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IASI Representatives to the ICSSPE Annual Meeting and General Assembly

The Association Board Meeting, Thessaloniki, Greece

Alain Poncet attended the Association Board meeting on August 5. The highlights of the meeting included:

- the reports of the ICSSPE's leaders and members of the Association Board
- the Working Programme and proposed Research Agenda (Service, Advocacy, Science)
- external co-operation with UNESCO, IOC, WHO, UN, FIMS, GAISF, ECSC
- upcoming ICSSPE events (Second World Summit on Physical Education, International Forum: Sports and Development – Economy, Culture, Ethics)
- Pre-Olympic Congress (Update on the 2004 Pre-Olympic Congress and the potential 2008 Congress)

During this session Michael McNamee (University of Gloucestershire, UK) was elected as Speaker of the Association's Board in place of Karen P. DePauw who is at the end of her 2 year mandate.

The Editorial Board Meeting

The IASI Publications Officer, Gretchen Ghent, attended the Editorial Board Meeting on August 4. The ICSSPE Publications Manager, Tamara Devine, reported that the freely available *Sharing Good Practice* was added to the ICSSPE website the first of August. (<http://www.icsspe.org/>). The section on Women, Sport and Physical Activity is available now with the Physical Education Programs and the Sport and Development topics to be added very soon.

The updating of the *Directory of Sport Science* was discussed and it was agreed that small updates would be made yearly with major updating completed every two years. This Directory is in the Member's only section of the Website or can be purchased on CD ROM for \$20 USD. In the next major update a new section will be added on Sport Informatics, written by a member of the International Association of Computer Science in Sport.

For the Perspectives series the cataloguing record for No. 5 has been completed by the British Library. The topic of this volume is on how sport is governed and administered worldwide. Details of this publication are:

Kluka, Darlene; Schilling, Guido & Stier, William F.

Aspects of Sport governance. (this is the new title – see T of C under Publications below)
Oxford: Meyer & Meyer, 2004, 200p. ISBN 1841261327, USD19.95

The Publications Manager, Tamara Devine distributed the newly printed ICSSPE publication brochures. These brochures list the publications available in print format or CD-ROM. Listed are the Sport Science Studies series (No. 12, 2003 is the last publication in this series), the ICSSPE "flagship" series – Perspectives. The proceedings of congresses and other titles are also included in this brochure. All of these publications are available for purchase on the ICSSPE website. Payment is by Visa, Mastercard or bank transfer.

The Editorial Board will lose its esteemed Chair, Prof. Jan Borms whose term ends Dec. 2004. A candidate was nominated and an election will be held via email. The new Chair of the Editorial Board will be elected this coming fall. We also learned that Tamara Devine, the ICSSPE Publications Manager will be leaving in order to return to Australia. Both of these individuals will be sorely missed.

The Cyber Café at the Pre-Olympic Congress, Thessaloniki, Greece

Three IASI members met in Thessaloniki to run the IASI-sponsored Cyber Café. They included IASI President Alain Poncet, the Publications Officer, Gretchen Ghent, and the IASI VP for Europe, Ayala Maharik.

The Cyber Café was located in the New Philosophy building on the campus of Aristotle University, the site of the Pre-Olympic Congress. This room is actually the location of the University Philosophy Department's computer lab that holds 22 workstations. The IASI group was assisted by a highly skilled computer technician, Tasos, who spoke excellent English and, of course, Greek. In the room, Alain had a large and long banner made with the IASI logo and name in large letters. We put this at opposite end of the room so that users would see this upon entry. In addition, 2 other posters with IASI logo and a Beijing Congress poster were put up on the walls.

At the entrance to the computer laboratory, we had a table that held the seven information guides, the newly printed "postcard" that Alain's staff designed, and the IASI brochure. The IASI postcard had our name, logo on the front, and website url. The backside has a listing of IASI Principle aims, the address of our Executive Secretary and the website url of the forthcoming Congress in Beijing. Of the information guides, the most popular were the Sport Sociology, Sport Psychology and Sports Medicine guides.

