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Seasons Greetings from Alain Poncet

On behalf of the IASI Presidium, it gives me great pleasure to offer to all our friends, colleagues of IASI and their families our best wishes for good health, prosperity and success in your professional activities the coming new year. In addition, I also hope this will be a great new year for our Association and its activities.

Recent Administrative Work of IASI Managerial Unit and Members

11th European Sports Management Congress, September 10-13 2003, Stockholm, Sweden

Alain Poncet attended the ESAM congress and met with the main eKoS partners. The feasibility and continuation of the project was examined. (see Update on the eKoS project below).

Alain met with the Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the next EASM Congress that is planned for September 22-25 2004 in Ghent, Belgium (see their website <http://www.easm2004ghent.2004>). Alain suggested that IASI set up an information booth at this 2004 congress. This was warmly accepted by the Chairman.

Lastly, the IASI brochure was made available to 300 EASM delegates in keeping with the IASI marketing plan.

Unfortunately, due to slight illness, it was not possible for Alain to meet the local IASI representative in the Library of the Stockholm University College of PE and Sports.

ICSSPE South Africa Meeting

IASI President Alain Poncet represented IASI at the recent annual meeting of ICSSPE Associations Board in Pretoria, South Africa, September 23-26, 2003. The annual conference of ICSSPE took place in the new facilities of the High Performance Centre of the University of Pretoria. As a member of the Associations Board, on behalf of IASI, Alain Poncet presented the IASI activity report for 2002-2003. During this conference, IASI was warmly thanked for its active collaboration with ICSSPE throughout this year, particularly in the field of publications, with thanks to our active and efficient Publications Officer, Gretchen Ghent.

Following the recommendations of our last Forum in Cuba 2003, and on Alain Poncet's request, the ICSSPE's Board agreed to extend the "Share the knowledge" program with a view to enable Sports information centres to give developing countries low-cost access to SPORTDiscus. This new initiative topic will be discussed with SIRC and the possibilities explored.

In addition to attendance at the ICSSPE Associations Board meetings, Alain Poncet met Charl Durand, Head of the Sports Information Centre of the South African Sports Commission and IASI member. The visit to his modern and efficient sports information centre was very instructive and gave the opportunity for an in depth discussion on future possibilities and conditions of sports development on this continent.

Alain Poncet also met Spiros Kellis and Vassilis Klissouras, the local organizers of the ICSSPE's Pre-Olympic Congress in Thessaloniki August 2004. IASI's organization of a Cyber Café during this conference was confirmed by our Greek colleagues. This topic will be discussed during the IASI ExCo meeting in Lisboa in April 2004.

Conference on Sport and Recreation Research in South Africa

Charl Durand also sent a report on the one-day sport research conference held at the University of Pretoria, on September 23, sponsored by ICSSPE, Sport and Recreation South Africa (SRSA) and the South African Sports Commission (SASC). This conference, entitled, *Sport and Recreation Research in South Africa: From Theory to Practice* had as keynote speakers, ICSSPE President Dr. Gudrun Doll-Tepper and SASC CEO Dr. Joe Phaahla and Mr. Greg Fredericks, Chief Director of SRSA. While a number of international presentations were made by ICSSPE board members, the parallel sessions were dominated by young researchers from South African tertiary institutions who presented details of their research projects. The topics were diverse, ranging from the broad subjects of sport governance to those that focused on particular aspects of a sport discipline or study area.

In 2004, a full-fledged international sport research conference will be held in South Africa that will build on the excellent papers and research presented on Sept 23. Charl feels that this conference gave an exceptional boost and highlight to sport research in his country.

Meeting at SIRC Headquarters in Ottawa

At the end of November, Alain Poncet and Publications Officer, Gretchen Ghent, flew to Ottawa, Ontario to spend two days with SIRC President, Debra Gassewitz and various members of her staff. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss a renewed and greatly updated IASI-SIRC Agreement, SIRC representation at the IASI annual meeting in Lisbon, responses to the ahWG on "Tests" and the Minority Report tabled at the annual meeting in Havana, the proposed IASI Website, Archives, and Information Policy, the redesign and update of the IASI website and other SIRC-IASI cooperative projects. This was a very productive two days of meetings.

The documents mentioned here will be revised soon and sent to all IASI members for consideration and study prior to the annual meeting in Lisbon.

IASI Annual Meeting, Lisbon, April 16-21, 2004

The invitation to attend the IASI Executive Committee Annual Meeting in Lisbon has been sent to IASI members by the Executive Secretary, Ms Maria Lluïsa Berasategui, on November 30, 2003. In addition to this meeting, the local hosts have organized an International Conference on Sports Information for April 14-16, 2004.

The 2nd announcement, planned for delivery on 30 January 2004, will contain the official invitation from the Lisbon organizers, the annotated agenda and details of registration.

