

## EFPM NEWSLETTER 5 /2015



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 first joint EFPM/CIFP congress was held in Baku, Azerbaijan, from October 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015, gathering delegates from 32 countries. The main topic of the congress was “Fair Play in Competitive Sport – Making it Real or Just an Ideal”, to which several well-known personalities presented their points of view. On behalf of the Fair Play family, EFPM President Christian Hinterberger, CIFP president Jenö Kamuti as well as EFPM Vice-President Erdogan Aripinar, Azerbaijan Fair Play Council President Khazar Isayev and Azad Rahimov, Minister of Youth and Sport, were welcomed by Ilham Aliyev, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan. The head of state expressed

satisfaction with the holding of the first joint congress of the International Fair Play Committee and European Fair Play Movement and the 21st General Assembly of the European Fair Play Movement in Baku and expressed hope that during the event interesting discussions would be held.

One of the highlights of the joint congress was the Fair Play Awards Ceremony. On behalf of CIFP following awards were presented:

Tennis player **Lukasz Kubot** received the **Pierre de Coubertin World Fair Play Trophy**;  
The **Ligue Francophone de Hockey** received the **Willi Daume World Fair Play Trophy**;  
Football player **Javier Adelmar Zanetti** received the **Jean Borotra World Fair Play Trophy**.  
We would like to invite you to visit the website [www.fairplayinternational.org](http://www.fairplayinternational.org) for more detailed information on these distinguished winners.

On behalf of EFPM following awards were presented:

**Plaque of Merit and Diploma**, under the auspices of EOC, was awarded to **Daniela Iraschko-Stolz**, Austrian ski-jumper, for a remarkable act of Fair Play, and the **Hellenic Olympic Academy**, for the “Dove of Peace” project;

**The EFPM “Fair Play Vox” Award**, under the auspices of AIPS Europe, was presented to **Nikolai Dolgoplov**, engaged Russian journalist;

**The EFPM “Spirit of Fair Play” Award** was presented to **Brigitta Kervinen (FIN)**, honorary President of European Non-Governmental Sports Organisation (ENGSO), for her life-long support of Fair Play.

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After the joint EFPM / CIFP congress, the EFPM General Assembly took place in Baku. The delegates approved the reports presented by the EFPM EC. The highlight of the event was the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with ENGSO and its newly elected President, Carlos Cardoso from Portugal.

It is an honour for EFPM to announce that 40 organizations are now members of EFPM, including Belgium (Panathlon Bruxelles/Wallonie) and United Kingdom (British Olympic Foundation).

More relevant information and actual news about the congress can be found on the webpages: [www.fairplaybaku.az](http://www.fairplaybaku.az) and [www.fairplayeur.com](http://www.fairplayeur.com)

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Erdogan Aripinar, founding member and Vice President of EFPM since its establishment, was presented with an Honorary PhD by the Azerbaijan State Sports Academy. Rector Prof. Dr. Aghajan Abiyev presented Erdogan Aripinar with the title and congratulated him on this wonderful occasion. Also, the Fair Play Caravan project of the Turkish Olympic Committee – a travelling Fair Play Cartoon exhibition – was presented at the Azerbaijan State Sports Academy.



The National Olympic Committee of Belarus was host to the congress of the European Sports Press Association (AIPS Europe) and a seminar for mass media on 11-13 September. Attending the forum were 40 representatives of 25 countries. The event was approved by the European Olympic Committees and took place in Minsk as part of the Olympic Solidarity program. EFPM was represented by President Christian Hinterberger, who greeted the participants and introduced EFPM activities. He also announced

that the first EFPM “Fair Play Vox” award, under the auspices of AIPS Europe, would go to Nikolai Dolgoplov, a well-known Russian sports journalist and Deputy Editor-in-Chief of Rossiyskaya Gazeta and AIPS Vice-President.

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10<sup>th</sup> International Pierre de Coubertin Youth Forum 2015



The well-known thermal city of Piešťany, Slovakia, hosted the 10th Youth Forum of Pierre de Coubertin schools (Aug 29<sup>th</sup> – Sep 5<sup>th</sup> 2015). More than 150 students from 23 countries took part in this event for which the organizing committee chose the motto “*Riding the Wave of the Olympic*

*Spirit*”. The Youth Forum was not only meant to be an opportunity for young people to experience cultural exchange and to meet people from different parts of the world, it was also filled with rich content on the basis of Coubertin’s educational ideas. Several well-known personalities were present at this event, such as the President of the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee, Norbert Müller, the great-grand child of the founding father of Olympism, Yvan de Navacelle de Coubertin, the project manager of the International Olympic Committee for Olympic education, Elizabeth Sluyter-Mathew, and the Vice-President of the Slovak Olympic Committee for Olympism, Vladimir Miller. EFPM EC member Katarina Raczova shared her personal experience and stories from the Olympic events she participated in. Highlight of the forum was the Closing ceremony during which the volunteers of the Pierre de Coubertin School of Piešťany received the Club Fair Play SOC award for the excellent organization of the event in the spirit of fairness and tolerance.





The Croatian Ministry of Science, Education and Sports, with the help of the Croatian Fair Play Committee, the Croatian Olympic Committee and the Croatian Sports Journalists Association, published the book titled “Living Fair Play”. Morana Brkijacic, Romana Caput-Jogunica, Goran Jukic and Jurica Ozmec contributed to this publication by editors Natasa Muzdalo and Biserka Vrbek. The goal of “Living Fair Play” is to raise awareness of the role of Fair Play has in everyday life and sports by presenting the activities which the proper government and non-government organizations for sport and Fair Play are carrying out. The publication can be used by teachers and other professional staff at educational institutions as well as coaches who want to know more about Fair Play or prepare a lecture on that subject.

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The International Workers and Amateurs in Sports Confederation (CSIT), a EFPM partner organization, held its 37th Ordinary Congress from October 12th to 18th in Cancun, Mexico, for the election of its President and the Executive Committee. President Mr. Harald Bauer was re-elected with the overwhelming majority of 27:3 votes for his third period as CSIT President for the next term of four years. Almost 120 CSIT-delegates of 28 member organizations took part in the Congress hosted by the Mexican CSIT member INDET. EFPM wished Harald Bauer four more fruitful years heading CSIT and is looking forward to further cooperation.

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***Let us, together, take care of sports and Play Fair!***

***Enjoy your read and feel free to provide EFPM with information on your organisations, activities, and events.***

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