



A general view of the 20th EFPM Congress in Riga

## A first for the EFPM Congresses: Riga 2014

### ● Latvian President Andris Berzins opens 20th EFPM Congress



Aldons VRUBLEVSKIS



Raimonds BERGMANIS



Baiba VEISA



Voldemars LUSIS

**RIGA-** The European Fair Play Movement's 20th Congress was hosted by Riga, Latvia's historic capital on the Baltic coast. It was a first for us as on this occasion, our Congress was opened with a speech by the host country's President, Andris Berzins, who impressed us all with his modesty and his charming manner. The Congress took place at Latvia's National Library, the so-called 'Castle of Light', which is housed in a very impressive new building. The hall was decked out with the flags of all the EFPM member countries participating, and was filled to capacity with representatives of various Latvian institutions and organisations as well as with EFPM delegates. After the opening speech, the Congress proceeded with presentations by eminent speakers from all over Europe, as well as from the host country. The organisers – Latvian NOC President Mr. Aldons Vrublevskis, Latvian NOC Vice-President and Member of Parliament Mr. Raimonds Bergmanis, Ms. Baiba Veisa (the Organising Committee's hard-working Executive Director) and Mr. Voldemars Lusis – fully deserved the enthusiastic applause they received from the assembled delegates for a job well done. The Congress was attended by Associated Members as well as by Full Members of the EFPM, and the event was covered by the national and international media.

The Gala Dinner, held at the end of the Congress to celebrate our 20th Anniversary, helped to make Riga an unforgettable occasion for all of us. At the conclusion of the General Assembly which followed the Congress, the EFPM flag was handed over by the Latvian team to the Organising Committee for our next Congress, which is to be held in Baku – the venue for the first European Games in 2015. This will be the second time we have been hosted by Azerbaijan, one of the rising stars in the world of sport.

Details of the Congress will be found on Page 3

### Baku, the capital of Azerbaijan, is to host the 21st EFPM Congress



**THE FLAG CEREMONY:** The Latvian team, our hosts in 2014, hand over the EFPM flag to the team from Azerbaijan who are to host our 21st Congress. From left to right: Ilham Madatov, Khazar Isayev, Christian Hinterberger, Raimonds Bergmanis, Salhat Abbasova.

Following the 20th EFPM Congress, our 20th General Assembly was held at the Radisson Blu Daugava Hotel in Riga. At the conclusion of the Assembly, the ceremony for the handing over of the EFPM flag (a tradition instituted at our first Congress in Istanbul) was held. Raimonds Bergmanis of Latvia handed over the – now redesigned – flag to the team from Azerbaijan (Khazar Isayev, Ilham Madatov and Salhat Abbasova) in the presence of EFPM President Christian Hinterberger.

In January, the Azerbaijan team is to have a meeting in Vienna with our sister organisation, the CIPF. At this meeting, the EFPM and CIPF delegations will make preparations for our 21st Congress, to be held in Baku in October.

## Two new initiatives by the EFPM: AIPS and the Brighton Declaration



Hinterberger and Daras, Presidents of the EFPM and AIPS.



Ms. Magnusdottir and Ms. Yordanova after the ceremony for the signature of the Brighton Declaration

The European Fair Play Movement is expanding its scope by signing new agreements and acquiring new Associated Members. There were two new initiatives of this kind in Riga.

First, on 9th October (during the Congress), a ceremony took place at which Yannis Daras, the President of AIPS Europe, signed a Memorandum of Understanding with EFPM President Christian Hinterberger. Also present at the ceremony were EFPM General Secretary Ioannis Psilopoulos and Charles Camenzulli, General Secretary of AIPS Europe. Then, at a second ceremony which took place during the EFPM General Assembly on 11th October, EFPM President Christian Hinterberger signed the 'Brighton Declaration on Women and Sport' (published following the 6th IWG World Conference on Women and Sport) on behalf of the EFPM. His signature was witnessed by Ms. Helga Magnusdottir of Iceland, and by Ms. Zdravka Yordanova, the EFPM's Bulgarian delegate.



The Brighton Declaration

### EFPM Newsletter



#### The 20th European Fair Play Congress and General Assembly, Riga, 2014

Christian HINTERBERGER  
President, EFPM

The 20th European Fair Play Congress and General Assembly in Riga, Latvia, was held under the auspices of the European Olympic Committees (EOC) and the International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE). It was a highly significant moment for the European Fair Play Movement for several reasons.

Firstly, our Congress was held for the first time in a European Capital of Culture – in this case, Riga (European Capital of Culture for 2014). Our topic for the Congress reflected this emphasis on the relationship between sport and culture: 'Fair Play Values – Bridging Sport and Culture for a Europe without Discrimination'.

Secondly, we were honoured to have the patronage of Mr. Andris Berzins, President of the Republic of Latvia, and of Mrs. Ineta Radevica, 2010 European Champion in the long

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The 12th issue of our Academic Supplement, which accompanies this edition of 'Play Fair', is once again packed with interesting articles. In this issue, you will find pieces by well-known experts such as Wilfried Lemke, Angelos Psilopoulos, Iro Psilopoulou, Prof. Romana Caput-Jogunica and Lilla Zsafia Adam.



### See you in Baku in 2015!

The EFPM Congress is to be hosted for the second time by Baku, the capital of Azerbaijan – a country which is a rising star in many fields, including sport. The Azerbaijan National Olympic Committee have already begun preparations for our 21st Congress, which is to take place in October 2015, and the first announcement regarding the event will be made at the end of February.



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### The EOC and EFPM work hand in hand

Since it was first established, the EFPM has been working closely with the European Olympic Committees (EOC). In November 2014, a delegation from the EFPM attended the 43rd EOC General Assembly in Baku by special invitation, and discussions on topics of mutual concern took place between EOC President Patrick Hickey and EFPM President Christian Hinterberger.



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### The EFPM Awards for 2014

This year's EFPM Awards were distributed at the Gala Dinner held at the conclusion of the Riga Congress. The EUSA and the other award-winners were applauded by delegates as they received their prizes.



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### First 'Fair Play Spirit' Award goes to Karatay (Turkey)

The 'Fair Play Spirit' Award, newly instituted under the provisions of the revised EFPM award regulations, was presented to the Municipality of Karatay (a district of the city of Konya, Turkey) at an eye-catching ceremony. The Municipality has set up the world's first 'Museum of Fair Play', situated in its Olympic Park.



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## The EFPM's activities during 2014

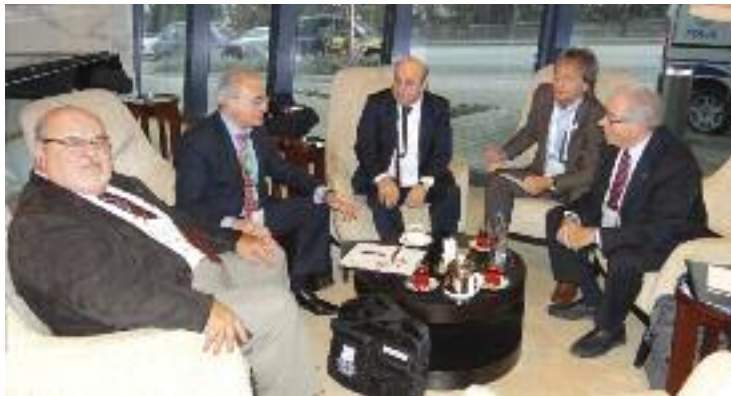


**THE MEETING IN ISTANBUL:** Representatives of the EFPM and the CIFP meet with a team from Azerbaijan at the Kalyon Hotel in Istanbul to discuss preparations for our Congress in 2015. (From left to right): Messrs. Aripinar, Hinterberger and Psilopoulos of the EFPM; Dr. Kamuti (CIFP President); Messrs. Khazar Isayev and Emin Hadjiyev of the Azerbaijan team.

## The EFPM is represented wherever there is interest in Fair Play



**IN RIGA:** The EFPM Executive Committee discuss details of the Riga Congress at a meeting with Ms. Baiba Veisa (Executive Director of the Organising Committee) at the Radisson Blu Daugava Hotel.



**IN BAKU:** Delegates from the EFPM and the team from Azerbaijan hold their first meeting in Baku. The meeting, at which outline plans for the 2015 Congress were discussed, took place at the famous Fairmont Hotel.

- Executive Committee Members give an effective performance
- Number of Associated Members growing yearly

**VIENNA-** Since the 2013 General Assembly, the EFPM's Executive Committee has had one meeting in Vienna and two in Riga. The main topics for discussion were reorganisation and the identification of new partners. Below is a report summarising our activities, prepared by EFPM President Christian Hinterberger for our Congress in Riga.

### Introduction

The aim of this report is to present the main activities of the Executive Committee and to provide a summary of the stage currently reached by the EFPM in terms of our Masterplan directives.

### Condolences

We were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of two highly valued colleagues:

- Prof. Zofia Zukowska (Poland), the long-standing President of the Polish Fair Play Club, an EFPM founding member, a well-known sports teacher and an academic who achieved great things in sports education thanks to her dedication and expertise – but most of all, a good friend for many years; and

- Han van der Veen (The Netherlands), an EFPM founding member who assisted our first President, Frits Wijk, and for several years was responsible for Fair Play initiatives in the Netherlands.

The EFPM community will always remember with gratitude their enthusiasm and their outstanding contributions to the

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**SIGNING THE CONTRACT FOR BAKU:** The EFPM delegation visited Mr. Azad Rahimov (Azerbaijan Minister of Youth and Sports and Chief Executive Officer for the 2015 European Games), and signed the contract for the EFPM's 21st Congress in 2015.



## The EOC Congress

## EFPM attends 43rd European Olympic Committees' Congress

- EFPM and ENGSO attend Congress by special invitation

**BAKU-** Once again, the EFPM was officially invited to participate in an EOC General Assembly – this time, the 43rd General Assembly in Baku, Azerbaijan – a fact which underlines the close relationship that has been established between the EOC and the EFPM. Representing the EFPM were Mr. Christian Hinterberger (our President), Mr. Erdoğan Aripinar (our Vice-President), Mr. Ioannis Psilopoulos (our General Secretary) and Mr. Khazar Isayev (an EFPM Member and the Vice-President of the NOC of Azerbaijan).

The General Assembly took place in the luxurious 'Fairmont Baku' Hotel, which also provided the delegates' accommodation. This hotel is situated in one of the three 'Flame Towers', the symbols of 21st century Baku.

The General Assembly began on Friday 21st November in a hall filled to capacity with the representatives of fifty European Olympic Committees – the NOC of Kosovo being there as an observer – and with the representatives of various sports organisations.



**THE EFPM TEAM AT THE EOC CONGRESS:** Erdoğan Aripinar, Christian Hinterberger and Ioannis Psilopoulos.



**THE EOC AND EFPM PRESIDENTS:** EOC President Patrick Hickey and EFPM President Christian Hinterberger had discussions during the EOC Congress.

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## Azerbaijan completes preparations for 2015 European Games in Baku



**THE SPORTS FACILITIES ARE READY:** Baku's ultra-modern, giant-size facilities for the 2015 European Games are already complete.



Mehriban ALIYEVA



Azad RAHIMOV



Chingiz HUSEYNZADE

**BAKU-** Thanks to a decision by the European Olympic Committees at their 41st General Assembly in Rome in December 2012, the European Games have now been instituted. The honour of hosting the first edition of the Games was given to Baku, the capital of Azerbaijan – a country which is going from strength to strength not only in sport but also in many other areas.

Ever since that time, the Organising Committee have been working hard to prepare for the Games. The Committee is chaired by Mehriban Aliyeva, the wife of Azerbaijan President Ilham Aliyev, and she is ably assisted by Executive Director Azad Rahimov (Azerbaijan's Minister of Youth and Sports) and by Azerbaijan NOC Vice-President Chingiz Huseynzade. The magnificent stadium, the various sports halls and all the other competition venues are already fully prepared to host the Games.

The organisers of the Games, both in Europe and in Azerbaijan itself, have been working round the clock to ensure that everything is ready in time. Azerbaijan's outstanding efforts in this regard were applauded at the recent EOC Congress in Baku.

### A deer and a pomegranate

Azerbaijan's achievements in literature, music and every other branch of the arts are well known. The creation of the elegant mascot and logo for the Games is yet another example of the Azeri people's artistic gifts. The logo features a deer – which figures in many of their songs – and a pomegranate (which symbolises good luck in their culture).

Around 5,000 athletes from 49 countries are to take part in competitions in a total of 19 sports during the European Games, and the athletes' principal aim is to uphold the principles of Fair Play. Meanwhile, the world of sport is looking forward to the Games with keen anticipation!







# PLAY FAIR!

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**Sir Philip CRAVEN**  
(UK)

"The Paralympics Movement Can Change the World"



**Dr. Steve TOWN**  
(UK)

"Enabling Access to Natural and Built Sports Facilities in the Environment for Disabled People"



**Dr. Liene KOZLOVSKA**  
(LAT)

"Match Fixing"



**Nikolay DOLGOPOLOV**  
(RUS)

"The First Fair Play Hero; the Italian Team Mates Exclusively about Eugene Montihort"



**Alvis BRANTS**  
(LAT)

"Bobsleigh and Skeleton for Olympians with Disabilities"



**Khazar ISAYEV**  
(AZE)

"Fair Play in Azerbaijan"



**Iro PSILOPOULOU**  
(GRE)

"Sports Infrastructure and Cultural Heritage; Bridging the Gap via the Fair Play Standards"



**Salhat ABBASOVA**  
(AZE)

"Mega Events as a Tool for Uniting and Development"



**Daiga DADZITE**  
(LAT)

"Fair Play - Bridge Between Sports and Culture"



**Charles CAMENZULLI**  
(ITA)

Secretary General of AIPS Europe



**THE MAIN HALL:** A general view of the EFPM's Congress, held in Latvia's National Library.

## EFPM's 20th Congress held in Riga, 2014 European Capital of Culture

### ● Congress theme 'Fair Play Values – Bridging Sports and Culture for a Europe without Discrimination' discussed by experts

**RIGA-** The 20th European Fair Play Congress and General Assembly took place in Riga, Latvia on 8th-11th October 2014, under the auspices of the European Olympic Committees (EOC) and the International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE). The EFPM family was proud to celebrate its 20th Anniversary in Riga (the European Capital of Culture for 2014), a city with an 800-year history, a modern environment and significant potential for sports development. The venue for the Congress was the 'Castle of Light'.

The theme was 'Fair Play Values – Bridging Sport and Culture for a Europe without Discrimination'. This general topic included four sub-topics, namely:

- Fairness in the environment and the sports infrastructure
- Fair treatment of sportspersons with disabilities
- Fair communication in sport
- Fairness in the sports labour market.

The Congress was held in the recently-opened National Library building, the 'Castle of Light', which will be open to the public for only a couple of months before being closed during preparations for the hosting of the Latvian Presidency of the Council of the European Union in 2015.

The Congress activities began on Wednesday morning with the 52nd EFPM Executive Committee meeting and a visit to the Latvian Sports Academy in Riga, where EFPM President Christian Hinterberger presented the EFPM's 20th Anniversary DVD and General Secretary Ioannis Psiolopoulos gave a talk entitled 'The EFPM and some

speculations on critical matters in today's society'. Both presentations were very well received. In the evening, the Congress organisers invited participants to attend an Opening Reception at which welcoming speeches were made by the organisers, the President of the Latvian NOC, a representative of the Latvian Parlia-



**The flags of the participating countries in the conference hall for the Congress.**



**AT THE CONGRESS:** British expert Steve Town at the rostrum, with EFPM Vice President Erdoğan Arpınar presiding over the sitting.



**THE EFPM ROSETTE:** EFPM President Christian Hinterberger pins the EFPM rosette on Latvian President Andris Berzins.



**THE TWO PRESIDENTS:** Latvian President Andris Berzins follows the Congress with EFPM President Christian Hinterberger.

