

## ASPC – European Report – August 2017

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### **EUROPEAN MEMBERSHIP**

We currently have 36 European ASPC members from 16 different countries but to date 29 centers have paid the 2017 annual fee.

As a reminder, we also have 5 new European members in 2016/2017:

- Complexo Desportivo de Vila Real de Santo António - Portugal;
- Hit Alpine D.D Kranjska Gora – Slovenia;
- Olympic Training Center Rovaniemi – Finland;
- Fundação do Desporto/ Sport Foundation – Portugal;
- Centro de Alto Rendimiento de León - Spain.

Moreover and according to our statutes, we have 4 individual members who are:

- Mr. Olly Andrews - Edge 10;
- Mr. Wouter Smak - Gracenote;
- Mr. Ilya Okunev - Sport scientist / 15 years pro track cyclist;
- Mr. Doran Thakaidzwa - Sport foundation (Curaçao - Netherlands)

### **EUROPEAN FORUM 2016**

Last year, the 4<sup>th</sup> European Forum held in CAR Sierra Nevada (Spain) from 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> October bringing together 70 representatives from 30 national institutes or sport organizations including Mr. Josep Escoda, Secretary General of ASPC, Mr. Tracy Lamb, Vice-President America of ASPC, and Mr. Oscar Graefenhain, CEO of the Spain National Council of Sports.

The title of this event was “The centre of the centres: the athlete” and the participants attended various and interesting interventions, such as:

- The International Olympic Committee Programmes: Support for Athletes;
- Spanish evaluation of Rio Olympic and Paralympic Games;
- European project (Gold Education in Elite Sport) about the dual career follows by some national systems;
- Marketing in sport and major events;
- Relationship between an athlete and a coach : needs and wishes;
- Performance analysis practical sessions;
- Different experiences of training centres.

A very nice cultural program has also been planned in particular with the visit of the Alhambra and a Tapas Tour which really contribute to the very good atmosphere of this event.

The European Forum organized every two years remains a major event for the ASPC in Europe to strengthen cooperation and exchanges between European centres.

## **EUROPEAN FORUM 2018**

As agreed in Puerto Rico in 2015, the 2018 European Forum will be organized by the Swiss Federal Institute of Sport Magglingen.

Due to the international events schedule, this 5<sup>th</sup> European Forum will be held before the PyeongChang Olympic and Paralympic Games 2018.

Thus, the dates of the Forum will be from 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> January 2018 with the two first days dedicated to a pre-forum activity which is the Lauberhorn World Cup Ski races.

To date, the topics of this Forum will be:

- **Day 1 :**
  - Elite sport system in Switzerland
  - National Performance Centres and labels
  - Elite sport and economy in view of Sion 2026
  - Knowledge management
  - Elite sport in the Swiss army
  - Sport and athlete development project - Swiss Olympic
  - Coaches training system in Switzerland
  
- **Day 2:**
  - Cooperation in the field of engineering sciences
  - Federations support in the field of sport sciences
  - Federations support in the field of sport psychology
  - Medicine and physiotherapy
  - On the road to Tokyo - Presentations from different countries
  
- **Day 3:**
  - PyeongChang 2018 - Overview and preparation of the Swiss mission
  - Presentation of the National Training Centre of Tenero
  - ASPC projects - news and perspectives

A visit of the training centre and a sport activity are also planned during these three days.

As agreed with the organizing committee of the International Forum in Durban and in order to promote this European Forum, Emmanuel PRAZ, who is the representative of the Swiss Federal Institute of Sport Magglingen for ASPC, will have a 10 minutes presentation during the Forum to present his institute, a provisional program of the Forum and every information on logistic aspects.

## **EUROPEAN PROJECT - ERASMUS +**

*Erasmus+ is the European Union's program to support education, training, youth and sport in Europe. Its budget is about €14.5 billion and the aim of the program is to contribute to the Europe 2020 strategy for growth, jobs, social equity and inclusion.*



Within this framework, some European countries are working on European training for coaches focused on physical preparation. The first meeting took place on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017 with the participation of France (INSEP & National association of physical trainers), Switzerland (Magglingen)

and Finland (OTC Kuortane). Germany (Coach Academy of Koln) and Italy (Sport Science Faculty of Milan) want also to be part of this project.

During this meeting, three main topics were debated:

- The target audience and the selection process for candidates
- The training organization/engineering: European added value, teaching organization and topics of the training
- European framework of the project: objectives, time, sustainability, partners, etc.

Two other meetings are already planned before submit the file to the European Union early next year (March 2018) to start the training in September 2018.

### **Cooperation with Sport and Sustainability International**

*Sport and Sustainability International (SandSi) seeks to ensure that sustainability is a key business principle throughout the global Sports industry. Sustainability in sport and sustainability through sport.*

The inaugural Congress of SandSi held in INSEP on the 23rd May and brought together more than 120 representatives from 30 different countries representing some of the world's most influential sports organizations. The Congress focused on the role of the international sports industry to support and promote the commitments of the Paris Agreement, the UN Sustainable Development Goals and other urgently needed environmental and social initiatives.

For this milestone event in the field of sport and sustainability, the ASPC was represented by Mr. Josep Escoda, Secretary General. This event was a great opportunity for ASPC to strengthen its commitments to the sustainability and starting a new collaboration with an international organization.

It could be interesting in the future to develop some actions with this organization or to invite them to our International Forum.

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