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From the President of the NOC of Turkey



**Fair Play is a symbol of true humanism**

by  
**Togay BAYATLI**

- EOC Executive Committee Member
- President, NOC of Turkey

Fair Play started to gain important recognition in the area of sport during the last Olympic Games in Athens. It was noticed that there were a high number of doping cases in Athens compared to the other Games. Actually the reason behind this were the very efficient controls by the IOC, WADA and International Federations. There was zero tolerance for the doping takers.

Doping is considered to be cheating other fellow athletes. This is not ethical. And by all means this is not Fair Play. We know that doping is an evil act. But we must also try to educate the athletes, the coaches, the doctors, the parents, families of the athletes and the public. Not only explaining the harm of doping but also that is cheating and this is against Fair Play. Therefore education through Fair Play is a very important issue for doping practices.

But sport is not only doping. There are many different actions which an athlete can do during any competition as against Fair Play or act of Fair Play. Being a member of the Fair Play Committee, we experience many of these cases. If you are a real sportsman or sportswoman, you should say to yourself I will play the game in Fair Play. I will not do anything to deceive my opponent or opponents. European and International Fair Play organisations are searching Fair Play acts

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DELEGATES TO THE 11th EUROPEAN FAIR PLAY CONGRESS.

## Unforgettable Days in Vilnius

**VILNIUS-** The 11th European Fair Play Congress was held in Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania - a country that recently joined the European Union. Our thanks go to the President of the Lithuanian National Olympic Committee, Arturas Poviliunas, General Secretary, Vytautas Zubernis, the Chairman of the Lithuanian Fair Play Council, Dr. Arvydas Juozaitis, and the organisers of the Congress, Ijole Domarkiene, General Secretary of the Lithuanian Fair Play Council, Janina Brundziene. It was thanks to these people's excellent work that the 11th Congress was one of the most successful the EFPM has held so far.



Arturas POVILIUNAS



Vytautas ZUBERNIS



Dr. Arvydas JUOZAITIS



Ijole DOMARKIENE



Janina BRUNDZIENE

Valdas Adamkus, the President of Lithuania, had the kindness to give an audience to a delegation from the EFPM. During this audience, President Adamkus presented an order to the President of the EFPM, Prof. Dr. Carlos Gonçaves.

Attending the EFPM Congress as guests of honour were IOC Member and EOC General Secretary Patrick Hickey and IOC Member and EOC EC Member Walther Tröger, and they also were presented with medals and decorations.

Lithuanian Minister of Sport Algirdas Raslanas and NOC President Arturas Poviliunas jointly presented the Grand Cross



WITH PRESIDENT ADAMKUS: (above) The EFPM Executive Committee with Lithuanian President Valdas Adamkus at the Presidential Palace.



**THE EFPM FLAG FLIES IN UDINE:** (left) The EFPM flag is handed over to Ruggiero Alcanterini, Chairman of the Italian Fair Play Council which will host our 12th Congress in Udine, by Lithuanian Fair Play Council Chairman Dr. Arvydas Juozaitis (on behalf of our hosts for the 11th Congress) and EFPM President Prof. Dr. Carlos Gonçaves.

Comodor medals, to three leading figures in the EFPM movement: Vice Presidents Prof. Dr. Manfred Lämmer (Germany) and Erdoğan Arpaçnar (Turkey), plus EFPM honorary member Prof. Dr. Vladimir Rodichenko.

The theme of the Congress was 'Fair Play: Model for Society' and extremely inspiring key-note speeches on this subject were presented by Leonidas Donskis (Lithuania), Erica Terpstra (The

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### EFPM welcomes new members

The EFPM welcomed three new members to its ranks at the Congress in Vilnius:

Hungary, Latvia and Estonia. We hope they are as happy to be members as we are to have them among us.



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### Udine ready for the 12th Congress

The EFPM's 12th Congress is to be hosted by the beautiful, historic Italian city of Udine. The Fair Play Council of the Italian National Olympic Committee (CONI), headed by the famous sporting personality Ruggiero Alcanterini, says the Udine team is already fully prepared for hosting the Congress.



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### Prof. Dr. Vladimir Rodichenko made EFPM Member of Honour

Prof. Vladimir Rodichenko, a man who has rendered many valuable services to the EFPM as a member of the Executive Committee and has also carried out a great deal of important work in the cause of Fair Play in his native country, Russia, was applauded by delegates to the Congress in Vilnius as he was made a Member of Honour of the EFPM.



### EFPM receives medals at ceremonies

Lithuania honoured the EFPM at the 11th Congress in Vilnius. The medal presented at the Presidential Palace by President Valdes Adamkus to EFPM President Prof. Dr. Carlos Gonçaves was the first one, but there were others...



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## The EFPM Executive Committee at work



THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the EFPM in Vilnius.

**VILNIUS-** The EFPM Executive Committee held its first meeting before the Congress in Vilnius at the Hotel Karolina, the Congress venue. This meeting was attended by Dr. Arvydas Juozaitis, representing his country as Chairman of the Lithuanian Fair Play Council, and Congress organisers Ijole Domarkiene and Janina Brundziene. Ideas were exchanged on the Congress and on preparations for the General Assembly.

Italy's offer to host the next European Fair Play Congress was discussed and was accepted. Applications for EFPM membership by Hungary, Estonia and Latvia were welcomed, and this subject was placed on the agenda of the General Assembly. Other EFPM business was also discussed. The EFPM delegation then began its official programme. First the Presidential Palace, then the Lithuanian Olympic Committee's headquarters were visited.



**HARD AT WORK:** General Secretary John Blankenstein and Executive Officer Johannes Van der Veen, whose services to the EFPM have been highly useful, at the meeting of the Executive Committee.

### AT THE LITHUANIAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE:

The EFPM delegation and their spouses with NOC President Poviliunas in front of the Lithuanian National Olympic Committee Headquarters.

## The EFPM family gains three new members

# Hungary, Estonia and Latvia join us

Three more European countries joined the EFPM at the General Assembly in Vilnius. Delegates to the Congress gave the representatives of these three new member countries a standing ovation. Thus the EFPM, a non-governmental organization, continues to go from strength to strength with each

passing day.

### Changes of address

Delegates applauded the decision to have Portugal represented at the EFPM by the 'Sports Confederation of Portugal'. France also sent a message announcing who its new representatives at the EFPM are to be.

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Aija ERTA  
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### NEW ADDRESSES

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## UDINE ready for the 12th EFPM Congress... UDINE ready for the 12th EFPM Congress... UDINE ready for the 12th EFPM Congress...



The Castle at Udine

**UDINE-** Thanks to the initiative of well-known Italian sporting figure Ruggiero Alcanterini, the Italian National Olympic Committee's Fair Play Council will host the 12th European Fair Play Congress, in Udine, a historic city in north-west Italy. The EFPM, a non-governmental organisation, is going from strength to strength with each passing year.

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### THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN UDINE:

The EFPM Executive Committee with administrators from Udine, where the winter meeting for 2005 was held.

**OUR HOSTS:** (from left to right) Udine Fair Play Committee Member Prof. Fulvia Cuizza, Udine Fair Play Council Chairman Dr. Alessandro Grassi and CONI Fair Play Council Chairman Ruggiero Alcanterini at the planning meeting for the 12th European Fair Play Congress, which is to be held in Udine in September 2006.



**OUR VISIT TO LA NOSTRA FAMIGLIA:**  
The EFPM Executive Committee visited La Nostra Famiglia, a most impressive treatment centre for disabled children, together with The President of the



Sports Federation for the disabled, Giorgi Zanmarchi. They were photographed with the centre's director, Pellegrina Arnoldi, who is to be congratulated on her excellent work.

**AN IDEAL TREATMENT CENTRE:**  
The cover of the La Nostra Famiglia brochure.







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LITHUANIA



## The 11th European Fair Play Congress - a full success!

**EFPM PRESIDENT:**  
Prof. Dr. Carlos Gonçalves thanks our Lithuanian hosts.



**CIFP PRESIDENT:**  
Dr. Jenő Kamuti is to represent Hungary as a new EFPM member.



**“FAIR PLAY: A MODEL FOR SOCIETY!”**

● We would like to thank Janina Brundziene, General Secretary of the Lithuanian Fair Play Council, for providing this view of the proceedings of the 11th European Fair Play Congress in Vilnius.

**VILNIUS-** The topic of the 11th European Fair Play Congress was “Fair Play: a Model for Society?” Its aim was to raise the European public’s awareness of Fair Play’s influence on the development of personality and society. The intention was also to increase the prestige of the European Fair Play Movement by imparting to it some academic flavour. Therefore the theoretical and practical aspects of the agenda were carefully balanced to include both national reports of a more practical nature and keynote presentations with a fair portion of philosophical reflections. The assessment of the Congress by its organisers and participants has been unanimous – the Congress hit the bull’s eye. The pebble hit the target, now the future will show how its ripples will spread out on the surface of the information ocean. We hope to hear about it at the 12th European Fair Play Congress, which will be held in Italy in 2006.

Each of us has a huge potential for personal improvement. But the same forces that change each of us change the entire society we live in. That was the leitmotif of all the presentations at the Congress.

At the 11th European Fair Play Congress, sixty representatives from 25 countries of our continent

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**HONOURED GUESTS AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**  
(from left to right) EOC General Secretary Patrick Hickey (Ireland), EOC Executive Committee Member Walther Tröger (Germany), Lithuanian Olympic Committee President Arturas Poviliunas, Lithuanian Minister of Sport Algirdas Raslanas.



**DELEGATES TO THE 11th CONGRESS**

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**The 11TH EUROPEAN FAIR PLAY CONGRESS**

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**THE AUSTRIAN DELEGATION:** EFPM EC Member Christian Hinterberger (left) and Helmut Baudis Chairman of the Youth Department of ASKÖ give a successful presentation.



**CARLOS CARDOSO:** President of the Sports Confederation of Portugal gives a speech on behalf of ENGSO.

## New faces at the Congress in Vilnius

Some new faces among the participants of the 11th European Fair Play Congress in Vilnius.



Susana NEVES ANTUNES  
Portugal



Murat ÖZBAY  
Turkey



Lucia BARTKIENE  
Moldovia



Enrique JENSEN  
Denmark



Morana PALIKOVIC GRUDEN  
Croatia



Antonio ANTUNES  
Portugal





**SIGNING OF THE PROTOCOL:** NOCT President Togay Bayatli (left) and Georgian National Olympic Committee President Patarkatsishvili sign the protocol on bilateral co-operation in sport.



