



The European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) is a European non-governmental organisation, established in 1994 in the FIFA House in Zurich. National Fair Play organisations from 40 European Countries have been a part of the EFPM since 1994. The main goal of the EFPM is to promote Fair Play and Tolerance in sports and everyday life at the European level. The EFPM seeks to achieve this goal by supporting its members, by helping to promote Fair Play campaigns where sports organisations take the initiative, by co-operating with the authorities to foster Fair Play themes and by facilitating regular contacts between the various European sports organisations.

The goal of EFPM Flash News is to keep people informed on EFPM's activities and to establish closer contact not only with all the EFPM members but also with all European governmental and non-governmental sport institutions and organisations aiming to support and to contribute to the promotion of Ethics in Sport and encouragement of the Fair Play values and principles in all sporting activities as well as in daily life.

All EFPM members, the above mentioned organisations and institutions, and associations with the same principles, are invited to communicate information relating to EFPM's goals (conferences, congresses, special events or initiatives, Fair Play prizes, books, etc....).

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The European Fair Play Movement (EFPM), represented by its President Christian Hinterberger and Treasurer Katarina Raczova, had the pleasure of meeting

Jean Brihault, President, and Michael Wiederer, Secretary General of the European Handball Federation (EHF), on September 5, 2013. Purpose of this meeting was the signature of a Memorandum of Understanding in the matters of sports, tolerance

and Fair Play between the two organizations. The EHF has already proved that they put a lot of emphasis onto Fair Play, friendship and onto activities aimed at strengthening the ethical dimension of sport. Hence we are very confident that the cooperation between the two organizations will lead to a fruitful and successful partnership.

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The EFPM invites all its members, the European National Olympic Committees, sports organizations and

educational institutions to submit their applications to the 2012 European Fair Play Awards in recognition of the importance of promoting the good examples of Fair Play and tolerance. The annual European Fair Play Awards, issued by EFPM under the patronage of the European Olympic Committees, are granted to National Fair Play Organizations, sports organizations or educational institutions as well as to individuals.

The awards are presented annually in the following categories:

- **The European Fair Play Plaque of Merit and Diploma;**
- **The European Fair Play Diploma.**

All applications must be submitted to Ioannis Psilopoulos, EFPM Gen. Secretary, by fax +30 210 6878940 or e-mail ipsilopoulos@windtools.gr followed indispensably by original letter (Address: 31, Kodringtonos Str. GR - 10343 Athens).

Application deadline: April 30, 2014

Thanking you in advance for your contribution.

The Czech Republic hosted the European juniors and cadets Championships in Table Tennis in Ostrava in July 2013. Sport results aside special focus was put on correct behavior of the participants and them following the values of Fair Play. The European Fair Play Movement (EFPM)

and the Czech FP Club undertook patronage of these events.

The Fair Play Prizes were handed over by Kveta Pecková, Member of EC EFPM and President of the Czech Fair Play Club.

Three proposals for awarding Fair Play Prizes were accepted: *Alexandr Khanin*, a cadet athlete



from Belarus, admitted in a dramatic quarter finals match that his opponent's ball had touched the table despite the

referee missing this scene. Consequently, the point was awarded to his opponent. Similarly, the Serbian couple *Nikola Grbič* and *Nikola Marinkovič* pointed out a wrong decision by their referee. The subsequent correction of score was of disadvantage for them, underlining their fair behaviour. Both athletes were encouraged by their coach *Miloš Djokič* to admit the referee's wrong decision. As a consequence, the EFPM Plaque was awarded to Miloš Djokič for his exemplary behaviour as a coach.

25 youngsters from 4 countries (Slovakia, Czech Republic, Poland and Hungary), all of them 10 to 13 years old, participated in the 3rd edition of the International Olympic Youth Camp in High Tatras from July 16 to 21, 2013. The camp was jointly organized by the Slovak Olympic Committee (SOC), the Slovak Olympic Academy and the Fair Play Club SOC and aimed at promoting the values of Olympism and intercultural cooperation. As always it offered a rich and exciting educational and cultural exchange programme under the Olympic flag, focusing on the life and work of Pierre de Coubertin, Fair Play, environmental activities, the history of Olympism as well as including

sessions with Olympians. Grouped in 5 international teams, each in one Olympic colour, the participating youngsters needed to use their physical and mental strength and especially an open mindset to discuss values which help them to achieve success in sport and everyday's life.



Charalambos Lottas, Secretary General of the Cyprus Olympic Committee, was chosen as National Ambassador for Sport, Tolerance and Fair Play for the year 2014. The decision was taken by the Executive Council of the Cyprus NOC during its last meeting, following a decision of the European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) towards the adoption of this institution. The Fair Play Ambassadors' tasks are the education of people in behavioral issues

according to the values of Fair Play and the aim to find ways of practical application of Fair Play values through personal actions. We are convinced that Charalambos Lottas is the right person for this task and are looking forward to his ideas and engagement.



EFPM's partner, the European University Sports Association (EUSA), in cooperation with its Student Commission (EUSA StC), has been organizing an annual Photo Competition since 2009, where participants and other students are encouraged to take photos and capture the right moment to reveal the true nature of the university spirit. This year, the EUSA Photo Competition is open to everyone taking pictures at European University Championships (EUC). Send in up to 5 photos that you have taken during the Championships to stc@eusa.eu. But make



sure the photos depict no sort of drugs, alcohol, political propaganda, national symbols, sexually suggestive content or violence. The deadline to submit the photos is December 1, 2013. The selection process will involve votes on the EUSA Facebook page www.facebook.com/eusa.university.sport and the Student Commission will ultimately announce the winner on December 27, 2013. By participating, students share their perspective of the Championships and may win a trip to the EUSA General Assembly 2014 in Turkey, where the award will be officially handed over to the winner.

The United Nations General Assembly proclaimed April 6 as the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace. The reason why April 6 was chosen as the fitting day is simple: It was the day the first modern Olympic Games in Athens in 1896 were opened. In its decision to create the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace the United Nations cited the International Olympic Committee's pursuit of promoting healthy lifestyle and making sport accessible to as many as possible. Jacques Rogge, President of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), and Novak Djokovic, the world's number one tennis player and a

Goodwill Ambassador for the UN Children's Fund, were present at the meeting, too. Addressing the Assembly on behalf of the world's athletic community, Novak Djokovic said: "I hope this International Day will motivate each of us to invest in every way possible additional efforts in cultivating the intrinsic sporting values such as teamwork, Fair Play and respect for opponents. These ideals are universal. Every successful society is built on them. The more we instill respect and appreciations for this in ourselves the better world will be leaving to our successors."

Liverpool Football Club, one of the biggest clubs worldwide, has recently issued members of staff with a list of "unacceptable" words and phrases in their efforts to combat all forms of discrimination. The guide, part of a wider education program run by the club, details terms that employees should deem offensive under the headings of race, religion, sexual orientation, gender and disability. Rishi Jain, the social inclusion officer for Liverpool, who helped compile the guide,

pointed out the aim of this act, which is "to tackle all forms of discrimination, as well as promoting its [Liverpool's] approach to equality and diversity. [...] This program of awareness enables our employees to recognize inappropriate language and take the necessary steps to ensure Anfield [Liverpool's home stadium] is free from all forms of discrimination."

I hope you enjoy your read and will visit the EFPM website!

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