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WELCOME ADDRESS

Dear Friends

With great pleasure, I welcome you to the pages of our annual magazine to share the best memories of the past year and present our upcoming activities.

The year 2023, first after the pandemic when worldwide university sport came back to its routine, was full of important events for the EUSA community. Allow me to draw your attention to just a few of them. Detailed overview you will find on the next pages of the magazine.

European Universities Championships reached this year a record number of 5570 participants. The Championships season started in Tirana, where the Football Championship, the first ever EUC in the history of delivered by the Albanian NUSA, was successfully organized. Ended in December, in Italian Val di Zoldo where the first EUSA Winter Championships, comprising alpine skiing, snowboarding, and snow volleyball events, took part. I'm proud that, thanks to our common work, Ukrainian student – athletes got the chance to compete at the EUC stages and make friends despite the ongoing war.

EUSA General Assembly and Gala were hosted in October by the Turkish University Sport Association in Kusadasi. EUSA Family and our guests were very warmly welcomed by TUSF, where we enjoyed the beauty of the Aegean Sea coast. During the working sessions, delegates focused on discussing overactive memberships and took several decisions, which we hope will help increase the activities of our members in the frame of the events organized under the EUSA umbrella. The General Assembly unanimously approved the motion of the Executive Committee to temporarily suspend the Russian Federation NUSA as a consequence of the war against Ukraine. The delegates took a resolution calling on the political world to take immediate and efficient action to cease all the terrorist and military action against civilians.

The FISU General Assembly was held in November in Geneva and elected its Executive Committee for the 2023-2027 period. Leonz Eder former EUSA Vice-President and current Honorary Member was elected unanimously. Mr President, dear Leonz, European University Sport Community is ready to support your plans and to contribute to the development of the World University Sport.

The attribution process of awarding the European Universities Games was launched, where three applications have been delivered to our office. In April, EUSA EC will announce which city will become the European University Sport Capital in 2028.

My sincere appreciation goes to Member Federations, Organising Committees and Host Federations of the EUSA meetings. To universities, volunteers, partners, colleagues from the Executive Committee, Commissions and Working Groups, as well as to EUSA Staff, for their professionalism, dedication, and all year-round support. To FISU which, as every year, allocates its resources to the Continental Organizations projects.

Thanks to the partnerships and our previous experiences, EUSA with its Institute were again granted by the European Commission with the support of projects and initiatives through several EU funding tools. With continuous work on several projects, new projects were confirmed. European University Sports Association (EUSA) with its EUSA Institute in Ljubljana, Slovenia, was granted funding for the cooperation partnership project "Discovering university sport and supporting dual career (DiscoverU)" project, enhancing sport and physical activity opportunities for students in higher education and increasing their participation in these activities; and the small partnership "Youth Individual Sports Mindset (YouMind)", focusing on the mental health of young athletes.

With these results, we are very proud and honoured by the acknowledgement of our work and trust put in us on a European level, as well as by our valuable partners and friends, for keeping us spots in the consortiums of their project ideas.

I invite you to keep contributing to the world of university sport on every level and to keep in touch with us over the year.

I especially invite you to take part in the European Universities Games 2024 in Debrecen – Miskolc (Hungary) and in many projects' activities.

The growth of EUSA is the reflection of our joint work and depends on each and every one of us.

I am looking forward to enjoying university sport together with you in 2024!

Adam Roczek,
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From this year, the European University Sports Association (EUSA) besides having the national university sports bodies as its members, decided to also offer possibilities of universities and other organisations to join as Associated Members.

By the end of 2023, 91 universities became EUSA Associated members, coming from 18 countries.

The universities that became Associated Members of EUSA are coming from: Albania, Armenia, Croatia, Germany, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Spain, Switzerland, Türkiye, Ukraine, and United Kingdom.

This is not the final list, meaning that the chance to become associated member to EUSA is still ongoing and available.

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To join as an associated member there are no fees, but there are several benefits and advantages.

The Universities, which are granted the Status of the EUSA Associated Member may enjoy the following benefits:

- Become a member of EUSA Universities Club
- Participate at EUSA Events under a lower Entry Fee (as determined by the EUSA Executive Committee) for their students and teams
- Priority in selection of the organisers of EUSA Sport and Educational Events

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02

EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023

European Universities Championships are university sports competitions governed by EUSA. In 2023, 22 different sporting competitions made up the Championship program, which took place at 16 different events in 15 host cities in 10 different countries around Europe, involving 5570 participants from 40 countries and 524 universities.



EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES CHAMPIONSHIPS MAP 2023



EUC FACTS AND FIGURES

The 2023 European Universities Championships was another great season for EUSA, celebrated with a record number of participants that took part in EUSA Championship season, covering both summer and winter editions.

In total, 22 different sporting competitions made up the 2023 Championship program, which took place at 16 different events in 15 host cities in 10 different countries around Europe.

The season started with EUSA Football kicking off on 25th of June in Tirana, Albania, making it to its end in very early July.

The month of July saw a total of 10 different events taking place across Europe, followed by two others in August, two more in September and finishing with EUSA Winter Championships, bringing the season to a close over in the middle of December.

EUSA Championship program for 2023, in the summer season part, saw the following sports: Football, Handball, Table Tennis, Tennis, Badminton, Water Polo, 3x3 Basketball, Volleyball, Futsal, Combat Sports (Judo, Kickboxing, Karate and Taekwondo), Basketball, Orienteering, Rowing, Rugby 7s and Beach Sports (Beach Volleyball and Beach Handball) that were merged together for the first time.

The official end was done by EUSA Winter Championships, seeing competition in Alpine Skiing, Snowboarding and Snow Volleyball.

Three cities hosted a European Universities Championship for the first time: Tirana in Albania, where EUSA Football took place, Granda in Spain, the host of EUSA Tennis 2023 and Val di Zoldo in Italy, the host of the inaugural EUSA Winter Championships.

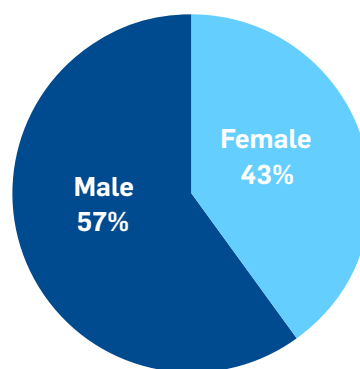
The two oldest sports on EUSA Championships program, Basketball and Volleyball, were hosted for the 16th time in this setting, following their first installment, being the first two sports ever organized by EUSA in 2001. This year, Basketball even went back to the first ever host city, the city of Aveiro in Portugal.

In total, 5570 participants from 524 universities from 40 countries participated in the 2023 season, making it the largest edition of the Championships in EUSA history, following the previous total of 5242 participants in 2019.

This year, EUSA Rowing topped the highest attendance list with a total of 524 participants, followed by EUSA Football with 519 participants. The third most attended event, with 471 participants, was EUSA Futsal.

EUSA would like to thank all the participants and congratulate all those who achieved success in this year's Championships, while extending our utmost appreciation to all local organizing committees, volunteers, local partners, and European sport's governing bodies, as well as the International University Sports Federation for their support.

ATHLETES' PARTICIPATION PER GENDER



NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

COUNTRY	NUMBER	COUNTRY	NUMBER	COUNTRY	NUMBER
GER	619	SUI	130	BIH	22
FRA	586	AUT	121	ISR	22
POR	544	CZE	92	CYP	18
HUN	426	FIN	90	AZE	17
CRO	381	MNE	46	DEN	16
ESP	351	EST	40	MKD	15
POL	294	IRL	40	ARM	14
GBR	287	LTU	39	LAT	14
ITA	225	ALB	39	GRE	7
UKR	223	GEO	36	SWE	7
NOR	188	SVK	32	LIE	1
TUR	171	BEL	27	SRB	1
ROU	172	BUL	26		
NED	167	SLO	24		



MULTISPORT CHAMPIONSHIPS – BEACH SPORTS

The European Universities Championship in Beach Sports consists of two sports: Beach Volleyball and Beach Handball. In the history of the European Universities Championships, the presence of these two sports dates from different time periods. Beach Volleyball was put on the sports program of the European Universities Championships firstly in 2004, with the first edition of Beach Volleyball being organized in Klagenfurt, Austria from 16-19 of June. Since then up to 2019, Beach Volleyball was the only beach sport involved. In 2019, Beach Handball had its own separate European Universities Championship organized for the first time. It took place in Zagreb, Croatia in July.

In 2023, was the first time when these two sports were merged and formed one European Universities Championship in Beach Sports, organized in Malaga, Spain from 19-24 of September.





EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES BEACH HANDBALL CHAMPIONSHIP MALAGA, SPAIN SEPTEMBER 20-23, 2023

Around 240 participants coming from 14 universities from 11 countries participated in the European Universities Beach Handball Championship that took place in Malaga, Spain, simultaneously with the European Universities Beach Volleyball Championship.

The event was organised by the University of Malaga with the contribution of National Sports Council, Provincial Council of Malaga, Andalusian Government, Rincón de la Victoria's Town Hall and Torrox's Town Hall.

At the event EUSA was represented by Miha Zvan,

EUSA Sports Manager, Ivana Ertlova EUSA SCAC Chair for Beach Handball, the Technical Delegate, Jelena Eric, Marco Trespidi EUSA Assistant Technical Delegate and Eszter Gulyas EUSA Sports Officer.

The European Universities Beach Handball competition, held at Rincon de la Victoria

Beach in Malaga, featured exciting matches on the scenic courts. The ambiance was filled with high energy, attracting a significant audience. What distinguished the event was not just the breathtaking setting but also the focus on fair play, exceptional sportsmanship, and spirit of enjoyment.



Teams of the hosting University of Malaga left no doubts to the other teams, winning gold medals in both the women's and men's competitions. Women's team won 2:0 against the Karoli Gaspar University of the Reformed Church from Hungary. Third place on the podium was reserved for the team from University of Zagreb.

In the men's final, the University of Malaga team won against the University of Zagreb, champions of the 2019 edition of European Universities Beach Handball Championship held in Zagreb. The bronze medal was handed to the team from University of Bordeaux.

Beach Handball is included among the 17 sports disciplines featured in the upcoming 7th edition of the European Universities Games in Debrecen-Miskolc, 2024.

Malaga will remain the host city for the European Universities

Beach Sports Championship in 2025 as well. The stunning beaches of Rincon de la Victoria and Torrox eagerly extend an invitation, offering their beauty, sandy shores, and favourable weather once again to welcome athletes ready to compete and vie for championship titles in Beach Volleyball and Beach Handball. The championship is scheduled to take place from September 19 to 24, 2025.



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FINAL STANDINGS

MEN

1.	University of Malaga	ESP
2.	University of Zagreb	CRO
3.	University of Bordeaux	FRA
4.	Karlsruhe Institute of Technology	GER
5.	University of Porto	POR
6.	University of Lisbon	POR
7.	Warsaw University of Life Sciences	POL
8.	Sumy State University	UKR
9.	Ozyegin University	TUR
10.	University of Bergen	NOR

WOMEN

1.	University of Malaga	ESP
2.	Karoli Gaspar University of the Reformed Church	HUN
3.	University of Zagreb	CRO
4.	Karlsruhe Institute of Technology	GER
5.	University of Porto	POR
6.	Aix-Marseille University	FRA
7.	German Sport University Cologne	GER
8.	University of Goettingen	GER
9.	Norwegian School of Economics	NOR





EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES BEACH VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

MALAGA, SPAIN

SEPTEMBER 19-24, 2023

The European Universities Volleyball Championship took place in sunny Malaga, Spain, as a part of the European Universities Beach Sports Championship and involved 130 participants from 41 universities from 21 European countries.

The competition was organised by the University of Malaga with the contribution of National Sports Council, Provincial Council of Malaga, Andalusian Government, Rincón de la Victoria's Town Hall and Torrox's Town Hall.

EUSA was represented by Miha Zvan, EUSA Sports Manager,

Bruno Barracosa EUSA SCAC Chair for Beach Volleyball, Technical Delegate, Anton Fichtinger, Eszter Gulyas and Hristina Hristova as EUSA Representatives.

This year's European Universities Beach Volleyball competition at Rincon de la Victoria Beach in Malaga was

characterized by thrilling matches on the picturesque courts. The atmosphere was charged with great energy, drawing in numerous spectators. What set the event apart was not only the stunning setting but also the emphasis on fair play, outstanding sportsmanship, and an overall sense of fun.

In the women's competition, Gerda Grudzinskaite and Rugile Grudzinskaite from Lithuanian Sports University, claimed first place after a fierce match with Sarah Kastenberger and Michaela Wengler from University of Vienna. Bronze medal was awarded to Marta Lodej and Agata Ceynowa, students of University of Warsaw, who won a very close match against Umea University from Sweden.

In the men's finals, the title of champions went to Audrius Knasas and Patrikas Stankevicius from Vytautas Magnus University, after a thrilling match against Maximilian Trummer and Christoph Dressler from University of Graz. Third place on the podium was reserved for Balazs Balint Benkő and Jamil J'ozsef Ghazal from Eotvos Lorand University from Hungary.

The next competition of Beach Volleyball will be a during the 7th edition of the European Universities Games in Debrecen – Miskolc in 2024.

Malaga will remain the host city for the European Universities Beach Sports Championship in 2025 as well. The stunning beaches of Rincon de la Victoria and Torrox eagerly extend an invitation, offering their beauty, sandy shores, and favourable weather once again to welcome athletes ready to compete and vie for championship titles in Beach Volleyball and Beach Handball, set to take place from 19 to 24 of September in 2025.



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FINAL STANDINGS

MEN

1.	Vytautas Magnus University	LTU
2.	University of Graz	AUT
3.	Eotvos Lorand University	HUN
4.	Miguel Hernandez University of Elche	ESP
5.	German Sport University Cologne	GER
6.	Sumy State University	UKR
7.	Poznan University of Technology	POL
8.	University of Warsaw	POL
9.	University of National and World Economy	BUL
9.	University Toulouse III – Paul Sabatier	FRA
11.	University of Malaga	ESP
11.	Polytechnic Institute of Porto	POR
13.	Technical University Darmstadt	GER
13.	Czech Technical University Prague	CZE
15.	Centrale Supelec	FRA
15.	Tallinn University	EST
17.	University of Basel	SUI
17.	University of Porto	POR
19.	Eindhoven University of Technology	NED
19.	Riga Stradins University	LAT
21.	Hungarian University of Sports Science	HUN
21.	Polytechnic University of Valencia	ESP
23.	University of Zadar	CRO
23.	Erciyes University	TUR

WOMEN

1.	Lithuanian Sports University	LTU
2.	University of Vienna	AUT
3.	University of Warsaw	POL
4.	Umea University	SWE
5.	Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan	POL
6.	University of Berlin	GER
7.	Aalto University	FIN
8.	University of Lyon	FRA
9.	Hanze University of Applied Sciences	NED
9.	Hungarian University of Sports Science	HUN
11.	University of Basel	SUI
11.	University of Bordeaux	FRA
13.	Sumy State University	UKR
13.	University of Helsinki	FIN
15.	Francisco de Vitoria University	ESP
15.	Metropolia University of Applied Sciences	FIN
17.	Miguel Hernandez University of Elche	ESP
17.	University of West Attica	GRE
19.	University of Zurich	SUI
19.	University of Malaga	ESP
21.	MEF University	TUR
21.	Karoli Gaspar University of the Reformed Church	HUN
23.	University of Porto	POR
23.	University North	CRO





MULTISPORT CHAMPIONSHIPS – COMBAT SPORTS

In the presence history of Combat Sports on the program of the European Universities Championships, Karate was the first sport added, backdating in 2003 with the first Championship being held. Karate was organized biannually as the only combat sport until 2009 when it was joined by the first European Universities Championship in Taekwondo. Later in 2011, the first European Universities Championship in Judo also became part of the sports program of EUSA Championships.

In 2019, these three sports were joined by the first European Universities Championship in Kickboxing and then it was officially when these four sports were merged in the first European Universities Combat Sports Championship, organized in Zagreb, Croatia. In 2023, this championship came back to the same location in the same form as one event, showcasing great attendance and success.





EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES JUDO CHAMPIONSHIP ZAGREB, CROATIA JULY 20-23, 2023

The European Universities Judo Championship 2023 was held in Zagreb, Croatia as part of the second edition of EUSA Combat Championships. In total 1303 participants, coming from 400 universities from 31 countries took part in the biggest European Universities Championship of the summer, which included four sports: Judo, Kickboxing, Taekwondo and Karate.

The Judo competition on its own attracted 407 participants, from which 202 were male student athletes and 126 were female student athletes. These athletes were coming from 138 universities, from 22 countries.

The Croatian Academic Sports Association was the main organiser of the event with the support from the European Judo Union and Croatian Judo Federation.

In attendance on behalf of the EUSA was SCAC Chair, Francis Marco Maria Cirianni and Technical Delegate of Judo, Wieslaw Blach. As Control Commission Members, present were Indre Celkiene and Lejla



Sabeta, while as Medical Commission Member it was Tomislav Cengic. The delegation of EUSA Representatives was consisted of: Miha Zvan, Aleksandra Andreeva, Andrej Pisl, Eszter Gulyas and Salvatore Sisca. Branislav Crnogorac was present as Vice-Chair of the Technical Commission.

Following four days of riveting action, in a gripping final, Sumy State University from Ukraine triumphed with a resounding 4-1 victory over Windesheim University of Applied Sciences from the Netherlands, securing the gold medal. The first bronze medal went to University Vasile Alecsandri of Bacau from

Romania, while the second bronze medal was claimed by University of Sarajevo from Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Judo has once again been included on the sports program at the European Universities Games in Debrecen-Miskolc, Hungary in 2024, before once

again forming part of the EUSA Combat Championship, taking place in Poland in the city of Poznan from 29th of July until the 1st of August.

MEDALISTS

MIXED TEAMS

1.	Sumy State University	UKR
2.	Windesheim University of Applied Sciences	NED
3.	University of Sarajevo	BIH
3.	University Vasile Alecsandri of Bacau	ROU

INDIVIDUAL GOLD MEDALISTS


MEN

-60 kg:	Maxime Ignaczak, University of Strasbourg	FRA
+60 to 66 kg:	Andras Vida, Szechenyi Istvan University	HUN
+66 to 73 kg:	Artem Ros, Kamianets-Podilskyi National Ivan Ohienko University	UKR
+73 to 81 kg:	Loic Gerosa, University of Geneva	SUI
+81 to 90 kg:	Akaki Japaridze, Georgian Uni SEU	GEO
+90 to 100 kg:	Soso Ebilashvili, Georgian Uni SEU	GEO
+100 kg:	Richard Sipocz, Szechenyi Istvan University	HUN

WOMEN

-48 kg:	Coralie Gilly, University of Bordeaux	FRA
+48 to 52 kg:	Tetiana Limzaieva, Sumy State University	UKR
+52 to 57 kg:	Jana Ziegler, University of Potsdam	GER
+57 to 63 kg:	Anna Kriza, Hungarian University of Sports Science	HUN
+63 to 70 kg:	Aleksandra Samardzic, University of Sarajevo	BIH
+70 to 78 kg:	Betty Vuk, University of Bologna	ITA
+78 kg:	Dounia Nacer, University of Bordeaux	FRA



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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES KARATE CHAMPIONSHIP ZAGREB, CROATIA JULY 21-23, 2023

Being part of the second edition of the EUSA Combat Championships, the 10th edition of the European Universities Karate Championship, took place in the capital city of Croatia, Zagreb.

The Combat Championships were made up of four sports, joined in one Championship: Judo, Kickboxing, Taekwondo and Karate, with 1303 participants, coming from 400 Universities from 31 countries taking part across all four competitions.

A total number of 413 participants, hailing from 170 universities and 27 different countries, made Karate again the biggest of the four Combat Sports in the Championship.

The Croatian Academic Sports Association was the main organisers of the event with the support from the European

University Sports Association (EUSA), the European Karate Federation and Croatian Karate Federation.

At the European Universities Judo Championship, present as SCAC Chair was Suleyman Kocasert, Technical Delegate for Karate, Luka Pozgaj and Assistant Technical Delegate,



Eva Mona Altmann. As Control Commission Members, present were Indre Celkiene and Lejla Sabeta, while as Medical Commission Member it was Tomislav Cengic. The delegation of EUSA Representatives was consisted of: Miha Zvan, Aleksandra Andreeva, Andrej Pisl, Eszter Gulyas and

Salvatore Sisca. Branislav Crnogorac was present as Vice-Chair of the Technical Commission.

During the 3 days of intensive competing and astonishing action, the first three universities that made into the top 3 final ranking were: Istanbul

Aydin University (TUR), followed by the hosts University of Zagreb (CRO) and University of Rijeka (CRO).

Karate will next be featured in the sports program of the European Universities Games 2024 in Debrecen – Miskolc, before once again forming part

of the EUSA Combat Sports Championship, taking place in Poland in the city of Poznan from 29th of July until the 1st of August.

MEDALISTS

UNIVERSITY RANKING

1.	Istanbul Aydin University	TUR
2.	University of Zagreb	CRO
3.	University of Rijeka	CRO

TEAM GOLD MEDALISTS

KUMITE – MEN

St. Cyril and Methodius University of Skopje	MKD
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KUMITE – WOMEN

University of Rijeka	CRO
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KATA – MEN

Istanbul Aydin University	TUR
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KATA – WOMEN

University of Valencia	ESP
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INDIVIDUAL GOLD MEDALISTS

KATA-MEN

Kutluhan Duran, Istanbul Aydin University	TUR
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KUMITE – MEN

-60 kg: Burak Ozdemir, Gazi University	TUR
-67 kg: Vladyslav Shveda, Odesa Mechnikov National University	UKR
-75 kg: Petar Zaborski, St. Kliment Ohridski University of Bitola	MKD
-84 kg: Nikola Malovic, University of Montenegro	MNE
+84 kg: Fatih Sen, Uludag University	TUR

KATA-WOMEN

Natacha Fernandes, University of Lisbon	POR
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KUMITE-WOMEN

-50 kg: Ema Sgardelli, University of Rijeka	CRO
-55 kg: Liliia Yushyna, Zaporizhzhya State Medical University	UKR
-61 kg: Reem Khamis, University of Hamburg	GER
-68 kg: Vasilisa Bujic, Faculty of Business Management	MNE
+68 kg: Theodosia Giamouki, University of Cyprus	CYP



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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES KICKBOXING CHAMPIONSHIP ZAGREB, CROATIA JULY 21-23, 2023

This was the second time for Kickboxing being included in the EUSA Championships, forming part of four sports making up the 2023 Combat Championships alongside Karate, Judo and Taekwondo, which took place in the capital of Croatia, Zagreb.

The European Universities Kickboxing Championship 2023 was held in Zagreb, Croatia as part of the second edition of EUSA Combat Championships where 1303 participants, coming from 400 Universities from

31 countries took part in the biggest European Universities Championship of the summer.

The Kickboxing competition on its own attracted 184 participants, from which 84 were male student athletes

and 42 were female student athletes. These athletes were coming from 80 universities, from 19 countries.

The Croatian Academic Sports Association was the main organizers of the event with

the support from the European University Sports Association (EUSA), with the support of WAKO European Kickboxing Federation.

At the European Universities Judo Championship, present as SCAC Chair Suleyman Kocasert and Technical Delegate for Kickboxing, Romeo Desa. As Control Commission Members, present were Indre Celkiene and Lejla Sabeta, while as Medical Commission Member it was Tomislav Cengic. The delegation of EUSA Representatives was consisted of: Miha Zvan, Aleksandra Andreeva, Andrej Pisl, Eszter Gulyas and Salvatore Sisca. Branislav Crnogorac was present as Vice-Chair of the Technical Commission.

Three days of action and competitiveness brought up the first three position in the University Ranking of this European Universities Kickboxing Championships, seeing the hosts University of Zagreb (CRO) at the first top position, followed by Hungarian University of Sports Science (HUN) on the second position and the third place being shared by Eotvos Lorand University (HUN) and Gazi University (TUR).

Kickboxing will be included on the sports program at the European Universities Games in Debrecen-Miskolc, Hungary in 2024, after which it will again form part of the EUSA Combat Championships, which will take place in Poland in the city of Poznan from 29th of July until the 1st of August.



