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- **Call for Abstracts: 7th International World Conference for the International Working Group on Women and Sport**, Gaborone, Botswana, March 23rd and 24th, 2016

MESSAGE FROM THE INCOMING PRESIDENT

Greetings everyone,

I first want to express much gratitude to the outgoing members of the Executive Board for their dedication to ISSA and their outstanding work over the past 4 years in strengthening the association and in enhancing our various activities including the annual congress and the profile of our journal – IRSS. These Board members have also helped us to better promote the association’s awards and to also enhance communications, including the launching of a new website. Many thanks to Steve Jackson, Kimberly Schimmel and Eunha Koh!

I am excited about the opportunity to continue serving ISSA in my new role as President and am pleased to introduce you to the other members of the 2016-2019 ISSA Executive Board:

Mike Sam, General Secretary
John Horne, Treasurer and Vice President (ISA)
Cora Burnett-Louw, Vice President (ICSSPE and Awards)
Brent McDonald, Vice President (Conferences)
Mary McDonald, Vice President (Communications)
Elizabeth Pike, Past President
Lawrence Wenner, IRSS Editor

Following the advice of the outgoing Executive Board, some of the portfolios have been modified in an effort to better distribute the workload among members and improve service to our members. At the top of our new agenda is the goal to develop new ways to enhance communications with our members, especially in regards to more fully discussing issues which affect the membership as well as promoting coming activities including conferences and symposia relate to the sociological study of sport internationally. We are also pleased to announce the 2016-2019 Advisory Board (see below). We are also collaborating with the Budapest local organizing committee (LOC) in planning the forthcoming ISSA congress. The LOC is working very hard to provide an enhanced congress experience and I am confident delegates will be impressed with the beautiful setting and the academic program.

Please do not hesitate to communicate with us if you have any questions, comments or suggestions on how we can improve ISSA member services.

I look forward to seeing many of you in Budapest in June 2016!



Christine Dallaire, ISSA President

Incoming Advisory Board Members

We are pleased to announce the new ISSA Advisory Board. Please join us in welcoming our new board members.

Tony Hwang (Taiwan)
Jinxia Dong (China)
Wanderley Marchi Jnr (Brazil)
Hélène Joncheray (France)
Eivind Skille (Norway)
Rolando Drumando (Mexico)
Jacco Van Sterkenburg (Netherlands)
Natalie Barker-Ruchti (Sweden)
Pinar Kemalolu Yaprak (Turkey)
Tamas Doczi (Hungary)
Sun-Yong Kwon (S Korea)
Tomonori Ishioka (Japan)

Renew your ISSA Membership (January to December 2016)

The International Sociology of Sport Association/Association Internationale de Sociologie du Sport invites membership applications for 2016. ISSA comprises an active body of scholars who study sport from the perspectives of sociology, social psychology, anthropology, history and political economy.

The objectives of ISSA include:

- fostering research in the social scientific study of sport
- encouraging international communication among scholars
- promoting collaborative cross-national research projects
- developing scholarly exchange via: promoting communication with other national and international sport-related organizations
- sponsoring annual symposia
- publication of the International Review for the Sociology of Sport

All ISSA members receive:

- IRSS (8 issues per year) Print and Online
- Information and discounts on ISSA conferences and publications
- Access to members' only area of websites
- The ISSA eBulletin

ISSA membership is for the full calendar year. This means that your ISSA membership expires on December 31st regardless of when you joined ISSA.

Membership details are available on the SAGE – International Review of Sociology of Sport website. We highly encourage you to use the online payment subscription process on the SAGE IRSS web page. It is efficient, secure and ensures that membership applications are processed in a timely fashion and provides you with an automated reply that confirms your membership. To reach this page, simply follow the link on the ISSA website at: <http://issa1965.org/membership/>. This will ensure that you access the SAGE web page that will allow you to pay your subscription/membership fees.

2016 ISSA World Congress of Sociology of Sport in Budapest

From June 8-11, 2016 the International Sociology of Sport Association (ISSA) will hold its World Congress in Budapest, Hungary at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. The local Organizing Committee – a collaboration of Hungarian academics working at St John’s University (New York, USA), the University of Physical Education (Budapest, Hungary) and Bell & Partners Communication – is honored to organize this event, which will have the theme “Sport, Global Development, and Social Change.”

