Turkey will organise the next Gymnasiade

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ISF WORLD SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIPS
The ISF is gaining momentum and we can be delighted about the future. At the last Executive Committee in Rome, the establishment of the ISF Vision2030 took off with the approval of the Foundation and Convention. I wanted to warmly thank Andrea Delpin for his hospitality and his team for their involvement. These few days in the Italian capital were productive, effective and exciting confirming the excellent work of all members present. This dynamism caught in Italy should lead us to be a source of proposals but also be the prime mover in sporty and socially innovations.

The educational kit speaks for the heart of our missions. The important agreement around the «School Sport Foundation» represents an important pillar of our development. This «School Sport Foundation» will be officially created in the current months. In Doha by March 2015, we should be able to measure the first effects of this magnificent project. It will be a strong symbol of our involvement in the development of school sport in the world and a relevant expansion to our sporting events run by the ISF.

In addition, all around the world, the ISF World Schools Championships events are being organized. Three months before the first ISF event 2015 (WSC Tennis, Doha, Qatar), I wanted to remind you all our support and willingness to help you out achieving beautiful and large events. Besides, we will also invite communication manager of all ISF events in a workshop meeting in Antwerp. We have know-how, we must send it on. Communicating through our different networks (web, social networks), ISF will reach a new stage of recognition it deserves. This profitable growth is a major axis to lead our Federation to new exciting horizons.
Hungarian School Sport Day

This year the Hungarian School Sport Federation (HSSF) organised for the eighth time the Hungarian School Sport Day, during ISCA Move Week, on the 3rd October.

Each year we address every Hungarian public education institution and ask them to promote in this occasion at least 120 minutes of sports and active physical activity among pupils and teachers.

Apart from the distance of the traditional "Hungarian School Sport Day Run" (this year 2,014 m), there are no limitations to the physical activities chosen by the schools, so during the 120 minute interval a wide range of recreational sports are introduced to pupils every year. Besides traditional sports like football, handball, volleyball and table tennis, many other physical activities are included in the program: team competitions and relay races, rope-jumping, sack races, zumba, aerobics or even hiking, orienteering and bike trips.

In 2014, the number of participants increased more than ever: almost 200,000 pupils of 772 schools did some kind of sport for at least two hours; they were joined by their teachers and their parents, so the overall number of participants exceeded 220,000 persons. The number of participating schools increased by almost one-and-a-half times compared to last year. We are convinced that this event – coordinated by HSSF and realized with the help of the participating institutions – was the most visited recreational sports program in Hungary and perhaps in Europe.


ISF Vision 2030: School Sport Foundation

At the last Executive Committee, ISF members voted in favour of the creation of the ISF Foundation, the School Sport Foundation (SSF).

The creation of the foundation emerged from the election of Laurent Petrynka as the head of the ISF last June. The idea was to extend the scope of the ISF by bringing new instruments to impact more deeply upon the lives of children.

Sport and physical education are fundamental to the early development of children and the youth, and the skills learned are essential for their future. Given that education and sport systems are not on equal footing, reflected clearly in budget allocations, the School Sport Foundation was created to bridge the gap between the privileged and underprivileged in access to school sport practice. Sport and education matters are dependent on human and financial resources; this creates a significant gap in access to sports since the majority of the youth live in the developing countries. Therefore, the School Sport Foundation aims to stand alongside young talented athletes who may not have the resources to develop their skills.

Many organizations have taken action in this sector but the School Sport Foundation will be able to leverage the ISF’s extensive networks and proximity to schools on the ground for more efficient outcomes.

The School Sport Foundation will boost school sport practice with practical and theoretical training sessions for physical education teachers led by targeted high-skilled experts, and through cooperation with the education and sports authorities focused on developing school sport management.

The SSF will boost school sport practice through the supply of equipment and the construction of sport infrastructure to ensure universal access, in as many sports as possible.

The SSF will boost school sport practice and sport-driven education by rewarding best practices, by offering scholarships to promising talent and by supporting new members for ISF integration and organizing events.

The SSF is extremely proud of the support received by its members and the ISF World School Championship organizers who set up a fundraising Gala Dinner honoring the SSF. The SSF will soon launch its first sport events for the collection of funds.

The Foundation will be managed by a board of Directors and supported by a partnership committee and a pedagogical committee. The SSF’s next major move is the official launch of actions next March, at the same time as the World School Championships.