## Turkish NOC's Fair Play Cartoon Exhibition draws praise from Congress participants

**RIGA-** For the last ten years, the National Olympic Committee of Turkey has been organising an annual International Fair Play Cartoon Competition. The exhibition mounted by the Turkish NOC in the main hall for the 20th Congress featured the best entries from previous competitions as well as from the most recent one. At the request of the Latvian President, the exhibition remained open for an extra week after the Congress, and was much appreciated by everyone. A brochure (in both Latvian and English) was distributed at the exhibition, and it contained some meaningful messages.

### The exhibition brochure

The brochure on the exhibition con-



**3rd award, Andrzej Pacult (USA)**



**2nd award, Cemalettin Güzeloğlu (Turkey)**



**1st award, Musa Gümüş (Turkey)**

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**Aldons  
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Latvian NOC



**Birgitta  
KERVINEN**  
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**Katarina  
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**Helga  
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EHF Executive  
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**Eitan BARAK**  
The Chairman  
of the  
Auditors  
EFPM Board



**Georges  
DIDERICH**  
Honorary  
Member,  
EFPM

*A view of the EFPM's 20th General Assembly.*



## Goals for the future set at EFPM's 20th General Assembly

### ● Brighton Declaration signed at General Assembly

**RIGA-** The 20th General Assembly of the European Fair Play Movement, held at the Radisson Blu Daugava Hotel in Riga, Latvia on October 11th, 2014

#### 1. Welcome and Approval of the Agenda

1.1. The quorum was confirmed with twenty (20) EFPM Members present (equal to a 60% attendance) and the General Assembly was opened in accordance with the requirements of the Statutes.

1.2. The President of the European Fair Play Movement, Christian Hinterberger, welcomed the Members and the special guests invited by the organisers, and presented the proposed Agenda to the General Assembly.

1.3. The EFPM Members present approved the proposed Agenda.

#### 2. Homage to Prof. Zofia Zukowska

President Hinterberger informed the General Assembly of the passing of EFPM Founding Member Prof. Dr. Zofia Zukowska; he described the excellent work done during her term of service, and the General Assembly observed one minute's silence in her memory.

#### 3. Greetings from European Sports Organisations and Institutions

The following distinguished persons addressed warm welcomes to the EFPM Members, expressing their pleasure and the sense of honour they felt at being present at the General Assembly and describing the relationships between their respective organisations and the EFPM.

- Mr. Aldons Vrublevskis, President of the Latvian NOC, on behalf of EOC President Mr. Patrick Hickey
- Dr. Liene Kozlovskas, on behalf of the European Council / EPAS
- Ms. Birgitta Kervinen, on behalf of ENGSO
- Mr. Harald Bauer, on behalf of CSIT

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*The EFPM Executive Committee at the General Assembly.*



**HONOURED GUESTS AT THE EFPM's 20th GENERAL ASSEMBLY:** (from left to right) CSIT President Harald Bauer, ENGSO President Birgitta Kervinen, Helga Magnúsdóttir (representing the EHF – the European Handball Federation), Abdennebi Amhand (representing the ETU – the European Taekwondo Union).



*Latvian NOC President Vrublevskis' portrait on a copper plate – a surprise present from Azerbaijan.*

**The Declaration of the 20th European Fair Play Congress (Riga, 2014) will be found on page 17**



*EFPM President Christian Hinterberger presents a commemorative shield to Aldons Vrublevskis, President of the Latvian Olympic Committee.*



*Ms. Magnúsdóttir presents Christian Hinterberger with a piece of volcanic lava from Iceland.*



**A PRESENT TO THE EFPM FROM ISRAEL:** Eytan Barak, Chairman of the EFPM's Board of Auditors, presents Christian Hinterberger with a valuable gift of historic interest.



*CSIT President Harald Bauer presents the EFPM with his organisation's crystal shield.*





**A PLAQUE OF MERIT FOR EUSA:** Christian Hinterberger and Wilfried Lemke present the EFP Plaque of Merit and Diploma to EUSA President Adam Roczek and General Secretary Matjaz Pecovnik.



**THE FIRST 'SPIRIT' AWARD:** EFPM President Hinterberger holds the very first EFPM 'Spirit of Fair Play' Award.



**THE MAYOR:** Mehmet Hançerli, Mayor of Karatay (Konya) and winner of the first EFPM 'Spirit of Fair Play' Award.



**THE AUSTRIAN 'PLAY FAIR CODE':** Christian Hinterberger and Wilfried Lemke present the EFP Diploma to Günter Kaltenbrunner and Severin Moritzer (President and Director of the Austrian association 'A Play Fair Code – For Integrity in Sports').

## Applause for the winners of the EOC-EFPM Awards

- First 'Spirit' Award goes to the Municipality of Karatay (Konya, Turkey) for their 'Museum of Fair Play'
- Award ceremonies also held in Riga and at European Athletics Junior Championships

**VIENNA-** Our Awards Jury, presided over by EFPM Vice President Miroslav Cerar, has chosen the winners of the 2014 edition of the annual EFPM Awards. Meanwhile, the EFPM Executive Committee has approved the revised regulation for the EOC-EFPM Awards, which has been prepared by Katarina Raczova. According to the new format, there will be three kinds of award:

- ♦ The 'Fair Play Flame' Award
- ♦ The 'Spirit of Fair Play' Award
- ♦ The 'Fair Play Vox' Award

### First Award goes to Museum of Fair Play

The Executive Committee decided to give the first 'Spirit of Fair Play' Award to the Municipality of Karatay (a district in the city of Konya, Turkey), who have set up the world's first Museum of Fair Play in their magnificent Olympic Park.

A delegation consisting of EFPM President Christian Hinterberger, General Secretary Ioannis Psilopoulos, Treasurer Katarina Raczova, Vice President Erdoğan Arıpinar, Chairman of the Turkish NOC Fair Play Committee Murat Özbay and NOCT Fair Play Committee member Semra Demirel visited Konya to present the award to Mehmet Hançerli, the Mayor of the Karatay district. After visiting the Provincial Governor of Konya and



### THE FIRST MUSEUM OF FAIR PLAY:

Representatives of the EFPM and the Municipality of Karatay (Konya) in front of the Fair Play Monument in the Olympic Park, where the world's first Museum of Fair Play is situated.

the Lord Mayor of the city, the delegation presented the 'Spirit of Fair Play' Award to Mr. Hançerli at a congress centre decked out with EFPM flags. The ceremony was attended by local sportspeople and other figures in the world of sport who had previously received Turkish Fair Play Awards. During the EFPM delegation's trip to Konya, they also visited the museum of 13th-century mystical poet and Sufi thinker Jelaleddin Rumi – the 'Mevlana'.

### A ceremony at the Gala Dinner in Riga

Two European Fair Play Awards were presented in Riga – at the Gala Dinner held after the 20th Congress to commemorate the EFPM's 20th Anniversary. Firstly, a European Fair Play Plaque of Merit and Diploma was given to EUSA (European University Sports Association) President Adam Roczek and General Secretary Matjaz Pecovnik. Following this, a European Fair Play Diploma was presented to Günter Kaltenbrunner and Severin Moritzer, who are respectively President and Director of 'A Play Fair Code – For Integrity In Sports', an Austrian association which aims to combat match-fixing, bet manipulation and fraud in sport. The award ceremony was attended by Wilfried Lemke (United Nations Secretary-General's Special Adviser on Sport for Development and Peace).

Two further EFPM Awards were presented during the European Athletics Junior Championships: Tomas Slovak (Slovakia) was given an EFPM Plaque of Merit and Diploma, while Vit Auermüller and Anthonin Belik of the Czech Republic received an EFPM Diploma.

## Regulations for the European Fair Play Awards

The European Fair Play Awards have been established by the European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) with the aim of publicising and promoting the principles of Fair Play in Europe, and are made in recognition of services rendered by recipients over an undefined period – excluding the year in which the EFPM Executive Committee makes and presents the relevant Awards.

### 1. European Fair Play Awards, made under the patronage of the European Olympic Committees

#### Eligibility

These Awards will be given annually in the following two categories:

#### 1.1 The European Fair Play Plaque of Merit and Diploma, which is to be awarded to:

- A national Fair Play organisation, or a sports organisation at an educational institution, for the contribution this organisation has made to the dissemination of the values and principles of Fair Play and tolerance, and/or the support this organisation has given to appropriate initiatives for the preservation and dissemination of ethical values in sport;

- An individual, either: for her/his personal contribution to, and/or services rendered to,
  - the implementation of ethical values in sport;
  - the development of a national Fair Play organisation;
  - the education of young people or athletes in

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## Co-operation between the EFPM and CIFP



**THE TWO PRESIDENTS:** EFPM President Christian Hinterberger and CIFP President Dr. Jenő Kamuti in front of the CIFP banner.

**VIENNA and BUDAPEST-** Following the signature of a co-operation agreement between the CIFP and the EFPM – the world's only official Fair Play organisations – they have begun to take part in a larger number of joint projects. EFPM President Christian Hinterberger went to Budapest to attend the first meeting for 2014 of the CIFP Council. During this event, he met a number of CIFP Council members, briefed them on the activities and goals of the EFPM and emphasised the EFPM's readiness to co-operate with the CIFP. Accompanying him on this trip were EFPM Vice Presidents Miroslav Cerar of Slovenia and Erdoğan Arıpinar of Turkey, both of whom are also long-term active members of the CIFP Council. At the conclusion of the CIFP Council meeting, Christian Hinterberger congratulated newly-elected CIFP officials Maurizio Monego (Vice President), Sunil Sabharwal (General Secretary) and Bert Van de Flier (Treasurer).

### Co-ordinated Congresses

A second initiative by the EFPM was the decision on the part of the CIFP and the EFPM to hold their Congresses and award ceremonies in the same city at the same time: as a result of joint discussions first in Istanbul and then in Vienna, both organisations are to hold their Congresses in Baku at the conclusion of the European Games in 2015.



**AT THE COUNCIL:** Christian Hinterberger describes the work of the EFPM at the CIFP Council meeting in Budapest.

**THE NEW CIFP BOARD:** General Secretary Sunil Sabharwal, President Dr. Jenő Kamuti, Treasurer Bert Van de Flier and Vice President Maurizio Monego.





**THE CEREMONY IN POLAND:** A group photo of winners of Poland's Fair Play Awards.

### Poland's Olympic Committee, Fair Play Club and Olympic Academy

## Co-operation for Fair Play in Poland

**WARSAW-** The Polish Olympic Committee's Fair Play Club, which works in close co-operation with the Polish Olympic Academy and Olympic Education Centre, has a long tradition of promoting Olympic values in sport, with special emphasis on Fair Play. Our main activities in 2014 were as follows:

Firstly, our National Fair Play Competition was organised for the 47th time in 2013. The Gala Award Ceremony was held in Warsaw on 29th April 2014. After a welcoming address by POC spokesman Henryk Urbas, speeches were given by POC Secretary-General Adam Krzesinski and by Prof. Halina Zdebska, Chairwoman of the POC Fair Play Club. At the ceremony, a Diploma for an Action carried out in the Spirit of Fair Play was awarded to Robert Pasternak. Diplomas for a Lifetime Career in Sport and for Conduct after Retirement from Sport were presented to the following five people: Barbara Kurkowiak-Grocholska, Lucjan Brychczy, Prof. Zbigniew Czajkowski, Wladyslaw Zielinski and Dr. Kazimierz Zimny. In addition, Diplomas



**Magdalena REJF**

for the Promotion of Fair Play Values were given to Janusz Bukowski, Dr. hab. Eligiusz Madejski and Dr. Krzysztof Piech.

The Award Ceremony was followed by a social event attended by the award-winners and their families as well as by athletes, representatives of our sports federations, POC Executive Board members and press, radio and television journalists.

Secondly, in June 2014 we organised a Fair Play stand at the 15th 'Sport For All' Festival – a family event involving 20,000 participants, both young and old. Our stand offered a wide range of activities and information; in addition to distributing Fair Play publications, posters and gadgets, we also had a fitness exercise workshop, a ball tricks workshop, 'Vienna System' computer tests, a 'Batac Lite' presentation, a first aid workshop, a Fair Play catchphrase contest and a 'Kindergarten Academy' featuring musical games and plays for young children. In connection with this event, we would like to thank the staff of the Lodz University Faculty of Physical Education Sciences and the staff and students of the Physical Education and Sport Faculty of the Physical Education Academy in Biala Podlaska for their help.

Thirdly, at the ceremony for the distri-

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**CSIT President Harald Bauer giving his speech.**

## EFPM represented at CSIT Congress in Lignano

**LIGNANO-** In my capacity as Vice President of the EFPM, I attended the annual Congress of the CSIT (the International Confederation of Workers and Amateurs in Sport), held in Lignano, Italy between 16th and 19th October 2014, as a special guest. I went to Lignano at the invitation of Mr. Harald Bauer, President of the CSIT – which is an Associated Member of the EFPM. The Congress was attended by 132 delegates from 22 countries: Italy, Is-

rael, Switzerland, China, Tunisia, the Netherlands, Russia, the United States, Portugal, Belgium, India, Bulgaria, Estonia, France, Denmark, Finland, Austria, Iran, Rwanda, Romania, Mongolia and Mexico. (By the way, the Federation of Trade Unions in Slovenia – my own country – is not a member of the CSIT.) I was one of the introductory keynote speakers on the first day of the Congress.



**Miroslav CERAR**

**597 National Awards from 1991 to 2013**  
**29 International Awards from 1992 to 2013**



## Russian athletes win record-breaking number of Fair Play Awards

**MOSCOW-** We would like to begin by giving a little information on the history of Fair Play in our country, for the benefit of newcomers to the EFPM. The Russian Fair Play movement started at the beginning of the 1990s on the initiative of the late Prof. Vladimir Rodichenko, Vice-President of the Russian NOC, who was Chairman of the Russian Fair Play Committee from 1992 up to the time of his death in 2013. Since October 2013, our Chairman has been Nikolai Dolgoplov – a journalist and writer who is Deputy Editor-in-Chief of the CIPF and AIPS, and who has been awarded Diplomas by the CIPF and EFPM. Our Secretary-General, Alexander Kontanistov, is also Head of the Russian NOC's Department of Olympic Education.

The Russian Fair Play Awards were presented for the 23rd time in 2013. Recipients included athletes, coaches, teachers, organisers of sporting events, referees, sports schools and other educational institutions, and regional sports commit-

tees. Between 1991 and 2013, our Fair Play Committee distributed a total of 597 awards and diplomas.

In July 2014, the city of Kazan (capital of the Republic of Tatarstan, Russian Federation) successfully organised the CIPF's World Fair Play Congress. Kazan had previously hosted the World University Summer Games in 2013, and it was on that occasion that the CIPF was invited to hold its Congress in the city. Special World Fair Play Trophies for 2013 were presented to Mintimer Shaimiev (the first President of the Republic of Tatarstan) and to Alisher Usmanov (President of the International Fencing Federation).

Receiving his award from CIPF President Dr. Jenö Kamuti, Mr. Shaimiev said: "I have been wondering for many days why this high award has been given to me. The most probable reason is the successful completion of my marathon in power. They say that power



**Nikolai DOLGOPOLOV**

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### CARRYING ON PROF. RODICHENKO'S GOOD WORK:

Russian Fair Play Committee Chairman Nikolai Dolgoplov and General Secretary Alexander Kontanistov have taken over the work of the late, great Prof. Dr. Vladimir Rodichenko.



**THE MAGNIFICENT  
CEREMONY IN KAZAN:**  
EFPM Vice President Miroslav Cerar speaking at the CIPF's magnificent Award Ceremony in Kazan.