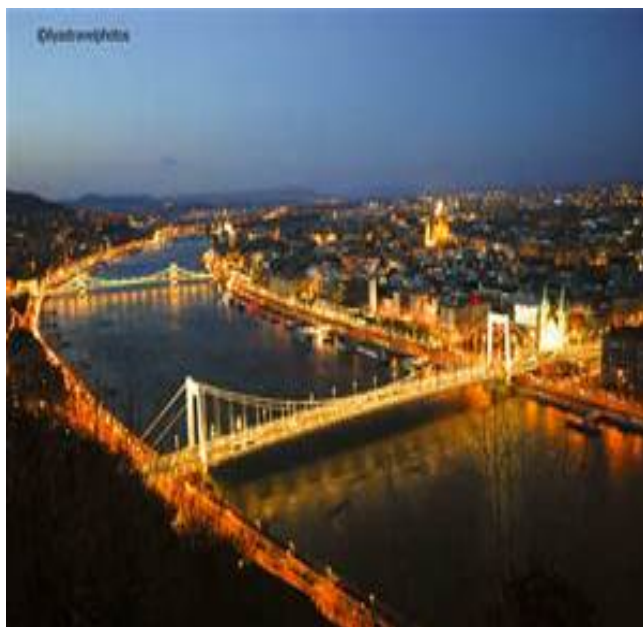


This congress is organized with the support of the Ministry of Human Development and the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. Visit: <https://www.eiseverywhere.com//ehome/134264> or <http://issa1965.org> for more details about and to register for the 2016 Congress.

ISSA 2016 Theme: Sport, Global Development, and Social Change

Sport has become an important vehicle for initiatives related to global development and social change. Such initiatives range from sport for peace and conflict resolution, the advancement of girls

and women in sport and physical activity, and the use of sport for economic development. With respect to the latter international sport federations and governing bodies have awarded hosting rights to host a range of sport mega-events to both established and emerging markets. The rationale is that sport and sporting mega-events play a positive role in both social and economic development often through what are popularly referred to as 'legacy' programs. However, some critics argue that as a result of these policies nations spend valuable resources on sporting events instead of education, health, or social programs. Scheduled one year after the 2015 Rugby World Cup hosted by the U.K., the FIFA Women's World Cup hosted by Canada, the 2015 Handball Men's World Championship hosted by Qatar, in the year of the 2016 Rio Olympics, one year prior to the 2017 FINA World Championship in Budapest (Hungary), and 2 years prior to the 2018 FIFA World Cup in Russia this congress will provide a forum for scholars to discuss and debate these important issues. Beyond the main theme, the congress will also feature a diverse range of sessions to enable scholars, including postgraduate students, the opportunity to share their latest research.



ISSA 2016 Key Dates:

- **Confirmation of abstract acceptance/rejection:** February 1st, 2016
- **End of early bird registration:** March 1st 2016
- **End of registration:** March 15th 2016
- **Congress Registration Fees Include:**
 - Welcome Reception (June 8)
 - Scientific Programming (June 9-11)
 - Coffee/Tea Breaks (June 9-11)
 - Lunches (June 9-11)
 - Official Gala Dinner (June 11)

Note for ISSA 2016:

- More than 170 abstracts have been accepted so far. We are still accepting abstracts until February 19 or until the academic program is full.
- Visit the Congress website for more details on abstract submission and registration:
<http://www.issa2016.org>
- See the ISSA 2016 Budapest Congress Promotional Video at:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B_5izlICATp1VEUzNIRBRWNjN1k/view?pli=1

ISSA World Congresses: 2018 and Beyond! An Invitation for Future ISSA Congress Hosts

Are you and your colleagues interested in joining in the fine tradition and exciting opportunity to host a future ISSA World Congress and showcase your city and institution to sociology of sport scholars from around the globe? We welcome discussions about collaboration with tourist boards and local sponsors to make a financial contribution and provide structural support. Right now we are searching for locations for 2018 and beyond. Please send initial expressions of interest to Brent McDonald, Vice President-Conferences. He can be reached at: <Brent.McDonald@vu.edu.au>.

We continue to receive applications at any time, but for those of you considering 2018, we must receive detailed and complete proposals no later than May 31, 2016.

International Review for the Sociology of Sport

Call for Research Articles

The *IRSS* continues to solicit diverse research articles seated in the sociology of sport, broadly defined, which shed light on social and cultural understandings of sport. Interdisciplinary, inclusive, and global, the *IRSS* is the journal of the International Sociology of Sport Association and is published in partnership with SAGE Publications. Please visit the journal website for more information about its Aims & Scope, the Editorial Board, manuscript submission guidelines, and sample issues at <http://irs.sagepub.com/>.

Beginning with 2015 to mark its 50th year of publication, the *IRSS* publishes eight issues each year and has expanded to 1024 annual pages. To help expedite the review and publication process, the *IRSS* uses the SAGE Track online manuscript submission site powered by ScholarOne Manuscripts. Scholars submitting manuscripts for consideration can expect a prompt double-blind review process that draws on the expertise of a diverse editorial board and a worldwide network over 2000 expert area scholars. When combined with the SAGE OnlineFirst publication program that makes accepted manuscripts available to scholars within weeks of acceptance, the *IRSS* has the ability to get scholarly work promptly disseminated to international audiences.