MEDALISTS

UNIVERSITY RANKING

1.	University of Zagreb	CRO
2.	Hungarian University of Sports Science	HUN
3.	Eotvos Lorand University	HUN
3.	Gazi University	TUR

INDIVIDUAL MEDALLISTS

MEN

FC -67:	Robert Rezo, University of Zagreb	CRO
FC -71:	Mark Husar, National University of Ukraine on Physical Education and Sport	UKR
FC -75:	Yevhenii Vovk, Cherkasy State Technological University	UKR
FC -81:	Konrad Kaczmarekiewicz, Jozef Pilsudski Academy of Physical Education in Warsaw	POL
FC -86:	Vincenzo Gallo, University of Naples Parthenope	ITA
K1 -67:	Amil Miekhtiev, Zaporizhzhia National University	UKR
K1 -71:	Nemanja Cadjenovic, Police Academy of Montenegro	MNE
K1 -75:	Sviatoslav Hasiuk, Drohobych Ivan Franko State Pedagogical University	UKR
K1 -81:	Valentin Hammani, Paris Descartes University	FRA
K1 -86:	Vito Kosar, University of Zagreb	CRO
KL -63:	Gergő Szaraz, Hungarian University of Sports Science	HUN
KL -74:	Lajos Imre Fesu, Hungarian University of Sports Science	HUN
KL -84:	Emanuel Szmolet, Eotvos Lorand University	HUN
KL +84:	Enes Gezer, Uludag University	TUR
PF -63:	Laszlo Maruscsak, Semmelweis University	HUN
PF -74:	Lajos Imre Fesu, Hungarian University of Sports Science	HUN
PF -84:	Martin Balint, Eotvos Lorand University	HUN
PF +84:	Zalan Nagy, Eotvos Lorand University	HUN

WOMEN

FC -56:	Guler Deniz, Balikesir University	TUR
FC -60:	Michela Patullo, University of Molise	ITA
FC -65:	Paulina Grzegorska, University of Lodz	POL
K1 -56:	Eva Guillot, University of Auvergne	FRA
K1 -60:	Stella Hemetsberger, University of Salzburg	AUT
KL -55:	Una Maravic, University of Zagreb	CRO
KL -65:	Nurhana Fazlic, University of Graz	AUT
KL +65:	Tereza Cvingerova, Charles University	CZE
PF -55:	Aybuke Kilinç, Gazi University	TUR
PF -65:	Glykeria Koutsianou, University of Applied Sciences Esslingen	GER
PF +65:	Dora Melinda Torok, University of Szeged	HUN



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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES TAEKWONDO CHAMPIONSHIP ZAGREB, CROATIA JULY 21-23, 2023

For the European Universities Taekwondo Championship 2023, it was the seventh time being featured at the EUSA Championships program. Held in Zagreb, Croatia, the European Taekwondo Championship for the second time took part of the European Universities Combat Sports Championships, merged together with three other sports: Judo, Karate and Kickboxing.

A total number of 1303 participants, coming from 400 Universities from 31 countries taking part across all four competitions, with the Taekwondo competition made up of 299 participants,

representing 123 universities from 22 countries.

The Croatian Academic Sports Association was the main organizers of the event with the support from the European

University Sports Association (EUSA), with the support of World Taekwondo Europe.

At the European Universities Judo Championship, present as SCAC Chair Francis Marco Maria



Cirianni, Technical Delegate for Karate, Mohammad Shirali Noor and Assistant Technical Delegate for Taekwondo, Johanna Bliem. As Control Commission Members, present were Indre Celkiene and Lejla Sabeta, while as Medical Commission Member it was Tomislav Cengic. The delegation of EUSA Representatives was consisted of: Miha Zvan, Aleksandra Andreeva, Andrej Pisl, Eszter Gulyas and Salvatore Sisca. Branislav Crnogorac was present as Vice-Chair of the Technical Commission.

The three very competitive days, full of exhilarating action, fulfilled the three first places at the university ranking, having Marmara University (TUR) on the first place, University of Zagreb (CRO) on the second position and Gazi University (TUR) on the third.

Taekwondo will next be featured in the sports program of the European Universities Games 2024 in Debrecen – Miskolc, before once again forming part of the EUSA Combat Championship, taking place in Poland in the city of Poznan from 29th of July until the 1st of August.



UNIVERSITY RANKING

UNIVERSITY RANKING

1.	Marmara University	TUR
2.	University of Zagreb	CRO
3.	Gazi University	TUR

INDIVIDUAL GOLD MEDALLISTS

FREESTYLE POMSAB – MEN

Borna Pecko, University of Zagreb	CRO
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RECOGNISED POMSAB – MEN

Muhammed Emir Yilmaz, Gazi University	TUR
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KYORUGI-MEN

-54 kg: Haktan Can, Marmara University	TUR
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+54 kg to 58 kg: Vladyslav Funkendorf, Kharkiv National Automobile and Highway University	UKR
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+58 kg to 63 kg: Mahmut Kuskü, Marmara University	TUR
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+63 kg to 68 kg: Matthew Howell, University of Nottingham	GBR
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+68 kg to 74 kg: Mehmet Kani Polat, Sabanci University	TUR
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+74 kg to 80 kg: Kyrylo Hurnov, Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv	UKR
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+80 kg to 87 kg: Artem Harbar, Donbass State Engineering Academy	UKR
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+87 kg: Andrii Harbar, Donbass State Engineering Academy	UKR
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FREESTYLE POMSAB – WOMEN

Leah Lawall, German Sport University Cologne	GER
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RECOGNIZED POMSAB – WOMEN

Anna Schneeberger, University of Innsbruck	AUT
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KYORUGI – WOMEN

-46 kg: Seher Sen, Marmara University	TUR
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+46 kg to 49 kg: Erika Bryhida, H.S. Skovoroda Kharkiv National Pedagogical University	UKR
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+49 kg to 53 kg: Paula Temina Monleon, University of Valencia	ESP
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+53 kg to 57 kg: Markella Teggeri, University of Cyprus	CYP
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+57 kg to 62 kg: Ela Jelic, University of Zagreb	CRO
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+62 kg to 67 kg: Isil Zafer, Marmara University	TUR
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+67 kg to 73 kg: Rebeka Furedi, Hungarian University of Agriculture and Life Sciences	HUN
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+73 kg: Darija Zeljko, Vienna University of Economics and Business	AUT
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MULTISPORT CHAMPIONSHIPS – WINTER SPORTS

The year of 2023 is the inaugural year of the European Universities Winter Championships, an event that merged Alpine Skiing, Snowboarding and Snow Volleyball into one event, held in Val Di Zoldo, Italy.

These three sports showed up on EUSA Championships sports program for the very first time, organized all together as one event hosting three different competitions with its own disciplines.

It was a great debut start for these sports, showcasing a brilliant future or repeating their presence among the European Universities Championships organized every odd year.





EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES ALPINE SKIING CHAMPIONSHIP

VAL DI ZOLDO, ITALY
DECEMBER 18-21, 2023

Alpine Skiing was one of three sports which comprised the first ever European Universities Winter Championships, that took place in Val di Zoldo, Italy from 18 to 21 of December, 2023.



In total 81 participants from coming 16 countries, representing 33 universities, took part in the first edition of the European Universities Winter Championship, organized by CUS Venezia with the contribution of Province of Belluno and Municipality of Val di Zoldo.

Each race and match, brought its own share of excitement, surprises, moments of brilliance, and many exciting and adrenaline rushes.

In the slalom women's competition, the first place on the podium was won by Maja Chyla of Jagiellonian University

(POL) with a time of 1:30.21, followed by Julia Zlatkova from Technical University Sofia (BUL) with the silver medal and Anna Rech of University of Udine (ITA) with the bronze medal.

In the slalom men's competition Kamen Zlatkov from Technical University Sofia (BUL) won the 1st place with 1:22.92, Gleb Mosesov from Armenian State University of Economics (ARM) took the second place, with Jan Sanitrar of Technical University in Zvolen (SVK) completing the podium and taking home the bronze medal.

In the giant slalom women's competition Anna Rech of

University of Udine (ITA) won the gold medal with a time of 2:28.65. After winning the slalom competition, Maja Chyla from Jagiellonian University (POL) took the second place of giant slalom, then Constance Lay of University of Grenoble Alpes (FRA) completed the podium.

In the giant slalom men's competition Arne Ackermann of University of Bern (SUI) took the first place with a time at 2:21.46, Thomas Dalla Libera from University of Verona (ITA) followed with 39 seconds later, then Simon Nantschev of University of Munich (GER) took the third place.

The skiing competition finished with the team competition. For the women's team it's University of Grenoble Alpes (FRA) who won, Technical University of Sofia (BUL) took the second place, followed by University of Ljubljana (SLO). In the men's competition, University of Bern (SUI) won the 1st place, followed by University of Grenoble Alpes (FRA) on the 2nd position and Armenian State University of Economics (ARM) on the 3rd place.

MEDALISTS

SLALOM MEN

1.	Kamen Zlatkov, Technical University Sofia	BUL
2.	Gleb Mosesov, Armenian State University of Economics	ARM
3.	Jan Sanitrar, Technical University in Zvolen	SVK

GIANT SLALOM MEN

1.	Arne Ackermann, University of Bern	SUI
2.	Thomas Dalla Libera, University of Verona	ITA
3.	Simon Nantschev, University of Applied Sciences Munich	GER

TEAM RANKING

MEN

1.	University of Bern	SUI
2.	University of Grenoble Alpes	FRA
3.	Armenian State University of Economics	ARM

SLALOM WOMEN

1.	Maja Chyla, Jagiellonian University	POL
2.	Julia Zlatkova, Technical University Sofia	BUL
3.	Anna Rech, University of Udine	ITA


GIANT SLALOM WOMEN

1.	Anna Rech, University of Udine	ITA
2.	Maja Chyla, Jagiellonian University	POL
3.	Constance Lay, University of Grenoble Alpes	FRA

TEAM RANKING

WOMEN

1.	University of Grenoble Alpes	FRA
2.	Technical University of Sofia	BUL
3.	University of Ljubljana	SLO

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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES SNOWBOARDING CHAMPIONSHIP

VAL DI ZOLDO, ITALY
DECEMBER 20-21, 2023

Snowboarding was one of the three sports on display at the first edition of European Universities Winter Championships in Val di Zoldo in Italy. The university athletes competed against each other in two different snowboarding disciplines: the Parallel Slalom competition which took place on December 20th and the Giant Slalom competition which was held the following day.

The snowboarding competition was filled with overwhelming amount of adrenaline and excitement, while student-athletes were sliding the boards through the white shiny snow, having fun and being excited about competing and possibly winning a medal.

An overall figure of 24 student athletes from 6 countries, representing 11 different universities took participation in the races.

The final ranking in the Parallel Giant Slalom men competition, pictured Tervel Zamfirov from the University of Forestry (BUL) on the first step of the podium, followed by Kristian Georgiev of National Sports Academy Vasil Levski (BUL) on the second place and Alexander Krashniak of Technical University Sofia (BUL) on third place.

In the women's Parallel Giant slalom competition, Natalie Schoemann University of Bamberg (GER) preceded Isabel Chiara Murer of the University of Udine (ITA). The small final for third place was won by the Irem Gezer from Istanbul Medipol University (TUR).

In the men's Giant Slalom competition, the top three podium positions replicated the same ranking as in the parallel slalom: Tervel Zamfirov of the University of Forest Sciences (BUL) doubled the result by placing first in both runs. Kristian Georgiev of the Vasil Levski National Sports Academy (BUL) took second place, just a few seconds behind, ahead of Alexander Krashniak of Sofia University (BUL) who took the bronze medal.

The women's Giant Slalom competition, brought the first three medallists of the intense races, having: Isabel Chiara Murer representing University of Udine (ITA) holding the gold medal, Irem Gezer from Istanbul Medipol University (TUR) with the silver medal and Julia Oleksiuk took the bronze medal for University of Warsaw (POL).



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MEDALLISTS

GIANT SLALOM MEN

1.	Tervel Zamfirov, University of Forestry	BUL
2.	Kristian Georgiev, National Sports Academy Vasil Levski	BUL
3.	Alexander Krashniak, Technical University Sofia	BUL

PARALLEL MEN

1.	Tervel Zamfirov, University of Forestry	BUL
2.	Kristian Georgiev, National Sports Academy Vasil Levski	BUL
3.	Alexander Krashniak, Technical University Sofia	BUL

GIANT SLALOM WOMEN

1.	Isabel Chiara Murer, University of Udine	ITA
2.	Irem Gezer, Istanbul Medipol University	TUR
3.	Julia Oleksiuk, University of Warsaw	POL

PARALLEL SLALOM WOMEN

1.	Natalie Schoemann, University of Bamberg	GER
2.	Isabel Chiara Murer, University of Udine	ITA
3.	Irem Gezer, Istanbul Medipol University	TUR





EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES SNOW VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

VAL DI ZOLDO, ITALY
DECEMBER 20-21, 2023

Snow Volleyball has been one of the most stunning innovations showcased at this year European Universities Winter Championships. The competitions saw the participation of a total number of 41 student athletes representing 10 different universities.



FINAL STANDINGS

MEN TEAM COMPETITION

1.	University of Chemistry and Technology, Prague	CZE
2.	University of Klagenfurt	AUT
3.	University Darmstadt	GER
4.	University of Milan	ITA
5.	Bucharest University of Economic Studies	ROU
6.	IUAV University of Venice	ITA

WOMEN TEAM COMPETITION

1.	University of Vienna	AUT
2.	Bucharest University of Economic Studies	ROU
3.	Ca' Foscari University of Venice	ITA
4.	University of Milano-Bicocca	ITA
5.	College of Applied Sciences Lavoslav Ruzicka in Vukovar	CRO



Snow volleyball demonstrates the fun, passion, and universality of the sport of volleyball, which is now accessible all year round, from the summer to the winter, from the beach to the mountains, indoor and outdoor.

A total of 11 teams, 6 men teams and 5 women teams, were welcomed to Val Di Zoldo to compete in the first ever snow volleyball competition organized by EUSA.

In the women's team competition, the gold medals went around the necks of the girls from the University of

Vienna (AUT), followed by the silver medallists, the team from Bucharest University of Economic Studies (ROU) and the bronze medallists of the Ca' Foscari University of Venice (ITA).

In the men's competition, the first three positions on the podium were occupied by the Prague University of Chemistry and Technology (CZE) winning the gold medal, the University of Klagenfurt (AUT) which won the silver medal and the Technical University of Darmstadt (GER) which gained the bronze medal.

The Most Valuable Player award was awarded given to Michaela Wengler from the University of Vienna (AUT) in the women's competition and Tadeas Trousil from the Prague University of Chemistry and Technology (CZE) in the men's competition.

Snow Volleyball is new, innovative, and festive sport, which is reaching its popularity among athletes and student-athletes, amazed by the challenges and fun that the snow courts can provide while playing this sport.



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SINGLE SPORT CHAMPIONSHIPS

The organization of the European Universities Championships dates from 2001 with the very first two championships being organized in Basketball and Volleyball.

With firstly being organized annually until 2011, and since 2012 being organized on a biannual basis, the development of the list of sports on the championships programme has been astonishing throughout the years.

In 2023, besides the joined Beach Sports, Combat Sports and Winter Sports championships, we have seen great competitions in 3x3 Basketball, Badminton, Basketball, Football, Futsal, Handball, Orienteering, Rowing, Rugby 7s, Table Tennis, Tennis, Volleyball and Water Polo.





EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES 3x3 BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP DEBRECEN, HUNGARY JULY 15-19, 2023

Over 200 participants, forming 40 teams from 35 universities, coming from 17 different countries took part in the 2023 European Universities 3x3 Basketball Championship, hosted by the city of Debrecen in Hungary.

The competition which involved 16 women's and 24 men's teams was organized by University of Debrecen, with the contribution and partnership of the Hungarian University Sport Federation, the Hungarian Basketball Federation, Municipality of Debrecen, DEAC and Debreceni Sportcentrum.

At the 3x3 Championship, EUSA was represented by Ilan Kowalsky, EUSA Technical Delegate, Hrvoje Marin, EUSA Assistant Technical Delegate and Kinga Gaal, EUSA Staff Representative.

The European universities champion in the women's competition was Vasyl Stefanyk

University (UKR) after they won an exciting final match against University of Pitesti (ROU) with result 19-16. The women from the Vasyl Stefanyk University won the gold medal with a flawless performance, winning all seven of their matches.

The bronze medal in the women's competition went to



the students of University of Lyon (FRA).

In the men's competition, the defending champions, Vytautas Magnus University (LTU), claimed the gold medal again. They also had an unblemished record throughout, and in the final, they succeed to win the match against Ukraine's Sumy State University with result 21-10. The men's bronze medal went to University of Valencia (ESP).

The award for the Best Scorer of the championship in the women's competition was given to Clarisse Legrand from University of Lyon (FRA) and to Segev Grylak from Ruppin College (ISR) in the men's competition.

University of Debrecen from Hungary was handed the award for Fair Play among the women competitors, while the same award in the men's competition went to University of Paris 8 from France.

As Most Valuable Player (MVP) in the women's competition, with the award in hands was Veronica Kosmach from Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University (UKR), while in the men's competition this award was claimed by Titas Janusevicius from Vytautas Magnus University (LTU).

In the Dunk contest, most successful was László Komma from Corvinus University (HUN) and in the Shootout contest the awards for best performance went in the hands of Paula Corrochano from Polytechnic University of Madrid (ESP) and Titas Janusevicius from Vytautas Magnus University (LTU).

The competition also saw two best teams of the tournament, both in men's and women's competition. In women's competition the best team was made up by Clarisse Legrand (University of Lyon), Ioana Andreea Ghizila (University of Pitesti), Veronica Kosmach (Vasyl Stefanyk University), while in the men's competition, in the best team we could see Titas Janusevicius (Vytautas Magnus University), Illia Kabatsiura (Sumy State University) and Pablo Luengo Mateo (University of Valencia).

The champions in both men and women category, qualified for the FISU University World Cup in 3x3 Basketball, that took place in Doha, Qatar. Next EUSA 3x3 Basketball competition will be held at the European Universities Games 2024 in Debrecen-Miskolc, Hungary, followed by the next edition of the European Universities 3x3 Basketball Championship which will be hosted in Ljubljana,



FINAL STANDINGS

MEN

1.	Vytautas Magnus University	LTU
2.	Sumy State University	UKR
3.	University of Valencia	ESP
4.	Ruppin College	ISR
5.	University of Pitesti	ROU
6.	University of Bordeaux	FRA
7.	University of Ljubljana	SLO
8.	University of Vienna	AUT
9.	Manisa Celal Bayar University	TUR
10.	University of Zagreb	CRO
11.	University of Dubrovnik	CRO
12.	University of Debrecen	HUN
13.	Corvinus University of Budapest	HUN
14.	University of Maribor	SLO
15.	Polytechnic Institute of Porto	POR
16.	Wroclaw University of Science and Technology	POL
17.	Brno University of Technology	CZE
18.	University of Shumen	BUL
19.	Karlovac University of Applied Sciences	CRO
20.	Hungarian University of Sports Science	HUN
21.	Budapest University of Technology and Economics	HUN
22.	University Paris 8 Vincennes – Saint-Denis	FRA
23.	German Sport University Cologne	GER
24.	Norwegian School of Economics	NOR

WOMEN

1.	Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University	UKR
2.	University of Pitesti	ROU
3.	University of Lyon	FRA
4.	University of Western Brittany	FRA
5.	Polytechnic University of Madrid	ESP
6.	University of Debrecen	HUN
7.	University of Zagreb	CRO
8.	Szechenyi Istvan University	HUN
9.	Gdansk University of Technology	POL
10.	University of Miskolc	HUN
11.	University of Minho	POR
12.	Hungarian University of Sports Science	HUN
13.	Brno University of Technology	CZE
14.	University North	CRO
15.	University of Lisbon	POR
16.	Atilim University	TUR

Slovenia from June 28 to July 2, 2025.



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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP

MISKOLC, HUNGARY
JULY 13-19, 2023

Over 110 participants from 16 universities from 11 countries took part in the 13th edition of the European Universities Badminton Championship, which was hosted in the Hungarian city of Miskolc.

The competition, which took place simultaneously with the European Universities Water Polo Championship, was organised by the Hungarian University Sports Federation and University of Miskolc with the contribution of Miskolc University Athletics and Football Club.

At the championship, EUSA was represented by Zoltan Rakaczki EUSA Executive Committee Member, EUSA Technical Delegate for Badminton Radomir Jovovic, and EUSA Sports Officer Eszter Gulyas.

On Sunday, July 16, the team tournament competition

concluded with the University of Nottingham bringing home the championship trophy. Being a strong opponent from the start, remaining unbeaten throughout the competition, they played a great final against the University of Warwick. The result of the mixed doubles and individual men's and women's

matches was 3-0 in favour of Nottingham, therefore both sides mutually decided not to play the remaining two matches which did not affect the final outcome.

The best domestic team was the University of Pécs, which lost 3-1 against the team from the University of Strasbourg in the battle for 5th place.

In the women's singles final, Maria Stoliarenko of the University of Strasbourg from France won the overall title by winning the match against Brid Stepper of the German Sport University of Cologne. In the men's singles, Harry Huang from the University of Nottingham defeated Viacheslav Yakovlev of Turkey's Admiral Makarov National University of Shipbuilding.

The British team, Sian Kelly and Miu Lin Ngan from the University

of Nottingham won the women's doubles final against the French pair, Anouk Nambot and Maria Stoliarenko from the University of Strasbourg. In the final match of the men's doubles, Harry Goode and Samuel Smith defeated Paak Raymond Chong and Pak Yu Ng, taking both gold and silver medals for the University of Nottingham.

Samuel Smith and Sian Kelly, representing the University of Nottingham, won the mixed doubles championship after a thrilling match against Aymeric Torres and Maria Stoliarenko from the University of Strasbourg.

The next European Universities Badminton Championship will be hosted in Madrid, Spain from 6 to 12 of July, 2025. Before that, the next Badminton competition will be held at the 7th edition of the European Universities Games in Debrecen-Miskolc 2024.



FINAL STANDINGS

MIXED TEAM

1.	University of Nottingham	GBR
2.	University of Warwick	GBR
3.	Admiral Makarov National University of Shipbuilding	UKR
3.	Technological University of Dublin	IRL
5.	University of Strasbourg	FRA
6.	University of Pécs	HUN
7.	German Sport University Cologne	GER
8.	University of Bern	SUI
9.	Marmara University	TUR
10.	Jozef Pilsudski University of Physical Education in Warsaw	POL
11.	Nova University of Lisbon	POR
12.	Hungarian University of Sports Science	HUN
13.	National Technical University Kharkiv Polytechnic Institute	UKR
14.	University of Szeged	HUN
15.	University of Groningen	NED

INDIVIDUAL GOLD MEDALISTS

MEN'S SINGLES

Harry Huang, University of Nottingham	GBR
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WOMEN'S SINGLES

Maria Stoliarenko, University of Strasbourg	FRA
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MIXED DOUBLES

Samuel Smith and Sian Kelly, University of Nottingham	GBR
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MEN'S DOUBLES

Harry Goode and Samuel Smith, University of Nottingham	GBR
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WOMEN'S DOUBLES

Sian Kelly and Miu Lin Ngan, University of Nottingham	GBR
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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP AVEIRO, PORTUGAL JULY 23-30, 2023

Over 400 participants representing 20 Universities from 12 countries took part in the 2023 European Universities Basketball Championship, which took place in Aveiro, Portugal.

The Championship was organised by the Portuguese University Sports Federation (FADU) and University of Aveiro, with the contribution of University Aveiro Students Union.

At the event, EUSA was represented by Executive Committee member Zoltan Rakaczki, EUSA SCAC CHAIR Manuel Veloso, EUSA Technical Delegate Peter George, Assistant Technical Delegate

Pascale Weiwers, and EUSA Representative Salvatore Sisca.

At the end of the six days of highly competitive and intense games, in the men's competition it was University of Bologna (ITA) who defended their title



of champion after winning an anticipated and thrilling final match against Vytautas Magnus University (LTU), with the score being 93-78. The bronze medal was won by the University of Sevilla (ESP) following a successful win resulting in 89-74 over the University of Wurzburg (GER).

In the women's finals, the title of champion was conquered by the University of Vienna (AUT) playing a strong and anticipated match against

the Romanian team from the University of Pitesti, winning 85-67. The bronze medals were shining on the necks of the players from the University of Bologna following a well-played 75-63 victory over Polytechnic University of Madrid.

In the women's competition, the Fair-Play award was given to the Norwegian University of Science and Technology. In the men's competition, the Fair Play award went into the hands of

the Portuguese team from the University of Minho.

The Most Valuable Player award from the women's competition was given to Ghizila Ioana from the University of Pitesti (ROU), while the MVP award in the men's competition was awarded to Constantin Ebert from the University of Wurzburg (GER).

The next EUSA Basketball competition will be held at the seventh edition of the European Universities Games in Debrecen-

Miskolc next year, followed by the next edition of the European Universities Basketball Championship, which will be held in Bologna, Italy from July 6-13 in 2025.

FINAL STANDINGS

MEN

1.	University of Bologna	ITA
2.	Vytautas Magnus University	LTU
3.	University of Seville	ESP
4.	University of Wurzburg	GER
5.	University of Split	CRO
6.	Polytechnic University of Madrid	ESP
7.	University of Liège	BEL
8.	Karlsruhe Institute of Technology	GER
9.	University of Lyon	FRA
10.	University of Aveiro	POR
11.	University of Pitesti	ROU
12.	University of Debrecen	HUN
13.	Turin Polytechnic	ITA
14.	Nova University of Lisbon	POR
15.	University of Miskolc	HUN
16.	University of Minho	POR

WOMEN

1.	University of Vienna	AUT
2.	University of Pitesti	ROU
3.	University of Bologna	ITA
4.	Polytechnic University of Madrid	ESP
5.	University of Lyon	FRA
6.	Eotvos Lorand University	HUN
7.	University of Liège	BEL
8.	Nova University of Lisbon	POR
9.	University of Caen Normandy	FRA
10.	University of Wurzburg	GER
11.	University of Aveiro	POR
12.	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	NOR



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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

TIRANA, ALBANIA
JUNE 25-JULY 2, 2023

Over 500 participants representing 28 universities from 16 countries, took part in the 14th edition of the European Universities Football Championship held in Tirana, Albania.

The event was hosted by the Albanian Federation of University Sport with the contribution of University of Tirana.