**CONGRATULATING SANAEV:** Togay Bayatli congratulates three-time Olympic champion Victor Sanaev on behalf of the EOC.



## GEORGIA

**TIFLIS-** Georgia's most successful athlete of the twentieth century has been honoured with an award by the Georgian National Olympic Committee. Victor Sanaev, gold medallist in the triple jump at the 1968, 1972 and 1976 Olympics, was given his award at a ceremony held at the Georgian

## Georgian sports star honoured

Academy Opera and Ballet Theatre. Turkey was represented at the ceremony by Togay Bayatli, member of the Executive Committee of the European Olympic Committees.

**The bilateral protocol**  
After the ceremony, Togay Bayatli

(who is also President of the National Olympic Committee of Turkey) and Georgian National Olympic Committee President A. Patarkatsishvili signed a protocol envisaging co-operation between the National Olympic Committees of Turkey and Georgia.



## PORTUGAL



The emblem of the Sports Confederation of Portugal

## Fair Play in Portugal now under the CDP flag

**LISBON-** During the 11th EFPM General Assembly held in Vilnius last September 24, the Sports Confederation of Portugal was admitted, unanimously, as the new Portuguese representative organisation within the European Fair Play Movement.

The Sports Confederation of Portugal (CDP), chaired by Dr. Carlos Cardoso, member of the ENGSO Executive Board which he represented at the last two EFPM Congresses, is a non-governmental sports organisation. The CDP was founded in 1993, representing, at the moment, 72 national sports federations. One of the main goals of the CDP is to promote Fair Play and Tolerance in the broadest sense as well as the fight against violence, corruption and doping.



Carlos CARDOSO

Having in mind these concerns the CDP will publish by the end of 2005 a book entitled "Ethics and Fair Play in Sports Organisations – New Perspectives and Demands" aiming to stress the importance of Fair Play behaviour and conduct not only in all sports activities but also in daily life as well as the responsibilities of all sports organisations and institutions in the promotion of

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## SLOVENIA

## World Harmony Run Europe 2005 creates excitement in Slovenia



**TORCH:** Miroslav Cerar giving the torch to the Slovenian President France Cukjati.

**LJUBLJANA-** The World Harmony Run Europe 2005 event, which aims to create harmony between the peoples of the world and has a programme of activities spanning 70 countries, created a great deal of excitement in Slovenia. The whole of Slovenia, both young and old, turned out to take part in the run.

The torch began to be passed from hand to hand as soon as it crossed the frontier. A ceremony held in the Slovenian capital was attended by former Olympic champion gymnast Miroslav Cerar, who is both an EFPM Executive Committee member and the Slovenian Ambassador for Tolerance and Fair Play. The organisers of the run congratulated Slovenia on the high level of participation in the event.



Slovenian children with the world harmony torch.



## AUSTRIA

## Austria completes its duties

**VIENNA-** Our Austrian hosts who successfully organized the EFPM's 10th Congress have now fulfilled their last responsibility in connection with the event: the publishing of the congress booklet and its distribution to all EFPM members.

The cover of the booklet features the invitation to the 10th Congress, and the booklet itself is accompanied by a letter signed by the Chairman of the Organising Committee Christian Hinterberger and ASKÖ General Secretary Michael Maurer.



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## CYPRUS

## Cyprus and its successful Fair Play activities

**NIKOSIA-** The overview describes the actions that have been pursued by the Cyprus National Ambassador for Sport, Tolerance and Fair Play, Dora Kyriakou. Her work commenced in January this year when her official nomination took place by the Cyprus Sports Organisation.

**In summary her work included the following:**

Since her appointment as the Fair Play Ambassador for 2005, by the Director's Board of the Cyprus Sports Organisation, her main priority has been direct communication with the youth in order to promote the concept and spirit of Fair Play.

In close co-operation with the Ministry of Education she has organised numerous visits to primary and secondary schools all over Cyprus. During these visits she was accompanied by sport personalities who were selected

on the basis of their ethical conduct and their overall contribution to sport during their sporting career. Open discussions were held with students on a number of issues relating to violence in sport, methods of preventing it and ways and means of promoting the spirit of fair play and sporting values.

Working alongside the Ministry of Education, Ms Kyriakou did not limit herself to visits and discussions, but extended this



Charalambos LOTTAS

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## AZERBAIJAN

## Azerbaijan prepares to make Fair Play Awards

**BAKU-** The Fair Play Committee set up by the Azerbaijan National Olympic Committee is now back home after attending the 11th EFPM General Assembly in Vilnius, and is making preparations for the distribution of Fair Play awards in their country. Plans for this year's award ceremony are going ahead.

**Support from the President**

The President of Azerbaijan, Ilham Aliyev (who is also President of the Azerbaijan National Olympic Committee) is lending his support to the Fair Play activities that are being carried out in his country.

Representatives of Azerbaijan attend all EFPM General Assemblies, where their national flag is also on display.



Khazar A. ISAYEV





## TURKEY

### Important Meetings in Istanbul

**ISTANBUL-** As Turkey continues to carry out a varied programme of Fair Play activities (including exhibitions, lectures and preparations for the distribution of awards for 2005), the Istanbul headquarters of the National Olympic Committee of Turkey - 'Olympic House' - has been hosting international meetings.

#### IOC Sub-Regional Seminar on Women and Sport

Last autumn, a regional seminar on Women and Sport was held in Istanbul at the recommendation of the International Olympic Committee. 30 delegates from 14 countries attended the seminar, which was held at the behest of IOC Women and Sport Commission Chairperson



Taner SENSEVEN

Anita L. Defrantz. The National Olympic Committee of Turkey was represented at the seminar by General Secretary Miss Nefle Gündoğan and Assistant General Secretary Mrs Nazlı Çimre.



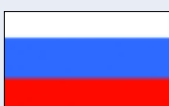
**WOMEN AND SPORT:** (above) A general view of the seminar; (below) the delegates to the seminar



**FOR APHRODISIAS 2006:** The meeting of the Organizing Committee at the Istanbul 'Olympic House' was attended by Prof. Manfred Lämmer.



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## RUSSIA

### MODEL OF A NATIONAL FAIR PLAY MOVEMENT: AN EXAMPLE IN RUSSIA

by Vladimir Rodichenko  
Alexander Kontanistov



Prof. Rodichenko's new book 'Olympic Education in Russia'.

**MOSCOW-** We are of the opinion that searching and promoting a general model of a national Fair Play movement is an important factor in forming and developing such movements. In this paper we will present one of the possible examples of forming and developing a Fair Play movement in a country with a transitory as well as a flexible social, economic and political status.

The concept of Fair Play is more and more steadily making its way into modern sport in an attempt to create a strong counterweight to its negative sides, above all vio-

lence and aggression. We have in Russia the same task of inviting Olympic principles of nobleness in sport, a task which is no less urgent.

However, it has faced essential problems, particularly the conflict between the highest level of sport development reached for a number of decades, on the one hand, and the absolutely insufficient use of the Olympic ideals and values in bringing up athletes, especially children and youth, on

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## HUNGARY

### Fanni Kreiss of Hungary wins Fair Play Award at the European Junior Fencing Championships

**TOPOLCA-** From November 1st to November 6th 2005, the Junior European Fencing Championships took place in Topolca, Hungary. At this event, more than 430 athletes from 37 countries participated, every one of them highly motivated to be the best. This time, however, the referees did not only follow the quick blades of the young fencers, but also their behaviour.

Inviting every participant, whether on the sport fields or in the stands, to contribute to an unforgettable and peaceful atmosphere with fair and tolerant behaviour before the beginning of every final, it was a great honour and pleasure for the European Fair Play Movement, under the



patronage of the European Fencing Confederation and co-operating with the organising committee to announce a Fair Play award at the end of the competition.

The award, being handed over for the first time ever at European Fencing Championships, was announced to either a team or an individual athlete. Above all, attention was paid to

1. an outstanding act of fair play during the competitions
2. acceptance of the referee's verdicts

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**THE FAIR PLAY AWARD:** Hungarian fencer Fanni Kreiss receives her award from the well-known fencer and EFPM Executive Committee member Katarina Raczova, in the presence of former Olympic fencing champion and European Fencing Confederation Vice President Jenő Kamuti.



**THE CHAMPIONSHIPS:** European Junior Fencing Championships in action.

### IFOSE carrying out constructive work



## GREECE

**ATHENS-** IFOSE is a non governmental organisation based in Athens, Greece. Its vision is to send the message throughout the world that the Olympic Games should revive the Olympic educational Ideals and inspire the young people. Returning the Olympic Ideal to its roots is the dream of its International Board, chaired by Mr. Antonios Tzikas, former HOC President and Hon. President of the Balkan NOCs. IFOSE has created both national and international networks engaging the support of the IOC, UNESCO, ICSS-PE and EFPM.



Joanna MASTORA

#### International Achievements:

-Four International congresses on Olympic Education with the participation of international experts and the EFPM.

-Development and publication of a cross-curriculum resource book entitled "Be a Champion in Life!!" based on the Olympic philosophy and the principles of active and child-centered learning. Approximately thirty reviewers from eleven different countries participated in the review of the final draft and provided many helpful suggestions. Lead Consultant Dr. D. Binder, conducted a trial phase in selected schools on all five continents. Recently, the UNESCO Quality Division approved the pilot of the manual in its network.

#### Furthermore:

-Publication of an educational Greek Resource manual on sport ethics, piloted by the Ministry of Education in Greek schools (1998- 2000). The pilot phase results

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## CZECH REPUBLIC



### Czech Fair Play Club supports anti-doping activities

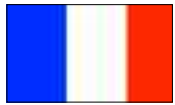
**PRAGUE:** The Czech Fair Play Club is celebrating its 30th Anniversary. After thirty years, the Club's activities on behalf of Fair Play, which began with a radio programme, may now be said to have achieved their objective. The Club has members from all sections of the community. Our target up to now have been schools and sports clubs, and we have succeeded in carrying out our plan to organise a 'Children's Olympics'. In our view, famous sportsmen and sportswomen whose behaviour is in accordance with the ideals of Fair Play make the best 'role models', and we have chosen three-time Olympic champion javelin-thrower Jan Zelezny as our own model. Javelin-throwing has almost become a national sport in our country.