Through the good offices of SIRC and the vendor OVID, free access was provided to SPORTDiscus for all Congress participants during the Congress time period and the Olympic Games in Athens. For the 5 days of the Congress, four presentations were booked each day in the Café. Alain Poncet delivered a PowerPoint presentation about IASI and Gretchen Ghent gave a brief demonstration on how to conduct a basic search in SPORTDiscus. This latter presentation was followed up with individual assistance to those who were searching their own topics.

In order to get better feedback of how the workstations were used a brief statistical sheet was developed. While your three representatives were in attendance we asked a majority of the users to fill out a statistics form. By the fourth and fifth day we noted many repeat users. Selected statistics are:

General figures

Date: from Friday 08/06/2004 to Tuesday 08/10/2004 = 5 days

Opening hours: from 8am to 6pm = 10h per day

Total hours: 50h

Number of computers: 22

Total of hours used: 1,100h

Average duration of individual session: 30 min

Number of individual session: 2,200

Number of returned questionnaires: 288 = 13%

Number of Countries Represented on the Questionnaires: 41

Country of Origin of Returned Questionnaires (288)

Brazil: 40	Spain 7	Iceland: 3	India: 1
USA 37	Greece: 6	Zimbabwe: 3	Mexico: 1
Germany: 26	Italy: 5	Croatia: 2	Netherlands: 1
Taiwan: 20	Norway: 5	Iran: 2	Portugal: 1
Australia: 19	Turkey: 5	Libya: 2	Rep. Tcheq: 1
South Africa: 17	China: 4	Switzerland: 2	Serbia: 1
UK 15	Korea: 4	Chile: 1	Singapore: 1
Japan 12	Poland: 4	Egypt: 1	Sweden 1
Canada 10	Romania: 4	Finland: 1	Thailand: 1
New Zealand: 9	Hong Kong: 3	France: 1	Venezuela: 1
Belgium: 8			

Average individual session: 30 min

Reasons of use

E-Mail: 277 (96,2%) = 2116 sessions

Metasearch Engine : 40 (14%) = 308 sessions

SPORTDiscus Searching: 30 (10,5%) = 231 sessions

Sport Medicine, Physiology, Biomechanics: 25 (9%) = 198 sessions

Coaching & Training: 22 (8%) = 176 sessions

Other (Preparation of presentation, ticketing): 20 (7%) = 154 sessions

Physical Education, Adapted PE: 19 (7%) = 154 sessions

Sport History, Philosophy: 12 (4,5%) = 99 sessions

Sport Sociology: 11 (4,4%) = 97 sessions

Dance and Movement Education: 8 (3%) = 66 sessions

Sport Psychology: 5 (1,5%) = 33 sessions

SPOLIT/SPONET Searching: 3 (1%) = 22 sessions

In addition to the above responses from Cyber Café users, the computer technician was asked to debug problematic Power Point presentations as the Technical Room was next to the Cyber Café. Each speaker turned in their Power Point presentations to the Technical Room staff at least one half hour before their talk so that they could be broadcast to the appropriate lecture hall within the New Philosophy Building. Other services requested by Café users included printing pages from presentations (this could only be done from his workstation – five pages were the limit).

As reported by Jill Haynes at the Pre-Olympic Congress in Brisbane 2000, the contacts made with conference attendees was very positive and rewarding.



The Cyber Café Team in Thessaloniki.

L-R, Alain Poncet, Ayala Maharik, Tasos, the computer lab technician and Gretchen Ghent

The IASI Congress Update

<http://www.iasicongress2005.org/>

Plans are being made for Alain Poncet and Cindy Slater, IASI Congress Program Chair, to travel to Beijing during October to confer with the Local Organizing Committee for the forthcoming May 16-21, 2005 IASI World Congress and Annual Meeting.

IASI members are reminded of their pledge to contact their colleagues and become recruiting agents to encourage talented individuals to submit papers and posters for the Congress. The Program Chair, Cindy Slater (cindy.slater@usoc.org) is eagerly awaiting the Abstracts. The **DEADLINE is SEPTEMBER 30, 2004.**

News From Australia

The New Website

The new Australian Sports Commission (ASC) website <http://www.ausport.gov.au/> managed by the National Sport Information Centre (NSIC) was launched in early July 2004. The site features new content and a new information architecture (layout and content arrangement) that has been designed following extensive consultation and feedback from its users.