More information: http://www.isfsports.org/
Our country has been a member of ISF since 1972. The philosophy of ISF is based on a world where peace, brotherhood, and friendship are established among the world’s children and youngsters, where the universal values of sports are sustained, and where the youngsters that learn how to respect each other live. With the Olympic spirit, which underlies the spirit of sports, has adopted the understanding of respecting differences without making any religious, language, and race discrimination by opening the way of life on the basis of commingling the physical sportive games with culture and education, placing the enjoyment of competition and the educative values of prominent examples to the forefront and respecting the general ethical values. The world’s youngsters come together on the occasion of the annual sport competitions and cultural events and sportive and cultural amalgamation is achieved.

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The aim of our federation
As a federation, we are aiming at the fulfillment of our basic policies for primarily encouraging our children and youngsters to practice sports, popularizing sports, keeping them away from bad habits, and being raised as individuals that love their nation, and that are tolerant and socially productive in order to provide the environment and opportunities that are adequate for the scientific understanding of sports for making sports the indispensable passion and lifestyle of our community.

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The ISF activities to be organized in our country

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Basketball, World School Championship Limoges (France), 18-24 April 2015

Limoges, a land of Basketball, looking forward to welcoming the ISF world schools championship.

Since the ISF designated November 25th 2013, that the Basketball World Schools Championship would be held in Limoges, Pascal Robert, the UNSS regional director of Limoges, and all his staff have started to set up the best organisation as possible.

Limoges had already organised the ISF Handball Schools Championship in Limoges in 2006, the organising committee is well prepared.

They can also rely on the support of local partners such as Frédéric FORTE (75 national team selections, 1993 European champion and 1989-93-94 French champion) current president of the Limoges CSP (2014 French champion, playing in the Euroleague) who has accepted to be the ambassador of the Schools Championship.

"The world schools championship is much easier to organise in a region totally devoted to the orange ball," indicates Pascal Robert.

Moreover, the UNSS of Limoges has been collaborating a lot with local youth to associate them to this world event. The organising committee has underlined the educational dimensions that a championship can bring to a region or even to a Nation; therefore the pupils and students from the region of Limoges take part in the organisation of the championship. They will be involved in the technical committee (Young Officials), the communication committee (Reporters) the ceremonies and many more aspects. There will be the possibility for local schools and sport clubs to attend the matches and to initiate basketball.

Another important point is the promotion of sport for all with the inclusion of disable, the advertisement for solidarity, social diversity, citizenship, and tolerance. The UNSS has a special program categorised by themes which take part to the World Schools Championship.

There are more than 60 teams expected in Limoges which represents 672 high-school players from 32 countries. There will be 192 matches to determine the winners supervised by 54 referees. 30 000 spectators are expected to follow the World Schools Championship. There are 150 organisers involved to offer the best welcoming and sport condition for the participants.

UNISS and communication
- Working with Maryse Bastié School for the Logo
- Basketball graph exhibition by a hip hop group
- Creation of flags by M.Nadaud School of Bellac.

UNISS and young officials
- Young reporters: Pupils from the Couzeix IME and from Aubusson School
- Guide reporters: 30 university students from Limoges
- Young scoring table officials: 60 pupils from the schools of Limoges.

UNISS and disable
- Organisation of a match at the opening ceremony with Special Olympics
- Joining in of an IME to the illustrated report.

UNISS and health
- Setting up of a stand related to policy against doping by the Sainte Foy la Grande School

UNISS and ethics
- Fair play prize by the Regional Olympic and Sports Committee.

UNISS and training
- Forum on sport-related jobs
- 3X3 basketball national training
- Exhibition: Museum on sport: Basketball through History

UNISS and sustainable development
- Plastic bottles forbidden
- Distribution of water flasks with the championship’s logo
- Reducing and optimization of the transports.

UNISS and women sport
- Invitation to the finals of the Regional delegation of women’s rights and equality of the 3 regional sport clubs with the best progression at women’s sport.

“The promotion of sport for all with the inclusion of disable”
ISF Athletics 2015
Wuhan, (China)

Introduction of Wuhan
Wuhan, Hubei, a city with a history of as long as 3,500 years, is one among the seven central cities of China. The Yellow Crane Tower, one of the “Four Famous Towers” in China, is the name card of Wuhan City. On this land with an area of 8,494 square kilometers, the water area accounts for one quarter of it, crowning it with the name of “River City”. Through the baptism of the rivers, the city spirit of Wuhan is open, inclusive, magnificent and delicate, daring to be the first and striving for excellence. Wuhan is the economic and geographic center of China, with two rivers joining here, making it the thoroughfare of nine provinces.

