

EFPM NEWSLETTER 3 – 2019

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 of 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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In 2019, the European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) celebrates its 25th anniversary. On this occasion, the 25th edition of the European Fair Play Congress was held on 11-14 September 2019 in Budapest, the capital of

Hungary. The topic of the Congress was „Promoting the Ethical Values of Sports – 25 Years European Fair Play Movement“. The event was organized in cooperation with EFPM, the International Fair Play Committee (IFPC) and the Budapest University of Physical Education under the auspices of European Olympic Committees and International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education. It was supported by the Ministry of Human Capacities and Municipality of Budapest.

The participants were welcomed by Prof. Dr. h.c. Lajos Mocsai, Rector of the university, Dr. Jenő Kamuti, IFPC President, and Mag. Christian Hinterberger, President of EFPM, who

confirmed that EFPM was happy to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the movement in the Sport Capital of Europe in 2019, Budapest. He concluded by quoting Nelson Mandela, who once said that “sport has the power to change the world”. Certainly, this is a great idea to follow. For further information please visit our website: www.fairplayeur.com.



Following the European Fair Play Congress, a beautiful gala dinner was organized to celebrate the Fair Play Award winners of 2019. More than 100 personalities of the international sports community attended this outstanding event.

Dr. Janez Kocijancic, European Olympic Committees President, greeted EFPM with a letter, which stated: “Please allow me to take this

opportunity to congratulate on your commitment towards the cause of Fair Play. The Olympic Movement shares and itself promotes the same important objectives, and is at the side of the EFPM in working to ensure that sport can contribute to a better tomorrow for the youth of Europe.” Krisztián Kulcsár, President of the Hungarian Olympic Committee, underlined: “The Fair Play Movement has a special place in the heart of the Hungarian Olympic Committee, and I am happy to say it has a special place in the heart of the European Olympic Committees as well.” The stories of the laureates can be found on the website: [/www.fairplayeur.com/awards/awarded](http://www.fairplayeur.com/awards/awarded).



Following the European Fair Play Congress, the 25th General Assembly of EFPM was held on 14 September 2019. To mark this occasion, the representatives of partner organizations devoted their warm greetings to the EFPM General Assembly and confirmed their intention to continue the fruitful and close cooperation with EFPM.

Subsequently, the delegates heard and approved the president’s, secretary general’s and treasurer’s reports as well as presentations and discussions about EFPM ExCom members’ activities over the past year as well as important information concerning future activities. After very lively and fruitful discussions on amending the EFPM statutes, the delegates approved the modifications.

At the end of the meeting, President Hinterberger informed that the Association for Sport and Physical Culture in Austria – ASKÖ, which is an EFPM founding member – would be honored to host the 26th European Fair Play Congress and EFPM General Assembly in Vienna in October 2020.



The European University Sports Association, a strong and long-term partner of EFPM, celebrated its 20th anniversary in Aveiro, Portugal, in addition to its conference and General Assembly.

The outstanding event has been highlighted by a Gala and Award Ceremony in Teatro Aveirense.

EFPM President Christian Hinterberger has been invited to shortly address the delegates and distinguished guests on

behalf of EFPM. Knowing that EUSA was founded in Vienna, Christian Hinterberger presented a limited edition of an artificial print of „Sight of Vienna“ to EUSA President Adam Roczek, underlining the importance of cooperation, especially in matters of educating ethical values and Fair Play principles in sports at any level.

EFPM is looking forward to continue this fruitful cooperation and wishes EUSA good luck and a successful development in the future.



The European Fair Play Movement presented its Special Award 2019 to Johannes Thingnes Bø, Olympic Gold Medalist and seven-time World Champion.

The Award Ceremony took place in Anterselve (ITA) at the Forum Nordicum, the traditional meeting of the 'Union of Nordic Ski Journalists'.

Johannes Thingnes Bø finished fourth in the men's 12.5 km pursuit event on 16 February 2019, which would have seen him earn 43 World Cup points and EUR 7,000.

However, he has forfeited both of them and asked the points and prize money to be distributed accordingly to the athletes who finished behind him after admitting an error of his own doing. Johannes Thingnes Bø only fired four of his five bullets and finished the race with one of his bullets still in the magazine. After the competition he explained: “I would not have received any punishment if I had not come forward myself. It is never easy to give up World Cup points, but I also hope that other athletes can find the motivation and strength to be honest like me in the spirit of Fair Play and take responsibility for their future mistakes in case the International Biathlon Union cannot go back on their own jury decisions.”



Turkey's Fair Play Awards ceremony took place in a magnificent way at the Olympic House in Istanbul. It was organized by the Turkish Fair Play Council, which has been one of the most active organizations of Turkey's National Olympic Committee for the last 37 years. Prof. Dr. Uğur Erdener, President of the National Olympic Committee, 2nd Vice-President of the IOC and President of the World Archery Federation, held the

opening speech. After that, Mr. Erdogan Aripinar, member of the National Olympic Committee, President of the Turkish Fair Play Council, Vice-President of EFPM and Council Member of CIFP, took the floor and spoke about the Fair Play Council's, EFPM's and CIFP's activities. Finally, he invited the "Fair Play University Caravan" team to the stage, whose members visited 54 universities presenting Fair Play values. The audience gave them a long and rousing applause. This year's Social Fair Play Prizes were awarded to two winners and the Sport Fair Play Prizes were awarded to 15 winners, who also received a hearty applause.



The San Marino National Fair Play Committee (CNSFP) announced the upcoming events that will take place in San Marino in November 2019. The traditional annual appointment of the 3rd edition of the World Fair Play Day returns, scheduled for Saturday, 16 November 2019 at 4.30pm, at the Sala Montelupo of Domagnano RSM, with a program full of events. The Move on Fair Play True Colors at the Wonderbay will follow the following week on 22-24 November 2019 with the Grand Gala on Sunday 24 November 2019 at 9pm at the Teatro Nuovo in Dogana. Furthermore, on

the occasion of the International Day against Violence against Women, a Red Bench will be placed in a Park of San Marino, a project of the CNSFP, which will be placed in rotation in the nine Castles of the Republic of San Marino in the following years. .

The CNSFP Board of Directors has awarded, for this 3rd edition, the following Awards:

- **FAIR PLAY AWARD TO GESTURE:** Albino Fazio (1928 Isernia FC Football), Barbara De Biagi (Special Olympics), El Attar Karim (Tre Fiori Fiorentino 2 Youth Football), Riccardo Monteduro (Folgore Youth Football), Filippo Colonna (Juvenes Youth Football),



Lorenzo Fantini (Youth Soccer San Giovanni), Simone Salvi (Youth Soccer Tre Fiori Fiorentino 2), Aldo Maria Gritti (Youth Soccer Cailungo)

- **FAIR PLAYER CAREER AWARD:** Alex De Angelis (Motorcycling), Massimo Costantini (Table tennis).

- **FAIR PLAY MERIT DIPLOMA:** Teseo Amadei (Golf), Paola Carinato (Coach)

The invitation to participate in the initiatives and events of the San Marino National Committee Fair Play is extended to everyone.

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We invite you to share photos and videos, send messages and get updates.
<https://www.facebook.com/EuropeanFairPlay/>*

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activities, and events.*