At the championship, EUSA was represented by EUSA President Adam Roczek, EUSA SCAC Chair Hovhannes Gabrielyan, EUSA Sports Manager Miha

Zvan, EUSA Technical Delegate Andreas Demetriou, Assistant Technical Delegate Ignacio Peralta Contreras, and EUSA Representative Tomasz Aftanski.



After seven days of spectacular action, the title of champion in the men's competition was awarded to the University of Wurzburg from Germany, who won a thrilling final match against the Gdansk University of Technology from Poland, with a final score of 3-1. Ukraine's Kyiv National University of Trade and Economics took the bronze medal with a 5-0 victory over France's University of Rouen.

The female athletes from the University of Bordeaux successfully defended the title they gained last year at the European Universities Games in Lodz 2022, by defeating the University of Valencia from Spain

by a score of 4-1 in the women's final match. The University of Coimbra from Portugal finished third after defeating the University of Lyon by a score of 7-5.

The Fair Play trophy in the women's competition was awarded to the University of Bordeaux, while the University of Jyvaskyla received the Fair Play trophy in the men's competition.

Charlotte Ouillon from the University of Lyon claimed the women's Top Scorer award, while Filippo Vergnano from Turin Polytechnic won the Top Scorer award in the men's competition.

The Best Goalkeeper award went to Diana Simoes De Oliveira from the University of Coimbra among the women's participants, while Julian Schneider representing the University of Wurzburg received the same honour in the men's competition.

Viktoria Holovach from the Dnipro Academy of Continuing Education claimed the Most Valuable Player award in the women's competition, while the men's MVP prize went to Daaniel Maanas from the Estonian University of Life Sciences.

The next European Universities Football Championship will be

held in Camerino, Italy, from July 20-27, 2025, but not before the football competition at the seventh edition of the European Universities Games, which will be held in Debrecen-Miskolc, Hungary in 2024.

FINAL STANDINGS

MEN

1.	University of Wurzburg	GER
2.	Gdansk University of Technology	POL
3.	Kyiv National University of Trade and Economics	UKR
4.	University of Rouen	FRA
5.	University of Montpellier	FRA
6.	West University of Timisoara	ROU
7.	University of Porto	POR
8.	University of Wageningen	NED
9.	University of Zagreb	CRO
10.	Turin Polytechnic	ITA
11.	University of Jyvaskyla	FIN
12.	Norwegian School of Economics	NOR
13.	University Fan Noli	ALB
14.	University of Heidelberg	GER
15.	University of Fribourg	SUI
16.	Estonian University of Life Sciences	EST

WOMEN

1.	University of Bordeaux	FRA
2.	University of Valencia	ESP
3.	University of Coimbra	POR
4.	University of Lyon	FRA
5.	Dnipro Academy of Continuing Education	UKR
6.	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	NOR
7.	University of Barcelona	ESP
8.	University of Basel	SUI
9.	University of Zagreb	CRO
10.	University of Frankfurt	GER
11.	University of Bristol	GBR
12.	University of Wageningen	NED

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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES FUTSAL CHAMPIONSHIP

SPLIT, CROATIA
JULY 18-26, 2023

A total of 471 participants, with 19 men's and 12 women's teams, representing 27 universities and 17 European countries, took part in the 13th edition of the European Universities Futsal Championship in the coastal city of Split, Croatia.

The competition was organized by the University of Split and Split University Sports Association with the patronage of the Croatian University Sports Federation.

Present on behalf of EUSA at the competition was Vice-President of the European University Sports Association and SCAC

Chair Haris Pavletić, the Technical Delegate for Futsal Tomasz Aftanski, Assistant Technical Delegate Natalia Orive Sivister, EUSA Sports Manager Miha Zvan, and EUSA Representatives Ignacio Peralta Contreras and Pol Arnau.

Rey Juan Carlos University from Spain won against the National

Pedagogical Dragomanov University from Ukraine in the women's finals, with a victory of 8-4. The University of Lisbon claimed the bronze medal after a 4-2 win against the Norwegian University of Science and Technology.

In the closely contested men's final, it was the University of



FINAL STANDINGS

MEN

1.	Ivano-Frankivsk College of Physical Education	UKR
2.	Bernays University of Applied Sciences	CRO
3.	University of Split	CRO
4.	University of Toulouse II – Jean Jaures	FRA
5.	University of Minho	POR
6.	Caucasus International University	GEO
7.	Azerbaijan State Academy of Physical Education and Sport	AZE
8.	University of Zagreb	CRO
9.	University of Jyväskylä	FIN
10.	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	NOR
11.	University of Gdansk	POL
12.	University of Mainz	GER
13.	University of Pecs	HUN
14.	University of Reims Champagne Ardenne	FRA
15.	Lappeenranta-Lahti University of Technology	FIN
16.	Swiss Federal Institute of Sport Magglingen	SUI
17.	Eindhoven University of Technology	NED
18.	Estonian Academy of Security Sciences	EST
19.	University of Bristol	GBR

WOMEN

1.	Rey Juan Carlos University	ESP
2.	National Pedagogical Dragomanov University	UKR
3.	University of Lisbon	POR
4.	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	NOR
5.	Polytechnic University of Hauts-de-France	FRA
6.	University of Zagreb	CRO
7.	Tampere University	FIN
8.	University of Munster	GER
9.	University of Coimbra	POR
10.	University of Reims Champagne Ardenne	FRA
11.	University College Cork	IRL
12.	University of Split	CRO

Ivano-Frankivsk College of Physical Education from Ukraine that was crowned champions after their 4-3 victory, defeating Croatia's Bernays University of Applied Sciences. The home University of Split won the bronze medal against the University of Toulouse, with a score of 6-3.

The Women's Fair Play Award was given to the University of Cork from Ireland, while the Men's Fair Play Award was awarded to the Estonian Academy of Security Sciences.

The Best Goalkeeper Award was handed to Mykola Huivan representing Ivano-Frankivsk College of PE from Ukraine, in the men's competition. In the women's competition, Silvia Garcia Milla Remire from Rey Juan Carlos University from Spain won the Best Goalkeeper Award.

The Top Goal Scorer Award was won by Currenti Aurelio from the Swiss Federal Institute of Sport Magglingen in the men's competition, while Carmen Norena Rodriguez from the Rey Juan Carlos University in Spain

received the same honour in the women's competition.

The Most Valuable Player was rewarded to Nazar Shved representative of Ivano-Frankivsk College of PE among the male competitors, with Anna Shulha representing National Pedagogical Dragomanov University from Ukraine, claiming the same title in the women's competition.

The next edition of the European Universities Futsal Championship is staying in Croatia, with it being held in

Zagreb, Croatia between July 23-31, 2025; while the next EUSA Futsal competition will take place in Debrecen-Miskolc at the seventh edition of the European Universities Games in 2024.



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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES HANDBALL CHAMPIONSHIP PODGORICA, MONTENEGRO JULY 8-14, 2023

Total number of 347 participants, from 23 teams representing 19 universities from 11 countries, took part in the 11th edition of the European Universities Handball Championship that took place in Podgorica, Montenegro.

The competition was organised by Students Sports Association of Montenegro, along with the University of Montenegro.

During this great event, EUSA was represented by Milan Zvan, SCAC Chair and the Technical Delegate of Handball, Paivi Mitrunen.

In the anticipating men's final, after a great fight and a great match, the University of Stefan cel Mare Suceava defeated the French University of the Cote d'Azur in front of more than 600 spectators in the Sports and Cultural Center of the University of Montenegro. The third

place went to the Portuguese University Minho, who claimed the victory in the match with the University of Zagreb.

In the women's competition, Ovidius University won the finals match against the Hungarian University of Sports Sciences, claiming the gold medal with



a result of 24:20. The third place on the podium was then occupied by the University of Zagreb after a victory against the German University of Hamburg with a result of 37:26.

The MVP awards were given to Balazs Botond from Stefan cel Mare Suceava University and to Diana Ana Maria from the

University of Ovidius. Balazs Botond from Stefan cel Mare Suceava University also won the best scorer award in the men's competition with a total of 50 goals in the competition, while Martina Krajpl from the University of Zagreb, with a total of 45 goals, won the Top Scorer award in the women's competition.

The Fair Play award went deservedly in the hands of the women's team of Norway University of Science and Technology and the men's team of Delft University of Technology from the Netherlands.

The next EUSA Handball competition will take place at the European Universities

Games 2024 in Debrecen – Miskolc, Hungary, followed by the 12th edition of the European Universities Handball Championship hosted by the city of Covilha, Portugal, from 22 to 28 of July 2025.


FINAL STANDINGS

MEN

1.	Stefan cel Mare University of Suceava	ROU
2.	University of Cote d'Azur	FRA
3.	University of Minho	POR
4.	University of Zagreb	CRO
5.	University of Duisburg-Essen	GER
6.	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	NOR
7.	University of Wurzburg	GER
8.	University of Valencia	ESP
9.	University of Montenegro	MNE
10.	Delft University of Technology	NED
11.	Imperial College London	GBR

WOMEN

1.	Ovidius University	ROU
2.	Hungarian University of Sports Science	HUN
3.	University of Zagreb	CRO
4.	University of Hamburg	GER
5.	German Sport University Cologne	GER
6.	University of Franche-Comte	FRA
7.	University of Mainz	GER
8.	University of Minho	POR
9.	University of Bordeaux	FRA
10.	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	NOR
11.	University of Montenegro	MNE
12.	Loughborough University	GBR

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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS

ST GALLEN, SWITZERLAND AUGUST 24-27, 2023

At the second edition of the European Universities Orienteering Championship, 17 European countries were represented, competing in Eastern Switzerland. Around 200 athletes and 18 officials from 66 universities were welcomed to the championships, which took place in 3 beautiful and picturesque locations across Eastern Switzerland: the city of St. Gallen, the town of Hirschberg and the city of Appenzell.

The competition was organised by University of St. Gallen and Swiss University Sports with the contribution of Swiss

Orienteering, OLG St.Gallen/ Appenzell, OL Regio Wil, ASVZ and others. At the championship, EUSA was represented by

Matjaz Pecovnik, as SCAC Chair, the Technical Delegate Dusan Vystavel, and Eszter Gulyas, EUSA representative.

The Orienteering Championship welcomed men and women athletes to take part in 3 separate race categories: Sprint Relay, Sprint Finals and Middle-distance finals, over the course of the 3-day championship.

After the conclusion of all three competitions, ETH Zurich secured the gold medal in the men's Sprint Finals. The University of Applied Sciences Bern claimed the silver medal, and ETH Zurich also earned a spot on the podium by winning the bronze medal in the same category.

The Women's Sprint Finals saw another competitive race, where University of Helsinki won the gold medal, joined by the University of Applied Sciences Northwestern Switzerland on the second position and INSA Lyon on the third position.

The following races were the Middle Finals in Gais/Hirschberg, featuring competitions in both the men's and women's categories. In the men's Middle Finals, the University of Applied Sciences Bern claimed the top position, while participants from ETH Zurich secured both the silver and bronze medals.

The Women's Middle Finals also saw two representatives from ETH Zürich on the second and third place on the podium, while Eötvös Loránd University took home the gold medal.

The championship was ended with the Sprint Relay in the town of Appenzell in extremely rainy


weather, giving the athletes an extra challenge to overcome while navigating the 4-legged course.

In this category, in the men's competition, ETH Zürich was seen in the top spot, winning the gold medal, while, the University of Clermont Auvergne went home with the silver and Aalto University with the bronze medal.

As the rain continued to get heavier, the Women Relay teams competed for gold, silver and bronze medals. In this race, University of Zürich won the gold medal, the University of Bern won the silver medal, while the ETH Zürich won the bronze medal.

Lastly, 30 mixed teams with one woman and one man took part in the 3rd and final category, mixed relay. This race saw an exciting and dramatic end to the championships in Switzerland, with the University of Bern dominating from the start to finish and winning the gold medal, University of Applied Sciences Bern held up the silver medal and University of Jyväskylä ended up taking home the bronze medal.

The third European Universities Orienteering Championship will take place in Lodz, Poland from 24 to 27 of July, 2025.

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FINAL STANDINGS

MIXED TEAM		
1.	University of Bern	SUI
2.	University of Applied Sciences Bern	SUI
3.	University of Jyväskylä	FIN
INDIVIDUAL GOLD MEDALISTS		
SPRINT COMPETITION – MEN		
	Riccardo Rancan, ETH Zürich	SUI
MIDDLE DISTANCE COMPETITION – MEN		
	Reto Egger, University of Applied Sciences Bern	SUI
RELAY COMPETITION – MEN		
	Attinger & Polsini, ETH Zürich	SUI
SPRINT COMPETITION – WOMEN		
	Hanne Hilo, University of Helsinki	FIN
MIDDLE DISTANCE COMPETITION – WOMEN		
	Zsolia Sárközy, Eötvös Loránd University	HUN
RELAY COMPETITION – WOMEN		
	Brütsch & Roggo, University of Zürich	SUI
MIXED RELAY COMPETITION		
	Simona and Fabian Aebersold, University of Bern	SUI





EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES ROWING CHAMPIONSHIP

BYDGOSZCZ, POLAND
SEPTEMBER 7-10, 2023

In 2023, the European Universities Rowing Championship was held in Bydgoszcz, Poland, from September 7-10 which saw the participation of 524 participants from 81 Universities from 20 countries.

The competition was organised by KU AZS UKW Bydgoszcz with the contribution of Bydgoszcz City Hall, Marshal's Office of Kuyavian-Pomeranian Voivodeship, the University

Sports Association of Poland, the Kazimierz Wielki University, the Polish Federation of Rowing Associations, the Kuyavian-Pomeranian District Rowing Association, the Ministry of

Sport and Tourism, and many partners and sponsors.

EUSA was represented by the Technical Delegate Lionel Girard, EUSA Representative. Tomasz



Aftanski, Results Management support representative, Julija Furcic, EUSA Staff Representative, Eszter Gulyas.

The most awarded university was Kazimierz Wielki University in Bydgoszcz (POL), with a total of 8 medals, followed by University of Aveiro (POR) and University of Vienna (AUT).

Among the other results, in the Men's Eight Finals A, the

University of Tartu (EST) got the highest place, followed on the podium by Kazimierz Wielki University (POL) and University of Lyon (FRA). The other places went to Sport University Cologne (GER), Delft University of Technology (NED) and University of Lorraine (FRA).

In the Women's Eight Finals A, Nicolaus Copernicus University (POL) got the Champion title, while the 2nd place was gained

by University of Lyon (FRA) and the 3rd went to Kazimierz Wielki University (POL).

The finish line was completed by Norwegian Science University (NOR), University of Munster (GER) and Pomeranian Medical University (POL).

Overall, it was a successful event, held in the respect of sport principles, inclusion and fair competition, which saw an

important attendance of both athletes and fans. The athletes will have the opportunity to face each other again during the next edition of the European Universities Championship in Rowing, taking place in Istanbul, Turkey in 2024.

FINAL STANDINGS

UNIVERSITY RANKING

1.	Kazimierz Wielki University in Bydgoszcz	POL
2.	University of Aveiro	POR
3.	University of Vienna	AUT

GOLD MEDALISTS

MEN

M1x:	Kadir Has University	TUR
LM1x:	University of Strathclyde	GBR
LM2x:	WSG Bydgoszcz	POL
M2x:	University of Zagreb	CRO
LM2-:	Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich	SUI
M2-:	Poznan University of Technology	POL
LM4x:	University of Aveiro	POR
M4x:	Vytautas Magnus University	LTU
LM4-:	University of Aveiro	POR
M4-:	Czech University of Life Sciences Prague	CZE
M8+:	University of Tartu	EST

WOMEN

LW1x:	Royal Holloway, University of London	GBR
W1x:	Eotvos Lorand University	HUN
LW2x:	University of Coimbra	POR
W2x:	Kazimierz Wielki University in Bydgoszcz	POL
W2-:	University of Vienna	AUT
LW4x:	University of Vienna	AUT
W4x:	Kazimierz Wielki University in Bydgoszcz	POL
W4-:	Nicolaus Copernicus University in Torun	POL
W8+:	Nicolaus Copernicus University in Torun	POL

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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES RUGBY 7S CHAMPIONSHIP

LISBON, PORTUGAL
AUGUST 28-31, 2023

The European Universities Rugby 7s Championship took place in Lisbon, Portugal. This edition of the event hosted 162 participants, a total number of 11 different teams, representing 9 universities from 6 countries.

The European Universities Rugby7s Championship took place from August 28th to 31st and represented the 40th international event organized by FADU Portugal University Sports in their history.

The competition was organized by FADU Portugal University Sports, the University of Lisbon, the Polytechnic Institute of

Lisbon, and NOVA University of Lisbon, with the contribution of Lisbon City Hall, the Portuguese Sports and Youth Institute (IPDJ), Academic Federation of Lisbon (FAL) and the Higher Education Sports Association of Lisbon (ADESL).

EUSA was represented by Andreas Csonka, EUSA SCAC Chair Technical Delegate Mária

Gyolcsos, Miha Zvan EUSA Sports Manager, Abosede Ajayi, Chair of the EUSA Medical Commission and Mr Luka Pozgaj, Results Management Support.

In the men's category, the title of champions went to the University of La Rochelle (FRA) with a perfect campaign without any loss. The second place belonged to the University



FINAL STANDINGS

MEN

1.	University of La Rochelle	FRA
2.	San Jorge University	ESP
3.	Jozef Pilsudski University of Physical Education in Warsaw	POL
4.	Camilo Jose Cela University	ESP
5.	University of Parma	ITA
6.	University of Seville	ESP
7.	University of Göttingen	GER

WOMEN

1.	University of Rennes 2	FRA
2.	University of Seville	ESP
3.	Jozef Pilsudski University of Physical Education in Warsaw	POL
4.	Polytechnic Institute of Coimbra	POR



of San Jorge (ESP), while the bronze medals went to the hands of Jozef Pilsudski Academy of P.E. (POL).

In the women's competition, the top first place was won by the University of Rennes (FRA) following the example of their compatriots in the men's category, becoming the new European Universities champions with 0 defeat. The second place in the women's competition was also won by a Spanish university, University of Seville, while the third place belonged to the same university as the third place in men's category, Jozef Pilsudski Academy of P.E. (POL).

The Fair Play was given to Jozef Pilsudski Academy of Physical

Education (POL) in the women's competition and to Camilo José Cela University (ESP) in the men's championship.

The Most Valuable Player in the women's competition was awarded to Margaux Pufros from the University of Rennes 2 (FRA) and Lucas Zamora from the University of La Rochelle (FRA) in the men's category.

The Wooden Spoon in the women's competition was given to the Polytechnic Institute of Coimbra (POR), while in the men's competition went to the University of Goettingen (GER).

The next European Universities Rugby 7's Championships, will take place in Ankara, Turkey from 21-24 of July, 2025.



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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP OLOMOUC, CZECH REPUBLIC JULY 4-9, 2023

Over 130 participants, representing 24 universities from 13 countries, took part in the 2023 European Universities Table Tennis Championship held in Olomouc, Czech Republic.

The event was organised by the Czech University Sports Association and Table Tennis Club Olomouc, with 18 men's teams and 11 women's teams taking part.

EUSA was represented by EUSA SCAC Chair Agita Abele, Andrzej Hrehorowicz EUSA Technical Commission Vice Chair, EUSA Technical Delegate for Table

Tennis Matija Krnc, Assistant Technical Delegate Irena Purkat, and Eszter Gulyas, EUSA Sports Officer.

In the men's team finals, Zamojski Academy from Poland won the title after a dramatic final match against the University of Pecs from Hungary. The bronze prize went

to the University of Zagreb and the University of Porto.

The women's team finals were just as thrilling, with the University of Nottingham from the United Kingdom taking the championship after triumphing over the University of Zagreb from Croatia. The bronze medal was shared between the University of Ostrava and

the University of Economics in Wrocław.

In the men's doubles finals, Jan Zandacki and Konrad Kulpa from Zamojski Academy took first place after defeating Kamil Kurowski and Lukasz Sokolowski from Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, both teams from Poland.

The women's doubles title was won by Jiaqi Meng and Denise Payet from the University of Nottingham, who defeated Katarzyna Wegrzyn and Anna Wegrzyn from the Wrocław University of Economics from Poland in the finals.

Two Polish universities battled for the championship in the

men's singles final, with Jan Zandacki representing Zamojski Academy winning after defeating Kamil Kurowski from Maria Curie-Skłodowska University.

Jiaqi Meng of the University of Nottingham won the women's singles championship in the final against Zdena Blaskova of the University of Ostrava.

The next European Universities Table Tennis Championship will be held in Burdur, Turkey, from November 11th to 16th, 2025, just before the Table Tennis tournament taking place at the European Universities Games in Debrecen-Miskolc, Hungary, in 2024.



FINAL STANDINGS

MEN'S TEAM

1.	Zamojski Academy	POL
2.	University of Pecs	HUN
3.	University of Porto	POR
3.	University of Zagreb	CRO

WOMEN'S TEAM

1.	University of Nottingham	GBR
2.	University of Zagreb	CRO
3.	Wrocław University of Economic	POL
3.	University of Ostrava	CZE

INDIVIDUAL GOLD MEDALISTS

MEN'S SINGLES

Jan Zandacki, Zamojski Academy	POL
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WOMEN'S SINGLES

Jiaqi Meng, University of Nottingham	GBR
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MEN'S DOUBLES

Jan Zandacki & Konrad Kulpa, Zamojski Academy	POL
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WOMEN'S DOUBLES

Jiaqi Meng & Denise Payet, University of Nottingham	GBR
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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

GRANADA, SPAIN
JULY 3-9, 2023

Granada welcomed 112 participants from 23 universities from 13 countries, took part in the 2023 European Universities Tennis Championship, which was held in the great city of Granada, Spain.



The competition was organised by the Spanish University Sports Committee (CEDU), together with the University of Granada.

Present on behalf of EUSA on the competition were Liviú Matic, EUSA SCAC Chair along with Technical Delegate Michał Sikorski and Sara Rozman, EUSA Education and Development Manager.

After six heated days of sport action on the tennis courts in Granada, athletes gave their maximum to reach the wanted

victories and results, giving their best sportsmanship, fairplay and showing great tennis skills.

In men's finals, the title of champion went to the University of Bordeaux (FRA) who won a thrilling final match against the University of Zurich (SUI), having University of Cologne (GER) on the third position with the bronze medal.

In the women's competition, University of Grenoble Alpes (FRA) was awarded the gold medal following the victory over

University of Geneva (SUI). The third position on the podium was occupied by Paris Dauphine University (FRA).

Tennis will be taking part of the sport list of the next edition of the European Universities Games 2024 in Debrecen and Miskolc, Hungary, following which Coimbra, Portugal will be the host of the 14th of the European Universities Tennis Championship in 2025.

FINAL STANDINGS

MEN

1.	University of Bordeaux	FRA
2.	University of Zurich	SUI
3.	German Sport University Cologne	GER
4.	University of Lille	FRA
5.	University of Girona	ESP
6.	University of Granada	ESP
7.	University of Regensburg	GER
8.	Jagiellonian University	POL
9.	University of Seville	ESP
10.	University of Szeged	HUN
11.	University of Porto	POR
12.	Ben-Gurion University of the Negev	ISR
13.	Lund University	SWE
14.	University of Cyprus	CYP
15.	University of Debrecen	HUN
16.	Norwegian School of Economics	NOR

WOMEN

1.	University of Grenoble Alpes	FRA
2.	University of Geneva	SUI
3.	Paris Dauphine University	FRA
4.	University of Regensburg	GER
5.	Poznan University of Medical Sciences	POL
6.	University of Cyprus	CYP
7.	University of Split	CRO
8.	German Sport University Cologne	GER
9.	University of Innsbruck	AUT
10.	University of Porto	POR
11.	University of Granada	ESP
12.	University of Debrecen	HUN
13.	University of Lisbon	POR



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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

BRAGA, PORTUGAL JULY 16-23, 2023

One of the two oldest events on the EUSA Championship programme, the European Universities Volleyball Championship, was held in 2023 in the city of Braga in Portugal.

A total number of 373 participants, representing 23 universities from 10 countries took part in this year's edition of the event, which was hosted by the Academic Association of the University of Minho, University of Minho, and the Portuguese

Academic Federation of University Sport (FADU).

At the event, EUSA was represented by EUSA SCAC Chair, Felipe Santos, EUSA Technical Delegate for Volleyball, Pablo Martinez Martinez, Assistant Technical

Delegate, Antonio Correa Benitez, EUSA Sports Manager, Miha Zvan, EUSA Staff Representative, Hristina Hristova and Julija Furcic, Results Management support.

In the women's finals, we witnessed a title-defending



moment when the University of Bologna won an exciting final match against German Sport University Cologne securing the gold medal. University of Bologna was the European Universities Champion in Volleyball in the women's competition at last year's 2022 in Lodz, Poland. The bronze medal was well deserved and won by the University of Zagreb.

In the men's finals, the title of champions went to the West University of Timisoara who won a thrilling final match against the University of Rostock. The bronze medal went into the hands of the University of Wurzburg.

The Fair-Play award in the women's competition was given to the German Sport University of Cologne (GER), while the Top Scorer award was given to Susanna Olivero from the

University of Turin Polytechnic (ITA) and the MVP award was given to Leonarda Grabic from the University of Zagreb (CRO).

Regarding the men's competition, the Fair Play award went to the hands of University of Minho (POR). The Top Scorer award was given to Brentel Jannik from Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (GER), while the MVP award was given to Darius Catalin Campean from West University of Timisoara (ROU).

