015, YouTube.com/watch?...
ISF Educational Games

The Games were staged for the second time – 12 months after the first Games. The Organising Committee from the Ministry of Education in Greece provided a varied and memorable programme for all participants. Central to the Games are the Ancient facilities with such historic significance to world sport.

In total, 73 students from ten delegations and nine countries participated in this year’s Games (Belgium-German Speaking Community, Bulgaria, China, Cyprus, England, France, Hungary, Slovakia, Special Olympics Greece, and Greece). The first two days, the participants travelled west from Athens to Olympia, which is famous for hosting the Ancient Olympic Games. Accommodated in a very comfortable hotel just outside Olympia, the students participated in a guided tour of the beautiful Olympic park. The athletes strolled through the historic and beautiful site of statues and ancient buildings, populated by wild olive and plane trees. Followed by this, they had the unique and memorable experience of running in the original ancient Olympic “Stadium Run” of 192m. All participants were awarded an olive wreath as a token of participation. Fascinating guided tours of the park and the Olympic Games Museum were provided for all students. Some of the stories of the rules and practices in the ancient Games were a revelation for many!

The International Olympic Academy lent their impressive surroundings for a mixed 5-aside football event organised by local physical education teachers and their respective associations. The most admirable aspect of this event was the way students as well as their coaches played and got along with other students, both boys and girls, who they have never met before. A memorable and marvellous atmosphere of fun and enjoyment!

The Mayor of Olympia and the Deputy Secretary of the Region of Western Greece hosted a special event in the Olympia Town Square on the final beautiful evening. Following speeches and presentations, the students were presented to an astonishing exhibition of Greek dance. Afterwards, all the students and the staff were invited to participate in some of the dances – and they did so with relish! The return bus journey to Athens fol-

**NAME:** ISF WSC Educational Games

**DATE:** 02/05 – 07/05/2015

**PLACE:** Athens, Greece

**ORGANISATION:** ISF Hellas – Ministry of Education and Religious Affair

**OC DIRECTOR:** Stelios Daskalakis

**ISF OBSERVER:** Charlie Raeburn
followed the beautiful coast past the city of Patras and the famous Corinth Canal. The Games was now based in a splendid resort hotel, close to the town of Marathon. All delegations reported how much they enjoyed staying in the Golden Coast with amazing restaurants, several swimming pools, tennis courts, its own beach including a volleyball court. Whilst staying at the Golden Coast hotel, the Games staged an opening ceremony at the “Peace & Friendship Stadium” home of Olympiakos Basketball Club, close to Piraeus, the major port of Athens. The President of the ISF, Laurent Petrynka, attended and addressed the gathering of politicians, sponsors, and embassy staff, and following physical education teachers showed a very impressive display of traditional Greek dance. The start venue for the Athens Classic Marathon, providing the venue for Classic Marathon and the Marathon museum, acted as the perfect setting for the Games to give the athletes the unique opportunity to experience the historical significance of the Marathon. On top of this, everyone present had the privilege of meeting Rosa Mota, who is the best woman marathon runner ever, according to Association of International Marathons and Distance Races/IMS. She won the first women’s Marathon Race, she is an Olympic gold medallist, as well as both a World and European Champion. Her warm and modest character made everyone feel comfortable and without doubt she contributed to a memorable experience for everyone. However, Rosa was not the only Olympic contestant that students met. Additionally, the Greek Olympic Bronze medalist in rhythmic gymnastics, Klelia Pantazi, gave the students a presentation that led them to think about their view on sport and its values. The delegations also heard about the International Centre for Olympic Truce, which seeks to establish and maintain truce between hostilities during the Olympics. Yet, students not only had to listen to presentations all day, they also got to try running 800m of the marathon route, and later they had fun playing mixed 3x3 basketball in a Marathon sports hall.

The ISF Nations Night was a joyous affair filled with spectacular, musical, and amusing presentations from the small national teams. Each of the tables provided for the teams were festooned with food, wine, artefacts, posters and publications associated with their nation. Quite amazing! A stunning moment of the night was when Rosa Mota donated, during an official ceremony, her “Best Ever Woman Marathon Runner” Prize to the Marathon Run Museum.

The final day included a guided tour through the archaeological remains in the city centre. In particular, the fabulous new Acropolis Museum and the spectacular Panathenaic Stadium, which was the venue of the 1st Modern Olympic Games in 1896. What a spectacular place to complete the formal programme! The Farewell Party included a vote of thanks to the many individuals and organisations that had ensured the Games were run so successfully. Finally, it was suggested to invite each head of delegation to contribute with their ideas on how to improve the future Games. The athletes were encouraged to return to home and to take some of the ancient values of sport into practice.
ISF World Schools Championship
Triathlon

Athletes participating in this year’s ISF WSC Triathlon got the unique opportunity to shine in the beautiful and prestigious surroundings of Versailles. For an event of these dimensions to fall into place requires a lot of hard work, coordination, and last but not least collaboration among a great number of people and partners.