Kuetoslava PECKOVA

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## FRANCE

## French Fair Play Awards presented at glittering ceremony

PARIS- The French Fair Play Council AFSVFP ('Association Française Pour un Sport Sans Violence et Pour le Fair Play') distributed the Fair Play Awards for 2005 at a glittering ceremony held at the Maison du Sport Française. The ceremony, organised by Chairman of the Jury M. Albert Begars, was watched by a specially-chosen audience including many famous faces. Awards were made in various categories.



Albert BEGARDES

### The Grand Awards

The first of the French Fair Play Grand Awards for 2005 (the Micheline Ostermeyer Award given to those 'displaying an attitude in harmony with Fair Play') went to Sebastian Loeb, winner of the 2004 rally.

The second Grand Award (the Jury's Special Award, known as the 'Eric Tabarly Award') was given to world champion cyclist Florian Rousseau.

The third Grand Award (for 'a sporting career pursued in the spirit of Fair Play') was given to Annie Famose, winner of the world championships in the Grand Slalom.



Guests at the Fair Play Award Ceremony 2005 at the Maison du Sport Française in Paris.

### FLORIAN ROUSSEAU:

The famous cyclist who received the Jury's Special Award is seen here with the President of the French National Olympic Committee.



### THREE FAMOUS NAMES:

The sportsmen and women who received France's 2005 Grand Prizes for Fair Play: (from left to right) Annie Famose, Florian Rousseau and Sebastian Loeb.

## THE NETHERLANDS



## Holland's magic Fair Play DVD

ARNHEM- In the Netherlands, serious Government cutbacks were introduced across the board in 2004. Further cutbacks were introduced this year – in 2005. Sport has suffered greatly as a result of these cutbacks. Unfortunately, the Government, in this case the Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport, decided to stop subsidising Fair Play in 2005.

Sports co-ordinated by the Dutch Olympic Committee and the National Sports Federation, then decided to put some of their own money into Fair Play. This shows that organised sport continues to seek the theme of Fair Play as an important issue, despite the drastic cutbacks.

Unfortunately the budget made available by sport is smaller than the earlier Government budget. This means that the policy, which in the Netherlands is known as the Sport Code, is now being pursued on a slightly smaller scale.

The Sport Code policy has recently mainly been focused on complementing some products and in particular on the implementation of products and methods developed earlier. The national sports federations have largely continued their products. A number of the municipalities and even provincial go-



John BLANKENSTEIN

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## GERMANY

## Fair Play for people with mental disabilities

• **Ralf Kuckuck**, General Manager of the newly founded company 'Football World Cup 2006 of Persons With a Mental Disability, Ltd.' gives his opinions to Play Fair Magazine on football, the situation of athletes with a disability in Germany and on the upcoming Football World Cup.

**Play Fair:** The German Association of Athletes with a Disability is home to 30 national teams. A great number of sports organisations are represented within the Association. Many different sports are offered at different levels. Just how important is football within your association and the affiliated organisations?

**Ralf Kuckuck:** Football is the most important sport for people with a mental disability. There is no other sport that is more popular among these people. As a new project we

General Manager Ralf Kuckuck and Hans Jürgen Wagner are those responsible for the Football World Cup 2006 of People with a Mental Disability.



are just starting football for the blind. We are also planning a football project for people who suffer from cerebral palsy. But there are no national teams yet.

**Play Fair:** You founded a new company that is in charge of organising the Football World Cup of Persons With a Mental Disability in Germany in 2006. What exactly does this company do?

**Ralf Kuckuck:** The German Sports Association of Athletes with a Disability is only one of four members of the company. Our partners are a federal state branch of our Association representing North Rhine-

Westphalia, the largest federal state in Germany. The other two members are two sections of Life Aid for Persons with a Mental Disability. This is a lobby group acting for the mentally disabled and their families in this country. All of us contribute our experience and ideas. The company is responsible for planning 48 football games in 41 cities in four federal states in Germany. We will be hosting 15 foreign teams. This is a great challenge that we have to meet.

**Play Fair:** Who is the financial backer of

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## Prof. Lämmer represents EFPM at the EOC General Assembly



DUBLIN- At the General Assembly of the European Olympic Committees, held in Dublin, the EFPM was represented by Vice President Prof. Manfred Lämmer of Germany. The EFPM works in co-operation with the EOC and carries out its activities as an organ of the EOC.

Prof. Lämmer gave a speech to the assembled members of the EOC and presented a report on the EFPM activities in 2005. The EOC delegates applauded the entirely voluntary efforts of the EFPM. The EOC's 35th General Assembly is to be held in Brussels on 8th-9th December 2006.

**Prof. Lämmer's address:**  
" Mr. President,  
Representatives of the European Olympic Committees,  
Ladies and Gentlemen,  
Allow me first, on behalf of the European Fair Play Movement, and, especially, its President, Dr. Carlos Goncalves,



Prof. Manfred LÄMMER

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### New National Body for German Sport

COLOGNE- At a meeting held in Cologne on December 3, 2005, the NOC for Germany and the German Sports Confederation agreed on merging the two organisations. The new body, which should be called the German Olympic Sports Confederation is set to start life on 20 May 2006 in Frankfurt.

## Report from Germany

by Manfred Lämmer

KÖLN- The "Fair Play-Initiative" of German Sport, run by the German Sports Confederation (Deutscher Sportbund - DSB), the National Olympic Committee for Germany (NOK) and the German Olympic Society (Deutsche Olympische Gesellschaft - DOG), did not carry out any campaigns at national level in the period under review 2004-2005. In the course of reorganising the structure of sport in Germany, above

all, in connection with the coming merger of the NOK and DSB, decisions will also have to be made on how competence and responsibility for fair play work is to be arranged in the future.

It seems ever increasingly likely that the field of value education in and through sport will be funded and supported within the scope of a general programme of

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## POLAND

### 2005 was the year of "Fair Play"

**WARSAW-** Polish Fair Play Club, in 2002 research works devoted to Olympic education with Fair Play as its supreme principle, were thrown open to competition.

In the category of works qualifying for assistant-professorship, the first place went to Jerzy Nowocien for the work entitled "Sport and Olympism in the Didactic and Educational System of the Contemporary School."



Prof. Dr. Zofia

In the category of doctoral theses ex aequo first place was given to:

- M. Czechowski, "The Level of Perception of Fair Play Values versus Pro-Health Attitudes and Attitudes of the Youth towards Sport"

- M. Bronikowski, "Olympic Education as an Example of a Modern Programme of Moral Education".

In the category of MA theses first place was given to Maria Wasik for the work entitled "Olympic Education of Children at Early School Age".

The winners participated, or will participate in courses organised by the International Olympic Academy in Greece.

Moreover, we shall organise in October, together with the Polish Olympic Academy, a National Seminar during which the best works will be presented. In total



The Polish Fair Play Award ceremony.



Ones who won the Polish Fair Play Prize.

12 works were submitted. I was a member of the jury.

On May 21-22, 2003 the Fair Play Club organised an International Symposium in Mory, which was devoted to "Fair Play in

the European Culture and Education". 60 people took part in the event. Special guests included: the President of the International Fair Play Committee Jenö Kamuti, Prof. Vladimir Rodichenko – President of the Russian Fair Play Committee, Prof. Roland Naul from the University of Essen, Irena Szewinska – multiple medal winner and member of the International Olympic Committee and Vice-President of the Polish Olympic Committee.

The substantial programme of the Symposium, which was worthy of note, together with its speakers and subjects included:

- Jenö Kamuti, International Fair Play Committee's Activities
- Irena Szewinska, The Role of the Promotion of Fair Play
- Vladimir Rodichenko, Two Points of Views. From Idea to Theory and from the-

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### Warsaw hosts CIFP 2004 Award Ceremony



**WARSAW-** The Polish Olympic Committee and the Fair Play Club were the hosts of the ceremony at which the CIFP Fair Play Awards for 2004 were presented. The ceremony was a colourful affair and was watched by a large number of famous people.



The Grand Prize named after Jean Borotra was presented to Spanish cyclist Miguel Indurain by CIFP President Kamuti and Mrs. Borotra.



The Pierre Coubertin Award was presented to Russian gymnast Aleksei Nemov (felt by many to have been the victim of unjust treatment at the Athens Olympics) by Polish NOC President Piotr Nurowski.



**FOUNDER'S WIFE AS GUEST OF HONOUR:** The wife of the famous tennis player Jean Borotra, one of the founders of the CIFP, was Guest of Honour at the award ceremony. Her arrival on the podium was greeted by a standing ovation from the audience.



## SLOVAKIA

### Give Youth the Chance to go in for sport!

**BRATISLAVA-** At their meetings, the members of the Slovak Olympic Committee Fair Play Board have often discussed the problems of doing sports by the youth in a country undergoing reforms, such as Slovakia. It really matters to us that our young people do sports.



Katarina RACZOVA LOKSOVA

Therefore, we will address this challenge with an increasingly wider circle of athletes, sports functionaries, producers and importers of sports equipment so that they also contribute to improving possibilities of sports for our future generations.

With our appeal, we want to address the state representatives, from the President of the Slovak Republic to the Prime Minister to the Speaker of the Parliament, to the Minister of Education, whose responsibilities also include sports. Further, we will promote this challenge in the mass media as well.

#### Appeal of the SOC Fair Play Club

Due to concerns over a harmonious development of future generations, both intellectual and physical, the Fair Play Club of the Slovak Olympic Committee appeals to the entire Slovak society for participati-



Antiracism banner at the CL match Bayern Munich - Juventus Turin.



### Football against racism in Europe (FARE)

**BRATISLAVA-** The anti-racist network unites European football in a successful action week against racism and discrimination.

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**AGAINST RACISM:** The Slovak Fair Play Club has begun a campaign designed to encourage Fair Play towards the children of immigrants. Their publicity campaign, entitled 'Give Peace a Chance', informs children about the evils of racism in sport. Above: children carry 'Give racism the red card' placards. Below: EFPM Executive Committee member Katerina Raczova with children during an anti-racist propaganda session.



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## International Foundation of Olympic and Sport Education

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proved Olympic Education an important means of engaging children in the spiritual and moral ideals of Olympism.