Next EUSA Volleyball competition will be featured on the sports program of the next edition of the European Universities Games 2024 in Debrecen-Miskolc in Hungary. After that, the best university volleyball teams will have the chance to gather again in Budapest from 4th to 11th of July 2025.



FINAL STANDINGS

MEN

1.	West University of Timisoara	ROU
2.	University of Rostock	GER
3.	University of Wurzburg	GER
4.	Karlsruhe Institute of Technology	GER
5.	University of Valencia	ESP
6.	Polytechnic University of Catalonia	ESP
7.	Nova University of Lisbon	POR
8.	University of Minho	POR
9.	Josip Juraj Strossmayer University of Osijek	CRO
10.	Western Norway University of Applied Sciences	NOR

WOMEN

1.	University of Bologna	ITA
2.	German Sport University Cologne	GER
3.	University of Zagreb	CRO
4.	University of Valencia	ESP
5.	Hungarian University of Sports Science	HUN
6.	University Vasile Alecsandri of Bacau	ROU
7.	University of Munster	GER
8.	University of Porto	POR
9.	University of Bordeaux	FRA
10.	Aix-Marseille University	FRA
11.	Turin Polytechnic	ITA
12.	University of Minho	POR
13.	University Fan Noli	ALB
14.	University of Aveiro	POR
15.	Norwegian University of Science and Technology	NOR



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**EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES
WATER POLO CHAMPIONSHIP**
MISKOLC, HUNGARY
JULY 13-19, 2023

Taking place alongside the European Universities Badminton Championship, the second edition of the European Universities Water Polo Championship was held in Miskolc, Hungary.

Over 100 male participants, representing 7 universities in 3 countries, took part in the competition, hosted by the University of Miskolc in collaboration with the Hungarian University Sports Federation.

Present in Miskolc on behalf of EUSA were: György Kovács, Technical Commission Vice Chair, Water Polo Technical Delegate, Gábor Vogel, and Cristina Kenely, EUSA Representative.

The championship concluded with a stunning victory for Budapest Business School, which defeated the University of Pecs 14-9 in the final match. The bronze medal was won by the

University of Debrecen, which defeated Corvinus University of Budapest in a closely-contested game 7-6 to Debrecen.

Márton Keresztri of Pécs University claimed the Most Valuable Player award. The Best Goalkeeper was Márk Gábor Szalai from the Budapest Business School, while Kristóf Sziládi from Corvinus University was the Top Scorer.

The third edition of the European Universities Water Polo Championship will be held in Vukovar, Croatia in 2025, while Water Polo will be also featured in the European Universities Games in Debrecen-Miskolc, Hungary 2024.



FINAL STANDINGS

1.	Budapest Business School	HUN
2.	University of Pecs	HUN
3.	University of Debrecen	HUN
4.	Corvinus University of Budapest	HUN
5.	Delft University of Technology	NED
6.	University of Bristol	GBR
7.	University of Oxford	GBR



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EUSA INSIDER

Every year for us, it is important to learn from, hear and see the experiences and views of our participants. This year was not an exception.

With 5570 participants involved in the 2023 European Universities Championships, EUSA Insider brings you stories from athletes, volunteers and organizers, providing insight into EUSA sports events and European university sport.

Participants in EUSA events come from all around Europe, from all walks of life, bringing cultures from different countries, are of different ages, have different goals and fields of study, but all reunite, having one thing in common: love and passion for sport.

Through EUSA Insider, we gather, share and care about the stories of student-athletes, volunteers and other people involved in our events, revealing their stories, sporting journeys, experiences, successes, as well as their views and opinions on our EUSA events, and the university sports scene, in general.

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Katarina Stražar, 22
Table Tennis
University of Ljubljana (SLO)

"At EUSA events, besides the competition, there is more time for enjoying, connecting with people, more socializing and a lot more fun!"



Marko Gaspar, 23
Futsal
University of Split (CRO)

"EUSA events are events at the European level that gather a wide range of people engaged in the same sport. I believe it can influence the development of every player, both in sports and social aspects. After all, who knows, if you perform exceptionally well in the competition, you might even receive some good offers from abroad that can change your life."



Maja Chyla, 22
Jagiellonian University (POL)
Alpine Skiing

"At the EUSA Winter Sports Championship, I like the fact that the competitors are students, so we have similar lives- between sport, university classes and we share the same hobbies. The atmosphere is unique and everyone is so nice and happy to be here!"



Matthew Howell, 20
Taekwondo
University of Nottingham (GBR)

"Participating in EUSA events is important because these events are such prestigious international events, and it motivates me to do my best to represent the University of Nottingham. It also gives me ranking points for future international competitions."



Gerda and Rugile Grudzinskaite, 24 and 23
Beach Volleyball
Lithuanian Sports University (LTU)

"It is a huge honor to represent our Lithuanian Sports University! And even more so when we can do it while playing together as a team, as sisters! Also, we liked that this competition is characterized by nature conservation, not sharing water bottles, good organization and friendly organizers that will help you in dealing with all things."



Kamen Zlatkov, 26
Alpine Skiing
Technical University of Sofia (BUL)

"I like the spirit of this EUSA event, unlike professional sports, where all that matters is result and performance, here it's all about the love of the sport and joy."



Sveva Romanò, Beatrice Cortinovis, Claudia Lomazzi, Federica La Rocca
Snow Volleyball
Milano-Bicocca (ITA)

"We think this kind of championship can definitely help to grow as athletes because it gives you the chance to compare yourself and your team to the other players, so you can really learn from the different ways of playing and develop new skills and technique."



Zakaria Bafta, 28
Media and Communications (OC) for European Universities Winter Championships

"My role as media within the event allowed me to witness firsthand the remarkable athleticism among university athletes from across Europe. It was a unique and enriching experience to contribute to the coverage of this historic event, capturing the excitement and spirit of the championships. I am grateful for the chance to have been involved and look forward to future editions that continue to showcase the talent and unity within the European university sports community."



Natalie Schoemann, 26
Snowboard
University of Bamberg (GER)

"I would definitely recommend to other fellow student athletes to participate in EUSA Championships, it is so much fun, you meet other students from all over Europe, do the sport you like, and have the possibility to compete in a greatly organized competition in a very nice location."



Pablo Reina Ruiz, 22
Official photographer of European Universities Beach Handball Championship 2023

"Sports photography has always been one of my hobbies, but thanks to this championship, I think I am going to try to dedicate myself to it."





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EUSA PATRONAGE

EUSA may also endorse other events, granting its Patronage to already established university sport and educational events in Europe, contributing to the promotion and visibility of such events.



EUROPEAN OPEN UNIVERSITY POWERLIFTING CUP 2023

ALBI, FRANCE
MARCH 16-18, 2023

A total of 123 athletes representing their universities, forming a group of 64 male athletes and 59 female athletes, came from 10 countries across Europe to take part in the European Open University Powerlifting Cup.

The 4th edition of the European University Cup in Classic Powerlifting was held in Albi, France, between March 16th and 18th. Throughout the three days of competition, women competed in 6 categories, from -47 kg to +84 kg, and men also competed in 6 categories, from -59 kg to +120 kg.

A number of university records were broken during the competition. The first one was set by Ellen B. Akesson (Linköping University, SWE) in the 63 kg category with a deadlift of 192.5 kg and in the bench press with 100 kg. She was followed by Mathilde Rosse (University of Grenoble, FRA), who broke the -63 kg EUSA squat record with 165 kg.

In addition, Nusa Zekeznik (University of Ljubljana, SLO) won gold in the -84 kg category with an EUSA squat record of 168 kg.

In the -76 kg weight category, the gold medal was won by Machwate Emma (University of Strasbourg, FRA) with a total of 425 kg, breaking the European University Record Deadlift with 195 kg. The 84+ kg was the last session in the women's weight class category, where Mmadi Salma (University of Toulouse, FRA) won the gold medal while breaking the European University Record Deadlift with 175.5 kg.

The Swedish athletes broke a number of records in the

men's division, with Mattias Svensson (Lund University, SWE) breaking the European University Record Deadlift with 320.5 kg in the -93 kg men. Followed by Andreas Nilsson (Lund University, SWE), who emerged as champion with 740 kg, breaking the European University Record Bench Press with 185 kg.

On the final day, the men's -105 kg weight classes A and B category concluded, with Johansson Emil (Umea University, SWE) taking gold and setting a new 105 kg EUSA squat record of 293 kg. Followed by Eliam Chandeau (University of Lyon, FRA), he set a new EUSA bench record of 188 kg and a new deadlift record of 326 kg.

The event was held under the auspices of the European Powerlifting Federation (EPF) and the French Powerlifting Federation (FPF), under the patronage of the European University Sports Association (EUSA), as an open cup. The next University Cup competition will be held in Nancy, France, from February 29 to March 3, 2024.



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ASA CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023

EILAT, ISRAEL

MARCH 19-22, 2023

The ASA International Championship is a sport competition organised annually, devoted to promote and develop university sports, not just in Israel but on an international level, as well.

The 55th ASA International Championship, took place from 19-22 of March in the Israeli city of Eilat, organized under the patronage of the European University Sports Association (EUSA).

Organized by the Israel Academic Sports Association, in this year's ASA International Championship, 2200 students from Israel and other European countries participated. In addition to the local universities, foreign delegations of students from abroad also took part, which included participants from Poland, Croatia and Albania.

The four-day competition, which took place from March 19-22, included an array of 24 sports events, including 3x3 Basketball, Aquathlon (Run/Swim/Run), Beach Volleyball, Chess, Cross Country Running, Futsal, Handball, Judo, Mountain Biking, CatchBall, Orienteering, Swimming (in a 25-meter pool), Sea Kayak, Stand Up Paddling (Sup), Table Tennis, Tennis and Wind Surfing.

Throughout the competition, the athletes competed in their 24 sports, challenging themselves and giving their best sporting skills, as well as enjoying many social and cultural events.

The 4-day competition, was successfully concluded with many great finals and many medals and cups.

In addition to the sporting events, the International ASA Leadership Conference took place from March 17th -19th prior to the start of the Championships. Organized in conjunction with the National Union of Israeli, this conference focused on the topic of promotion and leading of the sport in academic institutions.

A reception of the Heads of Delegations also took place, hosted by ASA, with the

presence of the Mayor of Eilat, the Chairman of the Israel Student Association, and Members of the ASA Israel Board.



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INTERNATIONAL ROWING REGATTA SVETI DUJE SPLIT, CROATIA MAY 12-14, 2023

The International Regatta Sveti Dujе returned to Split for its 21st edition from May 12–14. The finest university rowing teams from Europe and beyond gathered in Split to compete in the Sveti Dujе International Rowing Regatta.

The event held its Opening Ceremony on the 12th of May at the Basements of Diocletian's Palace, where all participants, representatives, attendees, and guests gathered to officially open this event.

On the 13th of May, the first day of the Regatta Sveti Dujе officially started with an amazing rowing racing spirit at the University Race, followed by the University Race Finals and the Award Ceremony.

In the women's race, there was some strong competition, resulting in a thrilling final in

which the gold medal went to the University of Oxford, the second place was conquered by the University of Cambridge, and the bronze went into the hands of the hosts, the University of Split.

The double victory was taken by the University of Oxford, which won the gold medal in the men's race, as well as the University of Cambridge, which took over the second position. On the third place, with the bronze around their necks, we saw the Imperial College of London.

The second competition day was reserved for the European

University Race, the Intercontinental Race, and the Race of the Legends. The winner of both the European University and Intercontinental Races was the Imperial College of London. This year, for the first time, the University of Johannesburg and Korean National Sports University were part of the International Rowing Regatta, winning second and third place in the Intercontinental Race, respectively. The Oxford Legends took top position in the race of Legends, while the Cambridge Legends and the Split Legends took second and third place on the podium, respectively.

The event was organised by the Croatian Academic Sport Federation (CASF), the University of Split, and the Split University Sport Association in cooperation with local partners under the patronage of the European University Sport Association (EUSA). It was attended by EUSA President Adam Roczek, EUSA Secretary General Matjaz Pecovnik and the EUSA Executive Committee members.



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SELL GAMES 2023

TARTU, ESTONIA

MAY 19-21, 2023

The SELL Games is an international sports competition for students that has a rich history dating back to 1923. It started as the International Regional Student Sports Competitions in Tartu and later became known as the SELL Games.

The 38th edition of the SELL Games, hosted by the Estonian Academic Sports Federation and the city of Tartu, marked the 100th anniversary of the event, making it a significant milestone in its history.

Over 900 student-athletes attended the competition over the course of three days, in which the students competed in 15 different disciplines: 3x3 basketball, mini-football, athletics, badminton, basketball, beach volleyball, chess, powerlifting, swimming, table tennis, volleyball, wrestling, disc golf, judo, and orienteering.

The SELL Games provide an opportunity for students to showcase their athletic abilities and compete in a variety of sports disciplines. At this edition of the SELL games, 29 universities, coming from 7 different countries, took part in the competitions, with Estonia having the highest number of universities with 9, Lithuania and Latvia with 8, Finland with 2, and Croatia, Turkey, and USA with 1 university.

The total medal tally of the 38th edition of SELL Student Sport Games was dominated by Lithuania with 168 medals (71 gold, 50 silver, and 47 bronze),

followed by Latvia with 60 medals (14 gold, 23 silver, and 23 bronze), and Estonia coming in third place with 57 medals (16 gold, 21 silver, and 20 bronze), followed by the USA and Croatia with one gold medal, and Finland with one silver medal.

The Lithuanian universities dominated the competition, as they shared the highest number of medals at this year's SELL Games. Vytautas Magnus University won 44 medals taking the title of champions, Lithuanian Sports University with 37 medals won the second place, and Vilnius University

with 30 medals won the third place.

On May 21, the SELL games were officially closed, and the next year's hosting honour was given to Kaunas, the second-biggest city in Lithuania.

SELL Games are organised by the national university sports associations in the four founding countries and held under the patronage of EUSA and FISU.



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4 HEALTHY ACADEMIC SOCIETY CONFERENCE

POREČ, CROATIA

JUNE 8-9, 2023

The Croatian Academic Sports Federation (CASF) organised the inaugural “4 Healthy Academic Society” conference with the help of the European University Sports Association (EUSA), academics, and other partners.

The conference that took place in Porec, Croatia, from 8-9 of June, showcased a significant step towards creating a healthier and more active academic environment that will benefit the physical and mental health of students, academics, and professionals. Multiple scientific talks and articles were given, expertise was exchanged, vital data was displayed, and networks were strengthened.

This conference included expert speakers from all over the world who shared their perspectives and research on the importance of physical exercise and health while addressing a broad range of topics related to dual careers, health, student physical activity,

and physical education at the university level. It focused on ways to promote healthier work and study habits, as well as strategies to improve the overall well-being of the academic community.

The conference also included short presentations of publications, projects, and researchers, focusing on topics such as the association between sedentary behaviour and body composition, enhancing physical activity for elderly people, the power of mindset and its role in the well-being of student-athletes, the impact of physical activity on mental health, the impact of smoking on the well-being of students, as well as

nutrition and physical activities of students with disabilities.

It was concluded with a roundtable and panel discussion of respected scientists dealing with problems and potential improvements associated with the position of student-athletes and drawing attention to the impact of the quality of physical education, extracurricular sports activities, and academic sports on a healthier academic environment.

EUSA was represented at the event by EUSA President, Adam Roczek; 1st Vice President, Haris Pavletic; EUSA Treasurer, Professor Francis Cirianni and

EUSA Communications Officer Hristina Hristova.

The conference was also supported by the Enhancing Sports Organisations and Management (ESOM) project, co-funded by the European Union through the Erasmus+ Programme.



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FRIENDSHIP GAMES 2023

EILAT, ISRAEL

JUNE 22-28, 2023

The Friendship Games is an international basketball tournament that takes place annually in Israel and brings together teams from all over the world, with an emphasis on countries that have ongoing conflict between them.

The 16th annual Friendship Games took place in Eilat, a Red Sea resort, from June 22nd to 28th, 2023, hosted by Tel Aviv University Sports Club and ASA Israel, under the patronage of EUSA and the International University Sports Federation (FISU).

The mission of the Friendship Games is to create friendship in the Middle East and other countries, using Sport as the main tool and a bridge to make that connection between people and young students. The core of the event is the power of sport to provide the basis of encounters, friendships and practicing sport between

students coming from diverse countries, cultures, religions and backgrounds.

In 2023, the Friendship Games were attended by 9 teams, in both men and women categories, with students from Bulgaria, Lithuania, Ukraine, Palestine and Israel, including Israeli Arabs and Jews.

Besides the competition in Basketball, there were also competitions in 3x3, 3-point competition and slam dunk competition. The mixed competitions created a good connection between all the participants and helped to break the ice.

The final game for the women's teams was played between a team from Israel and Lithuania, where the win was conquered by the Israeli team.

In the men's final match, the victory was also celebrated by Israel, after a great, exciting match played against the team from Bulgaria.

The Friendship Games were not just about the competition, since all participants also had the chance to enjoy cultural events, as well as sailing on the Red Sea.

One of the highlights of the event and for the organizer,

it was the fact that previous participants and student-athletes, came to act as volunteers and to support the event in every way possible.

At the end of the event, the goal and mission were fulfilled, with many friendships formed, new cultures exchanged, and new memories created.



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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABILITY AND LEGACY IN SPORT KYEY, UKRAINE NOVEMBER 29-30, 2023

On November 29 and 30, an international conference on Sustainability and Legacy in Sport: Challenges and Perspectives was held in Kyiv in hybrid format, hosted by the National University of Ukraine on Physical Education and Sport, the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, the Ministry of Youth and Sport of Ukraine, and the National Academy of Educational Sciences of Ukraine, under the patronage of the International University Sports Federation (FISU), the European University Sports Association (EUSA) and the International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE).

The 7th edition, although still marked by the situation in Ukraine and the current state of affairs caused by the war, managed to gather great speakers, covering insightful topics, all expressing high hopes that peace will return soon, and sport, education and scientific work will continue to advance and grow.

The conference was opened by the greetings of many important guests, among them the FISU President, Leonz Eder, Maria Bulatova, Vice – President of the National Olympic Committee of Ukraine, and Yevheniy Imas,

President of Sports Students' Union of Ukraine (SSUU).

On Wednesday, the following topics were put forward through plenary sessions: Social, Ecological, Economic and Organizational dimensions of sport in the concept of sustainable development; Physical culture of children and youth as components of sustainable development concept; Current challenges of sports development and achieving goals of sustainable development; Olympic education as implementation of sustainable development ideas in society; Current challenges

of training choreographers in higher educational institutions.

After all these plenary sessions, a panel discussion followed and enlarged the discussion on each of the topics. The array of speakers on these panel discussions included EUSA President Adam Roczek, who spoke about the Development programs of European Student Sports: key components and innovative directions.

As part of the program of the conference, the Satellite seminar on Management of University Sport: Sustainable Development of the Erasmus+

Project Enhancing Sport Organizations and Management (ESOM), took place.

On the second day of this conference, additional overall topics were covered: sports medicine, public health, mental health in sport, youth and the Olympic movement, and education through sport. These topics were mainly presented through sessions and panel discussions, covered by professionals in the areas of discussion.



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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CHRISTMAS TOURNAMENT

DUBROVNIK, CROATIA DECEMBER 14-17, 2023

The 26th edition of the International Student Christmas Tournament in Dubrovnik has concluded, marking another fantastic success this year. The event, held from December 14 to 17, was organized by the Dubrovnik University Sports Association, with collaborative efforts from the Student Centre Dubrovnik, Student Union of Dubrovnik, the University of Dubrovnik, and the Croatian Academic Sports Federation.

The tournament, proudly held under the patronage of the European University Sport Association (EUSA), marked another successful sports gathering.

Student-athletes engaged in spirited competition in men's basketball and women's volleyball, with 6 basketball teams and 6 volleyball teams facing off across the halls of Dubrovnik's Sport Center. The tournament spanned three days, encompassing the opening ceremony, qualifying games and matches, closing ceremony, and entertaining programs, such as the Dubrovnik city tour. On December 14th, the opening ceremony set the stage, with the Organizational Committee

extending a warm welcome to the participating teams.

Following the basketball tournament matches, the Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Computing of the University of Zagreb (CRO) claimed the top spot on the winner's podium, with the University of Osijek (CRO) securing the second position, and the Polytechnic of Vukovar (CRO) earning the third position.

In the volleyball tournament, the University of Prishtina (KOS) clinched the gold medal, maintaining its position from a year ago, while the Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Computing of the University of Zagreb (CRO) secured the silver medal. The bronze medal was

claimed by the University of Zadar (CRO).

The tournament reached its official conclusion during the closing ceremony, where medals and trophies were presented to the most successful team, individuals, and fair play teams.

In addition to the tournament and sports matches, our guests enjoyed complimentary access to Dubrovnik's premier tourist attraction—the City walls. Teams also had the option to participate in an organized city tour and engage in various social activities.

The next edition of this tournament will be organised from 19th to 22nd of December 2024.



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EUSA CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

University Sport is much more than competing, results and scoreboards, and as such, EUSA puts major emphasis on having a variety of educational programmes, organizing regular meetings, seminars, conventions to ensure progress, knowledge sharing, effective leadership, networking, and good governance.



EUSA-FISU SEMINAR VAL DI ZOLDO, ITALY MARCH 23-26, 2023

The second edition of the EUSA-FISU Seminar took place in the beautiful Val di Zoldo, Italy, from March 23-26. The event was attended mostly by secretary generals and office staff of the National Universities Sports Association from Europe, as well as European University Sports Association (EUSA) and International University Sports Federation (FISU) representatives.

With the picturesque snow-capped mountains as its backdrop, the seminar was the second meeting of this kind, where the two well – established organisations continued to strengthen their ties for the betterment of university sport.

Haris Pavletic, 1st Vice-President of EUSA had the honour to open the event by greeting the

present attendees and wishing them a successful seminar. The acting president of FISU, Leonz Eder also shared his opening words through a video message and welcomed the attendees.

The Education and Development Manager of EUSA, Sara Rozman, was responsible of moderating the introductions and wrappings for each part of the seminar.

The programme was kicked off with the What's Up EUSA part, which was led by the EUSA Secretary General, Matjaz Pecovnik. Various topics in relation to EUSA sport and educational events, meetings, projects and other activities were presented. A message of spending quality and fruitful time together and optimism for the future was given.

Next was the What's Up FISU, presented by the FISU Development & Campus Director, Fernando Parente, and the FISU Development & NUSF Relations Manager, Tarmo Jaakson. They presented the upcoming FISU events, their strategy, their programmes and the healthy campus, among others.

On March 24th the programme continued in Fusine Conference Hall, with the first activity of the day being the Panel Discussion: EUSA Games 2022 – Lessons Learned. Natasa Jankovic, Consultant at EUSA, moderated the panel in which the 1st Vice-President of EUSA, Haris Pavletic, the International Relations of the Norwegian Association of University Sports, Yngvild Larsen Schei, the European Universities Games 2022 Consultant, Tomasz Aftanski, and the Secretary General of the Croatian Academic Sports Federation, Nikola Vincetic, were the speakers.

Plenty of topics and ideas were discussed around the EUG 2022, like its evolution, the challenges, how difficult it is to promote the university sport, the legacy of the event, and some advice for future organisers.

Right after it, a lecture regarding the legacy of sports events, with a focus on the World Universities Games in Lucerne, was given by the Swiss University Sports President, Mike Kurt. He remarked that legacy should always come first when organising a sporting event.

Following on the agenda, the EUSA Sports Manager, Miha Zvan, presented some statistics from previous EUSA events, an overview of the future EUSA events, EUSA-endorsed events and new initiatives, while FISU Sports Director Juan Carlos Holgado, gave an overview of the future and previous FISU events and explained the FISU sports policy.

The program then continued with the second Panel Discussion on Sustainable Sports Events, which was moderated by the Academic Sports Organisation of Zurich Director, Lorenz Ursprung. The speakers were the FISU Sports Director, Juan Carlos Holgado,

the Vice-President of EUSA, Aitor Canibe Sanchez, and the Snow & Beach Volleyball Coordinator of the European Volleyball Confederation (CEV), Daniel Horvath. Green Sports Hub Europe (GSHE) was one of the initiatives, highlighted as a good practice example, co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union.

The EUSA Goes Winter inaugural European Universities Winter Championship was the last presentation of the day, given by the Secretary General of EUSA, Matjaz Pecovnik and the President of CUS Venezia, Massimo Zanotto.

During the morning on March 25th, all participants split up into two groups, doing two different #BeActive sport activities. One group had the chance to do alpine skiing and enjoy the skiing routes.

The afternoon was then filled up with presentations of different sports events, such as: the FISU World University Games Winter, the winter sports competitions organised by AZS and the Italian National Universities Winter Championship.

Presentations regarding new fresh initiatives such as: Ski Orienteering & Ski mountaineering, Snow Volleyball as well as the Brand Value Alignment through Dual Career (BRAVA) project, wrapped up the working programme.

The EUSA-FISU seminar received great positive remarks by the ones attending, who were grateful for the opportunity to network, strengthen ties, exchange ideas and knowledge, and learn from some of the most experienced minds in each organisation, inspired to continue their best efforts for the growth of university sport.





EUSA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The elected EUSA Executive Committee, which is responsible for the organisation's good governance and executions of decisions taken by the General Assembly, met in 2023 in person twice, to coordinate and review the work done by the association and to ensure its progressive path forward.