To reflect the diverse range of people who use the site, information can now be accessed through function and client-type gateways:

- function gateways are: ASC, AIS, developing sport, coach/officials/clubs, information/research, policies/issues, visit and shop at the AIS, conferences and events

- client gateways are clubs, coaches, officials, sports scientists, sports medicos, international users, sponsors, athletes, state institutes/academies of sport, students, teachers/educators, government and the public.

The launch saw the demise of several domains previously used by the ASC. These domains will continue to be supported for 12 to 24 months with user redirects to the new web site.

The domains **no longer in use** include:

- www.activeaustralia.org ;
- www.coachingaus.org ;
- www.officiatingaus.org ;
- www.ausport.com.au.

In addition, the web addresses for many areas have changed and users with links should update their web sites where necessary.

The web address for the NSIC is - <http://www.ausport.gov.au/nsic/> and this area includes information on its collection and services.

The Australian Sports Commission recently launched the *Active After-school Communities Program*. This is an after school hours sports program that aims to improve the health and well being of Australia's primary school-aged children through structured physical activity. Further information is available at - <http://www.ausport.gov.au/aasc/> .

Staffing

Jill Haynes has returned to East Timor for six months (July-December). Gavin Reynolds and Alan Cockerill are managing the NSIC in Jill's absence.

AUSPIN Meeting

The next Australasian Sport Information Network (AUSPIN) Workshop is being held at the Queensland Academy of Sport in Brisbane from 18-19 November 2004. For further information contact: Maleah Harris- maleah.harris@srq.qld.gov.au . Among the items that will be discussed is establishment of national electronic sport information consortia. The aim of the consortia will be to improve AUSPIN Members access to electronic journals and databases.

New Electronic Documents

The following new documents may be of interest –

- Exercise, Recreation and Sport Survey (ERASS) 2003 - <http://www.ausport.gov.au/scorsresearch/research.asp> - results of sports participation in Australia.
- The Economic Impact of Rugby World Cup 2003 on the Australian Economy http://www.industry.gov.au/assets/documents/itrinternet/FinalEconomicImpactOfRWC2003_20040604150504.pdf?CFID=37464&CFTOKEN=87738019

NSIC News Listserv

The NSIC intends to launch a listserv where clients including IASI Members can receive monthly updates of new resources acquired or identified by the NSIC. If you are interested in being added to this service email – greg.blood@ausport.gov.au

The Brazilian Sport and Physical Activities Project

The most comprehensive bilingual book and databank on sports and physical activities in Brazil is just completed. The mapping research on sports in Brazil has resulted in two final products: a 930-page book and a data bank. Both are organized in modules, which permits constant updating. The book will be ready in September and the databank in October. The research, organized by Professor Lamartine DaCosta and sponsored by a consortium of 11 institutions, was done by 400 volunteer researchers. It includes 295 varied themes from sports sciences, publications and educational institutions to recreational physical activities, Olympic and extreme sports featuring maps, summaries, historical background, tables, figures of market, interpretations of facts, athletes and references.

Other News Bytes

Sportcal.com Launches New Online "Bidding" Service

Over \$143 million will be spent by the five cities that are bidding to host the Olympic Games in 2012, according to budgets provided by each bid city, and these figures only cover the cost of the bid and not the billions of dollars that the winning city is expected to spend on actually hosting the games.

More than 280 organisations are now involved in bidding, or have expressed an interest in bidding, for sports events that are due to take place over the next 15 years.

Hosting sporting events is high on many countries' agenda and bidding for these events has become big business. Dedicated departments or organisations have been established, with the sole objective of attracting sporting events for a country.

Australia was among the first to identify the potential of hosting events and following the success of the Sydney Olympics in 2000 many other countries are now formulating their own bid groups that are looking to see which events are available and who is bidding for them.

Sportcal.com has tracked the growth of this sector over several years and last year published "Bidding and Hosting - The guide to successful sporting events," by Rachael Church of Arksports, reflecting the need to know more about this area. The guide covered all aspects of putting successful bids together and the key issues in delivering sporting events.