-Endorsement of two children's books titled "Ancient Olympic Games (for kids) & Fair Play stories (for kids)", developed by Prof. J. Mouratides.

-Participation in the development of an Olympic Education guide for university students.

-Scientific support of a video production

for the National Educational Television on Olympic Games and Culture.

-Development of a resource manual for the Greek Sport Clubs, sponsored by the qualified Ministry of Sport.

-Editorial of a magazine for pupils on Olympic issues titled "Lighten the Olympic Flame!"

-Translation of "Be a Champion in Life" in French, Portuguese, Chinese and Greek. The Greek publication has been sponsored by Coca Cola.

Future activities

-IFOSE is planning the establishment of a European Research Centre in Athens for the prevention of unsporting behaviour and the promotion of Olympic ideals. Therefore, an international meeting took place in Athens (May 2004). The centre will focus on those aspects of unsporting behaviours, which are within the control or influence of sporting and educational authorities: Violence, aggression, vandalism, cheating and corruption, exclusion, discrimination and bigotry.

It will work on the prevention of unsporting behaviour at all levels of sport – with individuals, clubs and organisations, institutes and federations. Additionally, the centre will promote Olympic education and fair play programmes, working with organised sport, schools, universities, colleges and institutes training teachers and coaches, non-organised sport, governmental and non-governmental organisations.

-IFOSE has given auspices and educational support to the organisation of an Olympic festival in which children from 9 European and Balkan countries, participated in Athens in the summer of 2005.

-Finally, IFOSE is planning the development & publication of an international manual on "Fair Play in all Aspects of Life!!" in close collaboration with the EFPM.

### Fair Play is a symbol of true humanism

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among the athletes just like searching for water in the desert. Please believe me it is sometimes very difficult to find honorable recipients.

#### Education of Fair Play in schools

There are always solutions. We have to educate our children in the schools. We have to teach them the philosophy, value and the pride of justified satisfaction in Fair Play. We have to be pragmatic. I can understand that there is a philosophy behind Fair Play. With the philosophy we need also action. There are millions of innocent children who plead to find and learn the ethical values of life. And this starts with Fair Play. We have to influence the public that acts of Fair Play are as important as winning a medal in any competition.

#### Fair Play is for everyone

As I pointed out before we only value Fair Play in sports. But Fair Play is everywhere. In our family, in our school, in our relations with neighbours, relations with other people. Fair Play is our way of life and how we should look at life. Sport is only a part of Fair Play. But have a global outlook. Don't you think Fair Play is all around us? That is why half a century ago we used Fair Play as sportsmanship. And that is why Fair Play acts are only practised in sports. This is where an athlete is valued. Not only as an athlete but also as a human being.

#### Let us support the Fair Play Movement

So when we turn and look back we only see Fair Play organisations in sport. Many of the valuable voluntary people who are working hard to establish Fair Play in sport come from National Olympic Committees, other international sports organisations like Panathlon and the International Olympic Committee. The important sport and cultural organisations like International Sports Federations, clubs, social and political organisations like UNESCO, the European Union must also take part actively in the Fair Play Movement. Fair Play is a symbol of true humanism. An education and practice for young generations. We can always review the past, but the most profound action is to look at the future generations. Let them understand and act in Fair Play.

To know and to describe Fair Play is important but unless we participate in educating our future generations this will remain as a philosophy.

## Fair Play in Portugal now under CDP flag

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a more humanistic sport. Some national and international experts, and sport researchers from Austria, Brazil and Netherlands, made their contribution by presenting texts which should be of value to a broad array of policy-makers, sport officials, scholars, coaches, sport students and practitioners, interested in these matters.

The National Olympic Committee continues to grant annually a Fair Play Prize to an athlete or institution. This year during the NOC Gala Dinner, the Fair Play Prize was granted to the fencing athlete, Joaquim Videira considering his outstanding behaviour and attitude during the competitions in which he was involved.

The Oeiras Municipality that has held a specific Fair Play programme since 1989 and was responsible for the organisation of the 2nd European Fair Play Congress in 1997, organised, the annual Fair Play Awarding Ceremony last September, included in the Oeiras Sport Gala 2005. The Awards and Diplomas were granted in three categories: Promotion of Fair Play, School Sport and Federate Sport. The Oeiras Fair Play Bulletin regularly published by the Municipality dedicates a wide news article on the event in its last issue.

## Holland's magic Fair Play DVD

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governments have started to develop a local policy. The teaching materials for primary and secondary schools are still being purchased - the Sport Code Quickscan and the Sportsmen and Respect for Local Sports Clubs manual published last year.

This year attention will focus on the further implementation of these. Earlier this month, in September, the Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport presented the so-called sports memorandum. In this document, the Ministry has laid down the national policy for the coming years. The Ministry is willing to give special attention to values and norms in sports and through sports. Fair Play is explicitly named in it. Hopefully, this will give us the chance to continue or even strengthen our Fair Play policy.

In addition, a DVD has been developed by popular request which contains visual materials that can also be used to stimulate the discussion. By visualising bottlenecks or dilemmas, awareness is raised and it becomes easier to discuss the issue. The DVD focuses on the issue "What do you do to keep sport fair?"

About the aim: With the aid of this DVD you can discuss the issue of "Fair Play and Respect", exchange ideas with each other, hear each other's opinion and look at ways in which the situation could be improved. The DVD is extremely suitable for use as an audio-visual aid at thematic meetings at sports clubs, at symposiums or in lessons at schools, or as part of training courses for trainers or judges and referees.

The DVD doesn't focus on any particular branch of sport and is suitable for both individual and team sports. The DVD contains

images of fair and unfair game situations in elite sports and sports-for-all – grassroots which many sports-lovers will undoubtedly recognise. We will give you a little impression of that [...]. It is divided into four chapters: (1) Athletes, (2) Trainers and Coaches, (3) Referees and Jury Members, and (4) Supporters and Parents.

As you can see in the last part, we also filmed people outside sport who give their opinion on each of the dilemmas. Each chapter also contains some game situations which are broken down and end with a dilemma – a question to get a discussion going. Most of the time the dilemma is followed by a concrete, direct question like, "What would you do if you were one of these persons?" "What do you think about...?", etc.

Finally, the DVD speaks for itself, but nevertheless comes with an instruction leaflet and a manual for a discussion leader with tips on how best to stimulate the discussion. We just brought out this DVD and we hope that a lot of people will start to use it.

## Unforgettable Days in Vilnius

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Netherlands), Roland Renson (Belgium) and Hasan Kasap (Turkey). Delegates to the Congress also enjoyed a rich programme of social activities: a visit to the famous Lake of Trakai and the "Centre of Europe", and the 'goodbye' party was an unforgettable evening.

11th European Fair Play Congress  
Vilnius / Lithuania, September 21-25, 2005

### FINAL DECLARATION

#### The 11TH EUROPEAN FAIR PLAY CONGRESS

- Recognises that sport is a reflection of society. Sport, like many aspects of society, encompasses simultaneously some of the worst human traits, including violence, corruption, discrimination, hooliganism, cheating and drug abuse.

- Emphasises the importance of FAIR PLAY behaviour as a way of helping people to understand the meaning of positive and fair attitudes not only in the success of their sports, but also for harmony, tolerance and justice in society.

#### The CONGRESS

- Having discussed the application of FAIR PLAY in a modern European society, both in its national and international significance;

- Having heard different points of view of evaluations over the interaction of the FAIR PLAY movement and society, society and FAIR PLAY movement;

- Having realised that the modern world needs a more courageous approach towards FAIR PLAY principles in the behaviour of different strata of society;

- Is confident that sport offers a vast potential for society as a ground for mutual understanding, as a works-

hop for socialisation and integration, as a school for democracy;

- Believes that one of the most basic guarantees of FAIR PLAY in society is to ensure that as many people as possible are involved in sports activities within a sound ethical framework;

- Considers that the use of FAIR PLAY principles as an area of global ethics shall be understood in the near future as a component of the utmost importance in the various areas of daily life.

#### Adopts the following principles for the future

1. To promote the continuing development of the FAIR PLAY principles at all levels of national and international sports activities;

2. To expand further links with the media in the promotion of FAIR PLAY activities;

3. To aim for a 'paradigm of ethics' among sports organisations at national and international level in order to enable the spirit of Olympism and FAIR PLAY on society.

Vilnius, September 23, 2005





## Prof. Lämmer represents EFPM at EOC Congress

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whom I have the honour of representing here today, to sincerely congratulate the re-elected President of the EOC and the Members of the new Executive Committee. We wish you every success as you set about addressing the difficult tasks and challenges that lie before you in your term of office. The EFPM, in its fields of competence, is willing and able to make a decisive contribution to this process.

I am pleased to be able to note that it is no longer necessary to once again present to this assembly the goals and objectives of the EFPM that was founded in Zurich in 1994. Nor do I believe it necessary to emphasise to all of you gathered here today the significance of preserving the values of sport and disseminating the idea of Fair Play in the Olympic context. All of us who belong to the Olympic Movement know the Olympic Charter and are committed to its principles. After all, our members are almost exclusively the Fair Play Committees established by the National Olympic Committees or, respectively, have been expressly authorised by these.

This is why it is quite natural that the EFPM works very closely indeed with the EOC. In fact, the period under review since the last General Assembly held in Dubrovnik has seen this cooperation become even closer and more fruitful. Our community already encompasses 40 of the 48 NOCs in Europe and is not only noted by the sports-oriented public, but also and beyond this by the political sphere.

The focus of our work in the current year centred on the European Youth Olympic Festival in Lignano-Sabbadoro, Italy, and on the 11th European Fair Play Congress in Vilnius. Because it is precisely on the young athletes who during the EYOF got to experience the growing conflict between the will to perform and the endeavour to succeed for the first time in international competition as well as the obligation to observe the rules in the sense of Fair Play that we concentrate and intensify our work in order to show them at an early stage what the limits of striving to win actually are.

We will now work towards getting as many European Sports Federations as possible to join us and will adopt suitable measures to visibly promote Fair Play at the continental championships which the federations hold for young athletes. To this end, we will shortly be starting a corresponding initiative with these federations.