Under the guidance of Editor-in-Chief Lawrence Wenner, the *IRSS* has seven distinguished Corresponding Editors from across the globe available for consultation and a 40-member international Editorial Board. Articles considered by the *IRSS* include standard-length research



articles as well as shorter research articles. The *IRSS* aims to be an open and attractive place for the prompt publication of research aimed at the international community. The *IRSS* editorial team looks forward to having the opportunity to consider your work. Manuscripts may be submitted at <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/irss>.

Call for Book and Media Reviews

In addition to research articles, the *IRSS* encourages reviews of individual books and media works and considers integrative review essays of multiple works. Authors wishing to review books or media (films, videos, interactive media) for the *IRSS* should contact Dr. David Leonard, Washington State University, Comparative Ethnic Studies, PO Box 644010, Pullman, WA 99164-4010. Tel: (+1) 509 335-6854. Email: djl@wsu.edu

Reviews of books or media provide a scholarly assessment of key works that may advance understanding of sport in social and cultural contexts. Reviews that provide an assessment of one work by a single reviewer are normally of 1500-2000 words in length, inclusive of references, notes, tables, and figures. Reviews that provide a comparative assessment of more than one work or an assessment of one work by multiple reviewers are more substantial integrative essays and are normally of 2000-3000 words in length, inclusive of references, notes, tables, and figures. *IRSS* accepts book or media review essays comparing 2 or 3 items on one topic and written by a single author as well as book or media review symposia in which the same item is reviewed by 2 or 3 different reviewers. Reviews do not require an abstract or key words.

Book or Media Reviews should contain a heading that includes the Book or Media Title, Author, Publisher's Name and Location, Date of Publication, Number of Pages, ISBN Number (and, if appropriate) eBook Number. Book or Media Review authors may refer to previous issues of *IRSS* for format guidance. Reviews may be submitted at <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/irss>



International Sociology of Sport Association - Special Initiatives Application Form

The International Sociology of Sport Association will consider applications to fund Special Initiatives, which meet the mission of the association.

Eligibility criteria:

- Applicants must have been full members of the association for at least two years. Associate members and student members are not eligible to apply.
- Funding will not be awarded for congress attendance or research projects.

- Initiatives will be considered on a case-by-case basis, with respect to their commitment to the ISSA mission, and the Executive Board reserves the right not to award any funding.
- Timescale: the deadline for submission of initiatives is June 1st 2016; decisions on successful applications will be announced by August 1st 2016; all initiatives must be completed, and a full report on activities received, by May 1st 2017. Send applications to ISSA President, Christine Dallaire at christine.dallaire@uottawa.ca.
- The electronic version of the application form below can be downloaded from the ISSA website at <http://www.issa1965.org>.

<p>Name of applicant <i>Must be ISSA full member</i></p>
<p>Title of initiative</p>
<p>Amount of funding requested <i>Include breakdown of costs and explanation of why funding is not available elsewhere</i></p>
<p>Rationale for funding (maximum 1,000 words)</p> <p><i>With reference to ISSA mission:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>To promote international cooperation in the field of sociology of sport.</i> • <i>To exchange information among all countries concerning the results of research in the sociology of sport.</i> • <i>To convene international seminars or symposia on aspects of the sociology of sport.</i> • <i>To prepare and circulate reports about the social background of sport and the status of the sociology of sport in different countries.</i> • <i>To cooperate with ICSSPE, ISA and other committees, groups or organizations in order to solve tasks of general interest.</i> • <i>To identify sociological problems in sport, and where appropriate, organize international research programmes concerning the same.</i> • <i>To oversee and coordinate the official publications of ISSA.</i> • <i>To advise and facilitate the establishment of other continental, regional and national sociology of sport societies.</i>

MEMBERS' NEWS

ISSA is happy to share information about conferences, seminars, awards, jobs etc. We will gladly include your news in our eBulletin and the ISSA website. ISSA is always looking for ways to improve communication and serve our members. We encourage you to submit comments and suggestions.

In addition: Please remember that ISSA also has its own **Facebook** page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/80372077688/?fref=ts>), and you are welcome to share information via this group. Also, visit ISSA's website at <http://issa1965.org>.

