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The European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) is a European non-governmental organisation, established in 1994 in the FIFA House in Zurich. National Fair Play organisations from 40 European Countries have been a part the EFPM since 1994. The main goal of the EFPM is to promote Fair Play and Tolerance in sports and everyday life at the European level. The EFPM seeks to achieve this goal by supporting its members, by helping to promote Fair Play campaigns where sports organisations take the initiative, by co-operating with the authorities to foster Fair Play themes and by facilitating regular contacts between the various European sports organisations.

The goal of EFPM Flash News is to keep people informed on EFPM's activities and to establish closer contact not only with all the EFPM members but also with all European governmental and non-governmental sport institutions and organisations aiming to support and to contribute to the promotion of Ethics in Sport and encouragement of the Fair Play values and principles in all sporting activities as well as in daily life.

All EFPM members, the above mentioned organisations and institutions, and associations with the same principles, are invited to communicate information relating to EFPM's goals (conferences, congresses, special events or initiatives, Fair Play prizes, books, etc....).

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On 13 April 2018, Miroslav Cerar, European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) Vicepresident, visited Slovakia. He had been invited on behalf of Slovak Olympic Committee (SOC) President Anton Siekel and was cordially welcomed by his Slovak counterpart Katarína Ráčová, EFPM Treasurer and President of the Club Fair Play of SOC. The main reason for Miroslav Cerar's visit was the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding in Samorin

between EFPM and Special Olympics Europe Eurasia (SOEE). Special Olympics is a global organization, founded in 1968 by Ms Shriver Kennedy, which serves athletes with intellectual disabilities. The goal of Special Olympics is to reach out to the almost 200 million people in the world and offer them more than 30 individual and team sports that provide meaningful training and competition opportunities for people with intellectual disabilities. Starting in July 2018, Special Olympics celebrates its 50th anniversary – 50 years of creating a more inclusive, welcoming world for all of us. By signing the Memorandum of Understanding, EFPM and SOEE are connected through the recognition of the importance of the ethical values and fair play principles of sports. Both organisations are committed to the promotion and education of the sports values and fair play principles and especially to the integration of all parts of the population.



Please find more information:

https://www.specialolympics.org/Stories/GENERAL/European_Fair_Play_Movement_cooperation_signed_in_Slovakia.aspx



The Czech Fair Play Club awarded knights of the world of sports for the year of 2017. The premises of the Czech National Bank welcomed dozens of athletes to be rewarded for their exemplary behaviour. Given the common

past history it is already a tradition that Katarina Raczova, President of the Slovak Fair Play Club and Executive Committee member of EFPM also attended the ceremony.

The main award went to mountain biker Michal Bubílek for his fair play gesture during an extreme relay race. Despite the fact that he had a chance to win the race, he stopped to help his competitor, who failed and had serious injury.

The main award for an exemplary lifetime attitude was given to Jiří Medonos, the former tennis player and later also the successful coach of the national women team.

The second main award was given to Karel Brückner, excellent and successful football coach.

Both were rewarded for their exemplary behaviour, not only at the stadium.

The special prize was given to **Francis Koné**, a professional Ivorian-born Togolese striker at FC Zbrojovka Brno in the Czech First League, for saving a life during a football match.

The second special prize was received by the **Czech football team** which organized a Foundation to support their former physiotherapist, suffering from a serious and incurable disease.

Fair Play Diplomas were received by twelve sport personalities as well.

All awarded personalities were further rewarded by a performance of violin virtuoso Jaroslav Svěcený.



Over the weekend of 23-24 March 2018, the International Fair Play Committee Council held its meeting in Budapest (HUN). Erdogan Aripinar and Miroslav Cerar, both EFPM Vicepresidents, were also present at this occasion. Dr. Jenő Kamuti, the President of the International Fair Play Committee, welcomed the delegates and thanked them all for their attendance.

At the beginning he asked the participants to stand to observe a moment of silence in memory of Prof Dr. Halina Zdebska-

Biziewska, CIFP Council member who passed away at the age of 57 after a short but serious illness on March 17, 2018.

One of the highlights of the meeting was to select and announce the winners of 2017 World Fair Play Awards. The World Fair Play Awards ceremony will take place in Baku in September 2018.

Moreover, Dr. Jenő Kamuti, CIFP President, and Philippe Housiaux, President of the club Panathlon Wallonie Bruxelles, signed the Declaration “Sports, Spirit of Humanity” prepared by the Belgian organization.