## CIPF holds magnificent Award Ceremony in Kazan

**KAZAN-** In July 2014, the city of Kazan in the Republic of Tatarstan (Russian Federation) hosted an international CIPF Congress entitled 'Fair Play – Honour and Achievements in Sport'. During the Congress, the ceremony for the presentation of the World Fair Play Awards for the year 2013 also took place.

Miroslav Cerar had the honour of representing the EFPM on behalf of Christian Hinterberger, the organisation's President. Mr. Cerar gave a presentation entitled 'The European Fair Play Movement and Sports Values'. In his 10-minute address, he presented the activities of the EFPM to an audience of over 200 Congress participants. The presenter, Nikolai Dolgoplov of Russia, introduced Mr. Cerar as the winner of many Olympic medals (including two golds), and as a great advocate of tolerance and Fair Play in sport – following which Mr. Cerar was warmly applauded.

The Congress, which was organised by the Russian Olympic Committee, the Ministry of Sport of the Russian Federation and the Government of the Republic of Tatarstan, had many distinguished guests, including Alexander Zhukov (President of the Russian Olympic Committee). Speakers included Dr. Jenö Kamuti, President of the International Fair Play Committee, plus notable representatives of the Russian Ministry of Sport and the Republic of Tatarstan, as well as renowned international experts from various institutions. The Congress was visited by a large number of students as the city of Kazan has six universities.

The ceremony for the distribution of the World Fair Play Awards took place on 19th July. The awards are presented each year by the International Fair Play Committee (CIPF), of which Miroslav Cerar is a Member.





**THE TURKISH NOC'S FAIR PLAY ROADSHOW:** World champion wrestlers Ahmet Ayık and Taha Akgül with lecturers at Ankara University.

A record in Fair Play promotion

## Turkey's Fair Play Roadshow reaches 200,000 students at 7 universities

**ISTANBUL-** The Turkish NOC Fair Play Committee's Awards for 2013 were distributed at a ceremony at Olympic House, Istanbul on 13th May 2014.

In addition to the Turkish NOC Fair Play Awards received by 23 individuals and organisations in the 'Act of Fair Play', 'Career' and 'Promotion' categories, CIPF Fair Play Awards for 2013 were presented to the Yıldırımspor Under-15 Football Team and to Doğan Şahin, the first Turkish swimmer to swim across the English Channel. The CIPF Awards were handed over by CIPF President Dr. Jenö Kamuti and CIPF Council Member Erdoğan Arıpınar.

### The Fair Play Slogan

From now on, Turkey's Fair Play Slogan is to be 'For a better, fairer, finer world'.

### The Fair Play Roadshow

During 2014, the Turkish NOC Fair Play Committee prepared and carried out a new and exciting project with the aim of educating future sports trainers and Physical Education teachers in the subject of Fair Play.

The 'Fair Play Roadshow' visited seven universities: Trakya ('Thrace') University in Edirne, Harran University in Şanlıurfa, Akdeniz ('Mediterranean') University in Antalya, Fırat ('Euphrates') University in Elazığ, 19 Mayıs ('19th May') University in Samsun, Selçuk ('Seljuk') University in Konya and Ankara University in Ankara.

In getting ready for the Roadshow, the first step was to make a panel on which the emblems of these universities plus those of the sponsors were displayed. Next, a parcel for each university containing books on Fair Play produced in Turkey and Fair Play badges was prepared. After that, 50 cartoons from our International Fair Play Cartoon Competition were selected and made ready for display. Lastly, our materials were completed with brochures on Fair Play.

A gift for the Rector of each university was also prepared; whenever the Roadshow arrived at a university, the Fair Play delega-

tion first visited the Rector and presented him with this gift. Afterwards, a press conference with local newspapers and TV channels was held and the aim of the Roadshow was explained.

At each university visited, an exhibition was mounted: this consisted of Fair Play cartoons plus stands prepared by our sponsors. A large number of students came to see each exhibition, and everyone came away much better informed about Fair Play. Finally, a talk on Fair Play was given in one of the university's lecture theatres. These talks were attended by Olympic and world champion sportspersons from Turkey and by Turkish winners of EFPM, CIPF and National Fair Play Awards, as well as (of course) by the Roadshow's crew members – Erdoğan Arıpınar, Murat Özbay, Bilge Donuk, Semra Demirer, Teoman Güray, Avni Erboy, Haldun Domaç, Kahraman Bapçum and Sevim Güllü. The talks focussed on explaining what Fair Play is by means of examples, and also briefed the audience on the EFPM and the CIPF. The e-mail addresses of these two organisations were given out, and copies of 'Play Fair' magazine were distributed.

The 'Fair Play Roadshow' reached a total of 200,000 students at seven universities. Each visit received extensive coverage in the local media, and news of the event appeared in national newspapers and on national TV networks, as well as on the internet.



**Students at the Faculty of Physical Education at Ankara University listen to a talk on Fair Play.**

## Prof. Dr. Uğur Erdener elected to IOC Executive Board

**SOCHI-** Prof. Dr. Uğur Erdener, President of the National Olympic Committee of Turkey (NOCT), has been elected to membership of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) Executive Board. Erdener received 51 votes, finishing ahead of Dick Pound (who received 42 votes) in the ballot for membership of the Executive Board during the General Assembly in Sochi, conducted under the chairmanship of IOC President Thomas Bach. Prof. Erdener, who has



been an IOC Member since 2008, has thus become the first Turkish sportsperson to occupy a seat on the IOC Executive Board.

Prof. Dr. Uğur Erdener, who was President of the Turkish Archery Federation from 1983 to 2008, has been serving as President of the World Archery Federation since 2005 and is also a member of the WADA (World Anti-Doping Agency) Executive Committee. Since 2011, he has been President of the Turkish National Olympic Committee.



**A FAIR PLAY STATUETTE:** Erdoğan Arıpınar and Murat Özbay present a Fair Play statuette to Prof. Dr. Bünyamin Şahin, Acting Rector of '19 Mayıs' University in Samsun. Also seen in this photograph is Prof. Dr. Osman İmamoglu, the Dean.



**Members of the Fair Play Roadshow during a panel discussion at 'Fırat' University in Elazığ.**



**IN EDİRNE:** Members of the Fair Play Roadshow with Asst. Prof. Dr. İlhan Toköz, Director of the Higher School of Physical Education at Trakya University, in front of the Roadshow's exhibition panel.



**PRESS CONFERENCES:** At every university it visited, the Fair Play Roadshow held a press conference for local newspapers and TV channels. This photograph shows the one in Edirne.



**Students at '19 Mayıs' University in Samsun with members of the Fair Play Roadshow.**



**THE CARTOON EXHIBITION:** An exhibition of Fair Play cartoons was mounted at each of the seven universities visited.



**The Fair Play Roadshow's exhibition panel.**



Croatia working hard for Fair Play

## 14,700 children from 33 kindergartens



One of our Fair Play activities.

**ZAGREB-** The Croatian Fair Play Committee (CFPC) comprises 11 representatives of the Croatian Olympic Committee (athletes, coaches, Council members and other sports officials) and 4 representatives of the Croatian Sports Journalists' Association. Our recent activities have been the following:



Biserka VRBEK

1) Since 2002, the Croatian Olympic Committee (COC) has been organising a 'Kindergarten Olympic Festival' which brings together thousands of pre-school children, all wearing T-shirts bearing the inscription FAIR PLAY. The aim is to encourage children to take up sport, develop the culture of sport, develop children's creativity and initiative, encourage cooperation and encourage respect for the fundamental values of Olympism. 14,700 children from 399 kindergartens throughout Croatia took part in the 13th Festival. They played indoor football, ran a 50-metre race, competed in a 4 X 25-metre relay, threw small balls and took part in a long jump competition.

2) During activities organised to mark Olympic Day and Croatian Olympic Day,

participants wore T-shirts featuring a FAIR PLAY logo, thus giving a clear message about the values espoused by athletes both in sport and in everyday life. Celebrations for this year's Croatian Olympic Day (to be held on 10th September 2014) will have the aim of encouraging children and young people to take an active part in sport, and of promoting Olympic values.

3) Every year, the COC organises a ceremony entitled 'A Great Day for Croatian Sport' at which the country's best athletes and coaches for the year are honoured and a Fair Play Award is presented. The Award for 2013 was presented to Hana Dragojevic, a nine-year-old girl. In July 2014, Hana was also presented with the Fair Play Trophy for Youth by the CIPF – an award made under the auspices of the President of the IOC. At a sailing regatta for cadets held on 7th April 2013, Hana saved Marko Smolic, a boy whose boat had capsized, leaving him entangled in the lines and unable to free himself. Hana was among the leading contestants, but when she heard Marko's cries of distress she changed course, approached his boat and jumped into the sea. She righted the

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**SUPPORT FROM THE OLYMPIC COMMITTEE:** The Fair Play movement in Azerbaijan receives a great deal of support from President Aliyev and from the country's National Olympic Committee. NOC Vice-President Chingiz Huseynzade is seen here speaking at a Fair Play ceremony.

## Azerbaijan expects to see Fair Play honoured at European Games

**BAKU-** The Azerbaijan Fair Play Commission was founded under the auspices of Azerbaijan's National Olympic Committee in 1998. The main goal of the Commission was defined as 'to work for the widespread adoption of the principles of Fair Play', and the projects it undertakes are supported by the National Olympic Committee.

The Commission works in harmony with various sports federations, with educational bodies, with governmental and non-governmental organisations and with the media, with the aim of encouraging people to act fairly in sport, in education and in everyday life.

Athletes, trainers, referees and officials who have consistently observed the principles of Fair Play can have their names put forward for Fair Play Awards, which are given by the Commission on an annual basis. Erdoğan Arıpinar, Vice President of the European Fair Play Movement, attended the ceremony for the distribution of our Fair Play Awards for the year 2013, held at the headquarters of our National Olympic Committee in December 2013, as guest of honour.

During January 2014, Fair Play

Awards were distributed during the international 'Mushfig Isaev' freestyle wrestling tournament. Then, in June, July, August and September, with the support of the Azerbaijan State Customs Board, special awards for adherence to the principles of fairness were given to those participating in the national backgammon championships, as well as to athletes, trainers and judges taking part in open championships in the sports of futsal (a version of indoor football), sanshu (a Chinese martial art), ichigeki (a Japanese martial art) and taekwondo, held to commemorate the 15th anniversary of the foundation of our Sport Health Centre.

The Fair Play Commission's plans for the future centre on widening the scope of its activities by securing the co-operation of both governmental and non-governmental organisations.

Special mention should be made of the support given to Olympic values and the principles of Fair Play, as well as to the development of sport in our country, by President İlham Aliyev, who is also President of our National Olympic Committee. Newly-built sports facilities

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## Slovenia hosts EUSA Convention

**LJUBLJANA-** The 2014 EUSA Convention was held in Ljubljana, Slovenia between 13th and 16th November. Over 70 participants – consisting of organisers of the 2015 European Universities Championships, organisers of the 2014 and 2016 European Universities Games, members of the Technical and Medical Commissions, EUSA Office personnel and invited guests – were greeted by Prof. Dr. Ivan Svetlik (Rector of the University of Ljubljana) and EUSA President Adam Roczek. After the general presentations and welcoming speeches, participants were able to view the EUSA exhibition, a travelling exhibition on university sport. This exhibition, supported by FISU, illustrates the history of EUSA and of university sport in Europe. The importance of the European Uni-



Miroslav Cerar on the rostrum.

versities Games and the support of the European Union (by means of the Erasmus+ Programme) were highlighted in presentations by the Organising Committees for the 2014 EUSA Games in Rotterdam and for the 2016 EUSA Games in Zagreb and Rijeka.

The EUSA Convention continued on November 15th with a full-day agenda. Proceedings began with a welcoming address by Mr. Adam Roczek, President of EUSA, followed by a presentation from guest speaker Mr. Miroslav Cerar, Vice President of the European Fair Play Movement (EFPM). Mr. Cerar stressed the importance of Fair Play and non-discrimination, and congratulated EUSA once again on having received the European Fair Play Plaque of Merit and Diploma in 2014.

In addition to the plenary presentations that followed, event organisers also held individual workshops and consultations on their respective events (with the assistance of EUSA staff) at which they met with Technical Delegates in their various sports. This was a very important part of the programme as it enabled event organisers to present their progress reports and plans in more detail, and also provided an opportunity for them to address potential challenges and find solutions with the help of EUSA experts.



Mr. Stephen Baddeley, member of the BUCS (British Universities and Colleges Sport) Advisory Group, Mr. Miroslav Cerar, Vice President of the European Fair Play Movement, and Mr. Alberto Gualtieri, EUSA Honorary President.

## Miroslav Cerar attends EUSA General Assembly

**DENİZLİ (TURKEY)-** On behalf of the EFPM and at the invitation of EUSA, Mr. Miroslav Cerar attended the 2014 EUSA General Assembly in Denizli (Turkey) on 3rd-6th April 2014. At the conclusion of the Assembly, which was attended by over 150 participants from European countries as well as by representatives from Asia, Africa and the Americas, it is traditional for a Fair Play Award to be made.

On behalf of the EFPM, Mr. Cerar presented the Enno Harms Fair Play Award to Irishman Cormac Sharvin, a golfer representing Stirling University (Scotland, United Kingdom).



# Welcome to the EFPM's 21st Congress in Baku!



Ilham ALIYEV



Azad RAHIMOV



Chingiz HUSEYNZADE



Khazar ISAYEV



Salhat ABBASOVA



Ilham MADATOV

## Baku to host EFPM Congress for second time

- Theme of Azerbaijan Congress to be 'Fair Play in Competitive Sport – Making it Real, or Just an Ideal?'
- In 2015 Azerbaijan, a rising star in world sport, is to organise the EFPM and CIPF Congresses as well as the European Games.

**BAKU Azerbaijan** – a country that is now making a name for itself from the economic and industrial points of view as well as in sport – is to be the venue for the EFP and CIPF Congresses and Awards Ceremonies in October 2015, a few months after their hosting of the first European Games. Previously, Baku won praise for the successful hosting of the EFPM Congress in 2009.

### Support from President Aliyev

The decision to hold the Congress in Baku was made following assurances of support from Azerbaijan President Ilham Aliyev, who is also President of the country's NOC, and with the endorsement of Azad Rahimov, Azeri Minister of Youth and Sports. The Organising Committee for the EFPM Congress is to consist of NOC Vice-President Chingiz Huseynzade, Fair Play Committee Chairman Khazar Isayev and Fair Play Committee Secretary Salhat Abbasova, plus Ilham Madatov (Head of the International Relations Department at the Ministry of Youth and Sports), who is an experienced planner.

### Preparatory meetings

At the first preparatory meeting for the 2015 Baku Congress, held in Istanbul, Khazar Isayev and Emin Hadjiyev (representing the Azerbaijan team) met with Christian Hinterberger, Ioannis Psilopoulos and Erdoğan Arıpinar (representing the EFPM) and CIPF President Dr. Jenö Kamuti. An outline plan for the Baku Congress was agreed on. Representatives of the EFPM then met Minister of Youth and Sports Azad Rahimov and other members of the Azerbaijan team at a second meeting, held during the EOC General Assembly in Baku. Following this, a third meeting was held in Vienna during January 2015 to finalise details.

### Accommodation now ready

The Azerbaijan team have decided on the hotel which is to be the venue for the Congress, and at which delegates are to stay. A large number of modern hotels have been built in Baku during the last three years, and the Congress is to be held in one of these.

### The first announcement

The first announcement, which will include the most important details regarding the Congress (dates, topics, committees, venues, accommodation facilities with costs, travel details, registration forms, etc.) will be made by the end of February 2015, while the second announcement (which is to include final decisions and details of the programme) will be made by the end of June 2015.



**THE FIRST MEETING:** The first preparatory meeting for the EFPM and CIPF Congresses, to be held in Baku in 2015, took place at the Kalyon Hotel in Istanbul. The flags are those of Turkey, Azerbaijan, the EFPM and the CIPF.