In an interview, UNSS Regional Director of Versailles, Marie-Ange Daffis, gave us an insight into the preparations that preceded the ISF WSC Triathlon 2015. To start off, Marie-Ange pointed towards the Organising Committee playing a major and crucial role. This committee was made up of members from the UNSS Regional Unit as well as technical advisors from four departments of the Versailles region. Along with the preparations for the ISF WSC Triathlon, the French organisers had been busy preparing for other national events as well, for instance, the Ultimate French Championship finished just in time for the ISF WSC Triathlon to begin. Under such circumstances, the collaboration among partners is invaluable, and in connection with this, Marie-Ange highlighted several other collaborators that have been key to the success of the triathlon, such as the municipality of Versailles, particularly the Sport Unit, Ile de France Triathlon League, and the Triathlon Club of Versailles.

Insisting on involving all generations in the organisation of the ISF WSC Triathlon, a national training was held for the 20 best young referees, who officiated during the championship. Young first-aid attendants and journalists from various schools lent a helping hand as well, and all together everyone played part in making all the pieces of the puzzle come together.

Since the last ISF WSC Triathlon in 2013, which took place in Puerto Rico, the number of participating delegations has doubled. France hosted 14 delegations this year, including South Africa, Germany, England, Brazil, Belorussia, Chile, Chinese Taipei, Estonia, France, Mexico, Poland, Russia, Slovakia, and Ukraine. No doubt the increased number of delegations increased the workload of the French organisers, however, with previous involvement in similar national events, they were able to rely on their backpack of experience to successfully offer a setting presenting all the young athletes with an experience of a lifetime and unforgettable moments.

NAME: ISF WSC Triathlon
DATE: 27/05 – 02/06/2015
PLACE: Versailles, France
ORGANISATION: Union Nationale du Sport Scolaire
OC DIRECTOR: Marie-Ange Daffis
ISF OBSERVER: Stelios Daskalakis
The organisers of the third ISF WSC Beach Volleyball taking place in Aracaju, Brazil, had a strong desire to give athletes more than just an unforgettable sporting experience in the courts of competitions. To accommodate the athletes, they wanted to do something extraordinary that would enchant everyone.

For instance, to increase people’s interest in sports, students from public schools were encouraged to come play and have a good time at the venue, and additionally 30 CBDE* members from all the States of Brazil were present to assist during the WSC. To make all of this possible and to give the 11 participating delegations a WSC to remember, both local and regional support have been key to the organisers, which include members of CBDE*, the School Sport Federation of Sergipe, the City Hall, and the state government. Locally, the communication-, tourism- and sports departments have been involved, and at the regional level, multiple departments have been engaged as well, for instance the public security-, education- and health department. It is certain that organisers of a WSC do not come easily around the planning of it, and this championship was no exception either.

Yet, the Brazilian organisers had an extra celebration to look forward to towards the end of their preparation efforts. The day of the Opening Ceremony, CBDE* could also celebrate its 15th anniversary.

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* Confederação Brasileira do Desporto Escolar, which translates to the Brazilian Confederation of School Sport
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Combat Games

In June, from the 21st to the 26th, the first Combat Games took place in Spain, organised under the aegis of the ISF.

What is the concept of the Combat Games?
One of the main goals of ISF is to promote values and principles among the world youth population through sport. Since the establishment of ISF, many international events have been celebrated; in fact 24 successful competitions are running all around the world. In relation to the ISF philosophy of education through sport, the International University of Andalusia, a rather young Spanish university, was open to implement the use of sports as an important tool to help students develop abilities that are usually not encouraged in the regular teaching materials. Together with the UNESCO Chair in Conflicts Resolution, the Spanish university decided to organize an ISF event, partly to highlight their corporate identity as well. Some of the underlying principles of the Combat Games meet many of the values that ISF praises, such as effort, self-improvement, and respect to umpires, thereby showing the world that young people are able to fight for peace.

NAME: ISF WSC Combat Games
DATE: 21/06 – 26/06/2015
PLACE: Fuengirola, Spain

Which sports were represented?
Karate / Kumite & Kata, Judo, and Taekwondo.

How many people participated?
Around 150 athletes took part in the competition, all coming from different countries, including Morocco, Slovenia, Spain, Andorra, and Portugal.

Overview of the programme
MONDAY 22nd:
9:00 Tatamis set-up
11:00 Official training sessions
14:00 Accreditations & control
18:00 Weigh in (scales available from 16:00)
19:00 Technical meeting and draws
20:00 Opening ceremony (Hotel Las Palmeras – Spain saloon)

TUESDAY 23rd:
9:00 Umpires’ meeting (Elola Sport Hall)
10:00 Start of first competition day (Judo: Female 40-44-48 Y 52 kg / Male: 73-81-90 y +90 kg, karate: TBC)
13:00 Final rounds & awarding
14:30 End of competition day
19:00 Weigh in (scales available from 17:00)

WEDNESDAY 24th:
10:00 Start of second competition day (Judo: Female 57-63, 70 y +70 Kg / Male 60, 66, 73 y 81 kg, karate: TBC)
13:00 Final rounds & awarding
14:30 End of competition day
18:30 Friendship relay and closing act

THURSDAY 25th:
Participants’ departures (except Slovenia, leaving on Friday)

What was planned for the friendship relay?
For the friendship relay, the athletes were playing a traditional Spanish game from the Canary Islands called Lucha Canaria. The participants were taught how to play, and afterwards they competed all together in teams of five before a short closing ceremony took place.