This meeting is hosted by Mr. João Paulo Rocha : (jprocha@mail.telepac.pt) and the Instituto do Desporto de Portugal (IDP)/Sports Institute of Portugal.

12th World Congress of IASI – The Website and Second Announcement

Wang Huanfu and Ma Tie have been busy with their web designers putting in place the World Congress website. A beta site was made available to the Managerial Unit and the Program Committee Chair in mid November. The suggested changes should be made soon and the website activated. A note on IASI-L will let members know when it is available.

News from Oceania

AUSPIN Workshop

Australasian Sport Information Workshop (AUSPIN) will be held at the National Sport Information Centre, Australian Sports Commission on 4th-5th December 2003. This year's Workshop will include three participants from Papua New Guinea.

ASC Website

The Australian Sports Commission's website is currently being upgraded after extensive consultations with clients. The new website is due to be launched late 2003 /early 2004. News of the launch will be circulated through IASI-L.

Image Library

National Sport Information Centre's Image Library is now online at the web address - www.ausport.gov.au/imagelibrary/. The collection dates back to the inception of the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) in 1981 and is an excellent historical image reference of the Australian Government's role in sport. Over 25,000 images are available. The Image Library represents a great resource for publishers, researchers, sporting organisations and the general public.

The strengths of the collection are:

- AIS athletes in action
- ASC programs and facilities
- Participation and recreational sporting images
- ASC corporate history

Recent Australian Sport Publications

Listings of Australian and New Zealand electronic sports documents can be located at the website – <http://www.ausport.gov.au/fulltext/> . Among the recent additions to this very large collection of fulltext documents are:

- AFL Injury Report 2002
- Independent Soccer Inquiry April 2003-11-05
- Australia's sports volunteers 2000 (SCORS)
- Participation in exercise, recreation and sport 2002 (SCORS)
- Australian Sports Commission's Annual Report 2002/2003
<http://www.ausport.gov.au/asc/anrep2002/index.htm>

Staffing

Jill Haynes, Manager of the National Sport Information Centre returns from long service leave in early January 2004. Since May Jill has been working as a volunteer in East Timor helping re-establish libraries.

Anna Timlin has left the Victorian Institute of Sport Information Centre and been replaced by Linda Story.

SPORTCOM Headquarters Moves To Seville

The Assembly of the Asociación Iberoamericana de Información Deportiva (AIID), held on June 14th in Malaga, approved the candidacy of the Sports Information and Documentation Centre of Seville following Jose Antonio Aquesolo's resignation. Hence, the presidency has been assumed by Francisco Esteban and the headquarters are now located in Seville, at the following address:

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The AIID's Assembly discussed the short- and medium-term working guidelines for the Association and agreed that among its priorities is to give a boost to the Atlantes database and to take advantage of the possibilities offered by the new technologies for information dissemination, international cooperation and promotion of training projects.

On the other hand, the Presidency stated its intention to follow the existing working line and of starting next September a round of contacts with AIID's members in view of establishing the potential contributions of each member, the collaborations, etc.

Honorary Member

Among other decisions taken by the Assembly it is worth noting the appointment of Jose Antonio Aquesolo as Honorary Member of the Association, unanimously approved, while publicly acknowledging the valuable work he has performed since the beginning of SPORTCOM. The Assembly said they welcomed his participation as an active member of the Association.

Other News Bytes

Sport Information Activity in Switzerland

CIES (Centre international d'étude du sport/International Center for Sports Studies, Neuchâtel)

<http://www.cies.ch/>

In recent email the CIES Librarian, Marie-Claude Borel, mentioned that the CIES Library catalogue is also available on the Swiss union catalogue RERO. Newsletter readers also are aware that the IOC's Olympic Studies Centre also reports holding to this union catalogue. Marie-Claude also revealed that the internal version of their catalogue is presently on

Filemaker Pro, but, alas, this system is not available via the Internet. She's hoping that next year the internal online catalogue will be available to all Internet users.

Meeting of Swiss Sport Sciences Librarians and Information Professionals

In another email, Marie-Claude Borel, mentioned that there will be a first meeting of Swiss sport documentation professionals, librarians, and archivists on November 26, 2003. This meeting organized by the Documentation Center of CIES will be held in Neuchâtel.

The purpose of the meeting is to become acquainted with each other, share information on each documentation centre, discuss future projects and ideas for cooperation and collaboration. Participants will come from seven organizations including the Swiss Federal Office of Sport and the IOC's Olympic Studies Centre.

Update on the eKoS Project

As reported earlier, eKoS partners had planned to submit their proposal to the European Commission on March 21st of this year. Unfortunately, for administrative reasons, some partners did not meet the deadline even though IASI's part was prepared and ready by this deadline. There is great disappointment that this deadline could not be met considering all the work and meetings that took place on this important project.