Wuhan is one among the first batch of cities formulating the national fitness program, with national fitness activities widely promoted in the city and various gymnasiums built in its three towns.

Event Introduction
ISF Athletics 2015 “Memorial Jean Humbert” will be organized in Wuhan, China from June 27th to July 2nd. This will be the first ISF Athletics Championship out of Europe. In order to promote ISF in Asia, with approval of ISF, this championship will be the first combined event with the name “ISF Athletics 2015 ‘Memorial Jean Humbert’ and 2nd Asian School Athletics Championship”. The Championship is organized by ISF, Asian School Sport Federation (ASSF) and Ministry of Education of China, hosted by China School Sports Federation (CSSF) and Wuhan Municipal Government. Members of both ISF and ASSF are invited. In the meantime, Wuhan Municipal Government is also trying to invite some teams from sister cities. Approximately, there will be 40 countries and regions participating in this championship.

Introduction of Wuhan No.4 High School
Established by the British Christian London Missionary Society in 1899 with the original name of Hankou Boxue Middle School (Griffith John Middle School), Wuhan No.4 High School & Boxue Middle School is one of the schools with the longest history in Wuhan. With an area of 160 mu, Wuhan No.4 High School is the largest school in the central urban area. The antique church and bell tower have witnessed the history of a hundred years, while the modern teaching buildings and science and technology building are transmitting the modern civilization.

With 150 million Yuan devoted by the city and the district, Wuhan No.4 High School has established the modern teaching buildings, office buildings, the science and technology building, the experiment building, the academic hall, the basketball and volleyball gymnasium and a standard ground track field with 8,000 seats. The first-class facilities have laid the solid foundation to win the school the reputation of one among the thousand national model high schools.

Wuhan No.4 High School has been successively awarded as the Garden School in Hubei, the Green School in Hubei and the Cultural Famous School in Wuhan.

Since the 2015 World Schools Championship Athletics will be held in Wuhan No.4 High School, the school has gained the strong support of the municipal and district government, who have planned to devote 250 million Yuan into its renovation. And thus a more beautiful and more splendid No.4 High School has been springing up.

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Due to different rules and regulations of ISF and ASSF, also to ensure entries from Asia and sister cities, ISF and sister cities agreed that ASSF and sister cities can send selected teams without school teams, and will be ranked in a separate group from the ISF category.

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High Olympic honours for the Austrian Coubertin Protagonist
Dr. Hermann Andrecs

As a part of the Annual General Meeting of the Austrian Olympic Committee (AOC), IOC member Leo Wallner and AOC President Karl Stoss awarded the prestigious Pierre-de-Coubertin medal to 83-year-old Hermann Andrecs from Carinthia for his services to the Olympic movement on Wednesday, 10th September 2014. The ceremony took place in Vienna.

Andrecs, originally from Lavanttal, worked for the Federal Ministry for Education, Arts and Culture for many years, where he dedicated himself to sporting values in general and Olympic values in particular. He was significantly involved in the founding of the Austrian Olympic Academy in 1982 and was the president of this institution, which considered itself a working group to promote the Olympic idea, for a total of 10 years (1994-2003).

Dr. Andrecs was the editor of the series “Sports in our Time – Texts for the Understanding of the Olympic Idea”. 10 volumes have been published. In addition, he was also the long-time chief executive of the International School Sport Federation.

Prof. Robert Marxen, representative of the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee, stressed out the merits Hermann Andrecs has gained during his long-life dedication to the Olympic movement. Marxen pointed out that he was the first one to develop practical ideas of implementing the principles of Olympism and Olympic education in schools. The teaching materials he and his colleagues have developed for schools in Austria were good examples for many other nations.

Not only did Hermann Andrecs succeed in spreading the Olympic idea to the young generation, he a very active senior athlete himself has developed plausible practical ideas of adapting the principles of Olympic Education to elderly people. Marxen highly valued Hermann Andrecs’ dedication within the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee. From 1988 – 2002 he was a member of the board in different functions.

The former professor of physical education is still active as a track and field athlete in the disciplines decathlon and pole vault despite his age of 83. He has won several senior European and World Championship titles.
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**