Split (CRO)

May 12-13, 2023

Executive Committee members of the European University Sports Association (EUSA), key office members and invited delegates met on May 12 and 13 in the second-largest town in Croatia – Split.

EUSA Family members were welcomed by the representatives of the hosts – the President of the Croatian Academic Sports Federation (CASF/HASS) Haris Pavletic, and the Rector of the University of Split, Dragan Ljubic

at the time of the traditional St Dujce Regatta.

After the reception and meeting with the Rector, the EUSA Executive Committee commenced its meeting in the Senate room of the University of Split. At the end of the first working day, the participants attended the opening ceremony of the 21st Rowing Regatta St Dujce, held at the Diocletian's Palace in the city centre.

The second working day was held at the Technological Park of the University of Split, where

the EUSA Executive Committee meeting continued. The content part of the meeting started with EUSA President Adam Roczek and Secretary General Matjaz Pecovnik giving an overview of recent activities, followed by more detailed reports per topics and sectors. After, the EUSA Treasurer, Francis Ciranni presented the financial reports and accounts for 2022 and the provisional budget for 2023, as well as the report for the first three months of this year. EUSA Executive Committee again confirmed its support for Ukraine. EUSA again opened

its solidarity fund in order to support Ukrainian participation in sports and educational events this year.

EUSA Secretary General, Matjaz Pecovnik and Sports Manager, Miha Zvan presented the report of the European Universities Championships 2023, as well as preparations for the 2025 editions. The records of numbers in registration for championships 2023, the first edition of the winter championship in Val Di Zoldo in Italy, and European Universities Games Debrecen-Miskolc 2024 were



also presented. The reports on the European Universities Games Debrecen-Miskolc 2024 (EUG2024) were presented. A delegation representing the Organising Committee attended the meeting and shared the progress report. The delegation comprised Hungarian University Sports Federation (HUSF/MEFS) Secretary General Peter Juhasz, representative of the University of Debrecen Kata Varga and representative of the University of Miskolc, Reka Molnar.

Projects and initiatives supported by the European Union (EU) through the Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps (ESC) were presented by the EUSA Communications and Projects Manager, Andrej Pisl. EUSA is engaged in several projects on the topics of dual career, equal opportunities and inclusion, healthy lifestyle, good governance, skills development, sustainability, traineeship and volunteering.

At the end, the members discussed the EUSA awards that were attributed this year, confirmed the nomination of three technical delegates (Golf, Rugby 7s and Skiing), confirmed the change in the Karate Technical Regulations, and confirmed the change in the EUSA Incident Policy.

Kusadasi (TUR)

October 12, 2023

The second Executive Committee meeting of the European University Sports Association (EUSA) in 2023 was held on the 12th October in Kusadasi, Türkiye, a jewel of the Aegean Sea. EUSA Family members were welcomed by the representative of the hosts – the President of the Türkiye University Sports Federation (TUSF) Mehmet Gunay. EUSA President Adam Roczek thanked the host institution for the invitation and the hospitality.

The meeting started with a general overview of activities and an office report, presented by EUSA Secretary General Matjaz Pecovnik. He highlighted the main achievements of the organisation in the past period this summer, especially the successful and record-breaking summer season of the European Universities Championships.

Attribution, calendar and bidding procedures for the 2024, 2025 and 2027 EUSA events were also presented by EUSA Sports Manager Miha Zvan, who shared the highlights of the whole season.

After a brief progress report on the European Universities Games Debrecen-Miskolc

2024 (EUG2024), reports on candidature for the European Universities Games 2028 were presented, followed by the nomination of the Evaluation Commission. The Sports Events part of the meeting concluded with reports about EUSA endorsed partnership events, such as EUSA Patronage and Cups and FISU World University Leagues and Cups.

Projects and initiatives co-funded by the European Union (EU) through the Erasmus+ Programme and European Solidarity Corps (ESC) were presented by the EUSA Communications and Projects Manager, Andrej Pisl. EUSA is engaged in projects, and through its Institute, currently leads four EU-funded projects, namely Inclusion in Sport (iSport), Enhancing Sport Organizations and Management (ESOM), European Solidarity Corps – Volunteering (ESC) and Erasmus+ Youth Mobility. In addition, we are partnering on four ongoing projects: Brand Value Alignment through Dual Career (BRAVA), Green Sports Hub Europe (GSHE), Youth Integrity Ambassador Program (YIAP) and Healthy Lifestyle For All.

The educational events and meetings were presented by EUSA Secretary General, Matjaz

Pecovnik, as well as Education and Development Manager, Sara Rozman. Calendar of upcoming Executive Committee meetings was shared.

Last received applications and revisions to the EUSA Associated Members applications were also presented and preliminarily approved before presenting it to the EUSA General Assembly for confirmation.

The executive committee took place for one day, before continuing with the general assembly and EUSA Gala.

EUSA-EUG 2024 CONVENTION

In preparation for the next edition of the European Universities Games in Debrecen-Miskolc 2024, the local Organising Committee welcomed EUSA representatives and guests to the EUSA EUG 2024 Convention in Budapest.

EUSA's Executive Committee Members, Office Staff, Technical Delegates, and Medical Commission Chair, all came together with the local Organising Committee members to prepare for this major universities' sports event. The European Universities Games Debrecen-Miskolc 2024 (EUG2024) were represented by the operational members of the Organising Committee, National Technical Delegates, and Representatives of the Hungarian University Sports Federation (HUSF/MESF). The event was attended also by representatives of the previous European Universities Games Lodz 2022 (EUG 2022), as well as the upcoming ones in Salerno 2026 (EUG2026).

The programme kicked off with the first session being the EUSA internal meeting on June 2nd, where Ivana Ertlova, EUSA Vice-President and Chair of the Technical Commission, welcomed the participants and wished them a pleasant and productive time at the EUSA-EUG Convention 2024.

The programme agenda, Technical Commission and the EUSA Operational Documents 2024 were then presented by EUSA Sports Manager, Miha Zvan, while he also introduced this year's European Universities Championships 2023 and the European University Games 2024.

EUSA Sports Officer, Eszter Guylas gave an overview with more information of the current session of the European Universities Championships for all sports.

After the EUSA internal meeting was concluded, the main part of the EUSA-EUG 2024 Convention officially started. MEFS Secretary General, Peter Juhasz and EUSA 1st Vice-President Haris Pavletic welcomed all participants and wished them a fruitful and productive convention. EUSA Secretary General Matjaz Pecovnik also greeted and welcomed all participants, and gave a presentation about EUSA, its structures and activities.

The Project Manager of the Organisational Committee of EUG 2024, Laszlo Vegh gave an overview of the plans and preparations of the European Universities Games Debrecen Miskolc, presented the activity plan for 2023, and the next steps on project level.

EUSA Sports Manager Miha Zvan then introduced the EUSA Sports programme to the participants of the event. The role of EUSA Representatives during the sports events was explained by Matjaz Pecovnik, EUSA Secretary General. EUSA Technical Delegate for Futsal, Tomasz Aftanski, presented the role of the EUSA Technical Delegates.



Before taking a break for lunch, MEFS Vice Secretary General Gyorgy Kovacs introduced the sports programme of the European Universities Games 2024. LOC representatives, Kata Varga presented in detail the plan for Debrecen and Reka Molnar for Miskolc, introducing the sports and venues for the EUG 2024 in the two cities.

The next part of day one of the convention was dedicated to the medical and catering aspects and was led by Abosede Ajayi, EUSA Medical Commission Chair. The registrations and accreditation process were then presented by Aleksandra Andreeva, EUSA Sports Administrator.

Following, the Polish Delegation then reflected on the EUG 2022 in Lodz, having Dominik Lezanski, EUG 2022 Main Coordinator, giving an overview of the event and its legacy. Iwona Neroj, Coordinator of the Organisation Department of European Universities Games 2022, talked about the main operational fields, including transportation, accommodation, catering, accreditation, volunteers, marketing, educational events, while Kamil Kozlowski, EUG 2022 Sports Manager, presented the sports programme and related experiences in Lodz.

The end of the day saw the panel discussion held, with the main topic being the lessons learned from the EUG Lodz 2022. The Panel discussion was moderated by Natasa Jankovic, EUSA Consultant, and featured the EUG 2022 delegation and Sara Rozman, EUSA Education and Development Manager.

The first day was closed with the last speech given by Michele Ruocco, CUS Salerno Secretary General. Since the

2026 European Universities Games will be held in the city of Salerno, it was appropriate to give some context to the audience about it.

On the second day of the EUSA Convention, the main event was the official dinner, which included speeches given by MEFS President, Lajos Mocsai, MEFS Secretary General, Peter Juhasz, EUSA 1st Vice-President, Haris Pavletic, and EUG2024 OC Project Manager, Laszlo Vegh. The dinner event was attended by the representatives of the Hungarian authorities, including the delegates of both hosting cities and universities, as well as governing sports federations and key national entities.

On June 3, the final active day of the conference, EUSA Representatives and Technical Delegates visited Debrecen and Miskolc to inspect the venues for the EUG 2024. Once the inspections were finished, the preparation of reports started. The expeditioners later returned to Budapest and met with the Organizing Committee to draw conclusions from the inspection visits.

The convention was wrapped up in the afternoon, after a productive session of presentations for each sport, accommodations, catering and accreditation centres for the EUG 2024.

The next edition of the European Universities Games will be held in the Hungarian cities of Debrecen and Miskolc in July 2024. The 7th edition of the event will be the largest university sports event in Hungary since 1965, when the Summer Universiade (World University Games) was held in Budapest.





EUSA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The European University Sports Association (EUSA) convened its General Assembly in Kusadasi, Türkiye, between October 13 and 15, with over 100 participants present.

EUSA President Adam Roczek inaugurated the event, extending a warm welcome to delegates from member associations, partners, and guests and expressed gratitude to the Türkiye University Sport Federation (TUSF) for hosting the event and their hospitality.

Gathered guests and participants of the event were also welcomed by TUSF President, Mehmet Gunay and President of the International University Sports Federation (FISU), Leonz Eder.

Greetings came remotely from Spyros Capralos of the European Olympic Committees and Yves Le Lostecque of EACEA. Representatives from continental sports federations, including the President of FISU America, the Secretary General of the Federation of Africa

University Sports (FASU), Asian University Sport Federation (AUSF) and the President of FISU Oceania conveyed their greetings via video.

After the official start of the meeting by representatives of the federation and organizations, the cultural part of the meeting began, presenting Turkish traditional dances and costumes.

Following the approval of the agenda, the minutes of the previous General Assembly were confirmed. The Assembly took the decision to suspend the national University Sports Association from Malta due to inactivity. Additionally, the temporary suspension of the national university sports associations and universities from Russia and Belarus was reaffirmed due to the

ongoing war and aggression against Ukraine. The Executive Committee emphasized EUSA's mission to promote well-being through sports and peace, condemning violence in Ukraine, Nagorno-Karabakh, and Israel. EUSA stands in solidarity with victims, urging an immediate end to violence.

The EUSA Executive Committee informed the Assembly about the strong interest of universities in becoming EUSA Associated Members, and the Assembly approved the granting of EUSA Associated Member status to 82 universities from 17 countries. Symbolic certificates were presented to the attending rectors. The complete list is available on the EUSA website.

The Executive Committee presented the 2021-2022 Report, noting the unfortunate

cancellation of the European Universities Games in Belgrade due to Covid-19. They highlighted the success of the European Universities Games in Lodz 2022, which featured 20 sports with 4,459 participants from 417 universities across 37 countries. The European Universities Rowing Championship in Istanbul was also highlighted as an example of a successful sporting event.

The report covered diverse activities, projects, and educational events, co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union and supported by FISU, addressing topics like anti-doping, dual career, equal opportunities, good governance, safeguarding, skills development, mobility, traineeships, volunteering, and sustainability.

EUSA members approved modifications to the EUSA Statutes and Internal Regulations, focusing on general management and good governance, ensuring fairer representation, identifying potential conflicts of interest, and introducing age limits for elected representatives.

The Activity Plan and Provisional Budget for 2023-2024 were presented and discussed. The summer season of the European Universities Championships in 19 sports set a new record for EUSA in 2023, with 5,352 participants from 508 universities in 39 countries. The European Universities Winter Sports Championships featuring Alpine Skiing, Snowboarding, and Snow Volleyball, scheduled for December in Val di Zoldo, were presented to all the public gathered.

In the upcoming 2024, Hungarian cities and universities

in Debrecen and Miskolc will host the European Universities Games, as presented by Szabolcs Biro, emphasizing that the event is "More than Games," as the slogan suggests. In 2024, also the championship in rowing will be held, hosted in Istanbul.

Looking ahead, participants at the EUSA General Assembly glimpsed into the future years. In 2025, the European Universities Championships in the summer season will feature at least 21 sports. The 2026 European Universities Games are scheduled to take place in Salerno, Italy, as presented by Lorenzo Lentini and Francis Cirianni.

Bidding for the 2027 Championships was planned for commerce in November. Exciting news was shared that three cities, Split (CRO), Granada (ESP), and Manisa (TUR), submitted letters of interest for hosting the European Universities Games in 2028. The

attribution of the Games is set for April next year.

EUSA members unanimously approved the Executive Committee's proposal to bestow the highest organizational honorary distinction, the title of EUSA Honorary Member, upon Lorenz Ursprung, former EUSA Treasurer, and Peter George, the long-time EUSA Technical Delegate for Basketball.

Notably, the EUSA Executive Committee maintains an institutional Student Representative position, ensuring that at least one voting Executive Committee Member is a student aged 17-30 upon election. This year, the mandate expired for Flobena Nikolli, who served as both the student representative and Chair of the Student Commission. The Assembly elected Klea Taipllari (ALB) as the new Student Representative in the Executive Committee.

In the upcoming year, EUSA will mark its 25th anniversary, and the celebration will be commemorated with a special Conference and Gala in Vienna, Austria, scheduled for November 2024. The plans were unveiled by the hosts, President of the Austrian University Sports Organisation Unisport Austria Hemma Angerer, and Georg Denev from the University of Vienna.

Looking ahead, the next EUSA General Assembly is slated for 2025 and will be an electoral one. The Croatian Academic Sport Federation (CASF/HASS) will play host to the assembly in the city of Zagreb.

The events in Kusadasi continued the next day with the EUSA-FISU Strategic Dialogue, EUSA Gala and Awards Ceremony.



EUSA – FISU STRATEGIC DIALOGUE KUSADASI, TÜRKİYE OCTOBER 13, 2023

Following the General Assembly of the European University Sports Association (EUSA) in Kusadasi, the EUSA-FISU Strategic Dialogue was organised on October 13, covering relevant topics in the field of sport in higher education.

EUSA-FISU Strategic Dialogue aims to connect, motivate, and enable university sport stakeholders in Europe to gain a better understanding of their work and realities, and to learn how to network effectively for the development of university sport.

The event was attended by over 100 participants, with representatives from

all continental university sports federations. It was an opportunity for representatives of the international, continental, and national university sports bodies to network and share their perspectives, good practices, and plans for the future.

This strategic dialogue was started by the welcome addresses of EUSA President

Adam Roczek, and FISU President Leonz Eder, who welcomed all the delegates of the Member Associations, as well as partners and guests. An introduction presentation focusing on the importance of good governance and fair play was given by Sevim Gullu, Scientific Board Member of the European Fair Play Movement (EFPM).

The main part of the event featured two panel discussions, each addressing a different topic.

The first panel focused on the future perspectives of university sports, discussing the current achievements and main challenges, as well as opportunities for the future. Panelists were EUSA President Adam Roczek, FISU President Leonz Eder, FISU





America President Alim Maluf Neto, FASU Secretary General Penninah Kabenge and AUSF Representative Jin Liu.

The discussion revealed a wide range of different approaches and strategies that each continental organization is developing to be able to organize events and activities, as well as how to tackle future challenges.

The second panel focused on the topic of the sustainability of international and European university sports events. The representatives of four different organizations contributed to the dialogue – Tarmo Jaakson from Estonia representing FISU, Andreas Csonka from Switzerland representing

EUSA, Peter Juhasz from Hungary representing MEFS and Francis Cirianni from Italy representing FederCUSI. The panelists highlighted different starting levels, expectations and implementation approaches on how to reduce carbon emissions and footprint, in order to make sporting events greener than they already are.

Although the topic of sustainability is an ever-present buzz word in business, as well as sports, educational and private spheres, the panelists pointed out different starting levels, expectations and approaches on how to reduce carbon emissions and footprint, making the sports world and sports events greener and more sustainable.

Different approaches were presented, with key outcomes that we must not forget about the implementation of the strategies and plans.

Other important general topics, such as financing, good governance, inclusion, and logistic aspects were addressed and the audience also had the opportunity to contribute to the debate with questions and comments.

One of the final conclusions of the event was that different approaches and a variety of strategies are welcome, using the synergies and respecting the specifics, eventually leading to the same goals.

After the successful dialogue, a #BeActive sightseeing tour of Ephesus followed in the afternoon, introducing attendees to the local culture, and giving them the opportunity to further discuss the topics in an informal and social way. The day concluded with a Gala and Awards Ceremony, related to the 2022 season.

This year, the annual EUSA-FISU Strategic Dialogue, as well as the EUSA General Assembly were organised by the European University Sports Association (EUSA) under the hospitality of the Türkiye University Sport Federation (TUSF) and its president, Mehmet Gunay, and supported also by the International University Sports Federation (FISU).



EUSA GALA KUSADASI, TÜRKİYE OCTOBER 14, 2023

Following the successful EUSA General Assembly, an entertaining annual EUSA Awards Ceremony was held on Saturday, October 14th, with a beautiful, picturesque view of the Aegean Sea.

The event was held to acknowledge and celebrate the achievements and contributions of individuals, universities and associations whose recent impact on European University Sport deserves recognition and praise. The evening was accompanied by two cultural activities to introduce the Aegean region.

The first part of the evening awarded the universities that demonstrated excellence in the field of university sports, across the areas of sporting performance, sport development, lifelong dedication, fair play, inclusion.

The first award for the Most Active National University Sports Association (NUSA) was received by the University Sports Association of Poland (AZS). The award was received on behalf of AZS by its Vice-President Marian Dymalski.

University Sports Association of Poland (AZS) was also honored with the Most Successful NUSA Award. The award was received by Tatsiana Andrushka, representing AZS on this occasion.

Determined by the sports achievements and results from the European Universities

Games and Championships in 2022, the Best University award was received by the University of Zagreb from Croatia. On behalf of the University, the award was received by Jurica Pavicic, Vice-Rector of the University of Zagreb.

Similarly, the Most Active University Award was received by the University of Zagreb as well, having 197 participants at the EUSA sports events last year. Jasenka Ostojic, Vice-Rector of the University received the award.

The ceremony continued with the Medals of Appreciation

Awards. The first was presented to the University Sports Association of Poland (AZS) for its successful organization and management of the European Universities Games Lodz 2022. The award was received by Piotr Marszal, AZS representative.

The next Medal of Appreciation was awarded to Turkish University Sports Federation (TUSF), received by the TUSF President on behalf of the Federation, for successful organisation of European and International university sports events in 2022.

On the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the SELL Student Games, a special Medal of Appreciation was presented to the national university sports associations of four founding countries: the Finnish Student Sports Federation, the Estonian Academic Sports Federation, the Latvian University Sports Federation, and the Lithuanian Students' Sports Association. EUSA Vice-President Aitor Canibe Sánchez presented the awards, to the representatives of the national university sports bodies from Estonia, Finland, Latvia and Lithuania.

For long-term involvement and contribution to the development of university sport, a Medal of Appreciation was presented to Manfred Pfeifer, Secretary General of the Austrian University Sports Organisation.

For his involvement and long-term contribution to the development of university sport, a medal of appreciation was also awarded to Davor Habljak, former Secretary General of the Croatian University Sports Federation.

For the successful organization and management of the European Universities Games Lodz 2022, a Medal of Appreciation was awarded to Dominik Lezanski.

Matija Krnc has received the Medal of Appreciation for an extraordinary service and commitment to the European University Sports Association.

A Medal of Appreciation was presented to Laura Capranica for the long-term commitment to the European Athlete as Student Network and successful cooperation with the European University Sports Association.

For successful cooperation with the European University Sports Association, a Medal of Appreciation was presented to Badminton Europe Confederation (BEC). The award was received by Vice-President, Joao Matos and Radomir Jovovic, Member of the Board.

The next award presented during the night was the Enno Harms Fair Play Award, given for a fair play gesture or

situation during the European Universities Games in Lodz, Poland. For their commendable action of Fair Play, the 2022 EUSA Enno Harms Fair Play Award went to the Hungarian University of Sports Science. The award was presented by Joerg Foerster and Sevim Gullu, representative of the European Fair Play Movement.

The EUSA Order of Merit awards were introduced next, given to individuals who, through their involvement and commitment, made a significant contribution to the development and promotion of university sport in Europe. For the year 2022, the EUSA Executive Committee awarded the Order of Merit to three individuals.

The first award winner was Krzysztof Jozwik, Rector of Lodz University of Technology, who received the award in absentia.

For the long-term involvement and contribution to the development of university sport, Zrinko Custonja and Pedro Montiel Gamez also received the Order of Merit award.

The final award for the evening was the EUSA Honorary Member Award, given to individuals who, through their involvement and commitment, made a significant contribution to the development and promotion of university sport in Europe. For their extraordinary service to EUSA, Lorenz Ursprung and Peter George received the title of Honorary Member.

A Gala Dinner concluded the organisation's events in Kusadasi. At the Gala, EUSA, as well as FISU and other organisations thanked TUSF as the local hosts, for the great hospitality and memorable experiences.





EUSA WINTER FORUM VAL DI ZOLDO, ITALY DECEMBER 19, 2023

During the Winter Universities Championships in Val di Zoldo, EUSA organized the Winter Forum under the title Sustainable Winter Sport Events: The Future of Winter University Sports Events.

The Forum saw more than 60 participants, among them officials, athletes, EUSA Executive Committee members, and other guests.

The event was moderated by Sara Rozman, EUSA Education and Development Manager, and was officially opened by Haris Pavletic, EUSA 1st Vice-President, and Massimo Zanotto, President of the Organizational Committee and CUS Venezia, who both delivered welcome addresses.

The Forum started with the opening remarks given by Milan Zvan, EUSA Executive

Committee Member and Chair of EUSA Education Commission. Zvan shared with the audience his perspectives on sustainability in sports, possible strategies and tools to combat the topic.

The keynote speech was given by Susanna Sieff, Sustainability Director of the International Ski and Snowboard Federation. Sieff's keynote address focused mainly on the climate change impact on sports, essential threats to outdoor sports, the influence of global warming, wrapped up with a great portion of useful statistical data. She stated that sport should serve

as a platform to influence people, stakeholders, athletes and other people involved in participating in organizing sport events to practice and use more sustainable behaviours, solutions and to play sports as a direct actor of change. At the end, Sieff also presented the sustainable action plan adopted by the International Ski and Snowboard Federation.

Next on the programme were presentations and round table discussion on the topic of meeting the challenges of winter university sports events. Natasa Jankovic, the moderator, hosted the representatives of

four National University Sports Federations: Marina Tezriyska from Bulgaria, representing the Association for University Sport "Akademik", Premys Dusek from the Czech University Sports Association, Massimo Zanotto from the Italian University Sport Federation, and Andrzej Burzynski from the University Sports Association of Poland. The speakers presented their own national winter sports events and challenges they are facing. In the discussion that followed, Jankovic focused on sustainability strategies put into practice, good practice examples and key factors of success, such as funding opportunities.



The second round table on legacy and sustainability of sport events included Francis M. M. Cirianni, Director of the Winter World University Games Torino 2025, Joerg Foerster representing the Summer World University Games Rhine-Ruhr 2025, Mara Nemela, the Director of the Dolomites UNESCO World Heritage and Mr Daniel Horvath from the European Volleyball Confederation. The panel was moderated by Andreas Csonka, an EUSA Executive Committee Member.

The discussion mainly revolved around the idea that sustainable practices, also for major sporting events, need to focus on supporting the health and vitality of the environment, people, the community and the economy.

During the discussion, speakers shared a few key points on organising sustainable sport events, underlining that it is necessary to build a sustainable legacy for future generations, involve local communities into the organisation process of

sport events, engage students and give them the opportunity to shape the future of the events, as well as educate and inform people on the topic of sustainability. Organising and adapting the sport events, as well as sharing different examples of tools and triggering the organisational committees with sustainable plans and strategies, was also one of the main recommendations given by the panellists.

The conclusions of the EUSA Winter Forum were made by Milan Zvan, with the summary of the presentations and discussions. He pointed out that during the forum, participants had the chance to hear about different ways to impact sustainability through balancing environmental, social, and economic tools, as well as involving local communities and using educational best practices to teach people and make impactful events.



EUSA WEBINARS

Since the virtual boom, webinar programs have grown by leaps and bounds, as the explosion of virtual events has created a need for technological advancement, increased levels of interactivity, and heightened productivity value.

Webinars became part of EUSA's program too, with the purpose of gathering people in another way than in person and as an easier way to provide an opportunity for attendees to learn from experts in a convenient and cost-effective way.

Another very important objective of a webinar is to provide an audience with remote access to an in-depth presentation focused on a specific topic or subject, showcasing expertise and knowledge.