**SUPERB FACILITIES:** Azerbaijan has prepared superb, modern facilities for the first European Games, to be held in Baku.





## Alcanterini represents the EFPM at international events

ROME- On 22nd-25th October 2014, the Italian capital hosted a 'Sport for All' event entitled the 'Move Congress', organised jointly by the UISP (Unione Italiana Sport Per Tutti) and the ISCA (International Sport and Culture Association), an Associated Member of the EFPM.



Ruggiero **ALCANTERINI**

Representatives from 50 countries, plus over 300 people from universities, NGOs, local bodies and various other institutions, had discussions on the theme 'Open city, active city'. The importance of this topic was underlined by ISCA President Mogens Kirkeby: "We must try to discover how cities could be made more liveable. Cities today are very crowded, and more and more people are moving to them. We need to find solutions to the problems of how to share urban spaces, and how to use them in a more flexible way. We have to listen to the human body, to understand how streets and squares can be made more welcoming and less stressful." The EFPM was represented at this event by Ruggiero Alcanterini, President of the CNIFP (Italian National Committee for Fair Play) and a member of the EFPM Executive Committee.



### THE PRESENTATION OF THE GERMAN FAIR PLAY AWARDS FOR 2014 IN DRESDEN:

(from left to right)

Alfons Hörmann, President of the German Olympic Sports Confederation; Erich Laaser, President of the German Union of Sports Journalists; Martin Rietsch, musician and recipient of the Special Award; Cihan İnal, Captain of the Türkspor Mosbach football team; Cengiz Çelik, the club's Chairman; Rosi Mittermaier-Neureuther, Olympic Skiing Champion and Fair Play Ambassador; Dr. Thomas de Maizière, Federal Minister of the Interior and Sport; Ulrich Franzen, President of the Federal State of Saxonia Sports Confederation.



## Victories for Fair Play and Civic Engagement: German Sport's 2014 Fair Play Awards go to Türkspor Mosbach 1993 e.V. and Martin Rietsch

DRESDEN- This year's Fair Play Awards of German Sport went to the Türkspor Mosbach 1993 e.V. Football Club and to rap musician Martin Rietsch. The Awards were presented at a reception held at Dresden's Museum of Hygiene on 5th December 2014, on the occasion of the General Assembly of the German Olympic Sports Confederation (DOSB).

### The three sponsors of the Awards had this to say about the recipients:

"Everyone talks about Fair Play, but very few actually live up to its ideals the way this year's award-winners have, especially when this is done under unfavourable conditions and to their own disadvantage," said Federal Minister of the Interior and Sport Thomas de Maizière. "The people receiving these Awards are at the same

time representative of all those who work in very different ways to ensure good sportsmanship, and who thus deserve our recognition and respect."

DOSB President Alfons Hörmann called Türkspor Mosbach and Martin Rietsch 'shining lights' who set a good example for sport and society as a whole. "They are role models for many and have truly earned the Fair Play Awards of German Sport," Hörmann said.

Erich Laaser, President of the Association of German Sports Journalists (VDS), noted that sport was often viewed as entertainment and as a distraction from everyday life. "But sport is more than this," he said, "and Fair Play in sport sets an example for society –

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## Fair Play in the Czech Republic focuses on education

PRAGUE- The activities of the Czech Fair Play Club focus on the following areas: education, the making of awards and the promotion of Fair Play in the media.

### Education

For several years we have been cooperating with the Association of School Sports Clubs, which organises school sports competitions throughout the country. In the current school year, we have focussed on volleyball, athletics (including cross country runs and track and field tetrathlon) and dodgeball. Also, since our foundation we have been participating annually in an indoor football youth tournament, an international handball youth tournament, an international football tournament and an international floorball youth tournament.

We cooperate closely with other constituent bodies of the Czech Olympic Committee, and in all our activities we try to introduce a component of education in fair and honest behaviour. Joint activities of this kind have taken place with the Czech Club

of Olympic Participants and the Czech Olympic Organisation (involving the holding of a seminar entitled 'The History of Fair Play in the Olympic Movement'). Other activities have been the creation of a Code of Ethics for the Union of Professional Trainers, participation in Olympic Day celebrations in various regions, the production of educational materials on the history of the Olympic Games, and the creation of 'The Ten Commandments of Fair Play'. We also take part in the nationwide Youth Games, held under the auspices of the Czech Olympic Committee. This year, a winter edition of the Games was held at which a Fair Play Award was presented; the President of the Czech Fair Play Club took part in the award ceremony.

At the time of the Olympic Games in Sochi, an Olympic Park was built in Prague. The Fair Play Club was involved thanks to a newly-formed partnership with the popular children's magazine 'Ctyrlístek'

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## Hungary's twin goals: Fair Play in Sport, Fair Play in Society



BUDAPEST- During 2013 and 2014, the ideals of Fair Play were promoted in our country jointly by the Hungarian Fair Play Committee and the Olympic Academy. The Hungarian Olympic Academy organised five seminars, all of which featured a presentation in which anecdotes involving examples of Fair Play and the circumstances surrounding them were described.

Secondly, we organised an all-year-round competition involving universities throughout the country. The finals of this competition were broadcast live on Hungarian Television (MTV).



Jenő **KAMUTI**

Thirdly, we launched a photographic contest, inviting digital entries in two categories: Fair Play in Sports and Fair Play in Society. Our Fair Play Award Ceremony for 2013, held in Budapest, was a very special occasion. For the first time, we tried to combine sport with the arts, and in this we were successful. We believe that there is an important Fair Play component not only in sports, but also in the arts; these two support and mutually reinforce each other. On this occasion, apart from the four sports categories – actions carried out in accordance with the principles of Fair Play, a life lived in the spirit of Fair Play, promotion of Fair Play, and leisure sports – we presented awards to four artists whose work was connected in some way to the world of sport.

The Hungarian Fair Play Committee also conducted a research project intended to provide the starting-point for academic theses on Fair Play; the project focussed on the role and presence of Fair Play in Hungarian society, as well as on general sports-related questions. The results will constitute a highly appropriate basis for the development of the Fair Play movement in Hungary.

As President of both the International and the Hungarian Fair Play Committees, I can safely say that the past two years have been a very active and successful time for Fair Play in Hungary, with many important goals achieved as well as many lessons learned – lessons which, in turn, will open up new opportunities for us in the future.

Our aim is now to continue our current activities and to promote the ideal of Fair Play on every available platform throughout the Hungarian education system.

### One of the founders of Fair Play in Europe

## Jiri Pelikan sends a message for our 20th Anniversary

Famous Czech man of science Jiri Pelikan – one of the people who began our movement – sent a message of congratulation to the 20th Congress in Riga. This message was as follows:

To the European Fair Play Congress in Riga, October 2014

Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Friends,

It was a great honour for me to receive your invitation to the 20th Anniversary meeting of the EFPM in the beautiful city of Riga. Unfortunately, my health did not receive the invitation with the same enthusiasm, so sadly, I now have to apologise for being unable to take part.

I have been following the activities of the Fair Play Movement since the time of its creation, as it was at a symposium on Fair Play in Prague in the



early 1990s that the idea of a more far-reaching and more organised co-operation between the various European clubs first came into being.

Back then, none of us had any idea how this initiative would grow and flourish, and would eventually take its current form.

I think there are still a large number of problems in the field of sport which require solution. However, we need to try to come up with similar solutions in other areas, too – including economics, but especially in politics – in which ethical principles need to be applied a great deal more than they have been thus far.

I wish your Congress, and all your future activities, every success. I will be with you in spirit.

Jiri **PELIKAN**





THE WINNERS of Latvian Sports Award 2013 on stage after the ceremony



## Latvia's 25th Sports Festival achieves its aim

**RIGA-** A Latvian national Fair Play Award was made for the first time in 2013 as one of our annual Sports Awards. The Award was presented to footballer Stanley Ibe, who was the first person to have the courage to speak openly about the problem of betting in Latvian football, thus initiating the search for a solution to this issue.



Raimonds BERGMANIS

In April 2013, the Latvian Olympic Academy held its 25th Sports Festival for Children and Young People. The main aim of this Festival is to bring together children between the ages of 5 and 14 from all the ethnic groups in our country. The children belong to teams from the vari-

ous different national cultural societies (there are in fact over 20 of these), and the occasion is an opportunity for children to get to know the cultural traditions of all the ethnic groups in their country. In 2013, competitions were held in a large number of sports and activities including street ball, dodgeball, tug-of-war, relay racing, basketball, darts, rock climbing and strength exercises.

A new Code of Ethics was adopted by the Latvian Olympic Committee at its General Assembly in March 2014. It is hoped that the adoption of this Code, which is designed to ensure compliance with the principles of Fair Play in public sporting events at all levels, will contribute to a public debate on the subject of Fair Play and ethics in sport, also ad-

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## France holds colourful Fair Play Award ceremonies



SOME OF THE AWARD-WINNERS : Jean-Noël Grougnet, Elisabeth Riffiod, Stéphane Caristan, Henri Sannier, Lucie Decosse, Bernard Hinault.



Albert BEGARDS

**PARIS-** The activities of the French Fair Play Club – the AFSVFP ('Association Française pour un Sport sans Violence et pour le Fair Play') – during 2013.

Firstly, a Day of Reflection on the theme of 'The Sporting Spirit and Traditions' was held in Clermont-Ferrand on 25th April 2013. Since

2003, the AFSVFP has been studying the relationship between sport and social life. Researches into this subject have been conducted under the following headings: Rights and Duties, Secularism, Citizenship, Ethics and Life, Health, Civilisation, Democracy and Forms of Discrimination, the Republic, and Humanism Today. Our chief concern is that democracies could be placed in danger if the elitism of 'stardom' in sport and in society leads to our becoming prey to financial oligarchies who behave as economic and ideological predators, destroying sporting and republican values and thus generating discrimination of various kinds (cultural as well as sociological), violence and cheating. The

meeting in 2013, while taking the foregoing concerns as its starting point, focussed specifically on the dichotomy between the new patterns of behaviour prevalent among city-dwellers and the traditional values of country people – which are now being subjected to enforced alteration, if not actually ostracism. The meeting affirmed the need to recognise the value of traditional sports (which are an expression of regional identity and are founded on age-old custom), in view of the fact that these sports can be a means of creating a social bond.

Secondly, the ceremony for the distribution of France's national Fair Play Awards for 2013 was held on 5th December 2013 at the 'Maison du Sport' in Paris. At this ceremony, 15 Awards and 17 Diplomas were presented before an audience of over 300 people, who were welcomed by Denis Masseglia, the President of the CNOSF ('Comité National Olympique et Sportif Français', the French National Olympic Committee). The Minister of Sport, Valérie Fourneyron, was represented by Sports Counsellor Frédérique Jossinet.

Awards were made to the following sporting champions: The French national swimming team (represented by the President of the French Swimming Federation, Francis

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AWARD WINNERS: (From left to right) Zymantas Braziunas, Juozas Genevicius and Algirdas Arelis; Lithuanian NOC President Daina Gudzeviciute; award-winner Romaldas Bickauskas; Lithuanian NOC Secretary-General Valentinas Paketuras.



More awards – and yet more awards!

## Lithuanian Fair Play Committee celebrates 20th Anniversary



Arvydas JUOZAITIS

**VILNIUS-** 2013 was the 20th anniversary of the foundation of the Lithuanian Fair Play Committee. As in previous years, our main activities have been the distribution of our annual Fair Play Awards and the implementation of various Olympic Education programmes. The ceremony for the distribution of our Fair Play Awards for 2012 (at which we also celebrated our 20th anniversary) was held at the National Museum of Lithuania during 2013. Diplomas of Honour were presented by Daina Gudzeviciute (President of the Lithuanian NOC) and Dr. Arvydas Juozaitis (Vice-President of the Lithuanian NOC and Chairman of our Fair Play Committee) to the following three people: Vitalija Zutkiene (a

school swimming coach who as well as training champion athletes also devotes much of her time to children with hearing impairments), Rasa Peciukoniene (a P.E. teacher and former member of the Lithuanian race walking team who organises sporting activities and is also co-ordinator of the Olympic Education project at Veisiejai Gymnasium) and Kleopas Girdzius (an organiser of sporting events who during his lifetime has contributed a great deal to the development of sport in Lithuania).

One of the recipients of our Fair Play Awards for 2013 was H.E. Valdas Adamkus, a former President of Lithuania who was an athlete in his younger days and who helped Lithuanian athletes while he lived in the USA. Later, during his two terms as President of our country, he was an active supporter of sport

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## Passing of ICSSPE President Margaret Talbot



**LONDON-** On 2nd December 2014, Prof. Margaret Talbot, OBE, passed away following a long illness.

Margaret Talbot was a life-long advocate of and activist for equality in sport and physical education, and fought continually to defend the statutory entitlement to quality physical education around the world. She was the author of numerous books, research reports and international policy documents, all of which expressed her strong sympathy for communities in need, for women, for persons with disabilities and for children.

Margaret Talbot was a sincere and cordial friend of the EFPM and – following on from Prof. Gudrun Doll-Tepfer, the previous ICSSPE President – she reinforced the already strong relationship between the ICSSPE and the EFPM, supporting the latter in a

number of ways. She led the Council from 2009 until her death and was a true leader, a highly-qualified researcher, a remarkable teacher, and most of all a true friend.

In 1993, Margaret Talbot was awarded the Order of the British Empire (OBE) for her extraordinary services to physical education and sport.

Speaking on behalf of the ICSSPE President's Committee and Executive Board, Acting President Uri Schaefer said: "Margaret will be deeply missed, for her visionary leadership and for her determination among many other qualities. She never paused in the work of advocating ethically healthy sport and of providing opportunities for all members of society to be physically active and for children to grow and learn in a healthy way by enjoying participation in physical education."





**MIROSLAV CERAR:** Two-time Olympic gold medallist Miroslav Cerar, the doyen of Fair Play in Slovenia, takes part in a large number of activities.

### Miroslav Cerar's massive contributions to Fair Play in Slovenia

## Wherever there is Fair Play, Slovenia goes!



**LJUBLJANA-** All Fair Play activities in Slovenia are co-ordinated and implemented by our NOC's Fair Play Committee and Olympic Academy in co-operation with 'Spolint' – the Slovenian 'Institute for the Development of Sport'. An important role is played by our Ambassador for Sports, Tolerance and Fair Play, Mr. Miroslav Cerar. Mr. Cerar has held this position since 1998, and is assisted by Petra Majdic and Dr. Stanislav Pinter.

A large number of international sporting competitions were held in Slovenia between July 2013 and July 2014, and at these events we promoted Fair Play among the participants – especially the younger ones. We have also provided a greater amount of information on Fair Play for the young people in our country, and have developed a model of behaviour for sports fans. The following is a summary of our recent activities.

Firstly, our activities directed towards education in Fair Play in schools included the presentation of the findings and results

of our Fair Play projects (these consisting of didactic materials, technical literature and film production), and the promotion of tolerance and Fair Play in all its forms at every age level in primary and secondary schools. Lectures and workshops were held, sporting competitions were visited, and direct contact with young athletes (plus their mentors, coaches and parents) was initiated. These awareness-raising activities were carried out under the slogan 'Hey! Don't forget about Fair Play!'.

Secondly, in order to publicise Fair Play in top-level sport, we visited high-profile sporting competitions and organised lectures and workshops for athletes, coaches, referees and sports officials. We also engaged in activities with groups of fans under the slogan 'Even for the best, Fair Play leads the way!'.

Before the start of Eurobasket in September 2013 (which was held in Slovenia), our national team posed for the media in 'Fair Play' shirts. Banners with the slogan 'Fair Play is the Heart of Sport' were displayed at all competition venues, and a panel discussion on Fair Play (featuring Miroslav Cerar and former team captain Matjaž Smodiš) was broadcast on Slovenian television.

