

EFPM NEWSLETTER 2 – 2020

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 the last weeks our life has completely changed. Especially in Europe, the Coronavirus lockdown influenced the whole economy, the socio-cultural life and the people's daily life. It also blocked all the international and national sport activities, the training, the competitions, the championships and the tournaments, not only at professional level but also at the grass route level of the thousands of clubs. Millions of athletes and common people aged from 9 to 90 years old are hopefully looking forward to restart their beloved sports at regional,

national and international level.

Following Nelson Mandela's words: "sport has the power to change the world, it inspires and unites people like nothing else", we invite all politicians, all governments and sport authorities to restart sport activities, paying full respect to aspects of common health and responsibilities for the whole society. We all believe in the power of sport, not only as regards its economic potential, but also and especially as regards its unquestionably importance as an educational and socio-cultural tool.

EFPM will do its utmost to support the way forward, to boost the prospects for a prosperous future for sports, being fascinating, inspiring and, based on respect, solidarity, equality and fairplay.

Dear members and friends of EFPM, together we will face and overcome this ordeal and move forward to a better future.

We count on you! Warm regards, take care and stay healthy.

Christian Hinterberger, EFPM President



REMINDER! As you are aware, the 26th edition of the European Fair Play Congress and the European Fair Play Movement General Assembly were scheduled to be held in Vienna, Austria, on October 1-4, 2020. Due to the worldwide situation related to COVID-19 and having a high sense of responsibility, the EFPM Executive Committee decided to abide by the strict public health guidelines that are being enforced throughout all European countries and move the date of these events to March or April 2021.

Further details will be announced soon.

We hope you can understand this decision and are hopefully looking forward to an outstanding EFPM event in 2021. (Picture: S. Petrešová, 9 years, ZUŠ Irkutská, Kosice, Slovakia)



We are pleased to announce that the final stage of the production of the new EFPM strategy has been reached and the attached final draft as agreed by the Executive Committee is now published.

This strategy has been put together to guide the purpose and activities of the EFPM over the next 5 years and the focus for our organisation.

It has been created through the following process:

- (i) External PESTLE analysis of the external operating environment;
- (ii) SWOT analysis looking at internal strengths and weaknesses in relation to the opportunities and threats derived from the PESTLE;
- (iii) Consideration of the previous aims, Presidents statements and the constitution (statutes);
- (iv) The patronage of the IOC/CIFP/EOC and the Olympic Charter;
- (v) Group discussions with the EFPM Family at the 2019 congress;
- (vi) Facilitated workshop with the EFPM executive committee (EXCO); and
- (vii) Consultations with colleagues, e.g. our Scientific (academic) Advisory Committee.

We commend the strategy to you and look forward to agreeing the final version in the Autumn Congress (subject to the current situation of course), which the new elected Board of EFPM can adapt to form its business agenda for the forthcoming years. You can find all the details at the webpage:

<http://www.fairplayeur.com/news/news/efpm-strategy-the-future-of-fair-play-in-europe-final-draft-published-for-comments/>

Your comments and suggestions are invited and may be sent to the following address: Ioannis Psilopoulos, EFPM General Secretary ioannispsilopoulos@gmail.com by **June 30, 2020**.



SAVE THE DATE! The EFPM invites all its members, European National Olympic Committees, sports organizations and educational institutions to submit their applications to the Fair Play Awards in following categories:

- The European Fair Play Plaque of Merit and Diploma, under the auspices of the European Olympic Committees;
- The European Fair Play Diploma, under the auspices of the European Olympic Committees;
- The EFPM “Spirit of Fair Play” Award;
- The EFPM “Fair Play Flame” Award (to an athlete, or a team UNDER 18); and

- The EFPM “Fair Play Vox” Award, under the auspices of AIPS Europe.

The candidacies for Fair Play Awards can be submitted until May 31, 2020 to the address below:

Ioannis Psilopoulos, Gen. Secretary
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The Regulations for the Fair Play Awards including the conditions and details as well as the Nomination Form can be found on the EFPM website www.fairplayeur.com under the section “Awards”.



Participate at the European Fair Play Movement and the Fair Play Club of the Slovak Olympic and Sports Committee initiatives! In times of social distancing, it is even more important to share common values. Common values which will help us to overcome the difficulties many of us are facing and will continue to face still for some time, whether it is on the sporting fields, not able to continue training sessions, not able to meet your team, not able to be together with your trainers, or off it, having to distance yourself from family and friends, worried about our health and the situation of our loved ones. Common values can

help to overcome these tough times.

Reach out a hand and share with us the values you cherish most! Take a picture or a video of your hand with a value that is important for you (**any language is welcome**) and post it on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/EuropeanFairPlay/> or send it to efpmoffice@gmail.com. Tag a friend or an organisation you want to share your thoughts and spread hope, friendship, tolerance, togetherness across the world and across languages.



Sport in time of the COVID 19-emergency – a message from the San Marino National Fair Play Committee: There is a great desire to resume activities and not only those related to the world of sport. It is believed that the crisis is now upon us but, unfortunately, we must take note with clarity and realism, understand that it will not pass

soon. We wait patiently for science to come to our aid with the hope of finding the right and appropriate solutions. With sports facilities still being closed and inaccessible, however, we cannot confuse these legitimate desires with reality. Recovery at the moment still seems distant. Once we can return to “normal” life, it might no longer be the same as before. Perhaps we will have to get used to a new way of being together, but also with a new spirit and renewed sense of community and a respectful life. We will have the year 2021 full of international, national and regional sporting events, a clogging and flooding of calendars, a voluminous agenda due to force majeure, which could also become problematic for some sports disciplines, none excluded. So, the hope that comes from the world of sport is that we can start again within reasonable time and with due caution. Do not be impatient and do not be in a hurry! Our time will come again.



DEAR FAIR PLAY FAMILY,

We would like to inform you that the EFPM's Facebook is back up and active again!

We invite you to share photos and videos, send messages and get updates.

<https://www.facebook.com/EuropeanFairPlay/>

Moreover, we would like to draw your attention to the newly created EFPM YouTube channel.

Please do not hesitate to send your videos for publication!

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChQCzLVgC-q2EO_hcPoSRLA

Enjoy your read and feel free to provide EFPM with information on your organizations, activities, and events.