The winners of the 2017 World Fair Play Trophies are:

YOUTH

Jacques Rogge World Fair Play Trophy:

Catoia Valerio (ITA)

PROMOTION:

Willi Daume World Fair Play Trophy:

Panathlon Club Wallonie-Bruxelles (BEL)

CAREER

Jean Borotra World Fair Play Trophy:

Jacques Ferran (FRA)

SPECIAL WORLD FAIR PLAY TROPHY:

Ms Mehreban Aliyeva (AZE)

ACT

Pierre de Coubertin World Fair Play Trophy:

French Rowing Team (Baroukh/Hacot/Colard) (FRA)



EC member Baiba Veisa represented the European Fair Play Movement at the European University Sports Association (EUSA) General Assembly and Strategic Dialogue event in Madrid on April 13-14. During the first day, an EUSA Seminar was organized, providing an overview of university sport events in 2017, offering participants progress reports for the upcoming European Universities Games in 2018 and 2020 and giving them a chance to hear the candidates for the sixth and seventh edition of the Games in 2022 and 2024. The second day of the European

University Sports Association (EUSA) events in Madrid was dedicated to the General Assembly. European family of university sport got enlarged by one member, accepting the Kosovo University Sports Federation as the new member. A report of the Executive Committee for the last 2-year period followed, presented by EUSA President Adam Roczek. The report was followed by highlights of activities by EUSA Secretary General Matjaz Pecovnik, focusing on EUSA sports events, as well as on project supported by the European Commission through Erasmus+ programme and those supported by the International University Sports Federation.

EUSA Fair Play awards were presented in Gala event to the winners of Green card project selected by EUSA.

Please find more information: <https://www.eusa.eu/>

On March 22, 2018 the Austrian biathlete *Lisa Theresa Hauser* has been awarded the “Fair Play Prize of German Sports” by the German Olympic Sports Confederation (DOSB) and the Association of German Sport Journalists. The 24-year-old convinced the jury with her particularly fair behaviour towards her German competitor Vanessa Hinz at the World Cup mass start race in Oberhof in January last year.

The Austrian had accidentally stepped on Hinz’ cane which thus fell and Hinz continued the race with one cane. Lisa Theresa Hauser demonstrated exceptional behavior at that moment: she handed Vanessa Hinz one of her own sticks so that Hinz could continue her race without hindrance. Consequently, Hauser went on with only one stick and was only concerned that her competitor should not suffer any disadvantage. This exemplary behavior was praised by the jury and impressed them through its fair gesture.

The award in the category “Special Prize” went to the rugby division of the USV Potsdam, which organized the 15th edition of the Sanssouci Cup for youth teams under the motto "*Playing Rugby Against Right-Wing Violence and Boredom*".

Please find more information:

<http://worldsportnews.org/2018/03/07/biathlon-dosb-and-vds-fair-play-award-for-austrian-hauser/>



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The 32nd Ordinary Congress of the ASKÖ, one of Austria's biggest and most important sport organizations representing Austria in the European Fair Play Movement, was held on Saturday, 14 April 2018, with a busy agenda including elections for various positions. President Hermann Krist was unanimously confirmed by the delegates for another four years. Mag. Petra Huber (Fitness and Health), Mag. Christian Hinterberger (Sport), Mag. Gerhard Widmann (Finance and Business) and Mag. Christoph Schuh (Strategy and Marketing) were re-elected as Vice

Presidents. The whole EFPM Family congratulates the ASKÖ team and wishes them all the very best for their tenure and work ahead.



Proof that we can learn a lot from young athletes.

On a game of the Provincial Youth Championship Band B between F. C. Aprilia and Connect Calcio 5, the referee awarded a very dubious penalty to F. C. Aprilia. However, F. C. Aprilia's young striker Nicolò Francescotti, born 2005, did not agree with such decision. He deliberately kicked the ball out of the playing area. A nice lesson in style and Fair Play that

earned him compliments by his team members, opponents, parents and the referee himself. The San Marino Fair Play Committee is happy and honoured to award the young Nicolò with the Fair Play Award.

Petra Kvitova received the Karen Krantzcke Sportsmanship Award for the fifth time in the past six years. Karen Krantzcke (1946 –1977) was an Australian female tennis player who achieved a World Top Ten singles ranking in 1970. While playing on the Challenger circuit in the USA in 1977, Krantzcke suffered a heart attack while jogging. In response to her untimely death, the WTA instituted the Karen Krantzcke Sportsmanship Award which is still awarded annually to a female professional tennis player. This award highlights a player who conducts herself in a manner fitting of a professional sports figure and observes the rules of fair play, shows respect for others and is gracious on and off the court. Introduced in 1978, previous award winners include Kim Clijsters, Elena Dementieva, Ana Ivanovic, Lindsay Davenport, Chris Evert and Evonne Goolagong-Cawley. Petra Kvitova said. *“For me, it’s about on and off the court behavior, the respect for each other on the court and off the court. I’m always one who wants to fight on the court, but off the court we’re just normal people. I just love saying hi to everyone and smiling, not cross anyone. For me, it’s just nice to have those people. I’m just happy to see them. It’s about respect and appreciating each other. We need each other. We are fighters, we are opponents, but we are colleagues as well.*



(Photo: Martin Sidorjak)

Please find more information: petrakvitova.net/news-eng/petra-on-sportsmanship-and-respect/

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