Prior to the departure of our athletes for the Sochi Winter Games in February

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## Bogdan Gabrovec, the new President of Slovenia's NOC

**LJUBLJANA-** Following the final round of voting at the General Assembly of Slovenia's Olympic Committee, Mr. Bogdan Gabrovec became the new President of the Slovenian NOC. In second place was Mr. Zoran Jankovič, the Mayor of Ljubljana. The General Assembly also honoured outgoing President Dr. Janez Kocijančič's achievements during his 23 years in office by granting him the status of President Emeritus. In his acceptance speech, Dr. Kocijančič, who is currently Vice President of the



EOC, said the achievements of Slovenia's NOC during this time were the result of hard work by the entire team.

Mr. Gabrovec, who is 61 years old, is a former President of the Slovenian Judo Federation and a former Vice President of the country's NOC. He

was also Chef de Mission of the Slovenian Olympic Team during the London 2012 Olympic Games, at which judoka Urška Požar became the first Slovenian woman ever to win an Olympic gold medal.

## Slovakia is an international centre for Fair Play



**A PLAQUE OF MERIT FOR TOMAS SLOVAK:** The EFP Plaque of Merit and Diploma is presented to ice-hockey player Tomas Slovak (Slovakia) by EFPM EC Members Katarina Raczova and Kvetka Peckova, accompanied by Frantisek Chmelar (President of the Slovak NOC and an EOC EC Member).



**BRATISLAVA-** The Fair Play Club of the Slovak Olympic Committee (CFP SOC) carries out its activities in co-operation with other constituent bodies of the Slovak Olympic Committee, as well as with sports federations, Olympic Clubs and NGOs which concern themselves specifically with the application of the principles of Fair Play in sport and in everyday life. The CFP SOC focusses especially on children and young people, organising and supporting various projects for these age groups which aim to ensure the application of ethical principles in sport, and to educate by means of sport.



**Katarina RACZOVA**

The CFP SOC co-operates actively in the organisation of Fair Play events at major sports competitions for young people that are held in the Slovak Republic. One of these was the 24th edition of the 'Slovakia Cup', an international under-18 football tournament (organised by the Slovak Football Association)

which took place from 28th April to 2nd May 2014 and involved teams from Russia, the United Arab Emirates, Belgium, the Czech Republic, Japan and the Ukraine as well as from the host country. Before each match, the moderator invited everyone – both players and spectators – to contribute to the friendly atmosphere of the event by behaving with tolerance, in accordance with Fair Play principles. At the end of the tournament, the organisers (in co-operation with the CFP SOC) announced their decision as to who was the fairest team. At the most recent tournament, the team chosen was Japan, and the Fair Play Prize was awarded to the Japanese players by Anton Urban, a legend in Slovak football and a member of the Executive Board of the CFP SOC.

The CFP SOC was also represented at an international fencing tournament during which the referees paid close attention not only to the young participants' fencing but also to their behaviour. At the conclusion of the event, the Fair Play Club awarded a Fair Play Prize – for exemplary behaviour, willing acceptance of referees' verdicts and the most sportsmanlike attitude displayed by participating fencers to their opponents.

The CFP SOC co-operates with the Slovak Sports Association in schools by making School Fair Play Awards. Winners of these Awards are acknowledged every second year at 'Kalokagatia' – an international Olympiad for children and young people. These Awards are given to both pupils and educators for specific actions, as well as for a lifelong teaching career accompanied by attitudes and deeds in accordance with the spirit of Fair Play. In addition, under the auspices of the CFP SOC, the Slovak Sports Association makes Fair Play Awards to teams in various sports on a yearly basis; the winning team in each sport is

awarded the title 'Fair Play Team' and is given a special 'Fair Play' captain's band. This honour is given to the team which has performed during the entire year without breaching the principles of Fair Play, has not been guilty of any incivility or vulgarity, and has not been given any penalty such as the 'black card'.

During the 26th Winter Universiade (which took place in Trentino, Italy in December 2013), a seminar entitled 'Fair Play and Tolerance in University Sports' was held at Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice (UPJ). At this event, the Fair Play Club was represented by Katarina Raczová – an EFPM EC Member who is also Slovak Ambassador for Sport, Tolerance and Fair Play at the Council of Europe. Subjects covered at the seminar were the history of the Fair Play movement and ekecheiria (the 'Olympic Truce') in the context of the ancient and modern Olympic Games. Also discussed were the movement's mission, the importance of sport in the educational process and its impact on the lives of young people, as well as trainers' experiences (both positive and negative) with students – either on the playing field or as spectators at various events.

Following up the success of a literary competition held in previous years, and with the assistance of the Cultural Commission of the Slovak Olympic Academy and the co-operation of the CFP SOC, the Slovak Olympic Committee launched a national literary competition for children and young people. The contest, which took place in three age categories, had as its main motto 'Sport is beautiful; don't deprive us of our ideals' and was sub-titled 'Pure sport without doping'. In total, 217 entries were received. The competition aimed to focus attention in a non-traditional way on Olympic values such as Fair Play, and conversely on their opposites (e.g., doping in sport, unfair behaviour, breaches of the principles of Fair Play, intolerance, racism, xenophobia, hooliganism, and criminality and corruption in sport).

One of the most publicly visible demonstrations of the CFP SOC's activities is the annual ceremony for the distribution of Fair Play Awards. These Awards are given to well-known personalities in Slovakia's sporting life who have contributed to the popularisation of the ideals and principles of Fair Play. The award ceremonies traditionally take place in various different cities, in co-operation with regional Olympic Clubs. In 2014, one of the co-organisers was the Olympic Club of Bratislava, and the ceremony took place in the famous Hall of Mirrors at the Primate's Palace, a neo-classical building in Bratislava's Old Town.

Since 2010, the Slovak Olympic Committee's highest Fair Play Award has been named after a Slovak sportsperson – such as Slovakia's 'footballer of the century' Ján Popluhár, a man whose modesty and honesty both on and off the field made him an excellent role model. The 2013 'Ján Popluhár Prize' for an Exemplary Action Carried Out in the Spirit of

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# The EFPM is represented wherever there is interest in Fair Play

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successful development of our Movement.

## Executive Committee Meetings

Since the 2013 General Assembly, the Executive Committee has met three times: in November 2013 (in Vienna), in May 2014 (in Riga) and in October 2014 (also in Riga). The main topics for discussion have been: the 20th EFP Congress in 2014, the EFPM's 20th Anniversary, the EFPM Headquarters, our finances, the EFP / EFPM Awards, the EFPM's public performance and the European Fair Play Network.

## Tasks accomplished

In the course of their duties, the Members of the Executive Committee have attended the following events:

### Christian Hinterberger

The 50th Executive Committee meeting in Vienna (November 2013)

The 51st EC meeting in Riga (May 2014)

The 52nd EC Meeting in Riga (October 2014)

The Ceremony for the signing of a 'Memorandum of Understanding' with the European

Handball Federation (EHF) in Vienna (September 2014)

The General Assembly of the European Paralympic Committee in Dublin (October 2013)

The CSIT's 100th Anniversary in Brussels and Ghent (October 2013)

The General Assembly of the European Olympic Committees in Rome (November 2013)

A CIPF Executive Board Meeting in Budapest (February 2014)

A Consultative Meeting with CIPF President Jenö Kamuti in Vienna (March 2014)

A Consultative Meeting with representatives of the NOC of Azerbaijan and CIPF President

Jenö Kamuti in Istanbul (June 2014).

### Erdoğan Arıpinar

The 50th EC meeting in Vienna (November 2013)

The 51st EC meeting in Riga (May 2014)

The 52nd EC Meeting in Riga (October 2014)

A Consultative Meeting with representatives of the NOC of Azerbaijan and CIPF President Jenö Kamuti in Istanbul (June 2014).

### Miroslav Cerar

The 50th EC meeting in Vienna (November 2013)

The 51st EC meeting in Riga (May 2014)

The 52nd EC Meeting in Riga (October 2014)

The European Basketball Association Round Table in Ljubljana (September 2013)

The General Assembly of the European Gymnastics Union in Portoroz, Slovenia (December 2013)

The General Assembly of the EUSA in Denizli, Turkey (April 2014)

The CIPF Award Ceremony in Kazan, Tatarstan, Russian Federation (July 2014).

### Katarina Raczova

The 50th EC meeting in Vienna (November 2013)

The 51st EC meeting in Riga (May 2014)

The 52nd EC Meeting in Riga (October 2014)

A Consultative Meeting with CIPF President Jenö Kamuti in Vienna (March 2014)

The ceremony for the presentation of an EFPM Plaque of Merit to Tomas Slovak (Slovakia) in Bratislava (June 2014)

The Opening Ceremony of the EUSA Games in Rotterdam (July 2014).

### Ioannis Psilopoulos

The 50th EC meeting in Vienna (November 2013)

The 51st EC meeting in Riga (May 2014)

The 52nd EC Meeting in Riga (October 2014)

The ceremony for the presentation of an EFPM Diploma to Christiana Pavlou (Cyprus) in Nicosia (October 2013)

The General Assembly of the European Olympic Committees in Rome (November



**A MEMENTO OF THE SIGNING CEREMONY:** Minister Rahimov, EFPM President Hinterberger and EFPM Vice-President Arpinar pose for the camera after the signing of the contract.

2013)

The Ceremony for the signing of a 'Memorandum of Understanding' with the European Taekwondo Union (ETU) in Athens (December 2013)

A Consultative Meeting with representatives of the NOC of Azerbaijan and CIPF President Jenö Kamuti in Istanbul (June 2014).

### Kveta Peckova

The 50th EC meeting in Vienna (November 2013)

The 51st EC meeting in Riga (May 2014)

The 52nd EC Meeting in Riga (October 2014)

The EFPM Award Ceremony at the ETTU Junior Championships in Prague (July 2013).

### Biserka Vrbek

The 50th EC meeting in Vienna (November 2013)

The 51st EC meeting in Riga (May 2014)

The 52nd EC Meeting in Riga (October 2014).

### Charalambos Lottas

The 50th EC meeting in Vienna (November 2013)

The 51st EC meeting in Riga (May 2014)

The 52nd EC Meeting in Riga (October 2014)

The ceremony for the presentation of an EFPM Diploma to Christiana Pavlou (Cyprus) in Nicosia (October 2013)

The 35th EOC Seminar and Executive Committee Meeting in Nicosia (May 2014).

### Ruggero Alcanterini

The 50th EC meeting in Vienna (November 2013)

The 51st EC meeting in Riga (May 2014)

The 52nd EC Meeting in Riga (October 2014)

The General Assembly of the European Olympic Committees in Rome (November 2013)

The ceremony for the presentation of the International Fair Play Menarini Award in Castiglione Fiorentino (July 2014).

## Public Performance

Our 'Play Fair' Magazine combined with the Academic Supplement, plus the EFPM Flash News and our webpage, reflect the EFPM's development in the best possible way, giving news of the various Fair Play activities in Europe and of the initiatives of EFPM Members. The Executive Committee members have put into motion a 'relaunch' of our public performance; as a first step, a new EFPM logo has been created.

## Headquarters

Since July 2013, the headquarters of the EFPM has been located at the offices of ASKÖ ('Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Sport und Körperkultur in Österreich'). Our address is as follows:

**European Fair Play Movement**  
**Steinergasse 12,**  
**A – 1230 Vienna, Austria**

ASKÖ continues to support the EFPM and the activities of its President, especially in the matter of covering the costs incurred in the fulfilment of his duties. Negotiations with the Austrian government, the Austrian Ministry of Sports and the Municipality of Vienna on the subject of financial support for the establishment and staffing of the EFPM office have been taking place on a regular basis, but up to now they have not met with any success. Consultations and discussions with the relevant partners will continue.

## EFPM Co-operations

Our relationships with our long-term partners (for instance, the EOC, ICSSPE, ENGSO, EPAS and ISCA) are continuing to gain in strength. Co-operation with those partners with whom we have signed a 'Memorandum of Understanding' (e.g., the EFC, EHF, ETU, EPC, EUSA and CSIT) is developing at a steady rate and sometimes leads to EFPM involvement in their Fair Play initiatives – for example, the making of Fair Play Awards at Youth Championships.

## EFPM Affiliations

The EFPM has drawn up and signed a 'Memorandum of Understanding' with the EPC, EUSA, EHF and ETU, with the ultimate aim of establishing a Fair Play Network in Europe.

A 'Memorandum of Understanding' with the European Sports Press Association (AIPS Europe) – is now ready for signing at our General Assembly in Riga. Thanks to the important role played by the media in the world of sport, agreements on mutual co-operation of this kind allow us to widen the scope of our activities – which aim to promote and re-implement Olympic values and the principles of Fair Play in all areas of sport (on the sports field / in the sports hall, within sports organisations and in matters concerning rules and regulations, the media, spectators, etc.).

## EFP Congresses

The 19th EFP Congress was held in Istanbul. The theme was 'The Olympic and Paralympic Movement – an Alliance for Fair Play', and the Congress brought together for the first time (among others) two of the main players in the world of sport: the European Paralympic Committee and the European University Sports Association.

High-level presentations by keynote speakers from all over Europe were followed by discussions, thus enabling the wide scope of this topic to be completely understood. The full and enthusiastic support of the NOC of Turkey, combined with the unstinting efforts of the Turkish Fair Play Committee and the Congress organisers (led by Turkish NOC General Secretary Neşe Gün-

doğan and EFPM Vice-President Erdoğan Arpinar, assisted by Murat Özbay and Bilge Donuk) made this Congress a highly successful occasion. Once again, my sincere thanks to everyone concerned.

We are now looking forward to the 20th EFP Congress in Riga, European Capital of Culture for 2014, at which our theme will be 'Fair Play Values – Bridging Sports and Culture for a Europe without Discrimination'. The organisers for the Riga Congress – the Latvian Olympic Committee and the Latvian Olympians' Club – are working hard to ensure that things are perfectly planned and organised, and that all participants have a comfortable stay.

## The EFPM's 20th Anniversary

The 20th Anniversary of the EFPM will be celebrated at a Gala Dinner on October 10th in Riga. In addition to all our members, we are expecting several honoured guests to attend: these include EOC President Patrick Hickey, IPC President Sir Philip Craven, ENGSO President Birgitta Kervinen, and probably also Mr. Wilfried Lemke, United Nations Special Adviser on Sport for Development and Peace.

## The Brighton Declaration on

### Women and Sports


At our last General Assembly in Istanbul in 2013, an announcement on the 'Brighton Declaration on Women and Sports', foreseeing the full involvement of women in every aspect of sport, was made. Now, the Executive Committee proposes to sign this Declaration on behalf of the EFPM. We invite all representatives of the EFPM attending the 20th General Assembly in Riga to vote in favour of the signing of this declaration.

## Conclusion

The EFPM Executive Committee is working steadily and continuously to resolve the main issues and to fulfil the aims of our Masterplan – with some ups and downs along the way, but always with enthusiasm, determination and a conviction that a satisfactory rate of development will be achieved. All EFPM Members and all our partner organisations are hereby invited to assist us in our mission by giving us their active support and participation – even more than in the past.

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## Goals for the future set at EFPM's 20th General Assembly

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- Dr. Raffaele Chiulli, on behalf of ARISF
- Ms. Helga Magnúsdóttir, on behalf of EHF
- Mr. Adam Roczek, on behalf of EUSA
- Mr. Abdennebi Amhand, on behalf of ETU
- Mr. Çağatay Fırat, on behalf of the Istanbul Aviation Academy.

EFPM General Secretary Mr. Ioannis Psilopoulos read out messages of greeting from CIFP President Dr. Jenő Kamuti, from ISCA General Secretary Mr. Jacob Schouenborg, and from EFPM Founding Member Dr. Jiri Pelikan; finally, he read out a most touching message from Prof. Margaret Talbot, President of ICSSPE, who has in fact recently passed away.

