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**European Fair Play Movement**  
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# **Charles Camenzuli**

- ▶ **Secretary General – AIPS Europe**
- ▶ **Union Europeenne de la Presse Sportive**



**UEPS** Union Europeenne  
De La Presse Sportive



## Association Internationale de la Presse Sportive



- ▶ 1924 : Paris Olympic Games : 29 nations
- ▶ Sporting Club - Paris

# Association Internationale de la Presse Sportive



- ▶ **2012 : London Olympic Games : 125 nations**
- ▶ **77 AIPS Congresses : 1924 to 2014**

# Association Internationale de la Presse Sportive

## ► 4 AIPS Continental Sections :

- ❑ ASPU : AIPS Asia : 1978
- ❑ FEPEDA : AIPS America : 1968
- ❑ UEPS : AIPS Europe : 1977
- ❑ UJSA : AIPS Africa : 1970





## Association Internationale de la Presse Sportive

- ▶ **GIANNI MERLO** : was re-elected President of AIPS during the 76th AIPS Congress in Sochi. He was elected as President of AIPS in 2005 in the Congress held in Marrakesch , Morocco and subsequently re-elected in 2009 in Milano. Between 1990 – 1998 Gianni Merlo was EC member and President of AIPS Europe.



# AIPS Europe – Executive Committee 2014-17



- ▶ **48 national sports journalists associations**
- ▶ **President : Yannis Daras**
- ▶ **Secretary General : Charles Camenzuli**
- ▶ **VicePresident : Lev Rossoshik**

# AIPS Europe

## STATUTES :

- ▶
- ▶ **Unite the European national associations of sports journalists .**
- ▶ **Defend the moral and professional interests of its members.**
- ▶ **To achieve principally for international events the best possible working conditions for its members from public and sports bodies.**
- ▶ **To ensure that the interests of sports journalists associations are taken into account within any national plan.**

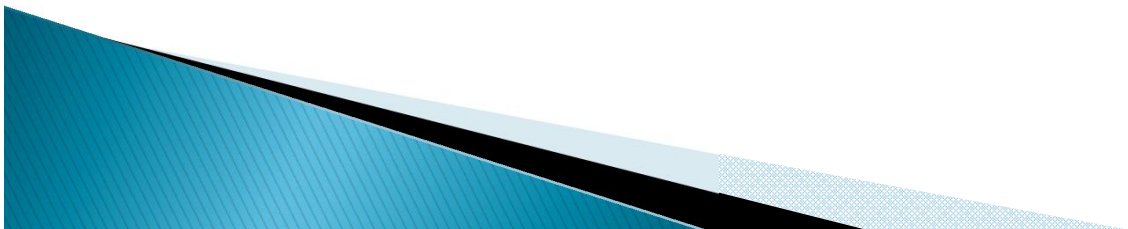




# AIPS Europe

## ▶ STATUTES :

- ▶ To take care for the education of young journalists.
- ▶ To promote mutual aid and solidarity.
- ▶ To participate and create activities concerning solidarity and human rights.
- ▶ To co-operate with international organizations for common interests and projects.
- ▶ To maintain contact and co-operation with AIPS



# Challenges :

- ▶ **AIPS Europe is committed to :**
- ▶ **Develop the concept of training young journalists through work experience during international sports events with tailor made programs with European sports federations.**
- ▶ **Develop the relations with European Union.**
- ▶ **To be in a position to safe guard the rights and conditions of work of professional journalists.**



# Challenges :

- ▶ **Awareness and collaboration with European Broadcasting Union : EBU**
- ▶ **Solidarity with media colleagues facing problems at their work place as happened on the 11th June 2013 with ERT employees in Greece**
- ▶ **Recognition from European Parliament President : Mr. Martin Schultz**



# 76th.AIPS Congress Decleration

- ▶ " AIPS Europe views with extreme concern to the fact that more and more often , European journalists face demands for accreditation fees for news access to both national and international sports events within Europe. These financial demands emanate from commercial agencies, professional leagues and sports federations. This discriminates between organizations which can afford to pay such fees and those which cannot. This risks distorting journalistic independence. AIPS Europe requests that the European Parliament examines this issue which contravenes the Convention of Human Rights".



# Baku 2014 : 77th.AIPS Congress

- Between the 27th April – 1st May 2014, AIPS organized the 77th Congress and at the same time celebrating the 90th Anniversary.
- AIPS Europe had the elections for the Executive Committee 2014 – 2017





# International co-operation :

- September 2014 :
- FIFA Beach Soccer – World Cup Euro Qualifier
- 1st Summer School for Journalists.



# 07.10.2014



**Petition 0745/2013 by the European Sports Press Association, on the accreditation fees that radio sports journalists are required to pay in Europe .**

The petitioner is protesting against the accreditation fees that sports federations and marketing agencies require sports journalists to pay in Europe.

Journalists are obliged to pay accreditation fees to be allowed in to events in order to provide radio coverage. Those fees can be so high as to jeopardise the public's right to information by making it impossible for journalists to perform their professional duties.

The petitioner draws attention in particular to the problems encountered by the French public broadcaster in covering Champions League matches, owing to the excessively high accreditation fees charged (EUR 26 000 for the match between Manchester United and Olympique de Marseille), and to similar problems arising in connection with La Liga matches and the Giro d'Italia.



# International co-operation :



**XX European Congress**  
**Riga : 9 – 11 October 2014**



# International co-operation :

- **October 2014 : signing of the Memorandum of Understanding and co-operation between the European Fair Play Movement and AIPS Europe representing the European sports media.**



# AIPS EUROPE