EUSA has an extensive experience in organizing webinars, covering different

important topics for the general audience. In 2023, EUSA organised 3 important webinars on different topics, getting together professors, sportspeople, members of the organisations, members of the National University Sports Associations, and many others.

Women in leadership as role models

The first webinar took place on March 1st getting together more than 100 people and three remarkable guest speakers to share their experiences and stories of Women leaders.

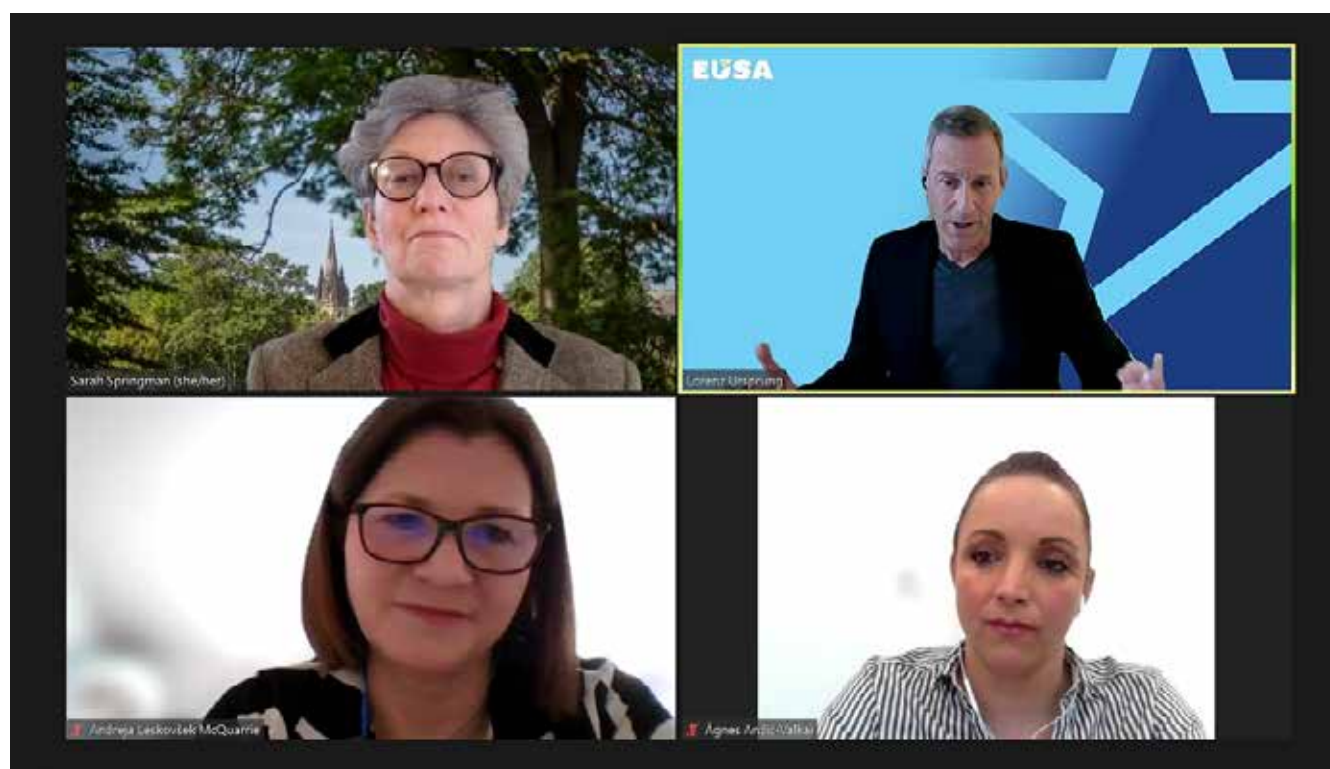
This webinar showcased how women can act as role models and encourage women and young girls to take part in sports, both as a leisure activity and as a potential professional career.

Several things were showcased during these webinars. Professor Dame Sarah Springman, Principal at St Hilda's College, University of Oxford, pointed out that you can elevate the performance of women, if you give them a safe space and equal opportunities to show their potential and great work.

Andreja Leskovšek McQuarrie, President of Women's

Football Club Radomlje and multi-sports event organizer, explained the importance of taking steps, regardless of how uncomfortable they might be, is of key importance when taking leadership positions and building a career in the sport industry.

Finally, Ágnes Ančić-Valkai, Director of International Relations at the Hungarian University Sports Federation (MEFS) and former professional athlete, discussed the challenges that women athletes face after they end their sporting careers, as well as how that can reflect on empowering them to become leaders and





to continue building their professional careers.

Later in the year, November was the time when two other webinars were organized and implemented by EUSA, the Webinar for European Universities Games 2028 Candidate Cities and the EUSA-NUSA webinar.

Webinar for European Universities Games 2028 Candidate Cities

This insightful webinar was hosted on 29th of November, gathering representatives of EUSA Staff, as well as representatives of the EUG 2028 host city candidates, Split (CRO), Granada (ESP) and Manisa (TUR).

The main aim of the webinar was to give a detailed presentation of the next steps of the flow of the bidding procedure, the general concept as well as easier preparation of the bidding book.

Details about the attribution procedure, the organization requirements, and the expectations we also presented for the candidates.

EUSA-NUSA webinar

On November 30, the European University Sports Association hosted an insightful EUSA-NUSA online meeting in the form of a webinar, having as the main topic, the upcoming European Universities Winter Championships 2023, the European Universities Games 2023, EU Funding opportunities, as well as relevant updates from the organisation.

The webinar saw over 60 participants from 26 countries, representing National University Sports Associations and partner organisations.

This online gathering was mainly of an informative type, giving a lot of information about future events and actions, upcoming EUSA events, with a special focus on the registrations for the European Universities Games 2024 in Debrecen – Miskolc, Hungary.

Important information regarding EU funding opportunities and best practices were also shared with the present representatives of the National University Sport Associations, giving a special focus on funds available from the European Union.







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EUSA PROJECTS

EUSA gives importance to having an impact through sport and promoting sport values, and is involved in various projects and initiatives that provide equal opportunities and educational activities through a set of different programmes.



EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

The European University Sports Association continuously promotes equality, respect and full inclusion of student athletes, while simultaneously promoting the spirit of fair play and sport values, at all our events.

Gender

All EUSA's sporting events are inclusive of all genders, and this is something that EUSA does not take for granted and something that the association is extremely proud of. Having said this, reflecting on the gender balance of the European Universities Championships 2023 participants, athletes, coaches and officials, we can say that 57 % of the athletes were men and 43 % of the athletes were women. When it comes to the officials, 77 % were men and 23 % were women. Although the ratio is tending to improve with every upcoming year, we acknowledge there is more to be done, and we strive to continue the road towards a more balanced participation of male and female

participants at EUSA future events.

Socio-Economic Status

To strengthen and support its member federations, the national university sports bodies across Europe, so the organisation and conditions of each of our members are very diverse, is remaining one of the aims of EUSA. Recognising the fact that not all EUSA members have the same funding opportunities, the decision of launching a development fund was made, aiming to develop and make university sport throughout Europe stronger. With the support of the Club of Donors, EUSA is able to secure a development fund, for each year, planned to be distributed primarily to those

with little or no participation in EUSA events in recent years. In 2023, this helping body donated all resources to the solidarity fund, used solely to support the athletes coming from Ukraine, to participate in the EUSA European Universities Championships.

Disabilities

Since the inclusion of athletes with disabilities for the first time in the European Universities Games in 2016, EUSA has continued to search for ways to build a more open path for inclusivity in our events. Following the inclusion of Para Table Tennis at the last European Universities Games in 2022, EUSA together with the organisers plan to include Para Table Tennis and Sittina

Volleyball into the sport program of next year's European Universities Games in Debrecen-Miskolc, Hungary.

Besides this discipline, as part of the official sport program of last year's European Universities Games in Lodz, Sitting Volleyball and Para Weightlifting were present as promo events. In 2022, EUSA became the patronage organization of the European Boccia Integrative Championship, that inaugurally took place in Poland. EUSA recognises that university sport can still make great improvements regarding the inclusion of all students into sports, and with having partners as the European Paralympic Committee, we strongly believe we will continue making progress and changes in the future.

FAIR PLAY

With the European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) as our partner, EUSA strongly promotes the spirit of fair play at all our events, having its values deeply embedded in EUSA, while we are emphasising the importance of sportsmanship and the positive approach to sport across our 20+ years of existence.

Fair play is present in sports as an unwritten rule, a moral value that represents the real essence of sport. It represents that opponents must be appreciated and nowadays practising of sports, more than ever, it is vitally important to defend the values intrinsic to sport: respect for oneself and others, solidarity, and fair play.

European University Sports Association (EUSA) is an official partner of the European Fair Play Movement (EFPM), who is a member of the International Fair Play Committee (IFPC). The values of fair play, equality, ethics, and clean sport without doping and without match-fixing are at the core of EUSA sport and other events.

The fair play initiative was strongly encouraged at all EUSA sporting championships this year, and apart from having positive messages involving fair

play oaths read by athletes and referees at all sports events, multiple fair play awards were given across these competitions.

At this year's European Universities Championships, happening around Europe, the Fair Play award was presented for technical aspects of the games at various medal ceremonies in futsal, handball, beach handball, beach volleyball, basketball, volleyball, football, 3x3 basketball and rugby 7s.

EUSA and EFPM have been long-time partners, promoting fair play and positive values in sport. To celebrate and commemorate this long-time partnership, the President of the European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) Philippe Housiaux and Executive Committee member Robert Perc met with the Secretary General of the European University Sports

Association (EUSA) Matjaz Pecovnik on May 10 in Ljubljana.

In this meeting, the topic of discussion was mainly the existing cooperation and potential new ways, initiatives, and strategies of promoting fair play principles – fair competition, respect, friendship, team spirit, equality, sport without doping, respect for written and unwritten rules such as integrity, solidarity, tolerance, care, excellence, and joy, on and off the field.

The 4th edition of the ceremony to celebrate World Fair Play Day 2023 was held again on 7th of September and it was dedicated to "Peace Through Sport". The aim of this special day is to underline the fact that Fair Play needs to be promoted both through large-scale operations, as well as through simple gestures, to make this day a genuine celebration of Fair Play

in sport and to show the positive impact it has on society.

EUSA has always awarded exemplary behaviour on the sports field and will continue with the same practice and vision, that through sport and values like fair play, following the respect for both written and unwritten rules, equality, integrity, solidarity, tolerance, care, and joy, we can contribute to building a peaceful society and ultimately a better future.

The fair play initiative will also be strongly encouraged at all European Universities Games in 2024, as well as the following season of the European Universities Championships 2025.



VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

European University Sports Association (EUSA), in cooperation with its Student Commission and the Organising Committees of the European Universities Games (EUG) and European Universities Championships (EUC), is offering students from Europe, a unique opportunity to actively participate in the organisation of EUSA events as volunteers.

Throughout EUSA sport events in 2023, international volunteers were present across all European Universities Championships, assisting the local organising teams and the local volunteers.

The main aim of the volunteer program is to give chances to students, who are interested in sports and in organising sport events, to get the opportunity of experiencing a unique adventure, through which they will learn the values of sport, gain valuable work experience, express their creativity, and enjoy everything that the

Championships as a diverse hub of cultures and people, can offer.

The Volunteer Programme includes working for the organising committee, supporting them in cooperation fields, such as coordination, managing information desks, communication between Organising Committee, referees, guests, as well as helping the athletes and the officials accompanying them throughout the whole experience. All these positions available for the volunteers and the experiences they get from representing them, are building up the volunteers' competencies and

skills in organising sport events at a European level.

In the frame of the Volunteer Program, full board is provided during the time of the event, with transportation from the official airport/station covered; volunteers just must ensure their travel costs to the event. Moreover, after the event finishes, a certificate will be provided for each volunteer, indicating their working position and hours, representing their success and an additional value to their already rich experience.

During the European Universities Championships season in 2023,

volunteers had the opportunity to experience different cultures, cities, sports, multicultural gatherings, gain new skills and enjoy the great atmosphere that EUSA events bring.

In 2024, volunteering opportunities will be available for the European Universities Games in Debrecen-Miskolc, and have the chance to add a great sporting, cultural, volunteering and fun experience on your life list.



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EUSA INSTITUTE

EUSA Institute is a non-profit, non-governmental entity, based in Ljubljana, created by EUSA for the purposes of developing university sports, organising sports events, carrying out sports activities and projects, and providing education in sports at the university level.

The main aim of the EUSA Institute is to support the development of university sport in Slovenia and Europe, while carrying out professional, technical, and organisational tasks, with the purpose of providing education in sports at the university level, partnering with the European University Sports Association (EUSA) and other organisations.

The organisation was established for the purposes of

developing university sports, through organising sports events and sports activities, as well as projects, with the aim of providing education in sports and various other topics related to it. To that end, the Institute also holds various seminars, workshops and other educational events and activities in relation to sports and education for which its members are appropriately trained. In pursuit of its purpose, the Institute collaborates with

individuals, interest groups, civil society, non-governmental organisations, and legal entities at local, national, and international levels.

EUSA is proud to be running several projects and initiatives through the EUSA Institute, many of which are funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union, as well as other sources, covering different fields and values related to sport.

We always look forward to developing and strengthening the cooperation with key stakeholders in the further development of university sport in Europe, through the activities of EUSA and its Institute.



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EUSA EXHIBITION

EUSA initially launched an exhibition on university sport in Europe in 2014, supported by the International University Sport Federation (FISU) and the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union. EUSA Exhibition is providing an overview of the development of university sport, with a special focus on the European context.

In 2022, the exhibition has been updated and now includes new information and photos, featuring seven stand-alone panels in the form of towers, grouping contents on the topics of: University Sport in Europe, European University Sports Association, European Universities Championships, European Universities Games, Education and Social Responsibility, Honouring the Best and Partnership and Future Programme.

Since the first reveal in 2014, the exhibition travelled extensively around Europe, being

in Austria, Croatia, Estonia, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Lithuania, Poland, Portugal, Slovenia and Switzerland. The exhibition has also been on display as part of various FISU events, including the Universiades and General Assemblies.

This year, the exhibition made its way to Hungary, in Miskolc, where it was on display for the Sport Day, organised to celebrate the International Day of University Sport as well as the European Week of Sports. For the University of Miskolc, the celebration of IDUS and EWOS

was in the spirit of the YEAR of SPORT and the main upcoming event, the European Universities Games 2024 in Debrecen and Miskolc.

Being on display, many students and student athletes had the opportunity to see it, offering a showcase of past and present work done in different fields such as: European Universities Games and Championships, international projects, educational activities, campaigns and more achievements of the fast-growing organisation and

development of university sport in Europe.

As a travelling exhibition, it can also be requested for display at universities, university sports events, and other sporting occasions in Europe. Please contact the EUSA Office if you are interested in hosting the exhibition.



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CLUB OF DONORS

In order to allow us to continuously support our activities and programs on the one hand and our members from developing countries on the other, we need to raise additional funds. That is the main reason why we have established the Club of Donors.

The overall aim of the Club of Donors is to support dedicated projects enabling the further development of University Sport in Europe. In 2023, the fund was again dedicated to the support of the Ukrainian National University Sports Association, their universities and student athletes.

With all the donations being made, through the Solidarity Fund, athletes were able to come and participate in the European Universities Championships and have the opportunity to compete and continue participating in university sport, no matter the situation.

Through these funds, 223 student athletes were able to join 11 competitions, competing in 3x3 basketball, badminton, beach handball, beach volleyball, football, futsal, combat sports (judo, karate, kickboxing and taekwondo) and orienteering, throughout different cities in Europe.

In 2023, EUSA as organisation, together with its employees and other members of the EUSA family, managed to contribute and help with faster recovery of the affected flooded areas in Slovenia, aiming for the reconstruction of sports facilities.

In 2024, the Club of Donors will continue to contribute to our development fund which over the last decade has made over 100.000 EUR of funding available. These funds will mainly give a helping hand to developing active members of EUSA and to members with no or low participation in EUSA events in the past 2 years.

With the success of this act of solidarity, we would like to take the opportunity, and thank all our donors for their support and help, to move university sport forward, to show solidarity and to give a hand to young athletes to practise sport and build their sports careers, when needed.

EUSA will continue its policy to support the developing member National University Sports Associations also in 2024, especially in the field of supporting participation in EUSA Events. The development fund was prepared in cooperation with the Organising Committee of the European Universities Games 2024 Debrecen-Miskolc.



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EUSA AWARDS

EUSA awards have officially recognized excellence in the field of university sport for many years, across the areas of sporting performance, sport development, lifelong dedication, fair play, inclusion, and many, many more. These awards are attributed to acknowledge and celebrate the achievements and contributions of individuals, universities and associations whose recent impact on European University Sport deserves recognition and praise.

Most Active University

The most active university award is determined by participation of individuals and teams in the European Universities Games or Championships. Each university receives points for the number of individual athletes and university teams they send to compete in EUSA events. The university/universities with the highest points at the end of the year are recognised with the most active university award.

Best University

The best university is determined by the sports achievements and results in EUSA competitions. Each team taking part in team sports of the European Universities Games or Championships gets points for their university when they participate. The final ranking represents a sum of all results, and points are given to each university.

Most Active NUSA

The most active National University Sports Association is determined by participation of teams and number of participants in the European Universities Games or Championships. Additional points are given for organization of EUSA events.

Most Successful NUSA

The most successful National University Sports Association is determined by the results

and final placement of the university's athletes in the European Universities Games or Championships.

Enno Harms Fair Play

EUSA annually awards the recognition for Fair Play, taking into account the play's gesture/situation during the EUSA sporting events which stand out the most. Enno Harms Fair Play Award is named after the first EUSA President who was very much devoted to fair play.

2023 AWARDS

Most Active University

University of Zagreb (CRO)



University of Zagreb

Best University

University of Zagreb (CRO)



University of Zagreb

Most Active NUSA

German University Sports Federation

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hochschulsportverband



Most Successful NUSA

French University Sport Federation



Enno Harms Fair Play

University of Coimbra (POR)



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INTERNATIONAL DAY OF UNIVERSITY SPORT (IDUS)

The International Day of University Sport (IDUS), proclaimed and endorsed by the United Nations Education, Science and Culture Organization (UNESCO) and the International University Sports Federation (FISU) was celebrated all around the world on September 20.

With an active hike in Ljubljana, friendly volleyball matches and the celebration of university sport at the European Universities Beach Sports Championships in Malaga, as well as with a #BeActive run in Kusadasi, the European University Sports Association (EUSA) made an extended celebration to these two initiatives.

The #LetsIDUS and #BeActive celebrations were also made throughout Europe by EUSA members, universities, and students, including:

Albania



- sport activities at Fan S. Noli University
- competitions in beach volleyball, beach soccer, swimming and running

Austria



- celebrating 175th anniversary of university sport in Austria
- campaign on recycling old, used and broken sport equipment
- public stand promoting different university sport opportunities to general public

Croatia



- 300 RUN4FH charity race, with around 300 participants
- mini-symposium on preventive, sports and rehabilitation medicine and an emphasis on cardio metabolism, obesity and physical activity
- new Education Centre opened at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Rijeka

Czechia



- motivational video campaign of successful athletes promoting sport, healthy moving and being active

Estonia



- organised event – miniYliPalli with competitions in blind volleyball, 3x3 basketball, spike ball, and midrange-throw
- active sports day, including 22 sports, lectures and trainings with 350 participants

Finland



- Finnish Student Sports Federation organized University on the Move Day
- Organised visit of the biggest student sport event in Finland, MetroSport
- social media campaign, with various articles on the topic of wellbeing, ability to study and routines for physical activity published

Germany



- nationwide university run organized by the German University sports federation, with 1,650 students from 91 universities

Hungary



- organized university sports days with sport competitions for students in: football, 3x3 streetball, tennis, beach volleyball, badminton, squash, ricochet table tennis, futsal, archery
- guided training sessions for students: yoga, spinning, aerobics, fencing, spine training, TRX, decathlon free games, laser tag, ergometer rowing, badminton, bubble soccer and tennis

Ireland



- "Find your team" campaign, sharing positive impact of club sport on their university experience and motivate people to stay active and fit

Kosovo



- organised competitions in: beach volleyball, basketball 3x3 and table tennis

Latvia



- organised basketball tournament for Latvian University basketball teams, with 200 participants

Portugal



- organised inclusive sports events with more than 50 participants in adapted sailing, wheelchair basketball, boccia and goalball activities
- finished painting of a mural at FADU headquarters, promoting university and inclusive sports

Spain



- hosting events of the European University Week of Sports in Valencia at the BeActive village, such as: Ploggin race and the Fit Kid exhibition, combining dance with exercises gymnastics and acrobatics

Sweden



- establishment of "The University Sports Project", with competitions of Spike Ball and Padel gathering 50 participants

Switzerland



- organised sport events with more than 300 participants in Bern

Ukraine



- organised sports events all over Ukraine, with around 300 universities and 40 000 participants

United Kingdom



- launched a new initiative called "The Fittest", featuring 25 universities from the UK in a fitness competition, competing across a range of exercises leading to a final competition in May 2024



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EU INITIATIVES

EUSA takes part as a proud partner in projects and initiatives that are coordinated or endorsed by European institutions, agencies, and other organisations, receiving valuable and important support from the European Union, Council of Europe and various other institutional bodies.

EUROPEAN WEEK OF SPORT

The European Week of Sport (EWOS) and the #BeActive campaign, initiated by the European Commission, aim to promote sport and physical activity across Europe. EUSA together with national coordinators and partner organisations, is not only trying to make Europe healthier, but also striving to strengthen the continent in more ways than one, based on our shared values and interests.

The emphasis of the European Week of Sport is that sport, recreation, and physical activity are for everyone, regardless of age, background, or fitness level. With a focus on grassroots initiatives, the European Commission, national coordinators and partners strive to inspire Europeans to #BeActive on a regular basis and to create opportunities in people's everyday lives to be more active.

Every year from 23 to 30 September, the European Week of Sport promotes more active, healthier lifestyles for millions

of people in Europe and beyond. This year, the International Day of University Sports joined the global Olympic initiative #LetsMove.

The stunning city of Valencia was the host of the ninth edition of the European Week of Sport, welcoming around a hundred participants from different countries for the Official Opening. With this edition, the goal was to celebrate sportive activity as a tool for physical and mental well-being, demonstrating that sport is truly for everyone, regardless of any physical barriers. One of the

key themes of this edition was inclusivity, a fundamental value also seen as a cultural factor.

The events that took part in the program to celebrate this year's EWOS were held in Valencia Palacio de las Artes in the Ciudad de las Artes y las Ciencias (CAC). The event aimed to address critical issues related to safety and security in sports environments, bringing together authorities, experts, and professionals from various fields.

As every year, also this year, the European University

Sports Association (EUSA) celebrated the European Week of Sport (#BeActive, #HealthyLifestyle4All and #LetsIDUS) during the European Universities Beach Sports Championship in Malaga, Spain. It was an amazing experience to celebrate the European Week of Sport and to #BeActive on the beautiful beach courts of Malaga, showcasing sporting skills, fair play, and teamwork. We focused on the importance of sport and physical activity for everyone, and in addition to the sports competitions in beach handball and beach volleyball, activities





for the volunteers, organisers and interested public were offered as well.

EUSA also celebrated this edition with an enjoyable hike to Rožnik hill. This year, the members of the EUSA Office and representatives from the Center for Extracurricular Activities of the University of Ljubljana, Sports Association of the University of Ljubljana, and the Ljubljana Student Dormitory participated to celebrate this week of sport.

EUSA was represented on the Inclusion and Involvement through the Youth for Sports Integrity event took place in

collaboration between ENGSO-ENGSO Youth, Panathlon International, and the European Lotteries held at the Panathlon International EU Office in Brussels, Belgium. This event was organized within the framework of the European Week of Sport edition of 2023, which focuses on the topics of "Involvement, Inclusion, and Innovation".

On the occasion of the EUSA General Assembly in Kusadasi, Turkey, EUSA staff, EC Members and guests, celebrated this initiative by participating in an active and quick morning run, along the beautiful sea area.



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EUROPEAN WEEK OF SPORT
23 - 30 September



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HEALTHY LIFESTYLE FOR ALL

HealthyLifestyle4All is a 2-year campaign launched by the European Commission, with the aim of promoting healthy lifestyles for all, across generations and social groups, by linking sport and active lifestyles with health, food and other policies.

The initiative and #HealthyLifestyle4All campaign has been launched in 2021 as a follow-up to the Tartu Call for a Healthy Lifestyle. It showcases the European Commission's, members' and partners' commitment to promoting healthy lifestyles for all, across generations and social groups, noting that everyone can benefit from activities that improve health and well-being.

The initiative encompasses three main pillars: to increase awareness of a healthy lifestyle across all generations, to enable easier access to sport, physical activity and healthy diets, with a special focus on inclusion and non-discrimination to reach disadvantaged groups and to empower teaming up for a holistic approach to food, health, well-being and sport.

European University Sports Association (EUSA) is one of the signatories of the HealthyLifestyle4All pledge, and one of the invited organisations to nominate youth delegates.

In 2023, the European Commission invited pledge holders of the Healthy Lifestyle For All initiative #HealthyLifestyle4All for an online webinar and workshop, held virtually on May 16.

After the welcome notes by Flor van Houdt, Head of Sport Unit of the European Commission, participants were presented with an Overview of the Mapping of Healthy Lifestyles initiative by Ecorys team.