### 4. Approval of the Minutes of the 19th EFPM General Assembly (Istanbul, 2013)

The Minutes were approved unanimously.

### 6. President's Report

The President reported to the General Assembly about how work within the EFPM and its

member organisations had progressed during the period from July 2013 to September 2014. This report is included as an Appendix to the Minutes of the General Assembly.

### 7. Financial Reports for the Years 2012 and 2013

EFPM Treasurer Ms. Katarina Raczova presented the current financial situation of the EFPM as well as details of 2014 expenses and the remaining budget. The relevant report is included as an Appendix to the Minutes of the General Assembly.

### 9. Board of Auditors' Report

The Chairman of the Board of Auditors, Mr. Eytan Barak, presented their report covering the two fiscal years 2012 and 2013 – in accordance with the decision taken during the 2013 General Assembly in Istanbul.

### 10. Approval of the EFPM Executive Committee's Administrative and Financial Transactions

The General Assembly, having heard the reports of the President, the General Secretary and the Treasurer, as well as the Report of the Board of the Auditors, unanimously approved the EFPM Executive Committee's administrative and financial transactions.

### 11. Conclusion of the 19th EFP Congress (Istanbul, 2013)

The President presented the Book of Proceedings of the said Congress, and announced its conclusion in accordance with the Statutes and the associated Contract.

### 12. The EFP and EFPM Awards

The General Secretary informed Members present at the General Assembly

that, in accordance with the decision of the Executive Committee and with the MoU of Co-operation with AIPS Europe, the EFP Awards for 2013 will not be presented owing to the modifications to the EFP and EFPM Awards Regulations. He explained to the General Assembly the contents of the new Regulation, which he will distribute in due course. Proposals from EFPM Members will be submitted according to the stipulations of the new Awards Regulation.

### 13. The 'Brighton Declaration' on Women and Sport (regarding the full involvement of women in every aspect of sport)

President Hinterberger described this matter, and proceeded to sign the Declaration. Ms. Magnúsdóttir and Ms. Yordanova appended their signatures as witnesses.

### 16. The 21st EFP Congress and EFPM General Assembly (Baku, 2015)

President Hinterberger invited the Azerbaijan representatives to offer information regarding the forthcoming Congress in Baku. Mr. Isayev, Mr. Madatov and Ms. Abbasova gave a presentation on the organisation of the Baku Congress, and this was warmly welcomed by the General Assembly.

### 17. The 22nd EFP Congress and EFPM General Assembly in 2016

The General Secretary, Ioannis Psilopoulos, informed the General Assembly that the EFPM Executive Committee has no candidatures for the hosting of the 22nd EFPM Congress in 2016, and the Executive Committee decided to extend the period for candidatures up to the end of March 2014.

### 18. The EFPM Declaration

General Secretary Ioannis Psilopoulos thanked Dr. Liene Kozlovska for drawing up the 2014 EFPM Declaration. He informed the General Assembly that this Declaration, being in draft form, will be distributed via e-mail to all Members in due course for review and / or comment.

### 19. The Handing Over of the EFPM Flag to the Delegation from the Latvian Olympic Committee

Mr. Raimonds Bergmanis, President of the Organising Committee for the Riga Congress, accompanied by EFPM President Mr. Christian Hinterberger, handed over the EFPM flag to Mr. Isayev, Mr. Madatov and Ms. Abbasova, representatives of the Organising Committee for the Baku Congress.

All items on the Agenda having been dealt with, the President declared the General Assembly closed.

*For the records*  
**Ioannis Psilopoulos**  
*General Secretary, EFPM*

## Latvia's 25th Sports Festival achieves its aim



THE SPORTS FESTIVAL: A view of the Sports Festival in Latvia.

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dressing such issues as match-fixing and the unfair treatment of athletes.

The finals of the Latvian Floorball Championship were held on 6th April 2014 under the auspices of our national Olympians' Association, as part of celebrations for the United Nations International Day of Sport for Development and Peace. Before each of the final matches, a special audio message emphasising the values and principles of Fair Play was broadcast in the sports hall. Ilvis Petersons, the President of the Latvian Floorball Union, made a statement in which he emphasised the determination of the Latvian Floorball Union to support the

Fair Play movement.

14th May 2014 saw the organisation of our national Paralympic Sports Day. A large number of people tried paralympic sports for the first time, and the event attracted a good deal of attention from the media.

We are enthusiastic participants in the campaign recently launched by the CEV: 'Fair Play – Volleyball Way'. The CEV Youth Beach Volleyball Summer Festival, held on the shores of Lake Kisezers (in Riga) in the summer of 2014, was the largest youth competition organised in Latvia during the whole year and involved 192 young boys and girls, divided into three age groups, playing in eight beach volleyball courts.

## Lithuanian Fair Play Committee celebrates 20th Anniversary

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and the Olympic movement (giving special importance to physical education for children and young people), and was also patron of the Lithuanian Youth Olympic Festival.

Fair Play Diplomas of Honour for 2013 were awarded to Zymantas Brazūnas (a taekwondo coach who teaches children, especially those from problematic families, and who also publicises sport nationwide), to Juozas Genevicius (a teacher of P.E., race walking coach and scientist who has devoted most of his life to the development of sport), to Algirdas Arelis (a charismatic rowing coach – many of whose pupils have become champions – and advocate of Fair Play) and to Romaldas Bickauskas, the head of the Nemunas Paralympic Club (who devotes his time to the welfare of disabled athletes and encourages people with disabilities to take up sport).

The values and principles of Fair Play are one of the core elements in our Olympic

Education Project for children and youth. This project involves 120 kindergartens and schools throughout the country, and aims to integrate Olympic Education into the curriculum in both formal and informal ways. Educational institutions organise their own Fair Play awards; they also create games, projects and other activities in order to provide experience-based learning for pupils and teachers. In co-operation with six schools in the city of Kaunas, the Lithuanian NOC organised an Olympic Education Camp for children, entitled 'Olympic Village 2014'. Each day was dedicated to a different Olympic value – Fair Play being one of these. Meetings with famous Olympians were arranged, and participants also had the opportunity to train. Dissemination of the values and principles of Fair Play to children, to young people and to society in general remains the top priority for the Lithuanian Fair Play Committee and the National Olympic Committee of Lithuania.



OUR HOSTS: The Latvian team's table at the EFPM General Assembly in Riga.



President of the Lithuanian NOC Daina Gudžinevičiūtė, President of the Lithuanian Fair Play Committee Dr. Arvydas Juozaitis, Rasa Peciukoniene.





## Turkish NOC's Fair Play Cartoon Exhibition draws praise from Congress participants



**THE TURKISH NOC DELEGATION:** The delegation from the NOC of Turkey (NOCT) in front of the exhibition in Riga: (From left to right): NOCT Fair Play Committee Chairman Murat Özbay, NOCT Executive Committee Member Perviz Aran, NOCT Member and EFPM Vice President Erdoğan Arpınar, NOCT Fair Play Committee Secretary Asst. Prof. Bilge Donuk.

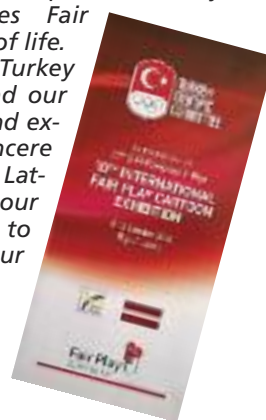
cartoons so that they can reach a wider audience both in Turkey and abroad.

The cartoons you can see in this exhibition, held in the charming city of Riga as a contribution to the 20th Congress of the European Fair Play Movement, have been chosen from entries by thousands of cartoonists of all ages – from primary school children to acknowledged experts. As you, our Latvian audience, go round the exhibition and discover what Fair Play is about, you may well be inspired to create cartoons for yourselves and to take part in future competitions.

As Turkish society progresses into the future following the path set out by Atatürk (the path of contemporary civilisation), it aims to become a society governed by the principles of Fair Play – one that embraces Fair Play as a way of life.

"We in Turkey wish to extend our best wishes and express our sincere respect to the Latvian people – our friends – and to all who visit our exhibition".

The  
exhibition  
brochure



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## Russian athletes win record-breaking number of Fair Play Awards

is doping. If you are giving me this award, it means that I have managed to do what I have done without doping, and I am very happy because of this. When people achieve success without doping, they win a victory over themselves."

In addition, a Special World Fair Play Diploma in the 'Act of Fair Play' category was awarded to the 'Kamaz-Master' rally team, which is based in Tatarstan. During the final stage of the Dakar Rally in 2014, the members of the Kamaz-Master team helped a Chinese driver whose vehicle had overturned.

At the ceremony, Russian ice-hockey players Denis Kulyash and Aleksandr Tukavin received CIFP Diplomas of Honour. Denis Kulyash, captain of the 'Avant-garde' ice-hockey team in the Omsk region, trained children in his home town to become champion ice-hockey players and gave them a good deal of equipment, as well as paying for them to attend matches. Aleksandr Tukavin, a highly popular figure in Russian sport who plays both for 'Dynamo Moscow' and for the national team, was given a standing ovation by spectators for his gentlemanly conduct during two separate matches: on both occasions, the referee mistakenly awarded his team a penalty, and Tukavin intentionally missed the goal.

Since 1992, Russian athletes, sports experts and organisations have received a total of 29 International and European Fair Play Awards.

The principles of Fair Play are explained to Russian schoolchildren and students in higher education in one of the chapters of a manual entitled 'Your Olympic Textbook', as well as in the 'Olympic Textbook for Students' manual. 714,000 copies of the 'Olympic Textbook for Students' have been distributed since its publication in 1996, and three chapters in it are devoted to the Fair Play movement.

## Co-operation for Fair Play in Poland

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bution of the CIFP World Fair Play Awards for 2013 (which took place in Kazan, Republic of Tatarstan, Russian Federation on 19th July 2014), Barbara Kurkowiak-Grocholska of Poland was awarded a World Fair Play Diploma in the 'Sporting Career and Life Lived in the Spirit of Fair Play' category.

Fourthly, at the request of our Club, the Polish post office issued special postcards to mark the 50th anniversary both of the Fair Play movement in Poland and of our first ever Fair Play Award (made to Mr. Zbigniew Pietrzykowski in December 1963).

Lastly, we are preparing two new publications. The first of these will be a book entitled 'The Clean Game – Fair Play'. This will contain a discourse on Fair Play; selected documents and articles on Fair Play; biographies of Janusz Piewciewicz (1918-2010) and of Prof. Zofia Zukowska (1932-2013); and a list of those people who have received awards from the POC Fair Play Club as well as from the CIFP and the EFPM, plus a list of POC Fair Play Club members (past and present) and an account of the activities of the POC Fair Play Club, the CIFP and the EFPM. The second of these publications, by Dr. Jolanta Kowalska and Dr. Marcin Czechowski, will be the POC Fair Play Club's 'Workbook No. 4' – focussing on the education of sports fans.

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tained the following text:  
"Dear people of Latvia, welcome to our exhibition!"

Ten years ago, the National Olympic Committee of Turkey's Fair Play Committee decided to start a Cartoon Competition to promote the values of Fair Play – sportsmanship and gentlemanly conduct. This year's contest is the 10th at national level and the 6th at international level. In all these competitions, Turkish and foreign cartoonists have given expression to their own perspectives on Fair Play with great success. Every year, an album containing the winning entries is produced, and now we have decided to put together an exhibition made up of these



A Latvian family finds the exhibition fascinating.

## EFPM attends 43rd European Olympic Committees' Congress

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tions.

President Ilham Aliyev, who heads the country and is also President of the NOC of Azerbaijan, attended the Opening Ceremony together with his First Lady. EOC President Patrick Hickey, IOC President Thomas Bach and IOC Honorary President Jacques Rogge were also there to welcome delegates. The day began with a very emotional event – the presentation of the EOC's highest distinction, the Order of Merit, to Thomas Bach (the only IOC President to have won an Olympic gold medal). Participants had a very busy day as there were a large number of institutional reports on the agenda. After the lunch break, the organisers put on a tour of the facilities for the inaugural Baku 2015 European Games, a wonderful opportunity for delegates to receive a full update on preparations for an event that Europe has been dreaming about for fifty years.

That evening, the Gala Dinner took place in the Heydar Aliyev Center, renowned for its remarkable architecture. This event, which was attended by President Ilham Aliyev and his First Lady, saw the presentation of the 4th edition of the Piotr Nurowski Prize. The winner of this prize for the best young European athlete (chosen by the Assembly during the afternoon) was announced: Italian swimmer Simone Sabbioni received his trophy, and the four runners-up also received awards.

The second day of the General Assembly was also a very busy one for participants, but even more so for the EFPM delegates: they had a meeting with the Azerbaijan Minister of Youth and Sports, Mr. Azad Rahimov; the

Head of his International Relations Department, Mr. Ilham Madatov; and Mr. Khazar Isayev, Vice-President of the Azerbaijan NOC. At this meeting, the Contract for the forthcoming 21st EFP Congress and General Assembly, which is to take place in Baku in October 2015, was signed. Also discussed were possible Fair Play initiatives to be undertaken during the First European Games in Baku next June. The EFPM proposals were well received, and it now remains only to secure the final approval of the EOC's Executive Committee.

At the conclusion of the General Assembly, the EFPM delegation had a short meeting with EOC President Mr. Patrick Hickey at which he was briefed on the EFPM's proposals regarding the European Games in Baku. Mr. Hickey promised to raise the matter at the next EOC Executive Committee meeting in early December 2014, and to inform the EFPM accordingly.

The presence of the EFPM at the EOC General Assembly is deemed to have been especially fruitful in view of the fact that it provided an opportunity for discussions with Presidents and General Secretaries of various European Sports Federations, European organisations, etc., during which the possibility of their affiliation to the EFPM was investigated.

The General Assembly ended with a wonderful farewell party at which all participants enjoyed the Azeri food, music and dancing – and, of course, everyone appreciated the superb hospitality we were offered.

Thank you, Azerbaijan! Thank you, Baku!

capsized boat, disentangled the boy from the lines and saved him.

4) The CFPC's plans for the forthcoming period include activities designed to promote Fair Play in cooperation with other governmental and non-governmental organisations, schools, athletes, clubs and national sports federations. A step in this direction has already been taken with the preparation (in conjunction with the Ministry of Science, Education and Sport) of a brochure entitled 'Live Fair Play'. This brochure will be published as part of our Action Plan, which is intended to take educational measures in the fight against violence. The main objectives of the Fair Play brochure are:

- To encourage greater insight into Fair Play on the part of educational institutions and sports associations;
- To inform the public about the positive Fair Play practices that have been implemented by the Ministry, and by the COC, the CFPC and the Croatian School Sports Federation;
- To present examples of Fair Play and good practice in our country;
- To publicise the Fair Play movement in collaboration with top-level athletes and famous figures from public life;
- To promote cooperation between governmental and non-governmental bodies involved in the promotion of Fair Play in sport; and
- To publicise Fair Play with a view to shaping public opinion, emphasising the importance of Fair Play in sport and in everyday life.

The Fair Play brochure will include chapters on the following: The fundamentals of Fair Play; What do athletes, coaches and journalists think about Fair Play?; The culture and ethics of sport; Examples of actions carried out in accordance with the principles of Fair Play; Fair Play practice; Competition and Fair Play, violence in sport and inappropriate behaviour in sport.



# EFPM's 20th Congress held in Riga – 2014 European Capital of Culture

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ment and the sponsors. Afterwards, a group of very charming children gave a display of folk dancing and guided participants to the garden of our hotel, where everyone released hot-air balloons bearing the Fair Play logo.