Please send any feedback and information to the ISSA Vice-President-Communication Mary McDonald: mary.mcdonald@hsoc.gatech.edu

JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chichester Institute of Sport

Senior Lecturer in Sport Development and Coaching

Salary range: £34,576 to £46,414 per annum

The University of Chichester has recently expanded its provision of programmes in the area of community sport development and coaching, and is keen to recruit a Senior Lecturer with particular expertise in Community Sport Coaching and Sport Development. The successful applicant would teach across a range of modules on the BA programmes in Sport Studies, Sport Business and Management, and Sport Development and Coaching; and the FdSc/BSc programmes in Community Sport Coaching, and Football Coaching and Performance.

You will have demonstrable experience in a relevant subject area, and it would be advantageous if you were able to contribute to modules in the areas of Sport Coaching, Sport Development, and/or Research Methods.

You will be pro-active, self-motivated and want to be part of a friendly and enthusiastic department. You will have (or be close to completion of) a Doctoral qualification in a related discipline, or a relevant postgraduate qualification and track record of publishing in peer-reviewed outlets.

You will demonstrate excellent teaching and communication skills, a research profile indicating national or international recognition, and the ability to generate external income.

Informal enquiries about the recruitment process are welcomed by Dr Elizabeth Pike on +44 (0)1243 816356 or email E.Pike@chi.ac.uk (available from February 1st 2016).

- **Closing Date: Sunday 21st February 2016**
- **Interview Date: Wednesday 2nd March 2016**

Shortlisted candidates will be invited to deliver a 10-minute presentation addressing the following title: *“Demonstrate how you would apply your research expertise to the delivery of a final-year undergraduate module”*.

For full details of the post, please visit our website above or email: hr@chi.ac.uk.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Indian Sociological Society Approves the Formation of Adhoc Group on Sociology of Sports in India

Good news for the ISSA. The Indian Sociological Society has approved the formation of Adhoc Group on Sociology of Sports in India, and all time achievement. The undersigned has been appointed as the Convener for full two years term, ending December 2017, extendable to a further two years, till December 2019.

At the outset, thanks to the ISSA for approving formation of the Adhoc Group-2 on Sociology of Sports. The Group remains committed not only to enhance the Membership of both the group and the ISS, but also to work towards the area of research and academic teachings so as to ensure that “Sports Sociology” makes deep routes and creates interests for our Academicians and Students.

The 41st All India Sociological Conference held at the Kalinga Institute of Technology, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences, Bhubaneswar, India, 27-29 December 2015 saw this group establish itself, academically.

REPORT

1. We received a total of 36 abstracts, and after editing these were send to the Organizing Secretary of the Conference for publication. The abstracts were Pan India in nature, as should be centric of any Committee. Presentations, 29 in number, covered delegates from the States of Tamil Nadu, Odisha, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Manipur, New Delhi, Karnataka, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh etc., and one from South Africa. We also received one abstract from Pakistan, but the delegate couldn't make it to India to attend.
2. The areas on which we deliberated were discrimination in sports, gender discrimination,

beginning of the Sociology of Sports in India, social inequality, interconnection between leisure and sports etc. etc. A panel discussion was also organized attended by Prof. Kiran Odhav, Sr. Lecturer, North West University, Mmbathu, South Africa, Dr.(Mrs.) Padma Prakash, Dr. Vishesh K Gupta and the undersigned.

3. In our business meeting, the undersigned as Convener, Dr. Vishesh Kumar Gupta, Assoc. Prof (Sociology), MGPG College, Moradabad as Co-Convener, Ms. Saheli Chowdhury, Doctoral Candidate, University of Calcutta as Treasurer were elected for a two year term, i.e. 2016, 2017. The Executive Committee elected consists of Dr. BN Mishra, Assoc. Prof (Sociology), LN Mithila University, Dr. Usha Rana, Asst.Prof, HS Gour Central University, Sagar, Dr. Rakesh Kr. Tiwari, Asst. Prof, BIT, GIDA, Gorakhpur, Dr. Kumar Vivek Kant, Post-Doctoral Fellow, BHU, Dr. Sanjukta Das, Asst. Prof, Kendrapara Automous College, Kendrapara, Odisha and Dr. Prashant Singh, Assoc. Prof (Sociology), Pauri Garhwal, Uttarakhand.
4. A decision was taken to include a call for submission of full papers and web publishing with the E-Social Sciences and then to proceed with the print publications.
5. As Convener, the undersigned is also in talks with the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India to get "Sports Sociology" added in their portfolio for the purpose of academic teaching, research, travel grants, conferences, publications etc. We expect a positive outcome and this will prove to be a milestone.
6. It will be our endeavor to come out with an E-Newsletter this year, and also to hold a Mid Term review conference.

This is just a beginning to start Sport Sociology in this prime part of the world, and in a country of 1.25 billion.