Main results were presented per each of the three pillars of the initiative, challenges

& lessons learned, what might be missing in terms of promoting healthy lifestyles and future expectations. HealthyLifestyle4All initiative aims to promote healthy lifestyles across generations and encompasses three main pillars: Increased awareness of a healthy lifestyle across all generations; Easier access to sport, physical activity and healthy diets, with special focus on inclusion and non-discrimination to reach disadvantaged groups; and Teaming up for a holistic approach to food, health, well-being and sport.

A workshop session in break-out groups followed, where participants in smaller groups were able to get to know each other a bit better, and then discuss what were the key challenges in implementation,

what were the key lessons learned, how can they bring together different policy domains together to promote a holistic approach to healthy lifestyles, where would they like the EU support the most, and share their suggestions on how the HealthyLifestyle4All should move forward.

European University Sports Association (EUSA) is one of the first signatories of the #HealthyLifestyle4All initiative. Besides actively promoting the initiative, linking it to the #BeActive campaign, and implementing several of its approaches in the sports and educational events, as well as every day running of the organisation, EUSA was one of the 6 organisations nominating the young delegates of the HealthyLifestyle4All Youth Ideas Labs.



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EU SPORT FORUM

As an event that is organised yearly, the European Union Sport Forum is a great occasion for celebrating European sport and remains one of the main platforms for dialogue between the European Commission and other key sport stakeholders.

The European Commission and the Swedish Presidency of the Council of the European Union prepared the traditional EU Sport Forum, hosted in the Swedish capital on May 2 and 3, 2023.

In 2023, the EU Sport Forum aimed to discuss some of the most topical issues in the sport sector, with a particular focus on integrity, good governance, and gender equality, sustainability of major sporting events, the importance of sport for physical and mental health, as well as how to best support athletes in the development of skills and qualifications during and after their sport careers. Several key organisations and bodies were present in Stockholm, including representatives of the European University Sports Association (EUSA) and its Institute.

The event started with a welcome speech via video address by Mariya Gabriel, EU Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth; followed by Jakob Forssmed, Minister for Social Affairs and Health, representing the Swedish Presidency; and Tomasz Frankowski, Member of the European Parliament and

Co-chair of European Parliament Sport group.

Following the initial welcomes, the first keynote speeches were made on one of the European flagship sports event, UEFA Euro 2024, highlighting the plans of having the event as celebration of European community of values, including sustainability, smarter planning, and the of cultural, social and other content alongside the sports event.

Another keynote set of speeches was present at the EU Sport Forum, given by Maja Poljak from Croatia and Cédric Van Branteghem, from Belgium, sharing their dual career stories and experiences in sport and a set of parallel sessions offering two sets of topics.

A high-level panel discussion focused on Women in sport: from grassroots to leadership, with important stakeholders as speakers, discussing several strategies on European, national and organisational levels, as well as good practice initiatives were presented and discussed, was one of the important moments at the forum. Good governance, fighting challenges in sport and promoting anti-doping, anti-

corruption, anti-manipulation, anti-match fixing, anti-harassment, anti-abuse – and integrity, transparency, ethics, safeguarding, accountability, consequences, prosecution, as well as education, prevention, support and other actions were presented in another great panel discussion.

One of the highlights of the first day was the #BeInclusive EU Sport Awards ceremony, where almost 100 amazing projects and individuals were part of the competition launched in 2022.

Throughout the event, parallel sessions covered topics, such as: Physical Activity Policy for a Better Health, Organising sustainable sport events in Europe and Sport skills, a lifelong competence, All able, all included: participation in sport and society, the panellists discussed the aspect of inclusion of people with disabilities; SHARE initiative focused on European funding opportunities related to sport beyond Erasmus+; and European Week of Sport and the #BeActive and #HealthyLifestyle4All campaigns, Good governance and athletes' rights and Innovative youth voices in sport.

The second day of the fully packed program of the EU Sport Forum included keynote speeches by Maja Poljak from Croatia and Cédric Van Branteghem, from Belgium, sharing their dual career stories and experiences in sport, and a set of parallel sessions offering two sets of topics.

EUSA was represented at the event by Andrej Pisl, Communications and Projects Manager, who was also one of the facilitators of one of the parallel sessions of the EUSA-nominated delegates, Marianna Pikul, also attended the event.

The event continued with a plenary session with an update on the European Commission's initiatives on sport & Erasmus+ and it was concluded with short reports of all parallel sessions over the 2-day event, and the closing remarks by Viviane Hoffmann, Deputy Director-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture (DG EAC) of the European Commission.



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EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY CORPS

The European University Sports Association, through its EUSA Institute, is an accredited organisation with a Quality Label for running European Solidarity Corps (ESC) activities in Volunteering and Solidarity projects, supported by the European Union.

The European Solidarity Corps replaced the European Voluntary Service as a new initiative which creates opportunities for young people to volunteer or work on projects that benefit communities and people around Europe, either on their own or in a country abroad.

The European Solidarity Corps (ESC) aims to foster solidarity in European society, engaging young people and organisations in accessible and high-quality solidarity activities. It offers young people opportunities to show solidarity and help resolve challenging situations across Europe through volunteering activities, traineeships or jobs, as

well as solidarity projects based on young people's own initiative.

The ESC position in EUSA is open to motivated individuals aged between 17 and 30, as a long-term placement, usually for a period of 12 months.

In recent years, volunteers from France, Hungary, Germany, the United Kingdom, Italy, Ireland, Russia, Poland, Croatia, Spain and Malta have benefited from this experience as assistants in the EUSA Office.

The selected volunteers are based in Ljubljana for a one-year period and assist various spheres of EUSA related

projects and activities. During the experience, the volunteers are receiving constant support and assistance in all fields of life, as well as empowerment to learn new things, be part of different experiences, and gain great knowledge.

In the year of 2023, EUSA had the pleasure to welcome and host, two sets of European Solidarity Corps Volunteers. From February until August, in the EUSA office in Ljubljana, Cristina, Pol and Kinga, had their 7 months experience and journey, full of activities, learning, different tasks and knowledgeable days.





In the recap of their journey with EUSA, this is what they expressed:

"I had a great working experience at the European University Sports Association. I was pleased with how much I had discovered about the field of sports and myself that I encountered throughout my 7-month period. I feel comfortable saying that the EUSA offers many opportunities for volunteers even after the volunteering period, so I am really grateful for EUSA." – said Kinga.

"Volunteering for EUSA has given me the chance to confirm my passion for sports and its management. In my case, I came to EUSA to switch the direction of my professional career, and after seven months I can say that my expectations were exceeded". – said Pol.

"Volunteering at EUSA was an amazing experience that has definitely improved both my personal and professional skills and expertise through various activities ranging from daily office work to being a part of several EU project meetings, conferences, and sporting events, including the European Universities Championships. This experience has truly shaped my perspective and solidified my passion for pursuing a successful career in sports." – said Cristina.

Two months later, in the beginning of October, EUSA welcomed 4 new European Solidarity Corps volunteers, Marta Studzinska from Poland, Emanuele Milanese from Italy, Heloise Bargeot from France and Jennifer Campbell from the United Kingdom.

These four young individuals will learn, assist and experience the daily EUSA activities in the EUSA Office and especially work and learn from the process of preparing and executing the European Universities Games in Debrecen-Miskolc 2024.

Trying to recap the already spent few months with EUSA Office, here is what they've said:

My first months at EUSA is already enriching and raises the challenge that I have been working on, especially the one with the English language. To have the possibility to develop in a multicultural environment and kindness allows me to progress my vision in the sport domain. I had the chance to work on the MOOC for inclusion in sport with the other volunteers, where we had an exchange of our visions and discovered some situations in the countries of everybody. Thanks to this, I could have a more global vision in Europe of this topic. I'm so excited to see the other months, especially to continue to help on other projects and to organize and experience the Games in Debrecen-Miskolc. – said Heloise.

My time here has given me so many amazing experiences, friends and opportunities. Working at EUSA has been extremely enjoyable, working with a supportive and welcoming team. From day dot, I have been treated as part of the team and the EUSA family. My highlight of working at EUSA, has been working first hand with their many important projects, especially their iSport project, working on inclusion in sport, as something I feel passionate about. – said Jennifer.

My experience as an ESC volunteer at EUSA is going further, and time is passing fast. It has already been a couple of months since I arrived, now I feel I know the city and its people a lot, I feel more integrated into Slovene culture and lifestyle, and most importantly, I feel more connected to the other volunteers and to my colleagues at work. I also had the chance to meet other volunteers during a youth camp and during the on-arrival training organized by MOVIT, it was a nice experience and I felt grateful for that. In the upcoming months, I expect that I will get to know even more in detail the activities and projects of EUSA and I hope I can contribute more to its mission. – said Emanuele.

My experience in EUSA has so far been truly fulfilling. In just the first three months, time has flown by as I've immersed myself in developing media

and communication skills and thoroughly enjoyed the collaborative office environment. One of the most memorable aspects of my ESC journey was on-arrival training – an adventure that not only prepared me for the challenges ahead, but also let me make new friends. Reflecting on this short yet impactful period, I have to admit that my experience has been a journey of learning, exploration, and pure happiness. I couldn't be more grateful to be here, and I am waiting for what the next few months with EUSA will bring. – said Marta.

The recruitment period for new volunteers is officially announced and realised only once per year, usually at the beginning of the year, and we only accept applications for volunteering in the EUSA Office during the announced calls. For short term volunteering opportunities, please see the EUSA international volunteer programme which is carried out in cooperation with the organising committees of the European Universities Championships and Games.

ESC opportunities at EUSA are possible because of the support from the European Union and the National Agency in Slovenia MOVIT.



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INCLUSION IN SPORT (iSPORT)

The objectives of the Inclusion in Sport (iSPORT) project are to promote diversity and inclusion in sport by enhancing the sporting experience for all participants – athletes and volunteers, especially targeting women, LGBTIQ+ and people with disabilities, while promoting equal opportunities and awareness of the importance of health enhancing physical activity through increased participation in, and equal access to, sport for all.

The project started in 2021 and concluded in November 2023, with its goal being to mainly increase the participation of the target groups in sport competitions and tournaments, as well as to offer the experience of shared sporting moments and opportunities to learn about the uniqueness of sport.

The project has consisted of several major activities: development of online training developed as a MOOC, gamifying scenario playouts as serious game-based learning, organising multiplier sports events run by partners, and an overall summary packed with recommendations useful for event organisers of multi-profile sport events.

iSport project partners met four times throughout 2023 to discuss the project activities, and ensure the objectives

and developments of the project were on track with the timeline plan and review the progress of the scenario-based game, created for educational purposes.

The final draft of the scenario based serious game was presented and explained by Lampros Karavidas, representative of AUTH and one of the creators of the game, at the partners meeting on January 31, 2023. Game partners had a chance to witness the gamified version of all four scenarios and how they can access different parts of it such as the leader boards, the mini games, and the result table.

The project partners reconvened at the Conference and General Assembly of the European Gay & Lesbian Sport Federation (EGSLF) in Munich between March 3-5, 2023. iSport project

was presented and discussed at the conference.

In May, the partners met in Platja d'Aro near Girona, Spain, for the occasion of Panteres Grogues Sports for All, an inclusive multi-sporting and cultural LGBTIQ+ event that hosted over 400 participants.

The iSport project was also presented at the European Sport Platform 2023 in Lisbon, Portugal, an example of a project, built on the needs of more inclusive sport, representing an innovative tool, empowering, and promoting equal opportunities.

The final meeting and conference of the project were held in Thessaloniki on 9th and 10th November 2023. The meeting was conducted as a part of the International Conference on Interactive Mobile

Communication, Technologies, and Learning (IMCL), hosted by Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH), one of the project's partners. During these two days, partners had a chance to conclude all the results and outputs of 3-year work, as well as administrative steps, that lead the project to its finalization.

The project consortium consists of eight partners from eight countries, led by the EUSA Institute (SLO). Project partners include: European Non-Governmental Sports Organisation (SWE), European Paralympic Committee (AUT), European Gay and Lesbian Sport Federation (NED), Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (GRE), Finnish Paralympic Committee (FIN), University Sports Association of Poland (POL) and Panteres Grogues Sports Club.



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BRAND VALUE ALIGNMENT THROUGH DUAL CAREER (BRAVA)

Brand Value Alignment through Dual Career (BRAVA) project focuses on improving the European workplace environment to recognize and effectively address the occurrences and challenges faced by dual career athletes and coaches.

The project emphasizes aligning the ethos of the corporate sector with the brand and values that benefit from dual careers. The initiative is designed to benefit all European dual career employees.

The BRAVA project has two main goals: creating a comprehensive knowledge base on dual career employee athletes and defining new European guidelines supporting dual careers in the workplace, emphasizing brand alignment strategies and CSR policies. The project collaborates with academic and corporate sector experts, using evidence-based techniques and involving key stakeholders for relevant and effective outcomes.

The Brand Value Alignment through Dual Career (BRAVA) project, initiated in 2022, involves valuable work from the partners with different undertaken activities, discussions and gathered material. Collected evidence through interviews and national focus groups, as well as key statements evaluated through dual career experts,

were part of the milestones conquered within the project, so far.

The first in-person meeting for 2023 of The Brand Value Alignment through Dual Career (BRAVA) project partners took place at Roma Tre University on February 20-22, 2023. Key outcomes included finalizing the concept mapping process and refining 50 guideline statements based on statistical data from athlete, employer, and expert interviews.

The partners collectively decided the next project steps: structuring guidelines for employees, employers, and governing bodies, developing an implementation plan for dual careers, and creating a web-based platform.

The second in-person meeting occurred in Ljubljana on May 4-5, 2023. Hosted by the University of Ljubljana and the EUSA Institute, partners analysed Concept Mapping Results and discussed factors and statements for the new

conceptual framework in European Dual Career workplace guidelines.

BRAVA partners convened online on September 19 to discuss concluding resources and plan dissemination events ahead of the International Day of University Sport and the European Week of Sport.

The BRAVA project was concluded with a final hybrid conference, "A Talk in Dual Career", hosted in Brussels on November 12, 2023. An overview of the project, highlighting the main outcomes and findings of the projects, including a report with recommendations and a self-assessment evaluation tool, the values and relevance of dual career and European values and priorities in the field of sport, including the importance of dual career from the viewpoint of the EU were the one of the main points presented on the conference.

Over 30 in-person and 100 online participants also had a chance to review the 16

recommendations / dual career workplace guidelines, with the benefits that implementation can provide for both employees and employers.

Prior to the conference, the project partners met for their final meeting.

The project is co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union, through the Sport Collaborative Partnerships. BRAVA is coordinated by the University of Limerick, and the partner consortium also consists of the European Athlete as Student – EAS (MLT), European Platform for Sports and Innovation – EPSI (BEL), EUSA Institute (SLO), Foundation Human Age Institute (ITA), University of Ljubljana (SLO), Roma Tre University (ITA), Elite Sports Academy Aarhus – ESAA (DEN), University of Nis, Faculty of Sport and Physical Education (SRB).



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GREEN SPORTS HUB EUROPE (GSHE)

The Green Sports Hub Europe (GSHE) project is centred on fostering sustainability in the sports sector. It aims to serve as a support system for organizations to exchange knowledge and best practices, facilitating mutual learning and development.

Over a three-year period, the project seeks to demonstrate the sports sector's potential as a high-profile industry driving societal change. By focusing on good governance, it aims to equip leaders with the knowledge and skills to prioritize environmental sustainability in their strategies.

The project functions as a platform for organizations to share insights, leveraging experts and addressing sector needs. Through collaboration with sports organizations and events, the project partners aim to translate existing standards on environmental sustainability into tangible actions. The GSHE approach and tools aspire to become integral to good governance in sports organizations.

The initiative extends beyond its initial partners, welcoming sports organizations, NGOs, experts, event organizers, environmental movements, youth, and fans to join the

stakeholder partnership under the motto "We Play to Renew."

In 2023, the project focused on disseminating the evaluation tool and planning test events for the year.

To start the year with, GSHE's self-assessment tool was presented at the Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies in Pisa, Italy, in January 2023. It received positive feedback, with users appreciating its non-invasive and scenario-based approach.

In March, GSHE's tool was presented to 22 CEV School Project managers from many National Federations. The event was organised on 13 and 14 of March 2023, by the CEV Development Department and facilitated by Katerina and Vuk, both members of the GSHE Steering Committee.

The tool was officially launched on Earth Day 2023, with over 50 organisations already taking the

self-assessment to help improve their understanding of how their organisation impacts the world.

On 16th of May, an online webinar was organized in collaboration between Sport #WithoutWaste (BG Be Active) and Green Sports Hub Europe (GSHE / Surfrider Foundation) on the topic of Sustainable Grassroots Sport Events, seeing 50 participants.

The webinar's main goal was to investigate and forge connections between networks of stakeholders working on #WithoutWaste and GSHE events, together with sustainable events, and to promote knowledge and expertise exchange between the participants.

The final meeting in Lisbon from October 12 to 14, 2023, was organised by the Portuguese Sports Confederation to conclude a three-year effort to promote sustainability in sports. The event was part of

the European Sports Platform – Equality in Sport Conference by ENGSO. Partners from different countries gathered to discuss project achievements, challenges, and the ongoing commitment to advancing sustainability in sports and fostering knowledge exchange and collaboration.

The project is coordinated by Surfrider Foundation Europe (FRA), with project partners including Association of Cities and Regions for the Sustainable Management of Resources (BEL), Sports Confederation of Portugal (POR), UKActive (GBR), Green Cycling Norway (NOR), Olympic Committee

of Slovenia (SLO), European Volleyball Confederation (LUX), Rugby Europe (FRA), European Athletics Association (SUI) and the EUSA Institute (SLO).



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YOUTH INTEGRITY AMBASSADORS PROJECT (YIAP)

YIAP is a cooperative partnership with the aim to trigger a positive change within the sport sector and create a culture of integrity across Europe to educate and empower young people with and without intellectual disabilities to become sport integrity ambassadors.

In relation to the YIAP project, 2023 kicked off with a virtual online gathering of the project partner representatives to discuss the training course taking place in February in Lisbon, Portugal, and other matters related to the progression of the project.

The YIAP Training Course took place from February 9–15 and had 36 young participants attending the course that aimed to teach skills and give knowledge to the young representatives for them to become future sports integrity ambassadors. During the training week, the partners also held a meeting to have an update on the phases and timeline of the project, have a communications recap, outline important future deadlines and general indications, and discuss the framework that must be respected in the process of implementation of the project, as well as the YIAP toolkit, which is a very important outcome of the project.

Over the course of the training week in Lisbon, the participants took part in team-building activities, educational talks such as the talk on values in sport given by representatives of the Lithuanian Union of Sport Federation and workshops on understanding integrity led by Paul Standaert, representative of the European Lotteries and Panathlon International. The young participants took part in interactive sessions about the implementation of integrity in sports and different important points in leading an inclusive project, open mic sessions, shared personal stories and competitive workout sessions.

The young ambassadors received information on different topics, such as inclusion and accessibility, and the importance of and opportunity to implement these values in their local activities. Later in the week, the participants were part of an interactive role-play session on the topic of Media Integrity and Leadership, putting them in the role of Journalist and

interviewees with the purpose of bettering their understanding of the influence and the role of the media in integrity and sports in general. The participants finished the week by brainstorming ideas for their local activities, creating the communications part of the campaign and working on how to turn their ideas into reality, led by EUSA and OPES and "How to create a Communications campaign" led by EUSA.

In May, the Youth Integrity Ambassadors took part in local activities on two occasions: the May Games and the Happy Volunteer Day in Ljubljana. At these events, the team introduced their youth integrity programme project and its goal to educate and empower young people as active ambassadors of integrity in sports. EUSA team managed to educate and share the message of integrity in sports with a great number of students, both local and from abroad, discussing topics, such as: discrimination in sports, sports for people with disabilities, fair play, and doping.

This September in Brussels, during the European Week of Sport, the YIAP project was also presented on an event organised by ENGSO and ENGSO Youth, on the topics of "involvement, inclusion and innovation", through sharing testimonials from the YIAP ambassadors on the valuable skills and knowledge in promoting integrity in sport they gained by participating in the project.

This project, funded by the Erasmus+ Youth Programme of the European Union, will run for a period until April 2024, led by the European Non-Governmental Sports Organisation (ENGSO) with ENGSO Youth (SWE) and Swedish Sports Confederation (SWE), partnering with EUSA Institute (SLO), Special Olympics Europe-Eurasia Foundation – SOEE (IRL), RF-SISU Småland (SWE), Portuguese Sport Confederation (POR), Lithuanian Union Of Sport Federation – LSFS (LTU), Organisation for Sports Education – OPES (ITA) and associating partners The European Lotteries.



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K2S-GEN Z FUTURE VOLUNTEERS – KEY TO SUCCESS IS GENERATION Z

The project “Future volunteers – Key to success is Generation Z (K2S-GenZ)” is a 1-year volunteering programme, co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union, which started on the 1st of April in 2022 and ended on the 31st of March in 2023, focusing on volunteering and skills development.

The main goal of the K2S-GenZ project was to create an opportunity for students interested in sports and the organization of sport events, so they can be part of a lifelong adventure, learn about the values of university sports, and gain valuable work experience through both learning and practice, thereby strengthening their future employability.

In the long run, the project aimed to study the requirements in the field of volunteering, especially taking the characteristics and needs of Generation Z, gathering feedback from stakeholders, and also producing strategically thoughtful professional materials.

In the early stage of the project, a small group of 13 volunteers (10 Hungarian and 3 from other countries) were selected among young university students, aged 18-26, studying in Hungary. The project enabled them to

gain training and experience by taking part in two big sport events: the national Hungarian universities championships in May 2022, and the 6th edition of the European Universities Games (EUG), held in the Polish city of Lodz in July 2022.

In the framework of the Hungarian universities championships, the University of Miskolc hosted the MEFOB Festival on May 19-22, 2022, a 4 days multi-sport event with competitions in 8 disciplines, where the team of volunteers also included 10 volunteers from the K2S-GenZ project. Here, the project volunteers were able to test themselves in several areas, by working for the info desk, accreditation, accommodation, meals, attaché, communication, and protocol, bringing their contribution to the success of the event.

The K2S-GenZ volunteers were later directly involved in


the carrying out of the EUG 2022. While assisted by a mentor throughout the period, the students performed their duties as members of the official volunteer team of the event. As such, they carried out responsible tasks in the areas of accreditation, transfer and information, accommodation and catering, protocol and educational events, media, sports, result management and venue management.

The outcomes of the K2S-GenZ project were finally presented during the project closing event which took place on the 22nd of March, 2023, in Budapest, Hungary. The findings revealed how attaining greater involvement of Generation Z youth is a key challenge for the future of sport events.

The use of visual tools is crucial to attract more volunteers and build a good relationship with them, as Generation Z

is more visual and easier to reach through digital and social media platforms. Establishing a reward system for them to feel appreciated has also proved to be fundamental in this sense. Generation Z values engagement and fully interactive events, but is also the one that worries the most about fitting in.

This small-scale cooperation partnership project involves the EUSA Institute together with other two organizations from Hungary, namely the Sports Club of Miskolc University (MEAFK) and the Hungarian University Sports Federation (HUSF/MEFS). All members of the partnership are well committed to the development of the university sports movement and the core values of its community.

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(UNI)TED FORCES TO SUPPORT THE EDUCATION OF (UNI)VERSITY SPORT COMM(UNI)TY – UNI4S

The (Uni)ted forces to support the education of (Uni)versity sport comm(Uni)ty – (Uni4s) project started in March 2021, and it focuses on promoting education in and through sport with a special focus on skills development in university sport.

The project aims to create educational opportunities for university sports bodies. Partners' experiences and recommendations will be made available towards the end of the project in an online publication, freely available to download and share. The project seems to be gaining in importance, as the need to create conditions for the skills development of participants in the area of organising university sports events grows each day.

The second part of the 2022 and the first half of 2023 have represented the conclusion of the project, with the last gathering between the project partners – in different locations and during important national and European events – and with the publication of the final guidebook about the organisation of academic sports competition, which was published in 3 languages – Polish, English and Dutch.

On the 6th of May 2023, an in-person meeting between partners of the project took place in Ljubljana, with the main goal of the meeting being the discussion and work on the final version of the handbook. The meeting took place in Hostel Celica, a building that served as a military prison for over 100 years and has now been renovated into a modern and lively hostel.

At this meeting the partners had the chance to get an overview of EUSA activities, by Andrej Pisl from the EUSA Institute, the so far completed activities throughout the project, continuing with defining the next steps until the conclusion of the project, presented by Marianna Pikul from AZS, and explanation on how the university sports system works in the Netherlands and how to organise a multi-sport event by Luuk Minnaar.

The last part of the meeting consisted of working on the final version of the handbook, where participants were divided into three different groups, and all of them reflected and discussed further of a specific part of the handbook.

On June 8-11, 2023, project partners met for the last time in the Netherlands, while attending the Dutch University Championships finals in Wageningen. It was a chance to sum up the project and experience the last exchange of practices, while also finalising the last details for the publication of the handbook.

During the last Uni4S project meeting, Marianna Pikul, the Projects Coordinator for AZS, shortly introduced the Uni4s and gave a better overview of the tasks that have been accomplished since the project started in 2021 and the final

steps, while Andrej Pisl, USA Communications and Projects Manager, shared his expertise on the promotion of the project on social media platforms and expressed his optimism for the future of the project as it could serve as a basis for other Erasmus+ projects which are founded by the European Union and focus on creating and providing employees of university sport organizations educational opportunities.