The main proceedings of the Congress began on Thursday morning and continued until Friday afternoon. They were attended by a pleasing number of EFPM Members, our Latvian guests and representatives of EFPM Associated Members such as the Council of Europe, EPAS, AIPS Europe, ENGSO, ARISF, CSIT, EUSA, the International Paralympic Committee, EHF, ETU and others.

The opening speech was given by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Latvia, Mr. Andris Berzins. This was followed by addresses from the following officials:

- Mr. Raimonds Bergmanis, Vice-President of the Latvian Olympic Committee and a Member of the Latvian Parliament
- Mr. Christian Hinterberger, President of the EFPM
- Ms. Marja Ruotanen, Representative of the Council of Europe
- Mr. Andis Geizans, Parliamentary Secretary of the Latvian Ministry of Education and Science
- Ms. Dina Viksna, Representative of Riga City Council
- Ms. Ineta Radevica, a former Olympian and a Patron of the Congress
- Mr. Atis Sausnitis, President of the Latvian Volleyball Federation (who received an award).

The invited keynote speakers of the Congress were:

- Sir Philip Craven (United Kingdom), President of the International Paralympic Committee, who gave a talk entitled The Paralympics Movement Can Change the World
- Ms. Daiga Dadzite (Latvia), President of

the Latvian Paralympic Committee

- Dr. Liene Kozlovskā (Latvia), Sport Conventions Programme Manager at EPAS / the Council of Europe
  - Mr. Gianni Merlo (Italy), President of the International Sports Press Association (AIPS)
  - Mr. Yannis Daras (Greece), President of AIPS Europe
  - Dr. Raffaele Chiulli (Italy), President of ARISF, who gave a talk entitled Motor Sports and Environment; Yes! We Care!
  - Ms. Iro Psilopoulou (Greece), Professor at the National Technological Institution of Athens, whose presentation was entitled Sports Infrastructure and Cultural Heritage; Bridging the Gap via the Fair Play Standards
  - Prof. Dr. Romana Caput-Jogunica (Croatia), who spoke on the topic of Sports Career Transition - Fairness in Sports Labour Market
  - Prof. Dr. Juris Grants (Latvia), Vice-Rector of the Latvian Academy of Sports Education, who gave a presentation entitled Qualitative Research on Dual Career for Professional Athletes in Latvia: Inductive Approach
  - Ms. Ingrida Amantova (Latvia), Director of the Murjani Sports Gymnasium, who spoke on Dual Career in Sport.
- Short Papers were presented by:**
- Dr. Steve Town (United Kingdom): Enabling Access to Natural and Built Sports Facilities in the Environment for Disabled People
  - Ms. Irina Tihomirova (Latvia): Fair Play and Elementary School Pupils with Speech Problems
  - Ms. Aija Klavina (Latvia): Including Persons with Disability in Physical Activities and Sports; European Perspective
  - Messrs. Alvis Brants and Kristaps Kotans (Latvia): Bobsleigh and Skeleton for Olympians with Disabilities
  - Mr. Nikolay Dolgoplov (Russia): The First Fair Play Hero; the Italian Team Mates

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- Mr. Charles Camenzulli (Malta): AIPS Europe
  - Dr. Morana Brkljacic (Croatia): Fair Play in Sports
  - Mr. Jose Lima (Portugal): Code of Ethic in Sport
  - Mr. Alfreds Leja (Latvia): Sports Veteran Experience in Fair Play Development in Latvia
  - Ms. Zane Grundina-Araja (Latvia): Sports Facilities in Latvia; the Olympic Center
  - Mr. Patrick Gasser (Switzerland - UEFA): Social Responsibility and Sustainability at EYRO 2016 in France and EURO for Europe 2020
  - Ms. Ulrika Aunina-Naumova (Latvia - Ministry of Education and Sport): Planning of Sports Infrastructure, Planning and Implementation of Sports Politics
  - Dr. Liene Kozlovskā (Latvia - Head of NADO / EPAS): Match Fixing
  - Mr. Severin Moritzer (Austria): Match Fixing - The Austrian Fair Play Code
  - Mr. Khazar Isayev (Azerbaijan - Vice-President of the NOC of Azerbaijan): Fair Play in Azerbaijan
  - Ms. Sari Svensson (Finland - TUL): Halisko - Sport School Project - Instructor's Role
  - Dr. Salhat Abbasova (Azerbaijan): Mega Events as a Tool for Uniting and Development
  - Mr. Yotaka Miura (Japan): Fair Play in the Physical Education Class
  - Ms. Antra Gulbe (Latvia): The Principles of the Fair Play in Sports Understanding Students - Sports Specialists Perspective.
- During the Thursday session, after the presentation by Mr. Yannis Daras, President of AIPS Europe, the Presidents of the EFPM and of AIPS Europe signed a Memorandum of Understanding amid a very cordial atmosphere, thus sealing their decision to establish a closer co-operation between the

two organisations.

The Congress was an outstanding success thanks to the untiring efforts of the Organising Committee – and especially those of Mr. Raimonds Bergmanis, Ms. Baiba Veisa and Mr. Valdemars Lusis, as well as of the group of volunteers and technicians who gave valuable support. Special mention must, of course, be made of the much-appreciated contributions of the Latvian Olympic Committee, the Municipality of Riga, the Latvian Ministry of Education and Youth, the Latvian Olympians' Association, the sponsors, and all the other people who assisted the organisers with the successful hosting of the Congress.

But the Riga Congress was not just a strictly educational occasion: in order to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the EFPM, on Friday evening the organisers, together with the EFPM, put on a wonderful Gala Dinner in a very special hall. Our Guest of Honor was Mr. Wilfried Lemke, the United Nations Secretary-General's Special Adviser on Sport for Development and Peace, who opened the evening with a wonderful speech. During the Gala Dinner, the EFPM presented the European University Sports Association (EUSA) with an EFP Plaque of Merit and Diploma for 2014, while the Austrian initiative 'A Play Fair Code – For Integrity In Sports' was honoured with a 2014 EFP Diploma. A series of presentations and exchanges of awards followed, and the Gala Dinner proceeded with a delicious meal and some lovely songs. We shall remember this celebration for quite some time.

On Saturday morning, the EFPM family held its annual General Assembly at the Radisson Blu Daugava Hotel. Then, in the afternoon, the organisers gave us a guided tour of the fascinating old city of Riga, for which we had excellent weather. The warm and friendly atmosphere at the dinner we enjoyed on Saturday evening marked the closing of a most successful event. We now look forward to the forthcoming Congress in 2015.



## Victories for Fair Play and Civic Engagement: German Sport's 2014 Fair Play Awards go to Türkspor Mosbach 1993 e.V. and Martin Rietsch

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as this year's winners have done in a truly remarkable way."

The jury, headed by EFPM Honorary Member Prof. Dr. Manfred Laemmer, shared the sponsors' view – as they described in the following statement explaining the reasons for their choice:

The Türkspor Mosbach Football Club, from the city of the same name in northern Baden-Württemberg, was honoured in the 'Sport' category for its sportsmanlike behaviour in a league match against VfB Breitenbronn. This latter team did not have enough healthy players to be able to start the game, and would have had to forfeit the match. However, Türkspor Mosbach, not wanting to collect points without winning them on the field (even though the rules allowed them to do this), came to agreement with Breitenbronn on the postponement of the match. Eventually, Mosbach ended up losing 1-2 – which also prevented them from going up to the next league level. "Tough luck, but it was the

right thing to do," commented Club Chairman Cengiz Celik. This incident impressed the jury as a remarkable demonstration of what sport is all about: fair and sportsmanlike conduct which regulates the organisation of competitions in such a way that every player and every team has an equal chance.

It is also fitting that despite its Turkish name, the club and its 130 members do not consider themselves exclusively Turkish but hope to offer a home to players from many nations. This attitude is expressed in the club's motto 'Fair and socially involved – more than just a sports club', which was a further reason for the Award.

Martin Rietsch was honoured in the 'Special Award' category for his work with children and others in fighting drugs, violence and racism. The son of a Nigerian father and a German mother, Rietsch grew up in Germany, where he came face-to-face with social problems arising from racism, violence and drug use. This experience in childhood and youth shaped his later life and his choice of career. It has also given

him an aura of authenticity which makes him popular with young people. Since 2000, Rietsch has been touring as a rapper, offering projects, music workshops and seminars for schools and youth institutions in his campaign 'Against Racism – For a Better Tomorrow'. He also supports the drug prevention programme 'Keine Macht den Drogen' ('No Power to Drugs'). Both initiatives have been very successful. Rietsch is a role model both for his extensive work with young people and for his success in overcoming a difficult environment and racial discrimination. The jury found this a compelling reason to give Rietsch this year's Special Fair Play Award.

The Fair Play Awards of German Sport are made jointly by the Federal Ministry of the Interior, the DOSB and the VDS. The Awards recognise individuals, clubs and initiatives which demonstrate a special commitment to Fair Play. Award recipients must serve as examples for society and personify tolerance towards others.

## Fair Play in the Czech Republic focuses on education

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('Quatrefoil'). The 'Ten Commandments of Fair Play' were presented in a special edition of this magazine, and an educational clip was produced.

One of our recent activities has been a close cooperation with the Ice Hockey Federation, in which we have focussed on the education of young people in fair and honest behaviour. To further this aim, students from the Secondary School of Graphics in Prague were asked to create a logo that appealed to children. In addition, we cooperate with secondary sports schools and faculties of pedagogy: a lecture on 'Fair Play and Society' was given as part of the Pedagogy Days at the University of Hradec Králové.

### Awards

Three main prizes were given at our annual Fair Play Award Ceremony. Two were given for a lifelong attitude in harmony with the principles of Fair Play – to cyclist Jan Smolik and to basketball coach Miroslav Vondricka. The main award for an action carried out in accordance with the principles of Fair Play was given to David Pabiska for the repeated assistance he gave to a competitor during the Paris-Dakar rally.

### Promotion in the Media

Our cooperation with all media partners of the Czech Olympic Committee continues. In

addition to the coverage of the annual Fair Play Award Ceremony on Czech television, we have also had the opportunity present Fair Play in the TV weekly 'Olympic Magazine'.





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jump. Also, on the occasion of the EFPM's 20th anniversary, our Gala Dinner was attended by Mr. Wilfried Lemke, United Nations Special Adviser on Sport for Development and Peace.

Thirdly, the 20th Congress brought together well-known keynote speakers from all over Europe, among whom were Sir Philip Craven, President of the International Paralympic Committee (IPC); Mr. Gianni Merlo, President of the International Sports Press Association (AIPS); Ms. Daiga Dadzite, President of the Latvian Paralympic Committee; and Prof. Dr. Juris Grants, Vice-Rector of the Latvian Academy of Sports Education.

During the event, European Fair Play Awards for 2014 were distributed. An EFP Plaque of Merit and Diploma was presented to the European University Sports Association (EUSA), while 'A Play Fair Code - For Integrity In Sports', an Austrian initiative designed to combat match-fixing, was honoured with an EFP Diploma. Two documents were signed: the IWG 'Brighton Declaration on Women and Sports', and a Memorandum of Understanding with the European Sports Press Association (AIPS Europe).

The Olympic Charter describes Olympism as follows: "Blending sports with culture and education, Olympism seeks to create a way of life based on the joy of effort, the educational value of good example and respect for universal fundamental ethical values." Sport is based on Fair Play principles such as respect, honesty and equality. The image of sport in the mind of the public is created jointly by everyone involved: officials, trainers, athletes, referees, the media, the spectators, sponsors, as well as politicians, etc. The EFPM will continue to promote ethical values and the principles of Fair Play in all areas in order to protect the spirit of sport, and to preserve the fascination it holds for everyone.

Another quotation from the Olympic Charter: "The goal of Olympism is to place sport at the service of the harmonious development of man, with a view to promoting a peaceful society concerned with the preservation of human dignity." Therefore, the EFPM warmly welcomes and supports every initiative which aims to provide a useful service for society, and especially for young people, and which ensures that sport is seen to be both a relevant and productive tool for the creation of social dialogue and an essential instrument for education and mutual understanding.

Finally, on behalf of the EFPM, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the following people and institutions for their outstanding efforts in respect of the hosting of the 20th European Fair Play Congress: the Latvian Olympic Committee, the Latvian Olympians' Club, the Organising Committee – and last but not least, the Municipality of Riga, Fair Play City 2014.

Let us work together to create a better world; let us protect sport and its values, and play fair!

Christian Hinterberger  
President, EFPM

## Wherever there is Fair Play, Slovenia goes!



**THE HEART OF SPORT:** Fair Play activities during Eurobasket in Slovenia (September 2013). Here, the Slovenian team pose in 'Fair Play' T-shirts just before the beginning of Eurobasket. Banners bearing the slogan 'FAIR PLAY IS THE HEART OF SPORT' were displayed at all venues, and a panel discussion on Fair Play was held on Slovenian national television.

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2014, Miroslav Cerar gave an address in which he emphasised to them the importance of the values of the Olympic movement. The Head of Team Slovenia was Petra Majdic, our Deputy Ambassador for Sport, Tolerance and Fair Play. During the Sochi Winter Games, the Celje primary school put on a sports and cultural programme focussing on the Olympic Games, and especially on respect for Olympic values and Fair Play. Students at the school also prepared a booklet entitled 'To Slovenian Olympians'.

Thirdly, in Kazan (Tatarstan, Russian Federation) in July 2014 the Committee for our annual International Schoolchildren's Games was honoured with a CIFP World

Fair Play Trophy for the year 2013. The Trophy was given 'for promoting Fair Play and integrating a Fair Play Award into the programme of the Summer Children's Games for 2013, held in Windsor, Essex, Canada'. These Games host over 4000 young athletes from all over the world.

On the international platform, Miroslav Cerar took part in the Election Congress of the European Union of Gymnastics (UEG), held in Portorose in December 2013. He presented Fair Play activities in Slovenia to the President of the UEG and offered the organisation co-operation from the EFPM. In March 2014, the 'Building Bridges 4 Pride in Sport' Conference took place in Ljubljana. Mr. Cerar greeted participants and again offered EFPM co-operation.

## Azerbaijan expects to see Fair Play honoured at European Games

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enable every citizen – irrespective of race, religion, gender, age or social position – to take part in sport. Great appreciation is shown for the successes of our athletes, trainers and sports specialists: these people are rewarded by our President with the highest honours, medals and decorations.

As you know, the first European Games are to be held in Azerbaijan in 2015, and this fact fills me with a deep sense of pride. I believe that these Games, whose Organising Committee is chaired by Mrs. Mehriban Aliyeva (First Lady of Azerbaijan, President of the Heydar Aliyev Fund and Head of this Commission), will leave a lasting impression in people's minds and will be an event fully worthy of the first edition of the European Games.

I would also like to inform you that the Azerbaijan government has given instructions for the review of matters arising from our National Olympic Committee's correspondence with the International and European Fair Play Movements regarding the holding of Fair Play Congresses in Baku in 2015. I very much hope that these matters will be brought to a successful conclusion.

## 20th EUROPEAN FAIR PLAY CONGRESS EFPM DECLARATION Riga, 2014

The 20th European Fair Play Congress, held in Riga on 9th-11th October 2014 and attended by representatives from 25 European national Fair Play organisations and 120 participants, discussed the topic 'Fair Play Values – Bridging Sport and Culture for a Europe without Discrimination'.

