



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

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

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

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Flash News invites the Fair Play family to join us congratulating Mr. Erdogan Aripinar to his 80th birthday. Mr. Aripinar is a founding member of EFPM and currently its Vice-

president. The European Fair Play Movement owes him countless projects and contributions to promote the spirit of Fair Play and Tolerance in Europe.

Born in 1932 as a son of a military officer, Erdogan Aripinar studied at the Department of History at Istanbul University. He started to work as a journalist in 1948. He was the founder of the Turkish Sports Writers Association and is the owner of the sole daily sports agency in Turkey. As a journalist, he has received over twenty sports press awards and

the Olympic Order Medal from the International Olympic Committee. Erdogan Aripinar has been member of the NOC of Turkey since 1962; he was its Vice-president and the President of the Fair Play Council of the National Olympic Committee of Turkey. Among other projects, he produced a study for NOC's Fair Play Council, contributed to the creation of the Olympic Torch Awards, which are given to outstanding athletes, and the National and International Fair Play Cartoon Contest of the Turkish Fair Play Council. Mr. Aripinar has also been very active in various sports organizations: he is a qualified referee in football, archery and skiing.

Dear Erdogan, we wish you all the best and are looking forward to many more interesting projects with you! *Happy Birthday!*



On behalf of EFPM and the Italian Olympic Committee and its Fair Play Council we are delighted to invite you to participate at the XVIII. European Fair Play Congress. The event will be held from October 24-26, 2012, in the beautiful historical town of Verona. This

year's congress is focused on the "Professional Sports and Fair Play" theme.

The event will provide a platform for bringing together representatives of different sport sectors, researchers, teachers, coaches, journalists, leaders of sports organizations and students and will offer the opportunity for sharing, discussing and developing presentations and debates drawing on the

latest developments in the world of sport. Moreover, the congress will make it possible to formulate strategies towards making further steps to achieve EFPM's goals: spreading the ideas of Fair Play and Tolerance. It is certainly an honour for us to welcome high-profile keynote-speakers to this event: Mrs. Sylvia Schenk (GER), from the anti-corruption organization Transparency International, Yannis Daras (GRE), European Sports Press Union President, Mr. David Folker (GBR), General Manager of Football DataCo and member of the EPFL Task Force on Football Betting. He also chairs the "Football Round Table Integrity Group". Further present will be Mr. Pierre Cornu (SUI), UEFA's former chief legal counsel for integrity and regulatory

affairs, Mr. Luca Pancalli (ITA), Vice-President of Italian Olympic Committee and President of the Italian Paralympic Committee, Mr. Domenico Campione (ITA), Chairman of Military Sports Groupe "Fiamme Gialle", Mr. Ettore Torri (ITA), Chairman of the Antidoping Commission of Italian Olympic Committee, and Mr. Stanislas Frossard (SUI), Executive Secretary of the Enlarged Partial Agreement on Sport (EPAS). More information about the speakers will be available on the website within the coming days: www.fairplayeur.com We expect your participation and count on your contribution!

The Lithuanian Museum of Sports received the



Plaque of Merit and Diploma, awarded by the European Fair Play Movement under the auspices of the European Olympic Committees. The ceremony took place

in the museum itself and at the occasion of the General Assembly of the Lithuanian National Olympic Committee. Mr. Pranas Majauskas, President of the Lithuanian Museum of Sports, received the award in the presence of Mr. Arturas Poviliunas, President of the Lithuanian Olympic Committee, Mrs. Daina Gudzineviciute, President of the

Association of Lithuanian Olympians, and Mr. Arvydas Juozaitis, President of the Lithuanian Fair Play Committee. For almost 20 years now, the Lithuanian Museum of Sports has been providing financial support to injured athletes, former athletes suffering from financial difficulties and handicapped athletes to cover their medical costs. As a matter of fact, without any governmental support, the Museum has successfully established a system to raise substantial financial means, mainly thanks to volunteers' work, expositions organized for local artists, schools, and public/governmental institutions. This extraordinary spirit and excellent work have been broadly recognized by the Lithuanian public.

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certain idea, to manifest or protest for or against something, they often create a human hands chain. The idea of the project Painted Equator, managed by the well-known Slovakian painter Andrej Smolak, is to create a symbolic chain of pictures, sized 20 x 20 cm which will be 40.075 kilometers long, the same length as the circuit of the Earth around the Equator. It will cross all countries in the world

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to stimulate positive thinking and help building the global social awareness, open mindedness and friendship between nations. Pictures will be painted by artists, sportsmen, politicians and celebrities from all around the world. In Slovakia the project is supported inter alia by Ivan Gašparovič, President of Slovak Republic, and the Slovak Olympic Committee.

For further information please visit the website of the project www.paintedequator.com/en/.

It would be a pleasure and honour if you decided to contribute to and spread the ideas of this extraordinary project.

The 8th Karate World University Championships took place in Bratislava on July 13-15, 2012. 43 countries represented by more than 400 athletes participated at this event taking place under the auspices of the President of the Slovak Republic, Ivan Gašparovič. The Club Fair Play of the Slovak Olympic Committee, in collaboration with the organizing committee and under the auspices of the International Fair Play Committee (CIFP), announced Fair Play Awards at this event, rewarding exemplary behaviour on the field and with regard to referees' decisions and promotion of Fair Play during the competition and among athletes.

After three days of intense competition, the South African team was honoured with the

Fair Play Award of the International Fair Play Committee for their exemplary behaviour and promotion of friendship during the event. The



Award of the Club Fair Play of the Slovak Olympic Committee was handed over to Primoz Debenak (SLO), the main referee of the event. On behalf of the mentioned organizations, both awards were handed over by Mrs. Katarina Ráčzová, Ambassador for Sports, Tolerance and Fair Play for the Slovak Republic, EC member of EFPM.

Impossible to ignore, recently there have been huge discussions concerning cyclist Lance Armstrong. He was handed a lifetime ban and stripped off his seven Tour de France titles as a result of withdrawing co-operation in a case leveled against him by the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA) concerning charges of doping, drug trafficking and administering of drugs to others. While the cycling's governing body (UCI) is expected to dispute USADA's claim of absolute jurisdiction to punish Armstrong, meaning that this case might be far from finished, discussions concerning a lot of topics have started: Was Armstrong right to withdraw from co-operation, as he has never been tested positive on doping? Is it correct to ban him and basically shred his career by not accepting his victories anymore? Should the titles be awarded to the 2nd place cyclists in those Tour de France races, in which Armstrong won, or shouldn't there be any official winners?

Why don't you also share your opinion with us? To make it easy, we have created a simple poll, which you can find clicking here: <http://poldaddy.com/poll/6505853/>

Feel free to cast your vote. We will publish the result in our next Flash News (moreover, expect more polls in the future).

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

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See you soon and don't forget: Fair play - the winning way!

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