

## EFPM NEWSLETTER 5 /2018

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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It is our sad duty to inform you that Türkay Peker (TUR), one of the founding members of EFPM, passed away.

Türkay Peker (88), one of the leading sportsmen in Turkey, former vice - president of National Olympic Committee, member of national wrestling team and president of Turkish Sports Foundation passed away. Türkay Peker, who also established the Fair Play Council of Turkish National Olympic Committee, has led

a lot of outstanding projects in Turkey. In 1994 the European Fair Play Movement has been founded in Zurich, Switzerland, and Türkay Peker, representing the NOC Turkey was one of the fourteen founder members.

He received the EFPM Honorary Medal at the 10th anniversary meeting of the EFPM in Vienna. Peker was buried with a ceremony attended by celebrities of the sports community in Istanbul.

All our condolences are dedicated to his family.

Türkay Peker will be alive in the memories of the EFPM family.



We would like to remind you that the European Fair Play Movement (EFPM), in collaboration with Panathlon Wallonie-Bruxelles, is organising its 24th European Fair Play Congress and EFPM General Assembly. The events will be held in Brussels, Belgium on November 21-22, 2018. The EFPM is honoured to have among the supporters and co-organizers the European Commission of Regions, the Belgian Olympic Interfederal

Committee and Panathlon International, the Think Tank Sport and Citizenship. The presence of ICSSPE and its patronage together with the presence and the patronage of the European Olympic Committees is a wonderful highlight. The main topic of the Congress is "Sport, Spirit of Humanity". Significant key-note speakers from Europe and beyond will

present their views, based on their experience and expertise. The topic shall be covered from various points of view, i.e. history, ethics, education, social issues etc. The invitation for the Congress with detailed information for registration is available on the on the Congress website <a href="http://www.panathlon.be/congress-ag-efpm/">http://www.panathlon.be/congress-ag-efpm/</a>.

From 3 to 8 July 2018, the town of Koper hosted the traditional 26th International Handball Festival organised by the Eurofest Sports Agency in collaboration with the Municipality of Koper and the Handball Federation of Slovenia. This major sporting event was attended by over 180 teams and 3000 participants from 26 European countries plus Korea. The Eurofest Handball Tournament which ranks as one of the top-level and most attractive handball events in the world also acts as one of the three reference tournaments of the EHF, supporting all



categories from mini handball to senior teams. The Vice President of the European Fair Play Movement and Ambassador of the Republic of Slovenia for Sport, Tolerance and Fair Play, Miroslav Cerar initiated the idea to hold an award ceremony for the Fair Play Award which went to the Czech team Hazena Jindrichuv Hradec. The activities revolving around the design of the plaque and diploma were carried out by Sonja Poljšak, President of the Sports Association of Koper.



Slovakia hosted the U22 Women's European Softball Championships in July this year. The host of this important event was Trnava. In light of softball again becoming a part of the Olympics at the 2020 games in Tokyo, the interest in the event was enormous. A record number of 17 teams participated, this being quite an increase from the previous record of 8 teams. Italy proved to be the strongest team and took home the Gold Medal just like they

did at the first edition of this tournament in 2008. During the closing ceremony, Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals were not the only awards having been handed over. The Fair Play Award of the SOC Fair Play Club under the patronage of the European Fair Play Movement was handed over to the team of Israel. Throughout the entire tournament, the Israeli team demonstrated an honest and friendly attitude and respect towards opponents and referees alike, thus spreading the basic principles of Fair Play. The award was presented by Katarína Ráczova, Executive Member of the EFPM and Chair of the SOC Fair Play Club in the presence of G. Waage, President of the European Softball Federation, and R. Bohunicky, President of the Slovak Softball Association.

June 20 and 21, 2018, the International Children and Youth's Olympiad, dubbed Kalokagatia and organized always in the year of the "real" Olympic Games took place already for 14th time in Trnava (SVK). Sports competitions usually prevail in the schedule of this event, however in the spirit of Kalokagatia competitions also covered the cultural and artistic area, just as in the previous years. One of the base pillars of the event is the fact that from the very beginning it was understood as a process of permanent promotion of the fair play principles. In

this spirit, the announcement of the School Fair Play Prize has been part of the Kalokagatia Programme since 1994. A competition for the title Fair Play Team was announced as well. Teams receive a fair play captain's armband as an expression of the fact that the team is bidding for the title Fair Play Team. So-called Fair Play Card was also introduced.

This year's event included a particular honour for the devoted organisers led by Anton

Javorka, founder of the Kalokagatia. The international Children and Youth's Olympiad was honoured with the **EFPM** 'Spirit of Fair Play' Award. The Trophy was handed over by Katarina Raczova, EFPM executive committee member, to Anton Javorka and Andrea Ristová, chairperson of the organizing committee.



After the 2018 Russia World Cup final, FIFA announced the Spanish National Team had earned the Fair Play prize of the tournament. Overall, Spain were fouled 59 times and committed just 32 fouls across their four games. In four games they received only two yellow cards.

The fair play winner is selected by the FIFA Technical Study Group. The award was first established in 1970. Each player is set to receive a medal for this award with 50,000 US dollars worth of football equipment to be gifted by FIFA to the grassroots game in Spain. For more information, please visit the website: http://www.sefutbol.com/en/fifa-awards-spain-fair-play-prize

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