The 11th European Fair Play Congress held in Vilnius from 23 to 26 September this year was a great success. The professional and dedicated preparations made by our friend Arturas Povilunas and his team turned this event, held under the motto "Fair Play: A Model for Society" into a milestone in our still young history. The attendance of outstanding representatives of the EOC – besides Secretary-General Patrick Hickey also EOC Executive Member Walther Tröger – and the talks and discussions held there gave us great encouragement and motivation.

The events of the coming two years are approaching fast on the horizon, with the Olympic Winter Games in Turin and the 2006 Football World Cup stan-

ding in the centre of international interest. These will – as experience has shown – give occasion for discussion in the fields in which we work.

The 12th European Fair Play Congress will be held in Udine/Italy from 26 to 30 September 2006, a result from our cooperation with the Italian hosts of the EYOF, which is now bearing fruit. The topic will be: "Fair Play in Practice: Concepts – Projects – Campaigns". As the title says, the Congress will deal less with theoretical considerations and will rather serve as an open forum at which pilot projects by national institutions, organisations and sports federations are to be presented and discussed. And the idea then is to replicate these projects at national level in as many countries as possible. I would, at this point, very much like to express my sincere thanks to our Italian colleagues in the region and to CONI's Fair Play Committee.

At its meeting in Vilnius, the EFPM Executive Committee also decided to entrust the NOC for Germany with the organisation of the 13th European Fair Play Congress in 2007. We view this event as very important indeed in the spirit of Willi Daume, who described Fair Play as the guiding principle of sports and who founded both the CIFP as well as the Fair Play Initiative of German Sport. Subsequent to the Fair Play Youth Congress which was held in Vienna as part of the European Year for Education through Sport 2004, the 13th European Fair Play Congress will also include a Youth Congress, which will be co-organised by the German Sports Youth Organisation.

Finally, I would above all like to thank the EOC for generously supporting us last year as well. Our particular thanks go to the EOC President, Dr. Mario Pescante, to the Fair Play Commissioner of the Executive Committee, Togay Bayatli, and to those responsible at the National Olympic Committees for their dedicated work.

Before finishing my short address I'd like to suggest to the new EOC Executive Committee to supplement the currently existing Commissions by a Commission for Education and Culture.

Last but not least my thanks go to our Irish hosts whose warmhearted hospitality we enjoy and to you, Ladies and Gentlemen, for your kind attention."

### The New EOC Executive Committee

As a result of elections held at the General Assembly, the new administrative officers at the EOC are as follows:

President: Mario Pescante (Italy), Vice-President: Alexander Kozlovsky (Russia), Secretary General: Patrick Hickey (Ireland).

Members: Togay Bayatli (Turkey), Guido de Bondt (Belgium), Guy Drut (France), Kai Holm (Denmark), Janez Kocijancic (Slovenia), Kikis Lazarides (Cyprus), Marit Myrmael (Norway), Lambis Nikolau (Greece), Piotr Nurowski (Poland), Craig Reedie (Great Britain), Klaus Steinbach (Germany), Efraim Zinger (Israel); Athletes' Representative: Claudia Bokel (Germany). ANOC Secretary General Gunilla Lindberg (Sweden) was co-opted as ex-officio member. The internal auditors are now: Lino Farrugia Sacco (Malta), Djordje Perisic (Serbia & Montenegro), Robert Toet (The Netherlands).

## Cyprus and its successful Fair Play activities

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effort to arranging school competitions with Fair Play awards.

An art competition on Fair Play was organised among students throughout Cyprus which proved to be a huge success with a large number of participants. The work of the winner was selected by the Cyprus Sports Organisation Fair Play Committee as the official Fair Play logo for Cyprus.

During the events organised, a brochure containing the so called Code of Behaviour, was distributed. This brochure was prepared with the sole purpose of promoting the understanding of ethical conduct in sport and was aimed towards athletes, parents, coaches, teachers, sport administrators and officials, media and spectators.

The promotion of Fair Play could prove more effective with the right level of cooperation from the parties directly involved in sport. In order to achieve this aim, Dora Kyriakou has been in direct contact with various sports organisations, associations and federations. She recommended the extension of the use of the Fair Play Card in additional sports (further to volleyball and handball), in order to promote the spirit of awarding fair play acts in the game.

Special attention was given to football, the most popular national sport, where most incidences of violence take place. In this context various events were organised, awarding honorary distinctions to football clubs and individual athletes for the-

ir overall presence in national competitions and their contribution towards the spirit of Fair Play. Furthermore a number of seminars for referees were organised on the subject of Fair Play and their role and contribution in promoting it.

With regards to future activities a series of seminars have been planned in association with the Cyprus National Anti-Doping Committee which are to be addressed to young athletes and their parents. The use of illegal substances and doping in general, violently contravene the spirit of Fair Play itself and this is why particular attention is paid to this aspect.

A significant function which was launched last July is the national research project, entitled Fair Play: Ethical and Social Responsibility of Sport. The results of this pioneering research are expected by the beginning of next month and will significantly assist towards promoting and understanding Fair Play and contribute towards the prevention of violence in the future.

It is hoped that Dora Kyriakou's motto "Think right, Play Fair" will be adopted by all those involved in sport in Cyprus in the not too distant future.

Finally I am extremely pleased to inform you about the decision of the International Committee for Play Fair (C.I.F.P) regarding the 2004 Fair Play prizes, to award Ms Carmen Macherioutou, athlete of Modern Pentathlon in Cyprus, with the Fair Play Diploma in the category "Act of Fair Play."

## Fanni Kreiss of Hungary wins Fair Play Award at European Junior Fencing Championships

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3.fair behaviour towards opponents.

In the end, the gifted Hungarian fencer Fanni Kreiss received this special Fair Play Award for her fair behaviour during the competition. She was awarded by Katarina Raczova, EFPM EC member, and Jenö Kamuti, vice-president of the European Fencing Federation.

Hopefully, this event will also mark the beginning of more future events between the EFPM and the European Fencing Federation. Moreover, we hope that it will provide a step towards better and more constructive co-operation between many other European Sports organisations, in order to "raise" athletes, who can be named "idols" not just within the sporting fields, but also in everyday life.

## Czech Fair Play Club supports anti-doping activities

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The Fair Play Awards we distribute on an annual basis are now an event of national importance. A communiqué setting out the rules of Fair Play, drawn up in association with our National Olympic Committee, was signed by athletes, sports administrators, referees and trainers. Meanwhile, Fair Play Club President Jiri Pelikan (the leading figure in Fair Play in the Czech Republic) has been elected to membership of the Anti-Doping Committee, and this has brought us to the forefront of the anti-doping movement. We are now fully committed to the struggle against doping, which we see as the very antithesis of Fair Play.

Our Club has also been given an award by the CIFP, and this has given us renewed confidence.

## Important Meetings in Istanbul

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The preparations for the 2nd Aphrodisias Youth Sports, Culture and Art Festival in 2006 are going ahead. The first festival, organised by the NOCT Culture and Arts Commission, was held in the city of Denizli in summer 2005 and was hosted by Pamukkale University.

Prof. Manfred Lämmer, Professor at the German Sport University of Cologne who is also Vice-President of the EFPM,

member of the Organising Committee for the Festival, took part in a meeting of the Committee in Istanbul. The reason Aphrodisias was chosen as the venue for an event of this kind was the fact that this important site in south-west Turkey, dating from the 2nd century AD, has the world's largest extant stadium. Around 50 young people from Europe took part in the first festival. The Organising Committee had a useful meeting at which activities for 2006 were discussed.





## MODEL OF A NATIONAL FAIR PLAY MOVEMENT: AN EXAMPLE IN RUSSIA

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the other hand. The situation has fully reflected the priority of ideological values over those of morals and ethics common to all mankind.

That was a reason, despite some efforts, for not having created a steady and active Fair Play movement in the former USSR.

However, one cannot say that the Fair Play ideas were not known in our former country. Two times Soviet athletes were awarded with the International Fair Play Committee Trophy – in 1983 it was multiple Olympic and world champion in wrestling Alexander Medved and in 1988 – a joint Soviet-Canadian transarctic expedition. In the year 1976 the USSR Olympic ice-hockey team was awarded a diploma by the International Fair Play Committee.

But submitting these candidates was not based on a representative Fair Play movement inside the country.

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We consider the Fair Play movement in Russia as starting to be formed some 15 years ago. It was at that time when one of the authors of this paper, the Russian Olympic Committee's vice president Vladimir Rodichenko, began to develop and implement the organisational and methodological concept of a Fair Play movement in Russia. Beginning from 1991, the concept was step by step similar to the concept of Olympic education formulated in the ROC administrative documents and supplementary materials.

The concept and, connected with it, the model is described with such main characteristics as follows.

1. The initiative and a leading role of the National Olympic Committee.

2. Forming a National Fair Play Committee under the umbrella of the NOC.

3. Organisation of a system of annual Fair Play Awards.

4. Mass response for annual invitations to submit candidacies for awards.

5. The inclusion of Fair Play materials in Olympic education.

6. Printing of special books dedicated to Fair Play.

7. Encouraging scientists to make studies on Fair Play.

8. Inclusion into international Fair Play associations.

9. Russian representatives taking active part in the activities of the international and European Fair Play Movements.

10. Regularly submitting candidates for international and European Fair Play Awards.

Now permit us to define these ten characteristics in detail which we consider to be a national model of a Fair Play movement in Russia.

3.

The first and the second characteristics, or points, are the initiative and a leading role of a National Olympic Committee, and not a governmental sports body, and connected with the above the forming of a National Fair Play Committee under the umbrella of the NOC.

When we speak of an initiative, the first question is "who?". Who was the

initiator that created the Fair Play movement in a country?

The answer is: the Russian Olympic Committee. On the initiative of this organisation and the Russian Fair Play Committee, which was formed under the umbrella of the Russian Olympic Committee, starting from 1991, annual awards were given to Fair Play Laureates – athletes and sport teams for irreproachable behaviour in sport who displayed a high degree of nobleness in sport.

In 1990 the "Sport Honour" Award was announced which was analogue to the Fair Play Award and for which we desired to find the right name in Russian. But it has failed, however. We got only one candidate that was not at all motivated. Despite that fact, the Russian Olympic Committee and the State Sports Committee of Russia declared a new invitation for submitting in 1991.

