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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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We would like to remind you that ASKÖ, an Austrian European Fair Play Movement member organization, will host the 22nd EFPM General Assembly in Vienna on 7-8 October 2016. Part of this event will be the European Fair Play Conference in the course of which two high-profile key note speakers will deliver speeches on currently relevant topics: One of them is Prof. Dr. Anja Martin, a registered lawyer specialising on sports law and sport management and member of the FIFA/Interpol integrity team. Her responsibility is to advise football organisations and investigating authorities on the threats of sport manipulation.

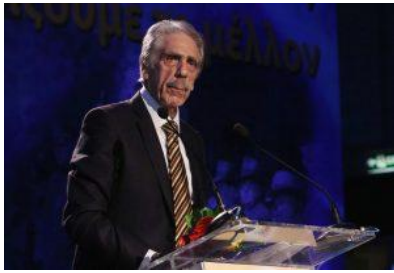
The second keynote speaker will be Mag. Severin Moritzer, CEO of the Austrian non-profit association Play Fair Code, which came into existence in 2012 in order to raise awareness on sport manipulation and prevention thereof. Play Fair Code has developed a 45-minute education tool which is in a roll-out stage for top-level clubs in Austria. In addition, the association works in the field of monitoring and player prevention and has created an Ombudsman Facility, a contact point for players, coaches, club representatives, referees and all other actors in sport. The association was awarded the European Fair Play Diploma 2014.

You will receive some more details about accommodation and venue, agenda etc. together with the official invitation as soon as possible. Details will also be published on our webpage www.fairplayeur.com

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Vienna.



The French fair play family has a new President: Jean-Pierre Mougin has been named new President of Association Française pour un Sport sans Violence et pour le Fair Play (AFSVFP). Jean-Pierre Mougin has had a very active career in the area of sports and sports organisations: from 1989 to 2008, he was President of the Fédération Française de Motocyclisme, from 2007 to 2010, he acted as Vice-president of the Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme. Jean-Pierre Mougin was Secretary General of the Comité National Olympique et Sportif Français (CNSOF) and currently acts as its Vice President. Also, he is Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur since 2012. We welcome Jean-Pierre Mougin to the fair play family and wish him a lot of success for his activities.



Charalambos Lottas, EFPM Executive Member, was awarded the Longterm and Exceptional Contribution Award for his longterm contribution to his country, sports and commons by the Cyprus Sports Writer Union. Charalambos Lottas currently acts as the Secretary General at the Cyprus National Olympic Committee and is chairman of the Fair Play Commission of the same organization.

In 1997, Charalambos Lottas was elected Vice President of the Handball Mediterranean Confederation and in 1998 Vice President of the Commonwealth Europe Zone. Between 2004 and 2012, he served as the President of the International Handball Federation Arbitration Committee. Since 2006, he is member of the Executive Committee of the European Fair Play Movement. In 2013, the Cyprus Olympic Committee announced him as ambassador of Cyprus for Sports, Tolerance and Fair Play.



The International Council for Coaching Excellence (ICCE), its continental group European Coaching Council and the Hellenic Federation of Sports Coaches and Trainers (POPA) hosted a very successful 2nd European Meeting of the Coaches Associations and Coaching Organisations in Greece on 23-24 May 2016, after the 1st European Meeting in Cologne, Germany in April 2014. This meeting served as further opportunity to shape up the representation of sport coaches and sport coaching on European level.

The meeting was attended by well-experienced sports representatives coming from 20 European countries sharing best practice, showcasing and discussing the cooperation between national and continental associations of coaches and coaching organizations and their cooperation with national and international governing bodies. EFPM Gen. Secretary Ioannis Psilopoulos took part in this very important event and extended the views of EFPM on the topics discussed, while also having conducted fruitful discussions with ICCE and POPA officials.



The Committee of the Cyprus Olympic Committee and the Cyprus Sports Organisation appointed Christalleni Trikomiti, a former rhythmic gymnastics champion, to be Cyprus Fair Play Ambassador for the year 2016 based on her ethos as well as her great contribution and unique athletic success. Christalleni Trikomiti is 23 years old and has represented Cyprus at the Olympic Games London in 2012. Further, she won two gold, one silver and two bronze medals at the New Delhi 2010 Commonwealth Games. Moreover, in 2014 she was chosen to be

the Ambassador for the Youth Olympic Games in Nanjing in 2014. Ms. Trikomiti graduated with honours from the American Academy in Larnaca and graduated in 2015 with a law degree at the Faculty of Law at the University of Manchester. She now resides and practices law in Cyprus.



