



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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With great sadness we have taken note of information that Professor Zofia Zukowska, a person of great achievement in the area of education in sport, physical culture, as well as Olympic Movement and the Polish Olympic Committee, passed away. Her activities and efforts especially in the area of science, teaching, propagation of Olympism and fair play in sport were recognized both in Poland and on the international arena. She received many honorable awards for her work. In November 2012, Professor Zofia Zukowska celebrated her work's Diamond Jubilee. We all share a deep conviction that everything that professor Zofia Zukowska left will be deeply engraved in the hearts of those who are connected to sport and Olympism. Our thoughts are with

her family and the Polish Olympic Committee.

The European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) has its headquarters in Vienna since June 2013, so EFPM President Christian Hinterberger hosted an Executive meeting in the Austrian capital. One of the main points was the preparation of the European Fair Play Congress in Riga (LAT) in **October 8-10, 2014** under the patronage of the European Olympic Committees (EOC) and International Council of Sport, Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE). As next year Latvia's capital city Riga will be the European Capital of Culture, the topic of the congress aims to demonstrate the common goals of sport and culture: **"The Fair Play Values – bridge between sport and culture for Europe without discrimination"**. The

invited keynote speakers, representatives of National FP organizations, delegates of different sport and educational organizations will be discussing the different forms of human activities in sport and culture, which are able to provide positive changes in people's lives. Sport in urban environment and supporting so-called green thinking will be two of the most discussed topics at the congress, as they are key challenges of our time. The event's significance will be raised even higher as EFPM will be celebrating its 20th anniversary in Riga.



The EFPM is constantly working on extending its Fair Play network and is glad and

happy to present the European Taekwondo Union as a future high-profile partner for its work and aims. In this respect, the "Memorandum of Understanding" was signed

by Athanasios Pragalos, European Taekwondo Union President and Christian Hinterberger, EFPM President.

The European Taekwondo Union, founded in 1976, is governing all Taekwondo Activities in Europe and, moreover, aims “to prevent the

ethical values, the fascination and the spirit of sports”. Taekwondo, after being a demonstration sports event twice in Seoul 1988 and Barcelona 1992, was incorporated as a full Olympic discipline in Sydney 2000. The EFPM is looking forward to future fruitful cooperation.

The EFPM Delegation – President Ch. Hinterberger, Secretary General Y. Psilopoulos and Executive Committee Member R. Alcanterini – gladly followed the invitation of European Olympic Committees (EOC) to attend the EOC General Assembly in Rome, November 21-23, 2013. A particularly large number of guests from the Olympic world attended the EOC General Assembly. Among them were HE the Sheikh AL Sabah, the President of ANOC, ASOIF President Francesco Ricci Bitti, Sport-Accord President Marius Vizer, ENGSO President Birgitta Kervinen, 14 International and European Federations and 22 IOC Members. The Assembly also brought together three former EOC Presidents, Franco Carraro, Jacques Rogge and Mario Pescante, all of them Honorary Presidents today. The highlight of the

agenda has been the election of the new EOC Executive Committee as well as the presentation of the Organizing Committee of the inaugural European Games in Baku 2015, led by Azad Rahimov, Azeri Minister for sport and Youth. Within the report of EOC Secretary General Pagnozzi, the EFPM has been officially announced as partner of the international relations of EOC. Besides, the EFPM representatives took the opportunity to make personal contacts and informal consultations with relevant representatives of NOC, with EOC board members and the organizers of the Baku Games 2015.



The EFPM invites all its members, the European National Olympic Committees, sports organizations and educational institutions to submit their applications to the 2013 European Fair Play Awards. 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, educational institutions as well as to individuals for

- ✓ contribution made to the spread of the values and principles of Fair Play and tolerance and/or in supporting appropriate initiatives for the preservation of ethical values in sports
- ✓ personal contribution and/or, services rendered to the Implementation of values of sports
- ✓ development of a national Fair Play organization
- ✓ education of youth or athletes in the spirit of Fair Play and Tolerance

- ✓ a remarkable gesture or behaviour during a sport event.

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). Do not forget to complete your proposals with the necessary supporting documents (introduction report, eventual photos, press-clippings etc.)

Application deadline: January 30, 2014

Thanking you in advance for your contribution.

Slovak ice-hockey player Tomáš Slovák, who plays for the Czech club HC Plzeň, earned widespread recognition when he took a step which was incomprehensible to many. In the decisive Czech Extraliga final against HC PSG Zlín, the home team – with a score of 2:3 in the 59:46 minute – was desperately trying to get the puck into the attacking zone. But the puck flew out of bounds and the referees indicated a face-off in the neutral zone. However, thirty-year-old Slovak defenseman Tomáš Slovák admitted to the referee that the puck had actually deflected off his helmet. Because of this admission the main referee changed the verdict made by his line referee colleague. A face-off in front of the

Plzeň goal followed and Zlín evened the score ten seconds before the horn, necessitating overtime. The game was extended twice and Plzeň won their first championship title in the 97th minute of the second overtime.

„I was raised honestly and I didn't want Plzeň to win their first ever title dishonestly. I know that people don't believe such talk nowadays. Many of them think I'm crazy but that is how it had to be” Tomáš Slovák said and admitted that he would do the same again.



On 29 November 1913, the Federation International d'Esgrime (FIE) was founded by the representatives of 9 nations:

UK, Belgium, Germany, Italy, France, Hungary, the Netherlands, the Czech Republic and Norway. Throughout 2013, the FIE celebrated its centennial with various activities. One of the actions was an inaugural institution of the FIE Hall of Fame which is dedicated to those who have made a significant contribution to the development of fencing. Each

member organization had an opportunity to nominate up to 10 candidates. From the list that the 148 members submitted, FIE Executive Committee selected 100 personalities for their achievements and impact on fencing. The European Fair Play family is proud that amongst the chosen ones are EC EFPM member Katarina Raczo and the represent of the Rumanian Fair Play Movement, Laura Badea-Cârlescu.



The European Volleyball Confederation

(CEV) announced a campaign highlighting

the positive elements of both of the disciplines of Volleyball, “traditional” Volleyball and Beach Volleyball. “Fair Play. Volleyball Way.” is an innovative campaign aimed at re-branding, re-shaping and re-enforcing the image and perception of Volleyball and Beach Volleyball across Europe as a clean and fair sport. By using players who uphold the core values of good behaviour and respect, the CEV works with the National Federations, clubs, and organizers across Europe to develop the campaign in the coming years.

In highlighting the unique attributes of Volleyball, the CEV confirms its commitment to social responsibility and encouraging young and old athletes to continue the CEV's aims of Fair Play, honesty and clean sport. The expression Fair Play seems to be often overused. However, in both Volleyball disciplines it is a very real part of the sport. Being amongst the cleanest disciplines in the world, it also has one of the best disciplinary records of all the team sports. where the Action is focused on the athletics and not on negative behaviour of those involved. At all levels the participants act as real role models for the younger generations of Volleyballers.

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

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