The next deadline for submission is December 2003 when the EC's call for proposals will take place. The Action line is open again and is called: "Enhancing content production in a multilingual and multicultural environment".

Alain would like to thank all the IASI European members who supported this project, and will keep them informed of the outcome of the December proposal as soon as the EC gives him the relevant news.

Web and Online Happenings

Olympic Studies Centre, Autonomous University of Barcelona

<http://blues.uab.es/olympic.studies/>

In a press release of Oct 2, 2003, it was announced that the Olympic Studies Centre was honored with a first prize in a website competition sponsored by the European Network of Sport Science, Education and Employment (ENSEE). The prize was awarded to the CEO UAB by Claude Stricker, Executive Director of the International Academy of Sport Sciences and Technology, Lausanne. In giving the award, Mr. Stricker said that the richness of the Olympic Studies Centre website materials was the deciding factor in the committee's decision. Other factors that influenced the decision is the design, content and innovation of the website.

COMPASS Has a New Gateway URL

<http://www.sportcompass.net/>

The COMPASS website that provides comparable statistics about participation in European sports, now has a new gateway URL. This site is still hosted by the University of Rome with the new URL being easy to remember and access.

Eurostadiums.com

<http://www.eurostadiums.com/>

This newly announced website contains a listing of 707 football (soccer) stadiums in 53 European countries. For each stadium there are various photos of the structure, plus information on seating capacity, history, date of completion and other information. This site will also include the 2nd Division grounds for all countries. England, Germany and the Netherlands are the first countries to be included in the 2nd Division listings.

LTSN Hospitality, Leisure, Sport and Tourism Resource Guides

http://www.hlst.ltsn.ac.uk/resources/resource_guides.html

The UK Learning and Teaching Support Network (LTSN) assists with the production of resource guides for the academic programs in the UK. Recently on the SPRIG listserv, Theresa Summerfield announced the availability of the Resource Guide for Hospitality, Leisure, Sport and Tourism.

[http://www.jisc.ac.uk/index.cfm?name=rg_hosp_main.](http://www.jisc.ac.uk/index.cfm?name=rg_hosp_main)

This guide is organized by major categories including, online databases, current awareness, online catalogues, publications online, subject gateways, data and multimedia services, learning and teaching. It is freely available on the website. For a print copy, fill out the form provided on the website.

Right to Play Website

<http://www.righttoplay.com/>

The Right To Play program was started as a result of a UN Task Force and has international support from the UN Development Program and the International Olympic Committee. This program is supported by retired elite athletes including Canadian rower Silken Lauman and hockey star Wayne Gretsky. The international headquarters are in Toronto, Ontario, Canada with offices in Oslo, Arnhem, and New York. See the website for the PDF'd 2002 Annual report where the programs in the refugee camps of Eritrea and the Sudan are outlined. Another report entitled: Right to Play bring Sport and Play to Children in Israel and Palestine and other reports and programs are available on this website also.

African Journals OnLine

<http://www.inasp.info/ajol/index.html>

This website provides access to tables on contents and abstracts for academic level journals published in Africa. Sponsored by the International Network for the Availability of Scientific Publications in Oxford, UK, this website also provides subscription information on each journal, information on the Editorial Board and Instructions to Authors of potential articles and instructions on how to ask and pay for photocopied articles.

There are two journals of interest to sport scientists. They are:

- African Journal for Physical, Health Education, Recreation and Dance (AJPHERD)
Available for consultation: v8, no1-2, 2002 to v9, no 1-2, 2003
- South African Journal for Research in Sport, Physical Education and Recreation
Available for consultation: v23, no1, 2001 to v. 25, no1, 2003

Publications

New Serials

Moving bodies

v1, no1, 2003-

Publisher: Norges Idrettshogskole/Norwegian University of Sport and Physical Education, Postboks 4014, Ullevål Stadion, N-0806 Oslo. Email: moving.bodies@nih.no

Description: This first issue contains selected papers from the 4th International Workshop on Football History and Culture, held at NIH, 24-25 June 2002. This one issue costs \$20 EUR or \$20 USD.

Other Publications

Church, Richard.

Bidding & Hosting: the guide to successful sporting events

London, Sportcal, 2003.

300p \$560 USD

(Note that Mike Laflin will give a 10% discount to IASI sport documentation centres and libraries - \$504 USD) Website: <http://www.sportcal.com/>

The publication of this document was recently announced on IASI-L. The author is from ArkSports, publisher of the Sport and Technology newsletter. This publication contains sections on key issues in creating a bid document, putting in a bid and hosting a successful sports event. Other sections include finance, insurance, legal issues, transportation, ticketing, hospitality and broadcasting issues.

Ager, David.

The Soccer referee's manual, 4th ed

London, A & C. Black, 2003

160p. ISBN 0713666765 12 GBP

Website: <http://www.acblack.com/>

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