In response to the success of this publication Sportcal.com is now launching its online Bidding section which covers all aspects of the bidding industry including:

- A constantly-updated list of all levels of sporting events that are available for bidding
- In-depth articles on all the latest developments in the bidding industry
- Features on key individuals involved in bids
- A comprehensive directory of all types of organisations involved in the sports industry

- A weekly newsletter summarising all the latest announcements.

The Bidding guide has already attracted strong interest from a wide variety of organisations, including government departments, tourism agencies, sporting venues, international federations, continental championships, event organisers, PR consultancies, legal companies, travel groups and many others.

The online service is a natural extension of the services already provided by Sportcal.com, which include: the industry's most comprehensive international sports calendar; information on who holds the commercial rights and who sponsors sports events worldwide; and the leading daily sports industry news service.

The Bidding section is an essential service for any organisations involved in bidding for sporting events, providing a valuable insight into all that is happening in this sector.

For further information on subscribing to the new service or upgrading your existing subscription, either visit **Error! Hyperlink reference not valid.** or contact the Marketing Department through marketing@sportcal.com or telephone +44 (0)20 8944 8786.

Provisional Section on Sports Archives (SPO) of the ICA

<http://www.ica.org/>

A recent communication was received from Kenth Sjöblom (kenth.sjoblom@stadion.fi). He just returned from the XV Congress of the International Council on Archives in Vienna and is happy to announce that the General Assembly of the ICA sanctioned the formation of the Provisional Section on Sports Archives (SPO). Kenth is one of the two Vice Presidents. Other officers and members include:

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The above information will be added on the updated ICA website soon.

A New Federation, the WFATT

<http://www.wfatt.org/>

Executive members from the **World Federation of Athletic Training & Therapy** introduced themselves to the IASI representatives at the Pre-Olympic Congress in Thessaloniki and asked to be included in the Information Guides that were prepared for the Congress. This umbrella organization includes membership of many national associations of sport health care professionals including the National Athletic Trainers' Association (USA), the Association of Chartered Physiotherapists in Sports (UK), the Biokinetics Association of South Africa, the Canadian Athletic Therapists Association, the Japan Athletics Trainers' Association and the Taiwan Athletic Trainers' Society. Consult their website for their Mission statement, Goals and Membership information.

Insight Into Athens 2004

<http://olympicstudies.uab.es/athens2004/eng/home.html>

Berta Cerezuela from the Olympic Studies Centre at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona has just announced that a new section has been added to the Centre's website, called Insight Into Athens 2004. It includes information on the symbols, special moments, Olympic education and has listings of other resources.

Publications - Print and Media

Hot Off the Press:

Haag, Herbert, ed.

Research methodology for sport and exercise science: a comprehensive introduction for study and research.

Schorndorf: Verlag Karl Hofmann, 2004.

332p. ISBN 3778034189 EUR 24.90 or USD \$30

Publishers website: <http://www.hofmann-verlag.de>

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12. Theory-Practice and Practice-Theory Relationship, by H. Haag and G. Tenenbaum.

Kluka, Darlene A.; Schilling, Guido & Stier, William F. eds.

Aspects of sport governance.

Oxford, Meyer & Meyer Sport, 2004

200p. ISBN 1841261327 \$19.95 (Perspectives, vol. 5)

(title was changed recently from Sport Governance to Aspects of...).

See ICSSPE website to order a copy: <http://www.icsspe.org/>

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- Compliance with best practice governance systems by national sports federations in South Africa – Salmar Burger, Anneliese Goslin, Mollie Painter-Morland, Republic of South Africa

Ethics and Leadership

- The ethics of corporate governance in sport: theory, method and operationalization – Mike McNamee and Scott Fleming, UK
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- From the Board Room: Parliamentary Procedure – Darlene A. Kluka and Lionel Gilbert, USA

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Team Support Systems' Coach & Scout Assistant

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

One of the creators of the new computer program called Coach & Scout Assistant distributed brochures outlining this system at the Pre-Olympic Congress. This program assesses team players on the basis of intuition and/or scouting reports, skills/qualities and where each player's strengths fits into the team environment. See the website for computer system requirements and a more complete description of the program.

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