Where did the event take place?
The Hotel Las Palmeras Fuengirola hosted everyone, and the sport venue was the Complejo Deportivo Municipal Elola.
ISF World Schools Championship

Athletics

With the “World of Our Own” as the theme, the Opening Ceremony showed the Chinese culture in three chapters:

1) Grace of China: With Chinese martial arts and traditional opera as the main contents. This chapter mainly showed the Chinese traditional culture. The show started off with the dragon and lion dance, accompanied by martial arts and Kung Fu Fan.

2) Dreams of Youth: Modern fashion trick-cycling, roller, rope skipping, and street dancing were shown at the same time to reflect the youth, fashion, vigour, and positivity of teenagers. All of these activities were followed by group calisthenics.

3) Meeting in Wuhan (including the march-in ceremony): With the anthem of Wuhan City “Yangtze River & Han River”, this chapter showed the beauty of the river city of Wuhan, and was followed by a welcome to the athletes from all over the world.

After the opening ceremony and two days of training, the competitions started under a heavy sun. There were five groups of events in which each delegation had to compete in at least one discipline. Sprints: 100m – 200m – 400m / Hurdles: 110m – 300m H / Middle Distances: 800m – 1500m – 3000m / Jumps: High Jump – Long Jump – Pole Vault – Triple Jump / Throws: Shot Put – Discus – Javelin, and finally the competitions finished with the medley relay: 100m + 200m + 300m + 400m. Scoring tables and team classification, kept separately for girls and boys, were on a scale from 1 – 100 points. The classification of teams was made through 10 scores as follows: a) the highest scores of each of the groups 1 – 5, b) plus the four highest complementary scores of the five groups, and c) plus the score of the relay.

Having competed under hot weather and heavy tropical rain, all the athletes, from 29 countries, gathered at the playground of Wuhan No. 4 High School to enjoy the Youth Carnival, Night of Nations. The get-together started with the collection of specialty food or articles from different countries. Displayed at the stalls along the playground were foods or articles brought there by the 29 competing teams. The following day, the delegations could enjoy a day of culture across the City of Wuhan. Each delegation was accompanied by a school from Wuhan. They visited schools and learned about the Chinese school system and went to see other places such as the Buddhist temples, parks, museum, and shops. Later on that day, the ISF Athletics 2015 came to a conclusion with a splendid closing ceremony giving everyone the opportunity to listen to incredible classical and lyrical talents and look at stunning cheerleading and hip hop dances. After rewarding the athletes individually during the days of competitions, the final team classification was announced in the closing ceremony, and the teams were rewarded, just like the Heads of Delegations. England received the trophy “Joy of Moving” for their fair play. The closing ceremony finished with the transfer of flag from Wuhan OC to Nancy OC.
When sports become a shared tradition

As we are approaching October, the Danish primary and lower secondary schools are preparing for the yearly day of exercise, ‘Skolernes Motionsdag’ as it is called. It is an exercising day for all schools organized by Danish School Sport, which seeks to promote health, learning, and the well-being for all students through sports and physical training. This special day of exercise has, by its many years of existence, become a shared tradition among almost every school in Denmark. Last year, in 2014, 94% of all schools in Denmark took part in this day, and last the number of participants was counted (2008), it added up to 707,802 students, which makes this yearly event one of the world’s biggest exercising events.

The various schools participating do not have to follow a specific programme; rather they are encouraged to be creative, and can choose to plan what they want. However, if in need of any inspiration, Danish School Sport has put together a portfolio of great ideas, including idea catalogues from previous years, health facts, and theme material that are for the use of all. This year, it is the 33rd time the starting signal will go off, and hopefully it will continue to do so for many years to come, not only for the sake of keeping the tradition alive, but also to maintain and promote health and physical activity in daily school life.

By bringing this Danish tradition to the many readers of the ISF Magazine worldwide, ISF hopes to sow the seeds for similar events in other countries to enchant students and open their eyes to the world of sports.
## CALENDAR

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## Agenda

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**Remark:** between brackets = application / not yet decided/confirmed
Kinder+Sport is a global and responsible project developed by the Ferrero Group, aimed at supporting physical activity among young generations.

The programme stems from the knowledge that an active lifestyle is an essential part of a positive daily routine for children, teens and families. The goal of Kinder+Sport is to increase levels of physical activity among young generations around the world, giving them the possibility to develop a skill-set able to help them acquire proper behaviors and social and ethical attitudes.

We strongly set education at the core of our project, to help children grow up with the most worthy values of sport and life such as honesty, friendship, unity and trust in others.
"We are school sport"

And... there are more than 260 millions of us all around the world