The European Commission will invite all sporting federations to commit to good governance in the wake of the scandals surrounding FIFA and the IAAF. Tibor Navracsics, commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport at the European Commission, told delegates at the EU Sport Forum that he would launch the initiative during the European Week of Sport in September. “We are all painfully aware of the scandals engulfing professional sport. The crisis of FIFA, doping in athletics and match-fixing in tennis – there are many threats to the integrity of sport,” said Navracsics. “My ambition is in

four years time we are in a much better way than today, and we can once again have faith and confidence in sport organisations. It is the only way forward.” In addition, the Dutch minister of Health, Welfare and Sport, Edith Schippers, said that all 28 governments in the European Union should make consistent conditions for sports federations with regards to transparency, human rights issues and labour conditions before spending taxpayers’ money on bidding for events.

“It’s high time for governments to act, and the European Union is a good framework for such action,” added Jen Sejer Andersen, international director of Play the Game, the anti-corruption body.



On 2-3 June 2016, the annual conference of the Council of Europe’s Enlarged Partial Agreement on Sport (EPAS) in cooperation with the Ministry of Defence and Sports of Austria took place in Vienna. EFPM was represented at this important event by its President Christian Hinterberger and its Treasurer Katarina Raczova. The conference was opened by Hans Peter Doskozil, Austrian Minister for Defense and Sport. Tegla Loroupe, world champion for Kenya in long-distance track and road running as well as global spokeswoman for Peace, Women’s Rights and Education addressed the audience with an emotional and touching speech on her experiences. The topic of the event was discussed by conducting numerous round tables in the course of which high profile sporting personalities were given the chance to present their opinions, amongst them: Antonio Silva Mendes, Director, European Commission, DG Education and Culture, Pamela Vipond, Director of Olympic Solidarity, IOC, Thomas Jäger, Team Manager Homeless World Cup, Heike Kübler, Head of Equal Opportunities and Diversity, Deutscher Olympischer Sportbund. Being undoubtedly one of the highlights of the event, the sport ministers of Austria, Slovenia and Albania signed the Council of Europe Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions.



On 8 June 2016, the Fair Play Committee of the Hungarian Olympic Committee organized this year’s Fair Play awards ceremony. The guests were welcomed by Tünde Szabo, Secretary of State for Sports of the Ministry of Human Resources, to the ceremony that Katarina Raczova, Slovak ambassador for Sports, Tolerance and Fair Play and EC EFPM member also attended. The fourteen awardees included personalities from the world of sports and culture. Jenö Kamuti, International Fair Play Committee and Hungarian Fair Play Committee President, underlined the importance of the

Hungarian Fair Play movement opening doors to all aspects of daily life. The world renowned pianist Zoltan Kocsis was awarded a Fair Play Trophy for his life’s achievements and for outstanding charity activities. The Fair Play Trophy for an outstanding act was handed to Laura Sarosi, a young Hungarian representative in badminton. At the European championships, at the same time relevant for successfully qualifying for the Olympics, Laura’s direct opponent for a ticket to Rio, Karin Schnaase from Germany, tore her shoes and was at risk being disqualified. Laura Sarosi did not hesitate to lend her opponent a pair of shoes. The German athlete won her match and qualified for her third Olympics.

For the first time, the Hungarian Fair Play Committee also awarded a foreign personality. This award went to Katarina Raczova, not only for her activities to promote Fair Play but also for her efforts to strengthen friendship and mutual relationship between the Slovak and Hungarian Olympic Committees. She received the award from Milan Kurucz from the Slovak Embassy in Hungary and Jenö Kamuti.





Throughout April and May 2016, members of the 'NEVER AGAIN' Association have provided anti-racism trainings to prison workers and volunteers working with inmates during special workshops in Poland, Greece, and Hungary. The trainings were organized within the innovative educational project E.U.R.O.P.E. (European

Union Rapprochement for Offenders and Pupils Education). Supported by the European Commission, the project aims to promote European and civic values among inmates, ex-convicts and socially disadvantaged youth in cooperation with officials and volunteers. The international project is managed by Collegium Civitas in Warsaw with participation of the Slawek Foundation (Poland) as well as Greek and Hungarian NGOs. The association has provided a series of anti-racism presentations and workshops on hate speech and hate crime which have been met with big interest. Among others, the challenges of cultural diversity among the prison population and the role of sports in fostering intercultural understanding were discussed.

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