- Bearing in mind the social function of sporting activities (which ensure respect for the rules, provide everyone with an equal chance to participate and embody the ideals of friendship, respect for others and sportsmanship);
- Recognising the need for fair treatment of athletes with disabilities, and recognising the role of the Paralympic Movement in ensuring that such people have access to sports facilities, thus encouraging them to participate and to achieve success in sport;

- Being aware of the role played by the mass media in the formation of opinion, in influencing the behaviour of the general public, in publicising the benefits of physical activities and in promoting high-level sport, and being aware of the special responsibilities of the media when reporting on sensitive issues such as doping, violence and match-fixing;
- Acknowledging the impact which the sports infrastructure has on the environment, from simple football fields to motor and aviation sports facilities, and in the knowledge that careful

planning and assessment of needs is necessary, especially with regard to major sports events;

- Mindful of the threat to sport posed by corrupt practices – which prompted the adoption of the Council of Europe's Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions – and mindful of the scope of the commitments that governments take upon themselves by ratifying this Convention;

- In view of our concern that fairness must be ensured in the sports labour market by recognising athletes' need for a dual career;

- Bearing in mind the need to publicise the idea of Fair Play to various different age groups, and especially to children and young people;

those participating in the 20th European Fair Play Congress in Riga, Latvia have agreed on the following statements, in accordance with which the EFPM calls on:

- **governments and other public authorities responsible for sport,**

- ✓ when deciding on sports policy, to examine the question of whether or not the principles of Fair Play have been adhered to;

- ✓ to pay special attention to effective planning of the sports infrastructure so that all groups of people have access to it;

- ✓ to make sure that top-level ath-

letes enjoy the necessary conditions for a secure future by ensuring that they have a strong educational or vocational background;

- **formal and informal educational institutions**

- ✓ to improve the implementation of formal physical education curricula and out-of-school physical education activities, with a view to acquainting pupils with the principles of Fair Play;

- **national and international sports federations, national olympic and paralympic committees**

- ✓ to ensure that rules and their implementation are in compliance with the democratic principles of Fair Play and Good Governance, thus discouraging the manipulation of sports results, violence at or connected with sporting competitions and the use of doping in sport;

- ✓ to actively promote the ideals of Fair Play by using top-level athletes as role models in the formation of public opinion, especially with regard to the younger generation;

- **the mass media**

- ✓ to recognise their role in providing accurate and positive information in order to maintain, promote and develop the ethical values of sport.

The EFPM, for its own part, is fully prepared to make the necessary contributions to the fulfilment of these goals!



## Slovakia is an international centre for Fair Play

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Fair Play was awarded to ice-hockey fullback Tomáš Slovák. The Prize was handed to him during the ceremony in the Primate's Palace on 5th June 2014 by Janka Staová, President of the CFP SOC. In addition, Tomáš Slovák also received the highest European Fair Play Award – the Plaque of Merit and Diploma (which is awarded by the EFPM under the auspices of the EOC). Slovák received the Award from Katarína Ráczová and Kveta Pecková – respectively Slovak and Czech members of the EFPM Executive Committee. During the course of the ceremony, other sporting personalities were also given Fair Play Awards by the CFP SOC. These Awards are traditionally made in three categories: for an Exemplary Action, for Lifelong Behaviour in Accordance with the Spirit of Fair Play, and for Promotion of Fair Play.

In July 2014, the Slovak Olympic Committee (in co-operation with the Slovak Olympic Academy, the CFP SOC, the SOC's Environmental Commission and the High Tatras Olympic Club) organised the fourth edition of its International Youth Olympic Camp. This time, participants came to the High Tatra mountains from five countries – Poland, Hungary, the Czech Republic and the Ukraine (taking part for the first time) as well as Slovakia. A varied programme of activities (including rafting on the River Dunajec; a trip to Trbské Pleso – a ski resort with a glacial lake – which also featured a Nordic Walking presentation; and the creation both of mascots for the respective teams and of a camp logo) had been prepared for the children and young people taking part. As one of the environmental activities, participants planted trees to form the five Olympic rings. In addition, there were games, quizzes and meetings with successful Olympic sportspeople. All these activities were designed to promote Olympic values such as Fair Play, to provide education in the history of the Olympic Games in an unusual way, and to engage young people's creativity. Camp participants also took part in painter Andrej Smolák's 'Painted Equator' project, the aim of which is to connect people of various different nationalities by creating an imaginary chain of human hands; this 'chain' will in fact be formed from a total of 40,075 pictures painted by people all over the world.

The aim of all the CFP SOC's activities is to contribute to the dissemination of Olympic ideals among children and young people, to teach them the importance of sport and to emphasise to them that sport does not just mean breaking records and celebrating victories – it also brings educational benefits and has a positive effect on character.

## France holds colourful Fair Play Award ceremonies

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Luyce); Stéphane Caristan (Athletics); Lucie Decosse (Judo); Jérémie Azou and Stany Delayre (Rowing); Nordine Oubaali (Boxing); and Elisabeth Riffiod (Basketball). The following people were also honoured: coaches Oliver Krumbholz and Philippe Bodier; administrators Yves Lair, Claude Booklage, Michel Chaigne and Michel Pouteau; football referee Claude Colombo; the Association of Former Rugby Internationals; Jean-Noël Grouniet (an advocate of the use of the French language in sport); and Henri Sannier (a sports journalist and television presenter). Champion cyclist Bernard Hinault was also given an enthusiastic ovation for his outstanding career, which included five victories in the Tour de France.

## Regulations for the European Fair Play Awards

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the spirit of Fair Play and tolerance;

- the study and better understanding of ethics in sport;

or: for making an outstandingly sportsmanlike gesture or acting in an outstandingly sportsmanlike manner during a sports event.

A maximum of **one** European Fair Play Plaque of Merit and Diploma will be awarded in each of the two categories listed above (i.e., a maximum of one for an organisation and one for an individual).

**1.2. The European Fair Play Diploma**, which is to be awarded to:

an organisation, as defined in paragraph 1.1 above, or to an individual, in consideration of a relevant contribution made by this organisation or individual to the preservation or implementation of ethical values in sport.

The number of European Fair Play Diplomas to be awarded will be determined by the Awards Committee. A maximum of **two** will be given annually, depending on the quality of applications received.

### The Submission Process

Applications for all the above categories of Award may be made by:

- a national Fair Play organisation;
- a European Olympic Committee; or
- a member of the EFPM Executive Committee, and must be submitted to the EFPM Secretariat so that it reaches the Secretariat before the deadline, which is to be fixed by the EFPM Executive Committee for each year.

### The Decision-Making Process

Decisions as to which persons, groups or institutions are to receive the above-mentioned Awards will be taken by the EFPM Awards Committee, and will be announced at the annual General Assembly of the EFPM.

The Awards will be presented by the EFPM during the annual EFP Congress – or by the organisation that has submitted the relevant proposal, at its seat.

### 2. The EFPM 'Spirit of Fair Play' Award Eligibility

The EFPM 'Spirit of Fair Play' Award may be given to a team, club, sports federation, public or private institution, organisation or group of spectators / fans / individuals in recognition of the following:

- Projects and campaigns designed to prevent discrimination and violence of all kinds;
- Projects and campaigns which use sport as a tool for positive social change, social integration and the breaking down of barriers;
- Acts of fairness on the part of players, fans, officials, etc. towards competitors, organisations, etc., which take place during or in connection with sports competitions;
- Exemplary behaviour maintained over a long period, and commitment to fairness on or outside the sports field;
- Developing and carrying out projects or campaigns which aim to encourage sportsmanship, exemplary behaviour and the principles of Fair Play;
- Developing and carrying out projects or campaigns which aim to combat child labour and to protect the rights of workers producing Olympic goods and sportswear;
- Work carried out with children and young people which aims to educate them in subjects such as Fair Play, tolerance and the discouragement of discrimination, and to help them better understand these values.

### The Submission Process

Proposals may be submitted by individuals, by sports federations, or by public or private institutions.

A report describing the event concerned (in the form of a written document, accompanied by photographs, videos and if necessary other relevant supporting material) confirming the realisation of the project and providing reasons for the making of an Award should first be sent via e-mail to Ioannis Psilopoulos, EFPM General Secretary, at the following address: [ipsilopoulos@windtools.gr](mailto:ipsilopoulos@windtools.gr)

If submitted in a language other than English, the said report must include a brief English summary.

A written version of the initial report (accompanied by photographs, videos and if necessary

other relevant supporting material) should then be sent **by post** to Ioannis Psilopoulos, EFPM General Secretary, at the following address: 31, Kodringtonos Str., GR-10343 Athens, Greece.

The deadline for submissions to reach the EFPM General Secretary is 31st March in each year.

Self-nomination is permitted.

### The Decision-Making Process

Decisions as to who will receive EFPM 'Spirit of Fair Play' Awards will be taken by the EFPM Awards Committee, and will be announced at the annual EFPM General Assembly. The making of Awards in this category is entirely at the discretion of the EFPM. Awards will be made only if the Awards Jury receives suitable proposals on behalf of candidates who are considered by this Jury to be worthy of an Award.

### 3. The EFPM 'Fair Play Flame' Award

The target group for the EFPM 'Fair Play Flame' Award is young people up to the age of 18 (this figure being calculated according to the year in which the candidate turns 18).

### Eligibility

The EFPM 'Fair Play Flame' Award may be given to a team, class or individual for any of the below-listed or similar accomplishments, all of which are designed to have a positive influence on society or on the environment:

- Exemplary behaviour or acts of Fair Play during sports competitions;
- Helping friends or schoolmates who are in trouble, either at school or elsewhere;
- Helping to organise cultural or sports events, or events designed to assist orphanages, homes for the handicapped or homes for socially-deprived children;
- Helping elderly people who are in need of support;
- Actions taken at public events, or the organising of public events, which are designed to preserve or enhance the environment.

It is, of course, participants themselves who are to choose the exact type of activity they wish to organise – the one they feel is the most appropriate and the one most likely to light the flame of friendship, tolerance and togetherness.

### The Submission Process

Proposals may be submitted by individuals, by schools, by classes, by sports federations, or by public or private institutions.

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Decisions as to who will receive EFPM 'Fair Play Flame' Awards will be taken by the EFPM Awards Committee, and will be announced at the annual EFPM General Assembly. It is recommended that two (2) 'Fair Play Flame' Awards should be made annually – one reflecting the public's choice plus one decided on by the EFPM Executive Committee. The making of that Award which is to be decided on by the EFPM Executive Committee is entirely at the discretion of the EFPM. This Award will be made only if the Awards Jury receives suitable proposals on behalf of candidates who are considered by this Jury to be worthy of an Award.

Please take note of the following:

This is a great opportunity to involve the general public by allowing not only participants in the annual EFP Congresses and EFPM General Assemblies, but also visitors to these Congresses

and General Assemblies, to vote for their favourite Fair Play project in the 'Public's Choice' category. An exhibition presenting all the projects submitted for Awards is to be organised during each EFP Congress and EFPM General Assembly so that both participants in these events and visitors to them can vote for their favourite act of Fair Play.

However, the most important reward for those teams, classes or individuals who receive these Awards will be the gratitude of those people who have benefited from the acts of Fair Play and tolerance concerned.

### 4. The EFPM 'Fair Play Vox' Award, made under the auspices of AIPS Europe Eligibility

The EFPM 'Fair Play Vox' Award is designed solely for institutions and companies involved with the printed, broadcast or electronic media, and for the people who work in them (for example, journalists and reporters working for newspapers, magazines, television channels, etc.). It is made in the knowledge that the media play a key role in encouraging society to adopt positive ethical values and in promoting general acceptance of the values of Fair Play and tolerance.

The EFPM 'Fair Play Vox' Award is given by the EFPM under the auspices of AIPS Europe for the following:

- long-term commitment to ethical values;
- contributing to the promotion of the principles of Fair Play and tolerance, educating one's audience in the meaning of these subjects, and promoting intercultural understanding;
- helping to ban the use of so-called 'war language' and of other forms of disrespectful language in the media with regard to opponents and opposing competitors, fans, etc.;
- organising or giving support to campaigns which aim to encourage the development of sport and of a sense of social responsibility;
- implementing or promoting anti-doping measures and educational programmes designed to combat doping;
- organising or promoting projects which focus on communication for positive social change;
- organising or promoting activities designed to ensure better physical and/or emotional health for children and young people.

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# HAPPY MEMORIES OF RIGA



**ANGELS SPREAD THEIR WINGS AT THE OPENING:** The 20th Congress in Riga begins with a wonderful dancing display by a group of charming Latvian children.



**THE COLOURED BALLOONS:** The children with their multicoloured balloons create a warm, friendly atmosphere at the Congress opening.



**THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH:** EFPM President Christian Hinterberger gives his opening speech. Also visible here are Congress organisers Raimonds Bergmanis and Baiba Veisa.



**HONoured GUESTS IN THE FRONT ROW:** The opening ceremony was attended by Sir Philip Craven (Pres. of the International Paralympic Com.) and Mrs. Daiga Dadzite (Pres. of the Latvian Paralympic Com.).



**A GREAT EVENING AT THE LIDO:** Congress delegates spent an enjoyable evening at the Lido in Riga, with its famous windmill. While there, Dr. Steve Town (United Kingdom) got ready for the talk he was to give at the Congress!



**STORIES FROM RUGGERO:** Ruggero Alcantarini entertains Katarina and her husband with his amusing stories.



**BALKAN DELEGATES:** Representatives from Slovenia and Croatia pose together for a photograph at the Lido.



**HER BIRTHDAY:** Lenka Kovarova (Czech Rep.) was pleased to see that Christian Hinterberger had not forgotten her birthday. At this table at the Lido, the unforgettable Prof. Manfred Lammer (one of the EFPM's founding members) recounted some entertaining anecdotes.



**A ROMANTIC EVENING AT 'FOLK CLUB ALA':** Delegates spent an enjoyable evening at this unusual basement club in Riga.



**GEORGES IS NOT FORGOTTEN:** EFPM Honorary Member Georges Diderich (Luxembourg) is seen here with Salhat Abbasova of Azerbaijan.



**STEVE TOWN PLAYS WAITER:** Steve Town serves delegates from Azerbaijan and Germany at a table in the 'Folk Club Ala'.



**PHOTOS FOR ICELAND:** Helga Magnúsdóttir of the EHF takes some snapshots to take home to Iceland.



**THE MAGNIFICENT GALA:** The Riga Congress ended with a magnificent Gala Evening at which speeches were given by Wilfried Lemke (UN Special Adviser on Sport for Development and Peace), EFPM President Christian Hinterberger and EFPM Vice President and Awards Jury Chairman Miroslav Cerar.



**STARS OF THE RIGA CONGRESS:** Raimonds Bergmanis (who is also a Latvian MP) and Baiba Veisa, who were responsible for the successful organisation of the Riga Congress and for providing excellent hospitality.



**SMILES ALL ROUND:** Poland, Slovakia, the Czech Republic and Azerbaijan were represented at this table, at which ladies were in the majority! Hard-working CSIT President Harald Bauer also posed for a photograph.



**A SHOW BY ANU:** EFPM Finnish delegate Anu Rajajarvi made everyone at the Gala Dinner do gymnastics, which raised a laugh.



**TWENTY YEARS ON:** Six of the people who founded the EFPM in Zurich in 1994 were at the Gala: Messrs. Hinterberger, Gonçalves, Arpinar, Lammer, Jacobsen and Cerar.



**THE CIRCLE:** Six of the EFPM's founding members form a circle to celebrate their organisation's 20th Anniversary.



**FLOWERS FROM TÜRKAY:** Türkay Peker of Turkey (who was unable to attend the Gala) sent a bouquet of flowers, which was presented to Baiba Veisa.



**PRESENTATIONS FROM AZERBAIJAN, TURKEY AND RUSSIA:** (left) Hazar Isaev, Salhat Abbasova and İlham Madatov (the team from Azerbaijan) distribute gifts while inviting everyone to Baku; (middle) Perviz Aran, a member of the Turkish NOC's EC, hands Raimonds Bergmanis an interesting present from the NOC to be given to the Latvian President; (right) There were presentations from Russia, too.



**OUR THANKS TO A SUCCESSFUL TEAM:** At the end of the Gala, the team which organised the Riga Congress are enthusiastically applauded by delegates for a job well done as they receive awards.



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