Best wishes,

Thanking You,
Yours faithfully,

Sanjay Tewari

*Convener, Adhoc Group-2, Sociology of Sports,
Indian Sociological Society*

First Olympic Studies Conference in Africa to be held at University of Johannesburg

South Africa has increasingly become a leader in Africa by hosting mega-events like the 2010 FIFA World Cup, various international championships and the 2022 Commonwealth Games. The time has also come to get renowned scholars around the world to debate global legacy issues relevant to the country and continent. Sport has become a global force with far-reaching ripples of impact.

“Competitive and social sports participation improves health. Our diverse communities benefit when children, youth and adults build trust and respect through regular fair play on the field - which was the founding idea of the Olympic Games,” says Prof Yoga Coopoo, Professor of Sport Science and Biokinetics at UJ.

To make it possible for the majority of ordinary people to regularly participate in sport, well-managed facilities, coaching and equipment need to be widely accessible.

“The reality is that most people in Africa live too far from sporting facilities and have little access to equipment as simple as running shoes or soccer balls. The sports coaching necessary to progress injury-free to the next level is something very few experience,” says Prof Cora Burnett, Director of the UJ OSC.

“We need to take into account what has worked for sport development in developed countries, but ultimately producing training programmes and facilities that work sustainably for the people they are meant to serve,” she says.

Such sentiments are captured by the Sustainable Development Goals and propagated by global players, corporates, development agencies and the government sector. What can these diverse stakeholders learn from new developments in the field?

The topic of ‘The Olympic Movement in Africa’ will be one of the themes explored at the first Olympic Studies Conference held in Africa at the end of November.

The Olympic Studies Centre (OSC) at the University of Johannesburg (UJ) in collaboration with the German Sport University Cologne (GSUC) will host an international conference on Historical and Contemporary Issues in Olympic Studies from Monday 30 November 2015 to Wednesday 2 December 2015 at the UJ Bunting Road Campus in Auckland Park in Johannesburg.

The UJ OSC is the first Olympic Studies Centre in Africa designated by the International Olympic Centre (IOC) that has been established in partnership with the German Sport University of Cologne (GSUC or Deutsche Sporthochschule Köln). The conference creates collaboration and networking opportunities for African, SADC and Africa Games Region Five sport stakeholders in sport development, sport for development and Olympic Studies.

Speakers at the Olympic Studies conference include

- Dr Sam Ramsamy, International Olympic Committee (IOC) member in South Africa and Patron of the UJ Olympic Studies Centre.
- Professor Stephan Wassong, Academic Director of the Olympic Studies Centre, German Sport University Cologne.
- Mr Gideon Sam, President of the South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee (SASCOC).
- Professor Ian Culpan, Director of Research in the School of Sport and Physical Education at the University of Canterbury, New Zealand

To RSVP for the conference, and to book interviews at the conference as well as at the cocktail functions on Sunday evening 29 Nov and Monday 30 Nov, please contact:

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The International Olympic Centre (IOC)

The IOC is engaged in sports development at grass-roots level, aiming to both increase access to physical activity worldwide and to improve social and human wellbeing at large. Among others, the IOC partners with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) on the use of sport for development and peace activities within communities affected by high levels of criminality. The organisation of sporting activities and the education of youngsters on solidarity, respect and peaceful coexistence are used to address violence among young people.

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

The German Sport University Cologne (GSUC)

GSUC is the only university in Germany that is dedicated exclusively to sport and exercise science, with 21 institutes, four affiliate institutes and nine academic centers. Diversity management at the GSUC aims for equal opportunities and participation and thereby additional benefits for study, teaching, research and administration. The University is known in Germany as the Deutsche Sporthochschule Köln.

<http://www.dshs-koeln.de/english/university-facilities/>

The UJ Olympic Studies Centre

The Olympic Studies Centre (OSC) at the University of Johannesburg (UJ) was established in 2015 to promote dialogue between different stakeholders involved with furthering development issues in sport in Africa. The UJ OSC is the only Olympic Centre in Africa designated by the International Olympic Centre.

The UJ OSC is located within the Department of Sport and Movement Studies in the Faculty of Health Sciences on the Doornfontein Campus.

<http://www.uj.ac.za/faculties/health/Sport-and-Movement-Studies/osc/Pages/default.aspx>

The conference programme

Is available for download from

<https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B0Jg9gUu1iwMckVLRGEydFdxSEU&usp=sharing>
<https://drive.google.com/folderview?id=0B0Jg9gUu1iwMckVLRGEydFdxSEU&usp=sharing>

2nd Commonwealth Conference on Youth Work in SA

The Government of the Republic of South Africa, in partnership with the Commonwealth Secretariat, University of South Africa (UNISA), and the National Youth Development Agency (NYDA) of South Africa is hosting the 2nd Commonwealth Conference on Youth Work (CCYW). The CCYW's theme is 'Engaging Young People in Nation Building: The Youth Worker's Role.' This theme was selected to re-examine the role of youth work practitioners and academics in engaging

young people in the development of their countries

- See more at: <http://thecommonwealth.org/media/event/ccyw#sthash.EoLmgTfd.dpuf>

Objectives of the CCYW

- Encourage the creation and sharing of knowledge around youth work theory and practice,
- Accelerate the recognition of, and investment in, youth work as a profession,
- Profile the youth worker's role in mobilizing young people as change agents and contributors to nation building, and
- Facilitate the establishment of a Commonwealth Alliance of Youth Workers' Associations.