This time the invitation was supported by certain organizing activities and work of the mass media. International experience was also taken into account. All these factors made it possible to form, for the first time in the sports movement in Russia, a system of submitting and generalising information material that gave examples of nobleness displayed in sports by Russian athletes and also not less important, of the contribution made to the Fair Play movement by coaches, organisers, judges, scientists, teachers, and mass media.

This is why the third, and maybe the main point of our concept – like in the majority of countries with Fair Play movements, is the organisation of the system of collecting information and of annual Fair Play Awards for the wide-scale contingency of individuals and entities to be awarded. Since 1991 to 2004 awarding decisions were made with a total of 383 awards.

The annual separate main awards were established for a sportsman and sportswoman, for men's and women's teams, who have shown a high degree of sportsmanship, comradeship, mutual assistance, respect for an opponent. In addition to the main awards, dozens of individuals and organizations are annually awarded for the Fair Play promotion and studying a special Diploma of the Russian Olympic Committee and Russian Fair Play Committee.

We are trying not to mix general awards for prominent athletes for their performances, on the one hand, and real Fair Play acts, on the other hand. The real Fair Play act must be the main and unique criterion for giving an award. Even if we do not award anybody in a certain year.

As for awarding the teams in sports games, we annually use the results of the Fair Play rating-lists of national championships by rotating sports year by year.

Starting from 1991, for the period of 14 years 383 Russian Fair Play Awards were given to 76 athletes, 29 teams, 60 coaches and physical educators, 31 scientists, 46 sports organisers and judges, 19 Olympic academies and educational institutions, 15 sports schools and colleges of the Olympic reserve, 24 sporting clubs and other

sports organisations, 23 regional sports organisations and national sports federations, 19 mass media and 41 journalists.

The fourth point in our concept, even a result of this, is the mass response for annual invitations to submit a candidacy for an award sent to thousands of organisations throughout Russia. This response permits us to consider this multilateral joint action as the country-wide Fair Play Movement.

Taking into consideration the fact that about one thousand organisations were involved in the process of selecting and submitting candidates during these 15 years, it is possible to speak of forming an active and stable Fair Play movement in Russia as a constituent part of the World and the European Fair Play Movement.

On the other hand – and this is the fifth point of our concept – the promotion of the Fair Play activities within Russia is also a part of a nationwide system of Olympic Education, particularly the Olympic lessons in 8th grade forms of about 60 thousand schools of Russia. The special sub-chapter with the description of Fair Play in detail is part of the book "Your Olympic Textbook" published by the Russian Olympic Committee or with its methodological assistance in 15 editions with a circulation of 441 thousand copies since 1996 and sent to all Russian schools free of charge. Three editions of the book "The Olympic Book of a Student" for all 1200 non-sport higher education institutions were published and distributed as well with an average of 9 copies per institution. So, may we repeat that the fifth point of the concept is the inclusion of Fair Play material in the country-wide public and state system of Olympic education.

The sixth point of the concept is the printing of special books dedicated to Fair Play and their distribution in sport and educational institutions.

We published two books on Fair Play. Speaking of the second one "Fair Play, or Invitation to Honest Play" it contains the description of Fair Play ideas and principles, as well as lists of the Fair Play Awards at Russian, World and European levels.

The seventh point of the concept is encouraging scientists to make studies on the Fair Play phenomenon. One of the most advanced studies in the area of Fair Play in Russia is the PhD dissertation by Maxim Zakharov "Fair Play in the Olympic Education System". A very important tool for stimulating is the inclusion of the Fair Play topic into the programme of an annual nation-wide conference "Olympic Movement and Social Processes".

The eighth point of the concept is the inclusion of the country (in contrast to the former USSR) into international organisations, namely the International Fair Play Committee and the European Fair Play Movement.

Regrettably, sports organizations of the former USSR did not consider it necessary to enter the international Fair Play body, and it was only in 1992, during the democratisation process, that the Russian Olympic Committee joined CIPF and later the European Fair Play Movement. Since then the experience of these organisations assists our sporting and general educational bodies.

On the other hand, the Russian Olympic Committee and the Russian Fair Play Committee are trying to take

active part in their activities.

In connection with the above is the ninth point which is the active participation by a Russian representative, Professor Vladimir Rodichenko, in the activities of the administration and executive bodies of the international and the European Fair Play Movement. For example, one of his initiatives was the creation of the European system of Fair Play Awards under the patronage of the European Olympic Committees.

Finally, the tenth point – the regular submitting of a candidacy for international and European Fair Play awards.

On the stable basis of our national Fair Play activities the Russians have been awarded 17 times by international Fair Play bodies since 1992.

As far as the highest international Awards are concerned two trophies of Pierre de Coubertin by the International Fair Play Committee were awarded to Russians: for career in 1993 skier Raisa Smetanina, and for Act of Fair Play for 2004 gymnast Alexey Nemov. And the Russian Fair Play Committee itself was awarded the European Fair Play Award.

Of course, the Fair Play movement in Russia does not have a very long history. But we believe that the principles of fair play and nobleness in sport will receive a steady and wide promotion in this country.

## Fair Play for people with mental disabilities

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all of your activities?

**Ralf Kuckuck:** Disability sports on a competitive level is something that the Federal Government is very interested in. The Government wants to support athletes with a disability who have the potential to be successful at international level. This is no matter of partisan politics. Any party in power supports our cause. That is why the Federal Government funds competitive disability sports. We are funded by the Federal Ministry of the Interior to be precise. There will probably be cutbacks in the future because of the economic situation in Germany. But there will always be support. Recreational sports are supported by different governmental offices, but not by the Interior Ministry.

**Play Fair:** What are your plans for next year during the weeks and months leading up to the World Cup?

**Ralf Kuckuck:** We are planning several training camps and test matches. We will very likely play England prior to the World Cup in early summer. There will be one training camp in Spain on Majorca and one on the Dutch island of Texel. Each will last one whole week. We will also play a team made up of employees of Ford, Germany. Ford also offered to supply us with transportation. There will also be a lot of paperwork to be done in 2006. INAS FID (International Sports Federation of Persons With Intellectual Disability) requires every player to complete a detailed questionnaire. We need to prove that the athlete actually has a mental disability. A physical disability is much easier to prove than a mental one. The thing is that there have been signs of abuse in the past. To protect the athletes we want to make sure that they are competing against other athletes with a mental disability. Anything else would be unfair to the athletes.

The Football World Cup of People with Mental Disabilities will be held in Germany from August 26 to September 17, 2006.





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ory to Practice

- Roland Naul, Fair Play: Vision and Reality in the Reception of European Students

- Wojciech Liponski, Ethical Elements in European Games and Folk Sports

- Zofia Zukowska, Fair Play in European Culture and Education

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On May 20, 2003 an exceptionally solemn ceremony of awarding Fair Play prizes, with the participation of foreign guests and participants of the International Symposium, took place.

The main Fair Play trophy of the Polish Olympic Committee was given to Konrad Wojtkowiak for his Fair Play gesture during the Polish Championship in Archery.

Fair Play awards for the entire sport career and for the respectful life after ending the career went to:

- Marian Woyna – Orlewicz (skiing)

- Urszula Figwer (track and field)

- Wojciech Jankowski (rowing)

For the promotion of Fair Play ideas the following were also awarded:

- Museum of Sport and Tourism, Warsaw

- Marian Matysiak, teacher, founder of the oldest "Club of the Olympians" in Poland

An award of the Polish Association of Traditional Karate was given to the best spectators for their behavior that respects Fair Play principles.

A letter of congratulations was given to Elżbieta Drazbo, a pupil of a middle school, for her humanitarian help extended to a fallen athlete from another country, during the 10th Goldap Cross. She lost the chance for a victory, but she managed to complete the race.

In addition, members of the Club have actively participated in the promotion of Fair Play values during meetings with the youth, during sport competitions, on radio and television as well as during the Olympic Picnic.

## Report from Germany

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"Olympic Education". Consequently, the state of North Rhine-Westphalia, under consideration of the plans by the city of Düsseldorf and Rhine-Ruhr region to apply for the 2012 Olympic Games, announced a "Decade for Olympic Education" (2002-2011) in which school-based and other (non-school-based) projects and pilot measures will make value education into one of the priority objectives. The Düsseldorf application committee's relevant programme was the only proposal to receive the best mark of 10 points in the national competition between German applicant cities.

The fair play idea also lies at the heart of the teacher training seminars and measures run by the NOK and the state government of North Rhine-Westphalia. Besides these programmes, numerous other individual activities were also organised by the relevant sports associations and by the educational facilities maintained by the state sports federations (LSBs) in these fields.

The former main sponsor for the national "Fair Play-Initiative", the German Savings Banks Association (Deutscher Sparkassen- und Giro-Verband-DSGV), launched its own campaign that extends beyond the branches of the participating savings banks through to the clubs at grassroots level. This work includes anti-violence and anti-racism projects which are above all organised by the German Sports Youth organisation (Deutsche Sportjugend).

Some of the Fair Play Awards deserve special mention:

1. The EFPM Jury awarded the Fair Play Diploma to tour cyclist Albert Thiel. EFPM Vice-President Manfred Lämmer

presented the Diploma during a DOG event held in Aachen in December 2004.

2. This year also saw the DSGV and the Federation of German Sports Journalists (Verband Deutscher Sportjournalisten-VDS) again jointly confer the Fair Play Prize for Sports Journalists in Cologne.

3. The "Prize for Fair Play and Tolerance in Sport" conferred by the Federal Minister of the Interior was awarded to the Munich-based journalist Peter Gernandt in 2004, the Prize for the Best Fair Play Act in Disability Sports went to fencer and Paralympics gold medal winner Esther Weber-Krantz. It is worth noting that this year saw the 2005 prize awarded to a professional football club for the very first time. In so doing, the minister wished to recognise the exemplary behaviour of the players, management and fans of Bundesliga team FSV Mainz 05, which was. For the self-same reasons, also admitted by UEFA to the qualification round for the UEFA Cup.

Furthermore, several seminars and pilot projects on the fair play idea were held in Germany within the scope of the European Year of Education through Sport. A CDDS committee at the Council of Europe in Strasbourg, working together with representatives of the Finnish Sports Museum and of the German Sports and Olympic Museum, drew up a travelling exhibition of selected photos on the topic of Fair Play which was officially presented to the public in October 2004 during the Conference of European Sports Ministers held in Budapest. The exhibition will be open to the public in a number of European member states at sports events and on other occasions taking place in the course of 2005 and 2006.

