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In 2021, the German Olympic Academy (DOA) again fulfilled its mission to make a specific contribution to the development of the Olympic Movement in Germany and the preservation of the values of sport. The highlight was once again the presentation of the "Fair Play Award of German Sport", instituted by the German Olympic Sports Confederation (DOSB) and the Association of German Sports Journalists (VDS) and organised by the DOA.

For a spectacular demonstration against racism during a Third Division match in February 2020, the fans of the football club SC Preußen Münster received this high recognition. "That's what an award like this is for - to show: Commitment pays off in this society!" emphasised Erich Laaser, VDS President.

A "special prize" went to the two international renowned footballers of FC Bayern Munich, Leon Goretzka and Joshua Kimmich, for a campaign, which raised more than five million euros for social causes.

As in the previous year, a face-to-face event with the presentation of the awards at Biebrich Castle in Wiesbaden was not possible this year due to the Corona pandemic. Thus, the award ceremony again took place in an alternative, but very high-profile setting, in the programme "Das aktuelle Sportstudio" of the tv network "Zweites Deutsches Fernsehen" (ZDF).

The exemplary behaviour of the fans of SC Preußen Münster was also perceived throughout Europe. The European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) chose the Preußen fans as one of this year's award winners. Prof. Dr Manfred Lämmer, long-time EFPM vice-president and honorary member, presented the award at the Preußen home game at the start of the new season in the Münster stadium.



Other highlights this year were the German Olympic Youth Camp (DOJL) Tokyo 2021, which was held digitally in Frankfurt am Main from 29 July to 5 August together with the German Sports Youth (dsj) due to the Corona pandemic. More than 40 young athletes and young volunteers from all over Germany experienced joint workshops, discussion rounds, sporting activities and intercultural exchange with the Japan Junior Sports Clubs Association (JJSA).

Under the motto "Beat the Day 23/06!", the Olympic Day Run took place online from 21 to 27 June under the coordination of the DOA. Despite the prevailing restrictions, this run again achieved great attention with runners from all over Germany and a total distance of more than 2,700 kilometres - a new record after the successful digital kick-off last year. In June and July, an accompanying programme at six universities set different accents on an academic level.

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