Who is the CCYW for?

In keeping with the Commonwealth's strategic focus of supporting the professionalisation of the youth work sector, the CCYW caters to practicing youth workers including representatives of youth work associations, youth work managers, policy makers focusing on youth development and empowerment, academics teaching in the area of youth work practice, and young people active as peer youth workers. As the Commonwealth is also striving to find avenues where youth work intersects with other non-youth-focused sectors, practitioners and academics in other disciplines whose work engages or benefits youth, and has youth work elements, are also welcome. If you think you fit the bill, you should consider registering as an International or South African delegate.

Register for the conference at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/commonwealth-youth-workers-conference-2016-tickets-19011992381>

If you have additional questions, please see more at:

<http://thecommonwealth.org/media/event/ccyw - sthash.EoLmgTfd.dpuf>

OTHER CONFERENCES

CALL FOR PAPERS

'Sport, Technoscience, Medicine and Performance'

4S/EASST 2016 Conference: Science and Technology by Other Means

Barcelona International Convention Centre

August 31st - September 3rd 2016

Deadline for submissions: **February 21st 2016**

We invite abstracts that examine issues relating to sport, technoscience, medicine and performance with a specific focus on *science and technology aspects*. Presentations/ papers will be considered for a proposal for a journal special issue.

Sport, Technoscience, Medicine and Performance

The scientisation and biologisation of sport raises many issues for STS. Sports are the site of extraordinary human endeavour, massive global operations and enormous social, personal, cultural and moral significance for consumers, practitioners and followers. Processes of industrialisation and marketisation encourage elite athletes to embrace extreme pressures, many addressed in sports science, sports medicine and biological sciences not only to diagnose, rehabilitate and prevent injury but also to push the body to maximum capacity, and to enhance performance. 'Sports science', advanced measurement and imaging technologies, nutritional science, molecular diagnostics, informatics, and more, are applied to these goals and also to game and competition strategy and sports' infrastructures. Genetics/genomics promises contentious possibilities for athlete selection, targeting and training. Developments such as the 'biological passport' highlight issues of governance, normativity and embodiment. The evidence-base for therapeutic and performance enhancement developments is limited, raising significant social, ethical and political questions regarding long term athlete welfare, structures of professional responsibility, evidence-based practice, and the requirements for, and potential limitations of, regulatory mechanisms.

The track invites proposals including but not limited to: shaping the athlete's body; prosthetic technology and 'disability sports'; technological advancement regulations and governance frameworks; amateur performance self-monitoring; athlete health and welfare; networks of scientific /medical sport advice; publics' engagement with sport medical science; materiality of sports equipment; sci-tech aspects of historical emergence of sporting practices; relationship of sci-tech to medical reasoning, and to sports law, ethics and regulation; cultural, societal and organisational variations; data secrecy/transparency; media representation.

Track organisers: Alex Faulkner, Jennifer Hardes and Catherine Coveney. Please contact one of us direct if you would like to discuss your proposal before submission: a.faulkner@sussex.ac.uk, jennifer.hardes@canterbury.ac.uk

Submission Guidelines: Please submit abstracts at the following link:
http://www.nomadit.co.uk/easst/easst_4s2016/panels.php5?PanelID=4017

Conference Website: <http://easst.net/article/4seasst-conference-barcelona-2016-science-and-technology-by-other-means/>

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Latin American Association for the Socio-cultural Studies in Sport (ALESDE)

Puebla and Atlixco, Mexico

October 26th – 28th 2016

The Latin American Association for the Socio-cultural Studies in Sport (ALESDE) is pleased to announce its 5th conference to be held in the cities of Puebla and Atlixco (Mexico) on the October 26-28 2016. The theme for the 2016 conference is "Sport, Leisure and bodies in Latin America: strategies to move from violence to quality of life". The deadline for abstracts is June 19th 2016.