## Football against racism in Europe (FARE)

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For the 6th successive season FARE involved 35 separate countries and more than 700 events. The range of activities increased this year with new groups from Eastern and Central Europe including the former Soviet Union and the Balkans getting involved and featured initiatives by campaigners, fans, clubs, national associations, ethnic minority groups and youth groups.

A greater engagement with minority groups such as the Roma minority in parts of Eastern Europe was an encouraging feature of the activities. One of the many successful stories this year was the partnership between the Mahatma Gandhi Human Rights Organisation, a respected Hungarian NGO led by ethnic minorities working with asylum seekers and refugees, and clubs who historically have had a far right following to actively challenging their own supporters.

More fan groups are now organising themselves to challenge racism. In Spain, following a season where racism in football hit the headlines internationally, ultra groups have come together for the first time to plan joint activities. In France, the "Réseau Supporter de Résistance Antiraciste" organised highly visible activities. In Germany,

groups from Werder Bremen, Hannover 96, Schalke 04, 1860 Munich or Fortuna Düsseldorf will become active during their home-matches. In Italy ultra groups across the country and leagues organised anti-racism choreographies. Europe's top football stars stood united against racism recently, as their clubs lined up for all 16 UEFA Champions League matches. UEFA made use of its "Unite Against Racism" campaign during its premier club competition, to make a stand against racism during the FARE Action Week.

"Unite against racism!" This was the motto of the action being launched against xenophobia and discrimination in football at every match taking place in the two Austrian professional leagues. A highlight of this season's Action week was the strong involvement of national associations, clubs and NGOs in eastern and central Europe. In England and Wales, all 92 professional football clubs look part in a concerted effort to kick racism out of football alongside 600 community events. Also in Slovenia all top league clubs became active. This year for the first time activities will take place in the Ukraine and Belarus, and in Scotland all 42 professional clubs will hold antiracism days.

More informations on [www.farenet.org](http://www.farenet.org)

## Give Youth the Chance to go in for sport!

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on in the programme of making sports available to a wider public in line with its mission.

We appeal to competent state administration authorities, in particular to the Slovak Government, local governments, unincorporated sports associations, sports equipment manufacturers and importers, sports grounds owners and managers, to the entire society.

Give youth the chance to go in for sport!!! Let them all do some sport, both those talented and less talented, all who love sport and not only those who have enough money to pay for it!

The more we give to sport the less we have to contribute to health care. Thanks to sport we would be proud of our healthy, respectable and successful future generation.

First of all we appeal to the Ministry of Education of the Slovak Republic for taking measures of physical education improvement, improvement of also out-of-school conditions for youth sport, provisi-

on of care of the existing material base of sport, development of the system of reconstruction and building of sports facilities in school areas to be used also by the public.

We appeal for recognition of life-long efforts of teachers, coaches, carriers of our youth upbringing process, in order to create adequate conditions for their work, education and realisation in a high-quality sports milieu and environment.

We appeal to reporters, editors and speakers of sports events to highlight exemplary acts by players, both on and off sports grounds, and reminding the audience to support players in a way which does not provide an incentive for player or fan aggression.

We appeal to the media to promote fair play acts, to create columns in their conditions to publicise acts which serve examples for youth.

Please, join our initiative in the scope of your competence and possibilities and inform the SOC Fair Play Club about your contribution to the programme of our appeal.

## UDINE ready for the 12th EFPM Congress...

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The winter meeting of the EFPM Executive Committee was held in Udine on December 10, 2005. A delegation headed by Dr. Alessandro Grassi and including (besides Ruggero Alcanterini) a highly-respected academic from the University of Udine, Prof. Fulvio Cuizza, had a series of meetings with the EFPM Executive Committee at which the foundations for the 12th Congress to be held in September 2006 were laid. The welcome extended to the Executive Committee by our friends in Udine was so warm that we feel very optimistic that the Congress there will be a highly successful one.

All details relating to the 12th Congress, in the famous sixteenth-century tower above the town of Udine, have now been worked out. The theme of the Congress is one of considerable topical interest:

"Fair Play in Practice: Concepts, Projects and Campaigns". Turkey's famous Fair Play Cartoon Exhibition is to be on show during the event.

The Udine delegation in charge of the organisation of the Congress are to be invited to attend the next meeting of the EFPM Executive Committee in Istanbul in 2006.

During their time in Udine, the EFPM Executive Committee visited the Chairman of the Fair Play Council of the State of Portdenone, Dr. Simonetti Diego, and met the local representative of the Italian National Olympic Committee, Eila Lorenza. Later, the Executive Committee, together with Handicapped Sports Federation President Giorgi Zanmarchi, attended an evening reception given by the Italian national team that is to take part in the Paralympic Winter Games in Torino.





## The 11th European Fair Play Congress - a full success!

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and international institutions discussed how to master our own spiritual powers in the choice of fair play behaviour, how to influence social development through personal behaviour and internal positive energy, and how to overcome the inertia of social, cultural and family traditions.

The uneven pace of societal development often depends on the paralysis of our thinking, inability to follow changes in the surrounding world. Fixed behavioural models in social and political life give rise to conflicts, tensions and coercion.

The Fair Play concept was discussed at the Congress in all possible aspects. Like a cell injected into the reality of customary reactions and interests, like a pike introduced into a pond of soporific carps, it fought stagnation to show that everything is interrelated in our ever-changing society. Information handed down genetically through the mind and emotions affects our consciousness. The choice of Fair Play and the efforts to push the world in a new evolutionary direction open up the potentials of the personality in the same way as these potentials are released in the process of information absorption and in replacing the negative processes with positive ones. Even if an individual is unable to make a deliberate choice, sooner or later, his subconscious powers, intuition or perhaps the genes of his forefathers will do it for him. The progress of society moves in a positive direction. Those who opt for Fair Play are the first to anticipate the new practices that determine the freedom of choice. To choose Fair Play means to experience the fullness of life. Freedom of choice means to an opportunity realise one's ability to choose both as an individual and as a member of society. We cannot escape choice. We are doomed to face continuous choices. Our destiny is shaped by our choices.

Those who choose sport, choose a field of public activities characterised by rational, linear thinking. Athletes always try to achieve a pre-determined goal; they control their actions, follow the rules strictly and perform their roles diligently moving towards the winner's platform. With a clear vision of the step needed towards that platform, the athlete tries to meet all the requirements. The personality of the athlete is moulded by a mindset to fight uncertainties, to overcome all the obstacles on the way to the goal and finally to be the winner, both in sport and in life.

Athletes are players according to the rules. The rewards for playing according to the rules - the title, trophies, prizes, social position and pecuniary rewards - go to a single winner, the champ, who is the tip of the pyramid as a symbol of success. His life is like a framed picture of a road with its start and finish. The winner wins a monument. All the others are failures, although one hundredth of a second separated them from success. What decision should the players take according to the rules when the circumstances require giving a helping hand to the injured opponent or an opponent in trouble? Wouldn't it be madness to lose that one hundredth of a second in the cruel struggle? But even under such circumstances we know instances of noble behaviour. Is it predetermined? Is the decision lurking in the subconscious? Perhaps this kind of decision reveals the true nature of the person? And the true nature of the person determines his way through life, his work, his love and his behaviour. The greatest reward and fulfilment for

giving a helping hand to a person in trouble is the joy of being together, one's ability to correct the situation. Those who subconsciously give preference to Fair Play do not differ between winners and losers. They only recognize greater or smaller opportunities. Although such people are rational thinkers, they are not strangers to emotions or sensitiveness. They do not try to pinpoint the beginning or the end of the road to Olympia. Life for them is like an ocean and everything around them is part of one unified whole. Everything is necessary; one thing explains and adds to another. For such people, participation in a competition of the highest rank remains a pleasant memory for life, for they are not only passive followers of the rules. They are also active creators of the rules of play and struggle for victory. They are independent and not constrained by the cut-throat drive for victory at any price, even at the price of trampling on humane principles. They are better at finding their own place, at understanding the other competitors, establishing contacts and spiritual relationships. They look upon life as on an eternal stream of events and they are the most likely laureates of Fair Play.

We cannot agree with the idea that every man comes into this world and leaves it alone. It is simply not true. Every man comes into this world bringing the genetic information that is passed down from generation to generation, and leaves it having absorbed the wisdom around him, which he passes on to those whom he leaves behind and who refer to him by saying "in loving memory of ...". Man's memory is kept alive by what he leaves behind. One such thing is Fair Play. It is the result of the continuous exchanges of spiritual wealth between countless generations. But the greatest spiritual wealth accrues to the person who practises it. Fair Play broadens his horizons, his choices and the subconscious values, which he offers to the treasure trove of humanity.

That was the background against which the 11th European Fair Play Congress considered noble behaviour in all its aspects and relations with the past, the present and the future. The Congress heard twenty national reports, including reports by international institutions, four keynote presentations that were made by such prominent scholars and philosophers as Professor Leonidas Donskis of Vytautas Magnus University (Kaunas, Lithuania), Professor Roland Renson of Leuven University (Belgium), Professor Hasan Kasap of Marmara University (Turkey), Erica Terpstra, a prominent public figure from the Netherlands, President of the Netherlands Olympic Committee and Netherlands Sports Confederation; ideas of the young Lithuanian scholars were summed up and presented by Paulius Motiejunas, a postgraduate student of Vytautas Magnus University; the Fair Play Youth Movement was represented by Benjamin Folkmann, member of the Executive Committee of the German Sports Youth.

A noble deed always leaves a trace - in the mind or in the feelings; it highlights the individuality of the person emphasising that everything in the world is interrelated and produces a feeling of involvement in action. The impulse, born in the subconscious, passes into consciousness - from idea to action - and finds expression in the decision to behave in a noble way. Everything in the world follows a certain procedure. In terms of information, we could liken it to programming, in terms of psychology - to evolution stages, in terms of biology -

to the genetic code. The conclusion suggests itself, namely that noble behaviour is a natural result of social development, while bursts of inhuman behaviour are only disruptions in the development of the part of society that is unable to resolve its problems. An unresolved problem places a person in a vicious circle, a kind of deadlock, although the world is full of infinite possibilities and human potentials are inexhaustible. A desperate desire to be the first, to climb to the top in disregard of everything may lead an athlete to the jungle of doping users and prevent his positive development. Why does a person make such a choice, which is an antipode of Fair Play?