The cities of Puebla and Atlixco are located in the state of Puebla, 150 km/93 miles from Mexico City, in the center of the country. The city of Puebla is a World Heritage Site and the region of Atlixco-Metepc is a rich cultural and historical region located in a valley about 25 km/15 miles from Puebla. The Talavera pottery, a distinct part of the local culture, was the inspiration to the illustration of our poster (attached). More information available at www.alesde2016.org (in Castillian/Spanish). If you have any questions, please contact the local organizing group at alesde2016@yahoo.com.mx

CALL FOR SESSION PROPOSALS

**North American Society for the Sociology of Sport
La Sociedad Norteamericana para la Sociología del Deporte
Societe Nord-Americaine de Sociologie du Sport**

The 2016 Annual Conference for the North American Society for the Sociology of Sport will be held, November 2 – 5, in Tampa Bay, Florida at the Hilton Tampa Downtown.

The Conference Program Committee would like to invite proposals for session topics.

Conference Theme: Publicly Engaged Sociology of Sport

Inspired by recent momentous cultural events, the conference theme questions and considers the role of sport sociology and sport sociologists in public engagement. In the context of growing economic inequality, we see public money being siphoned into private stadiums within professional sport, corruption within international sporting organizations, and U.S. college coaches being the highest paid employees in state institutions within 'amateur' sport. In a time of continued and deadly racial violence, sport remains segregated and stratified in terms of sports, positions, and particularly in terms of positions of power. Even as girls and women demonstrate unflagging interest in sport in all levels and types, they are still recognized primarily for how they look rather than for what they can accomplish. We have witnessed marriage equality for all people in the

United States and many places around the world, regardless of sexuality, yet 'out' gay male athletes remain rare in the highest levels of sport. We watch technology transform the athletic possibilities of those with a variety of physical impairments; at the same time that access to sport participation remains a barrier. Importantly, as we know, none of these brief examples work in isolation of the others. The clear, and also submerged, intersections offer fruitful examinations in much of the work that we do within our field. As Don Sabo (1995) noted in his NASSS presidential address, "Sport sociologists from the political left to the political right are embroiled by the politics of knowledge construction, and our myriad identities as theorists and researchers bring us closer to, or push us further from, the concerns and needs of community" (p. 248). Thus, what is our role beyond the study of sport? Who should be responsible for public engagement? How do we do it?

While much of our work becomes public through publication or presentation, how accessible is our work, both in terms of the language we use and where our work appears? How civically and politically engaged are we in our various publics? How much does our work inform public policies? Are our voices being heard through the media outlets from which most people gain their information? What are our moral obligations? As journalist Dave Zirin (2008) argued, in "Calling Sport Sociology off the Bench," "The athletic industrial complex keeps throwing pitch after juicy pitch down the middle of the plate. It's time for sports sociologists to get the bats off their shoulders and begin to shape debates within the sports world."

In keeping with the conference theme, sessions may highlight examples of successful public engagement or areas where we might more fruitfully expand our reach. Examples of publicly engaged sociology of sport include many different approaches, such as: activism, sport for peace and development, social work, critical coaching, critical pedagogy, centers (e.g. for the sociological study of sport or for influencing public policy), engagement with the media, self authored media (e.g. blogging), and others. Session organizers are welcome to engage the theme in creative and innovative ways. This call will generate session topics for conference participants to choose from during the Call for Abstracts in April. Session organizers for included sessions are responsible for accepting or declining participants to their sessions.

Session Formats

Proposed session topics are **due April 1, 2016**. Please note the following different format options:

- Traditional paper presentation sessions (4 - 5 papers per session). These sessions will be open to submissions of well developed research during the call for paper abstracts.
- Completed paper presentation sessions, whereby the entire session is pre-constituted (4 - 5 already selected papers fitting with the session topic). For these sessions, include the name, institutional affiliation, and title of each presenter along with the session abstract. The individual paper abstracts for these sessions will be due at the same time as other abstracts. These sessions can also include a commentator, who should be listed in the session proposal.
- Panel sessions, with a focused theme to be addressed by a panel of discussants. Session organizers should include the names and institutional affiliations of panel members along with the session abstract.
- Roundtable sessions, which can include less developed, preliminary or exploratory research. These sessions can include 4 - 5 presenters for 5 minute introductions of research, followed by discussion among those presenting and conference attendees who join the roundtable. These sessions can be open for abstract submissions or can be pre-constituted. Pre-constituted sessions should include the names and institutional affiliations of all presenters. Abstracts for pre-constituted sessions will be due at the same time as all other abstracts.

All session proposals must include the name, institutional affiliation, and email address of the session organizer; a title (10 words maximum); and a brief abstract (150 words maximum) that describes the session and ideally how the session fits into the conference theme. Indicate which type of session you are submitting for consideration. For pre-constituted sessions, include the names, titles and institutional affiliations of the presenters in the session.

Submission Process

Submit session proposals online at: <http://www.nasss.org/2016-call-for-sessions/> by **April 1, 2016**.

Questions

Direct any questions to the Conference Committee Chair, Theresa Walton-Fisette at NASSS2016@kent.edu

Timeline

Session organizers will be notified of the acceptance of their proposed session on or before April 15, 2016. The Call for Abstracts will be released on April 15, 2016. Deadline for submission of individual Paper Abstracts is June 30, 2016. Session organizers will notify authors of abstract acceptance and submit their completed sessions (4-5 papers/presentations) no later than July 15, 2016. Final completed session submission is due July 15, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

International Convention on Science, Education, and Medicine in Sport - ICSEMIS 2016

Santos, Sao Paulo Brazil

August 31st – September 4th 2016

The first ICSEMIS was held in Guangzhou, China in 2008, under the theme "Sport Sciences and Harmonious Society in the 21st Century ". The second was held in Glasgow, UK in 2012 just prior to the London Olympic and Paralympic Games, under the theme "Sport... Inspiring a Learning Legacy ".

This third edition of the event will be held in Santos / SP, Brazil under the theme "Saying Yes to Diversity in Sport ". Between August 31st and September 4th - 2016, the ICSEMIS 2016 will bring to the city of Santos, thousands of participants from all professional and academic sectors linked to sport, physical education, exercise, physical activity and sports medicine.

Visit the ICSEMIS website: <http://www.icsemis2016.org>

December 2015	First Call for Abstracts
December 2015	Online Abstract Submission Open
15 January 2016	Second Call for Abstracts
31 January 2016	Online Registration Open
29 February 2016	Abstract Submission deadline
31 March 2016	Notification of Abstract Acceptance
15 April 2016	Early Bird Registration Deadline

Delegates are invited to submit an abstract for either an oral and/or poster presentation under one of the sub-themes from December 2015.

Your abstract must reach the Convention Secretariat on or before 29 February 2016.

The preferred option is to submit your abstract via this website where you will be guided through the online submission process. If you are unable to make an online submission, please contact the Convention Secretariat for further information.

Abstracts will be limited to 3.200 characters and 1 table (please note that different criteria will apply to invited session abstracts).

All abstracts will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee.

If requested by you, we will confirm via email that your abstract has been received. If you do not receive this email within 24 hours of submitting your abstract please contact the Convention Organiser immediately.

Submitting authors will be informed whether their abstract has been accepted by 31 March 2016. Please note that all presenters of abstracts will be expected to register for the Convention by 15 April 2016 (early bird registration deadline) or their abstract will be withdrawn.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS



International Working Group on Women and Sport National Conference 2016

Gaborone, Botswana

May 17th – 20th 2016

The International Working Group on Women and Sport (IWG) is an independent coordinating body with a vision to create a sustainable sporting culture based on gender equality that enables and values the full involvement of girls and women in every aspect of sport and physical activity. IWG is comprised of renowned experts in the field of gender and sport as well as representatives of key stakeholder organizations from various regions of the world. The IWG is currently hosted in Gaborone, Botswana for the quadrennial 2014-2018 and will host 7th World Conference on Women and Sport to be held on the 17-20 May 2018.

IWG will be accepting abstracts for a two-day local and regional conference to be hosted in Gaborone, Botswana. The conference theme is “Gender Perspectives to “Holistic” Development of Girls and Women in Sports”.

Sub-themes

- Student-athlete roles and identities
 - Effective ways to support student-athletes
- Entourage role in athletes support
 - Parental/ family support and employer support
- Cultural barriers to participation in sports
 - Body image, stereotype threat, language and beliefs (religion etc)
- Access to information
- Gender roles and participation in sport including in leadership
- Sexual reproductive health
- Minority communities in participation in sports
- Coach-female athlete relationships
 - Power dynamics
- Governments commitment to gender equity in sports

- Policies and financial commitment, sports administration and training and development
- Incentives

General submission guidelines

1. All abstracts should be in APA Format- not to exceed one page, may be submitted by email: [mailto:info@iwg-gti.org?subject=Abstract Submission](mailto:info@iwg-gti.org?subject=Abstract%20Submission)
 - a. A minimum of 150 and a maximum of 250 words-double-spaced and typed in Times New Roman, 12 point
2. All abstracts must be submitted and presented in English.
3. Abstracts must contain original material neither published nor presented elsewhere.

Important Dates

- Submission deadline: March 4th, 2016
- Notification date: March 11th, 2016
- Registration deadline: March 11th, 2016
- See IWG website for registration
- Conference dates: March 23rd and 24th, 2016

Conference Registration

- Registration fee waived
- Participants will register the first morning of the conference

Contact: Ms Changu Siwawa- <mailto:changusiwawa@iwg-gti.org>

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