The anatomy of choice is very complicated - heredity as the passage of information from generation to generation, plus behaviour moulded by the family, social and cultural environment. Man is born and dies in an environment characterised, on the one hand, by one-sided pragmatic and materialistic attitudes and, on the other, by noble behaviour and tolerance.

In the exchange of information, an individual understands and evaluates the reality which exists outside the individual. The kind and quantity of information the individual obtains the reality depends on the personality of the individual. People often think of radio receivers tuned to certain wavebands. What is it, the freedom of choice? We choose or don't choose progressive information. We grow or wither as personalities. We are governed by our nature, by inherited or received information, but still we are free to choose, for our potentials open up in the unified dynamics of the surrounding world that influences us, determines our place and metes out what we should get. The search for one's place under the sun and for harmony lasts all our lives. From one noble act to another, our spiritual nature keeps moving to higher and higher levels. We, like the characters in Hermann Hesse's novel *The Glass Bead Game*, string our days on the thread of life so that the colours and forms of the entire string should be acceptable to each elevated soul and heart. When we understand what influence emotions, feelings, intuition can produce on the attainment of a pragmatic objective, we feel ready to change the rules of the game, the rules of our behaviour and the rules of the behaviour of the public. We become part of the consciousness of the changing world. We don't feel like strangers in this world, for having chosen fair play, we march in step with the forces that lead the world to progress. We are participants in a relay race of life, information and progress. We do not feel inhibited by strict rules, but we are not tossed by waves of emotion, either. Deep within, we are free to choose how to behave. We can hear and understand better those who are beside us. Contacts established at such moments are the best thing that Fair Play can give the world. It is a constantly renewing evaluation of reality, of one's own self and others. It is the deliberate side of noble behaviour, the result of our choice that fosters our ability to see a solution to a problem where others simply fail to see it.

Those who practise Fair Play create changes, generate new ideas and exert a positive influence on their own life and on the life of others, they create progress in the continuum of space and time. The essence of Fair Play consists in contacts among people, the feeling of harmony and fulfilment.

In traditional rational thinking, the prob-

lem of doping in sport is the result of the interaction of unfavourable circumstances the analysis of which may help find the right solution. Efforts are directed towards a logical reasoning that would help a sportsman take the right decision. But the reality shows that this is ineffective, for such reasoning covers only part of the problem. It includes the analysis of the past and efforts to preclude the repetition of the past. It is convenient for the analyst, for he makes his conclusions on the basis of facts. Reason tries to control facts and is afraid of everything that escapes its control. Reason depends both on itself and on the circumstances outside

For those who are guided by emotions, the problem of doping in sport is a lesson of life and an attempt to contribute to the search for its solution. It is rather a belief that everything that is happening is unavoidable. This kind of reasoning is not free, either. If it is not free, it means it is not independent.

But why don't we want to see that the core of the problem lies not in doping as such. It is rather the choice of the sportsman to evade efforts to improve, to grow and to mature. It is rather the effect of the culture that moulded the personality of the sportsman. Perhaps it has been determined by the climate in the family, personal aspirations for independence or social status as imaginary freedom, perhaps it is genetic destiny.

The athlete cannot be forced to stay away from doping. We cannot resolve the problem for him. He must be educated so that he should stay away from it by his own free will. Fair Play is one of the ways that lead to personal freedom, to understanding of one's own self, to a dialogue with oneself. The athlete must understand what kind of man he is, what kind of men surround him, what relations should exist between them. This understanding must affect his choices both in sport and in life. This understanding must come through the prism of fair play, by changing one's choices, potentials and ego.

All the phenomena and situations in our life are interrelated. They are like an information mirror of society (our society) showing the individuality of each person and the uniqueness of his choices. Even Don Quixote's irrational actions that seem senseless to a rationally thinking person have become a symbol of the eternal aspirations to noble behaviour.

The speakers at the Congress expressed a variety of interesting ideas about fair play both in life and in various areas of sport and the Olympic Movement. The Congress was remarkable for eloquent presentations and kind gestures. President Valdas Adamkus of the Republic of Lithuania, who was the patron of the Congress, handed down awards, distinctions and honours to advocates of the European Olympic and Fair Play Movement in recognition of their unswerving support for Lithuania. The Department of Physical Culture and Sport under the Government of the Republic of Lithuania and the National Olympic Committee of Lithuania recognised the achievements of a number of members of the International Olympic Committee, International Fair Play Committee, European Fair Play Movement, National Olympic Committees of the Netherlands, Poland and Russia with honours and distinctions. In its turn, the NOC of Lithuania also received marks of acknowledgement and honour. The Congress was a celebration of the high ideals of fair play conduct.





## THE DAYS IN VILNIUS WILL NOT BE FORGOTTEN

### LITHUANIA PRESIDENTIAL PALACE:

The Presidential Palace, in the centre of Vilnius, an ancient and magnificent building.



### A VISIT TO THE PALACE:

The members of the EFPM Executive Committee and their spouses in front of the Presidential Palace.

### PRESS CONFERENCE:

Before the 11th Congress the Lithuanian hosts and delegates of EFPM explained their aims at a press conference.



### SUCCESSFUL TEAM:

The main office team of the Lithuanian National Olympic Committee in front of their headquarters.

### A VISIT TO THE MAYOR OF VILNIUS:

The EFPM delegates made a respect visit to the Mayor of Vilnius and Prof. Gonçalves presented a shield on behalf of the Executive Committee. Guests watched an amazing concert.



### THE CENTRE OF EUROPE:

The Centre of Europe is within the boundary of Lithuania, as announced by the Europe Geography Group (54° 54' N-25° 19'E) The Diploma above is given to each visitor.



**A SOUVENIR PHOTOGRAPH:** Two delegates of the EFPM had their photos taken with their diplomas in front of the monument, one of whom is the rowing champion Zdrawka Jordanova (Bulgaria) and the other the wrestling world champion Khazar Isaev, Azerbaijan.

### HANDING OVER DIPLOMAS:

One of the champions of the organisation, sympathetic Ijole Domarkiene, hands over the diplomas.



### FRIENDSHIP EXULTED:

Ones who seriously discuss sports and Fair Play in the Congress, doing well with the entertainment. Here, you see a called game "bridge" with music.

### EFPM MUSIC GROUP:

When the Congress ended, entertainment started. Here, an EFPM music group entertains the team with ancient musical instruments. In the background; Mrs. Van der Veen (The Netherlands), Arvydas Juozaitis (Lithuania), Janka Stasova (Slovenia), Christian Hinterberger (Austria), Zdrawka Jordanova (Bulgaria). At the front Erdoġan Ar-pınar (Turkey) and Ioannis Psilopoulous (Greece).



### THEY OBTAINED GOOD MARKS:

A music group from Vilnius obtained good marks for their local clothes and the music.







## Lithuanian State Order



● **LITHUANIA COAT-OF-ARMS:** It features traditional items of Lithuanian heraldry.

● **LITHUANIAN STATE ORDER:** The Lithuanian state order presented to the President of EFPM, Professor Dr. Carlos Gonçalves.



## A Great Honour for the EFPM



● **AWARDING CEREMONY:** Three eminent members of the EFPM Executive Committee honoured by the Lithuanian State and by the Lithuanian NOC (from left to right): Vytautas Zubernis, General Secretary of the Lithuanian NOC; Professor Dr. Arvydas Juozaitis, Chairman of the Lithuanian Fair Play Council; Professor Manfred Lämmer; Algirdas Raslanas, Lithuanian Sports Minister; Erdoğan Arıpınar; Professor Dr. Vladimir Rodichenko; Arturas Poviliunas, President of the Lithuanian NOC.



● **A PRESENT FROM THE EFPM:** Professor Dr. Carlos Gonçalves expressing his gratitude to Lithuanian Head of State Valdas Adamkus.



● **CEREMONY:** Lithuanian President Valdas Adamkus fastening the Lithuanian state order on the lapel of the EFPM President.

● **ORDER FOR DEDICATED SERVICE:** EFPM founding member, Vice-President Erdoğan Arıpınar (Turkey) receiving the "Grand Cross Comodor".



● **WITH THE PRESIDENT:** (from left to right) Professor Dr. Arvydas Juozaitis, Chairman of the Lithuanian Fair Play Council; Erdoğan Arıpınar, EFPM Vice-President; Arturas Poviliunas, President of the Lithuanian NOC; Valdas Adamkus, President of Lithuania.



● **GREETINGS FROM THE MINISTER:** Lithuanian Sports Minister Algirdas Raslanas welcoming the EFPM President.



● **RECEIVING THE ORDER:** Lithuanian Sports Minister Algirdas Raslanas presenting the "Grand Cross Comodor" order to Professor Manfred Lämmer.

● **RECEIVING THE ORDER:** Professor Dr. Vladimir Rodichenko, honoured by the Lithuanian Sports Minister Algirdas Raslanas for his merits in the Fair Play campaign in Russia. Prof. Rodichenko is the author of numerous books on Fair Play and Olympic education and EFPM honorary member.



## An Order for the Service to Sports and Fair Play

● **APPLAUSE FOR PATRICK HICKEY:** Lithuanian NOC President Arturas Poviliunas presenting the Gold Honour Medal to Patrick Hickey (Ireland) recently unanimously re-elected General Secretary of the European



● **A MONUMENTAL FIGURE IN SPORT:** Lithuanian Sports Minister Algirdas Raslanas presenting the Honour Medal to IOC member Walther Tröger (Germany) in recognition for his service to the EOC.



## EUROPEAN FAIR PLAY AWARDS 2005

**VILNIUS-** Decisions by the jury for the European Olympic Committees and The European Fair Play Movement Awards-2005

1. European Fair Play PLAQUE OF MERIT and DIPLOMA for the development of Fair Play of a National Organisation.  
Volleyball Team "SLAVIA Sport School Trencin", Slovak Republic
2. European Fair Play PLAQUE OF MERIT and DIPLOMA for the contribution made to the spread of the values and principles of Fair Play and Tolerance.  
Pranas Majauskas, Lithuania
3. European Fair Play DIPLOMA for the contribution made to the spread of the values and principles of Fair Play and Tolerance.  
Carmen Ross Macheriotou, Cyprus



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