The project was led by the University Sports Association of Poland, working with another national university sport body, Studentensport Netherlands and a local organisation University Sports Association Warsaw, as well as the EUSA Institute. The project is co-funded by Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union.



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MICRO LEARNING ENTREPRENEURSHIP FOR ATHLETES

The Micro Learning Entrepreneurship for Athletes (MLEA) project addresses the collaborative partnership priority to promote education in and through sport with a special focus on skills development, as well as support the implementation of the EU Guidelines on Dual Careers of Athletes.

The project developed a tailor-made, modular curriculum on entrepreneurship for athletes and former athletes. All the curriculum's modules are delivered by academic experts, and they are recorded. Educational material follows the micro-learning approach to help athletes make the most of their time and achieve their educational goals.

MLEA integrated gamification elements to increase athlete's engagement and enables online microlearning on demand by offering bite-sized, small learning units with the necessary amount of information to help athletes achieve their goals. The project is extremely important for all professional athletes and focuses on the development of their Dual Careers and time management.

After the successful implementation of many

working activities and outputs of the MLEA project in 2022, as well as productive and successful project meetings, in the beginning of 2023, this project came to its conclusion.

The last MLEA transnational meeting was held in Zagreb on 13th March 2023, where the team have made a recapitulation of the previous two years, reviewing the intellectual outputs that were produced and the lessons learned.


The final conference was then held on the 14th of March in Aula Magna conference hall of the Zagreb School of Economics and Management, where the conclusion of the MLEA project was presented and many discussions about the importance of Dual career, education and entrepreneurship in sports were made.

At this conference, Dubravka Kovacevic, coordinator of the

MLEA project, shared the background of the partners, the goals and the results around the project, as well as the reason and the idea behind the realisation of the project itself; Martin Carlson-Wall from Stockholm School of Economics, gave a short recap and explanation of the analysis, the studies and the scientific data around which the project and its outputs are built; Sascha Schmidt from WHU, gave an explanation of the Canvas model, incorporated in the online modules, as one of the outputs of the project, the structure on which are the modules based, the steps incorporated in this model, the correlation of every step in building your own business idea and the benefit of following each part; Mirna Korican Lajtman was then presenting the gamified platform where the modules are going to be based, the way the platform will function, the steps of the course, the details about

each of the modules, the scoring mode, as well as the rewarding process after the course is completed.

The project is coordinated by Zagreb School of Economics and Management (CRO), with project partners including the Croatian Olympic Committee (CRO), Stiftelsen Stockholm School of Economics Institute for Research (SWE), WHU – Otto Beisheim School of Management (GER), Olympic Committee of Bosnia (BOS), Olympic Committee of Serbia (SRB), Olympic Committee of Slovenia (SLO) and the EUSA Institute (SLO). The MLEA project is co-funded by Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union.

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 MICRO LEARNING ENTREPRENEURSHIP



ENHANCING SPORT ORGANISATIONS MANAGEMENT (ESOM)

Enhancing Sport Organisation Management is to strengthen management and event organisation in university sport through blended learning, sharing experiences, gaining new information.

The ESOM project started in September 2022, with the objective of being accomplished through a combination of blended learning, the exchange of experiences, and the acquisition of new information and skills on the key topics of sports management, funding, communication, and other key topics.

The project was presented on the occasion of Erasmus+ Sport and other EU funding opportunities on January 30, 2023. And it's this continuity that in February the partners gathered in Ljubljana, where the EUSA Institute and the University of Ljubljana hosted the kick-off meeting of the project.

At the kick-off, the partners discussed specific aspects of the project, including the financial and contractual obligations,

the review of planned activities, internal and external communication, and specifically the next steps.

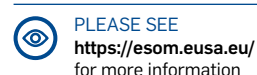
The project is 3-folded, improving cooperation between organisations, strengthening their expertise and activities; improving participation in sports and physical activities in grassroots sport (recreation and non-professional competitions); and supporting student athletes in their dual career paths (ensuring study possibilities for elite and high-level athletes).

Main activities and pillars include research (conducting a survey and collecting good practice), education (online and live workshops and seminars), and dissemination (creating resources and recommendations, conferences).

In June, ESOM partners met in Porec to give a project overview, where project partners shared their progress reports and defined the survey on university sport management, which will be launched shortly. Moreover, the content of the survey was discussed in detail, having the partners sharing relevant fields of interest, to be part of the research, as well as important content and topics, to be involved in future educational events, as part of this project.

The project is led by the EUSA Institute (SLO), with national university sports associations: Croatian Academic Sports Federation (CRO), Hungarian University Sports Federation (HUN), Students Sports Association of Montenegro (MNE), Student Sports Association the Netherlands

(NED), University Sports Association of Poland (POL), Sports Students' Union of Ukraine (UKR) and the University of Ljubljana (SLO). The project is co-funded by the European Union.





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INNOVATING FOOTBALL LEADERSHIP THROUGH PRACTICE AND POLICY (IFLIPP)

The Innovation Football Leadership through Practice and Policy projects seeks to assess recent research on the representation of women and ethnic minorities (WEM) in leadership positions in football to develop a responsive inclusive leadership governance action plan at National and European levels.

The three-year project started in 2020, aiming to enhance the leadership skills of women and ethnic minorities in football by creating and piloting a set of inclusive professional development training materials, transferable and adaptable for sport organisations.

In the beginning of 2023, on 7th and 8th March, the partners gathered for a hybrid meeting on 7th and 8th of March, hosted by the European University Sports Association (EUSA) and the EUSA Institute in Ljubljana, Slovenia.

This meeting was concentrated on the monitoring and evaluation process of the work done within the project, the financial status of the project, as well as on the promotion of Intellectual Output 3 – the MOOC. At the end, the partners exchanged ideas about the realisation of future intellectuals' output, the Online Communication Platform, and the Policy Recommendations.

Just after the partners meeting, from 8-11 of March, EUSA organised a training programme in Ljubljana, gathering 40 participants, professionals, and leaders in the world of football and sports in general, specifically for women and ethnic minorities. The goal of this training was to provide the participants with the opportunity to learn more about leadership, network building, developing strategy, joining boards, and building personal brands. Different people took the floor to discuss the significance of gender equality in football and the management roles of a Football Association.

After the outputs of different speakers, the participants had to elaborate by group their organisational or personal development strategies. Finally, different testimonies of athletes were shared, speaking about different types of racism and their approach to the challenges they faced.


The conclusion of the Innovating Football Leadership: Innovation through Practice and Policy (iFlipp) project took place on June 15th and 16th in Lisbon, Portugal, as part of FARE Network's Equality and Inclusion in Football Conference.

The conference brought together 140 individuals from 13 countries, representing various NGOs, organizations, and clubs. Over the two days and 15 sessions, the aim was to contribute to the attendees' expertise and work collaboratively to combat inequality in football and use the sport as a tool for social change, including addressing different forms of discrimination, including racism, sexism, transphobia, and homophobia.

On the topic of glass ceilings and how we can overcome them, 3 experts engaged in a panel discussion, including Jacco Van Sterkenberg from Erasmus University of

Rotterdam, presenting the data from the iFlipp project, as well as best practices and strategy policies on how to increase and change representations of women in leadership positions, as well as how to tackle discrimination in football and generally in sport.

The project is led by the Fare Network (NED), with six partner organisations including Integrated Dreams (POR), Erasmus University Rotterdam (NED), Portugal Football Association (POR), Malta Football Association (MAL) and the EUSA Institute (SLO), with the support of Europe's football governing UEFA as well. The partners welcomed a new project partner Hawar Help, who replaced Discover Football (GER). The project is co-funded by Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union.

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ERASMUS+ INTERNSHIP

European University Sports Association (EUSA) primarily offers internship opportunities in the EUSA Office through the European Solidarity Corps – ESC programme; and occasionally accepts unpaid voluntary internships as well, but only upon special invitation.

The internship at EUSA is potentially open to individuals aged between 18 and 30, for a set period of time. EUSA has the capability to host international volunteers and/or interns at the same time.

The internship is based in Ljubljana, Slovenia. It is not paid, but we provide accommodation, local transportation, and base pocket money for subsistence. Our opportunities and arrangements reflect the ones described in our ESC general profile and project indications. We are especially looking for individuals with some previous skills who are interested in getting more experience and working in the fields of communication and sport management.

During 2023 EUSA, the Internship position at the EUSA Office in Ljubljana, was occupied two times by 3 young individuals from France. In the

very beginning of 2023, for one month, we had Quentin Grivel and Clemence Enjalbal, students and representatives of the Organising Committee of the 2023 Rugby World Cup in France.

Being with us for 2 months, Emma Carriere did her internship with EUSA, from May to July.

For Quentin and Clemence, the internship at EUSA was an important part of their studies, with the main aim of putting into practice what they have learned in theory, meaning to put all the marketing skills, and analysis into work. Back in France, they were engaged in the master's degree on Marketing and Commercial performance at the PPA Business School and, at the same time, worked for the Organizing Committee of Rugby World Cup France.

As part of their work in France, both were doing analysis of rugby as a sport throughout

different European countries. In Ljubljana, they expanded this goal, deciding to do research on the importance of university sport in Europe through doing market analysis and findings. The result of their internship will be part of their graduation thesis.

Emma chose to do her internship at the European Universities Sports Association (EUSA) because she did her last one at the French Federation of University Sport (FFSU), so for her, continuing with EUSA was the best way to follow. Thanks to this experience, she started to tie a link with university sports and to learn much more about this world, as well as to gain more skills in a relaxing and resourceful setting.

As part of her experience, Emma completed tasks related to organisation of office work, communication, and media tasks, as well as

participating and representing the organisation in events locally and abroad, both organised by EUSA, as the European Universities Table Tennis Championship 2023 and organised by partners, such as the ENGSO Youth Sport Platform in Sweden. Emma did this internship as part of her studies, finishing it with nothing but inspiration to do more internships like this in the future, as well as recommending EUSA as one of the best internship opportunities.

EUSA acknowledges the importance of the European funding and support in realising such programmes – the Erasmus+ programme for the internship, and the European Solidarity Corps for the volunteering programme, as well as the International University Sports Federation (FISU), and thank them for their help in our initiatives.



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ITALIAN CIVIL SERVICE

The European University Sports Association (EUSA) has been hosting international volunteers and interns in EUSA office based in Ljubljana, Slovenia, for many years now, and in 2023, the EUSA Office continued to gradually expand the working capacities.

Besides hosting the European Solidarity Corps volunteers, who work closely with all of EUSA's working departments, including Sports, Media, and Education, this year EUSA welcomed two additional volunteers from the Italian Universal Civil Service program.

Simone de Luca and Giacomo Mori joined EUSA Office in the beginning of November, supported by OPES Italia, through the program funded within the International Civil Service. The Universal Civil Service is a voluntary choice, aimed at fostering the promotion of core Italian and European values, by working in the non-profit sector through actions in support of local communities and territories in the same spirit of international cooperation. OPES is an organisation for education and promotion of sports, working in the field of grassroots sport for the purpose of social and human empowerment.

With a few months of being part of the team of the EUSA Office in Ljubljana, doing different kind of activities, reaching a development of an intern experience of working in an international office, Giacomo and Simone showcased valuable skills and knowledge to the office work, as well.

For the purpose of this magazine, they have shared their satisfaction and expectations so far:

Simone De Luca, Italy

My name is Simone, I am 26 years old, and I come from Pesaro, from the Marche region of Italy. Throughout my life I have tried to alternate between sport and academic life. In April 2023, I graduated in International Relations from the University of Perugia, where I had the opportunity to increase my propensity for the world of international cooperation and volunteering in general.

I left Italy with hopes of improving my way of life and my knowledge of international cooperation in the field of sport. By sharing the goals and principles of EUSA, I am currently convinced that my academic path will develop, and I am sure that this period will give me a lot of satisfaction, both on a human and professional level. I look forward to using my time here with EUSA to promote sport and its fundamental values.

Giacomo Mori, Italy

My name is Giacomo, I am 29 years old, and I come from the Tuscany region of Italy. I have an academic background in international relations and European studies, with previous study and work experiences in France and Switzerland. Sport has been a fundamental part of my educational background, and sporting activities have mediated my very first steps in life since I was only a child. I believe that sport has had a huge influence on my personality and contributed greatly to shaping

the person I am today, providing me with the basics to face life.

Given my educational background on European policies, my main interest is to fully understand how sport can contribute to achieving a better integration of European citizens. In this sense, my major expectations regarding my period of work at EUSA are to learn how the promotion of university sport among young students in Europe can contribute to the strengthening of fundamental European values, such as human dignity, freedom of choice and equality of opportunity.

Both, Giacomo and Simone, hope to make the most of this experience with EUSA in Ljubljana and are proud to be representing Italy in Slovenia through this cooperation project. A special thanks from them and EUSA goes to the sending organization, OPES Italy, for providing partnerships and valuable volunteering opportunities like this one.





NEW PROJECTS

The Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) announced the selection results of the Erasmus+ Sport – Call for proposals; the Cooperation Partnerships, Small-Scale Partnerships, Capacity Building and Not-For-Profit European Sport Events in two parts.

Following the completion of the results, we are proud and happy to announce that two projects with the EUSA Institute as the coordinator have been selected for funding from the European Union.

This year, sport was also featured in the mobility strand of the Erasmus+ programme (under KA1) as the mobility of staff in the field of sport. These actions are decentralised and managed by the national agencies. Other sport-related actions are centralised (under KA2), managed by EACEA.

With centralised actions, the European University Sports

Association (EUSA) with its EUSA Institute in Ljubljana, Slovenia, was granted funding for the cooperation partnership project "Discovering university sport and supporting dual career (DiscoverU)" to enhance sport and physical activity opportunities for students in higher education and increase their participation in these activities. One small partnership was also granted for the "Youth Individual Sports Mindset (YouMind)" project, focusing on mental health of young athletes. The projects are co-funded by the European Union.

EUSA Institute will also partner in the projects "More

than Games", planning and implementation of the Volunteer Program and Educational Side-Event Program of the European Universities Games Debrecen-Miskolc 2024 (EUG2024); and "European Week of Winter Sport EWWS)", encouraging participation in sport and physical activity also in winter, while raising awareness about climate change and promoting sustainability. Also, these projects are co-funded by the European Union.

We also remain an active partner in several ongoing projects, supported by Erasmus+ programme of the European Union.

We are proud to be able to continue our active contribution to the development of university sport and sport in general on the European level, also with the support of the European Union through the Erasmus+ programme.



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EUSA PARTNERS AND NETWORK

Cooperation and networking with other organisations working in the field of sport and youth plays an important role in having sustainable progress and growth. EUSA holds pride in its existing network of partners and in its constant nurture of new alliances.



EUSA MEMBER ACTIVITIES 2023

The European University Sports Association (EUSA) comprises 47 national university sports associations (NUSA) in Europe, governing sport in higher education. These members serve on local, regional, national, European and international levels. The mission of the member associations of EUSA is to improve the conditions of student athletes within their countries of several levels, encouraging and enabling them to actively pursue their university studies as well as engagement in sports.

University Sport Development Meetings

On January 30, a delegation from the Portugal University Sport Federation (FADU), led by President Ricardo Nora, visited the EUSA Office in

Ljubljana for a meeting with representatives of EUSA. It was the occasion to present some of the new elements that are now part of FADU's directive and operational structure and to talk about future collaborations between the two bodies that oversee university sports in Portugal and Europe. In the

same meeting, the organization of the three European university championships that Portugal hosted in 2023 – in Braga, Aveiro and Lisbon – was discussed, as well as ongoing projects and future partnerships, both in the organization of sport events and educational initiatives. Following this, on

February 15, representatives of EUSA took a working visit to Braga, the hosting city of the European Universities Volleyball Championship in July, to check up on preparations, visit the facilities and meet the members of FADU in their headquarters.

The weekend between the 3-5 of March, in Madeira, few important FADU events took place, marking the 33-year anniversary of the Portugal University Sports Association. Among these events, the Academy of Leaders took place, starting the program with the address of the President of the European University Sports Association (EUSA), Adam Roczek, who spoke about the organization he leads and the work that EUSA does in the development of university sport on a European level. Following on the program was the "Sports for People with Disabilities" panel and the round table on "The 33 Years of FADU", which included André Reis and Filipa Godinho, former presidents of FADU, Duarte Lopes and Manuel Veloso, former Secretary Generals of FADU, and Fernando Parente, former Vice-President of FADU.

On March 23, 2023, in Budapest, at the University of Physical Education, in connection with the European Universities Games 2024, a meeting between the Hungarian University Sports Federation (MEFS) and the national associations of the sports participating in the Games, took place. The representatives of the two host universities, the University of Debrecen and the University of Miskolc, gave a detailed presentation of the sports programs, the venues and the educational and cultural aspects of the European Universities Games 2024.

From April 5 to 7, EUSA Auditors Liviu Matac and Hovhannes Gabrielyan met with EUSA Treasurer Francis

Cirianni and Secretary General Matjaz Pecovnik in Bucharest, Romania, for the audit of the EUSA accounts. On the occasion of the meeting, EUSA representatives visited the Headquarters of the Romanian Schools and Universities Sports Federation, a member of EUSA, where they deeply discussed the various activities and forms of cooperation between the two organizations. The EUSA representatives thanked its member federation for active participation at the EUSA events, as well as for promoting the EUSA associated membership among their universities.

On the occasion of the championships, EUSA representatives Matjaz Pecovnik, EUSA Secretary General, Aitor Canibe, EUSA Vice President and Liviu Matac, EUSA Auditor, met with Pedro Mercado Pacheco, Rector of the University of Granada and Jordi Mercade Torras, Director of Sport Centre at the University, to discuss the possibilities of eventual next EUSA events to be organised in Granada. The well organised EUC Tennis raised the idea to host an EUSA event also on the remarkable 500-year anniversary of University of Granada; the possibilities and conditions for organisation were the main topic of discussion between EUSA and University of Granada representatives.

On the occasion of the 2023 World Athletics Championships in Budapest, European University Sports Association (EUSA) on 23rd of August, President Adam Roczek, met with representatives of the Hungarian University Sports Federation (MESF) and the International University Sports Federation (FISU).

The always excellent cooperation between MEFS – EUSA and FISU during the last years became even stronger, with Hungarian University



Sports Federation being nowadays one of the most active Federations in Europe. Present and future plans were also discussed, since Debrecen-Miskolc European Universities Games 2024 are

fast approaching, and other international sports bids are being considered by the Hungarian federations.



Electoral Assemblies

At the Executive Board meeting of the Croatian Academic Sports Association (HASS), held on February 1, the new Sports Director, Jelena Matesic, and Secretary General, Nikola Vincetic, were voted and appointed.

Both, Mr Vincetic and Ms Matesic, are people who know the system and work of the Croatian Academic Sports Association very well, since they have been working in it for over 10 years and have organized over 30 international university events, including the European University Games Zagreb-Rijeka 2016 and many European Universities Championships.

On February 17, the Albanian Federation of University Sport held its second Electoral Assembly. The representatives of the governing bodies of the Albanian Federation of University Sport, expressed their free vote, reconfirming the election for the position of President of AFUS, Besnik Veliu, for another 4-year mandate. The members of the AFUS board were also voted on, and Klea Taipllari was newly appointed as the Secretary General of the Federation.

The Sports Students' Union of Ukraine, an EUSA Member, held its General Assembly on May 22nd in Kyiv, with the participation of representatives of the authorities and the sports community – both in presence and online.

In an open vote, the Rector of the National University of Physical Education and Sports of Ukraine, Prof. Ievgeniy Imas, was re-elected President of the Ukrainian Student Sports Union for the next 5 years. The Vice Presidents—Dnipro Serhiiovych, Kulikov Musiyovych, Mazaraki Antonovyc, Krysovaty Igorevych—Secretary General Vadym Stetsenko, and members

of the Executive Committee of the Union were also elected.

The Confederation Board of the Norwegian Association of University Sports has chosen to hire Atle Rolstadaas as the association's new General Secretary, starting from 1st July. Mr Rolstadaas comes from the position of adviser in the union, and has, among other things, been decisive in the work to make aktivCampus a national concept, as well as being involved in the sports organization at various levels since 2007.

The Israel Academic Sports Association (ASA) held its General Assembly on June 21, 2023, at the Lewinsky-Wingate Institute, with the participation of the representatives of all academic institutions and universities members of ASA Israel.

At the General Assembly, Ilan Kowalsky from Reichman University was elected Vice-President and Treasurer.

The General Assembly of the Finnish Student Sports Federation (OLL) has elected Mio Kortelainen, from Laurea University of Applied Sciences, as President for 2024.

The new vice chairs of OLL, who were elected as well as the new President at the General Assembly in Tampere which ended on November 9, are Tomas Kurenniemi from Aalto University and Marika Uusi-Illikainen from the University of Jyväskylä. The meeting gathered many representatives from student unions and universities' sports services in both Tampere and remotely around Finland.



EUSA Members Awards

On the 294th National Council meeting of the Italian National Olympic Committee (CONI), that took place at Foro Italico on 23 of February a special award in the field of university sport was awarded. On the occasion, the President of CONI, Giovanni Malagò and the Secretary General, Carlo Mornati presented the Gold Star for sporting merit to the President of the Italian Federation of University Sport (FederCUSI), Antonio Dima.

On the occasion of the State Restoration Day, 16th of February, the President of the Republic of Lithuania, Gitanas Nausėda presented state

awards for services to Lithuania and for promoting its name in the world.

The President awarded the medal of the Order of the Grand Duke Gediminas of Lithuania to Česlovas Garbaliuskas, EUSA Honorary Member and long-time president of the Lithuanian Student Sports Association, handball player, coach, sports scientist, for nurturing and developing student sports in Lithuania.

During General Assembly of FISU, our member – the Portuguese Academic Federation of University Sport (FADU) received the Gender Equality Award for its project Challenge the Numbers.



GALA events

On 24-25 of October, Warsaw has been the centre of events of the AZS community, hosting the University Sports Congress and University Sports Gala, at the POLIN Museum.

The University Sports Gala in Warsaw was an excellent opportunity for recognising success and giving awards. Traditionally, the best universities from the last Polish Universities Championships (AMP) were honoured. This year, the flagship series of AZS events gathered over 18,000 participants (including nearly 8,000 women), taking part in sports battles in 29 disciplines, in which there were 47 classifications for women and men.

The Event of the Year was the European Universities Rowing Championship in Bydgoszcz, a competition organized by the local AZS University of Kazimierz Wielki and the European University Sports Association (EUSA), during which students competed and stood on the podium thirteen times. This year's EUC was a success for Polish universities, which have won 38 medals

so far. The medallists were awarded during the Gala, as well.

On 21st of November, Convento de São Francisco, in Coimbra, hosted the biggest University Sports Gala organized by the Portuguese Academic Federation of University Sport (FADU), paying tribute to the universe of student-athletes who were the most successful in the 2022/2023 season.

This 14th edition of the FADU Spots Gala was the place where the medal winners at the World University Games and European Universities Championships, and awarding prizes for Female Athlete of the Year, Male Athlete of the Year, Coach of the Year, and Team of the Year, were honoured.

Individual student-athletes were awarded and honoured for their significant performance at the European University Championships 2023 organized by the European University Sport Association (EUSA) and many local organising committees.



INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY SPORTS FEDERATION (FISU)



For the International University Sports Federation (FISU), 2023 has been a busy and exciting year. With two FISU World University Games, two FISU University World Cups, and the General Assembly all taking place, the value and importance of university sport shone throughout the year.

Shortly after the calendar turned from 2022 to 2023, the Lake Placid 2023 FISU World University Games Winter got underway in the North Country region of New York State in the United States. Over 11 days, from 12-22 January 2023, close to 2,200 athletes, coaches, and officials from 46 countries

and 545 universities arrived to compete in 12 sports and 85 medal events.

This was not new for Lake Placid, accustomed to welcoming the world in its beautiful, mountainous terrain, having hosted the 1972 World University Games as well as

the 1932 and 1980 Olympic Winter Games. Historical venues such as the James C. Sheffield Olympic Skating Oval (speed skating), the Olympic Jumping Complex (ski jumping and Nordic combined), and the Olympic Center (figure skating and ice hockey finals), were all used during these FISU Games.

Team Japan led the overall medal count with 48, and 21 golds. Korea placed second with 29 medals, and the host United States enjoyed its best ever FISU Games Winter with 17 medals, including three golds.

"There can be no doubt: Lake Placid is the place of legends for winter sports. We are reminded of this, just walking into this building and seeing the reminders of the 'Miracle on Ice.' We knew this was and is a very special place. And we had the privilege to be part of it," said FISU Acting President, Leonz Eder at the time.

A mere six months later, the summer athletes were on centre stage in Chengdu, China, for the FISU World University Games Summer. The suite of venues where participants competed,

trained, and stayed in formed an incredible backdrop for their athletic exploits. The Dong'an Lake Sports Park boasted three of these venues, with its stadium hosting the opening ceremony, the aquatics centre the swimming competition, and artistic gymnastics in the Multi-Purpose Gymnasium.

The High-Tech Zone Sports Centre Gymnasium was also newly built and hosted competition in table-tennis, having previously welcomed an international event with the 2022 World Team Table Tennis Championships in September and October of 2022.

The athletes' village, located on the campus of Chengdu University, also received rave reviews. Speaking before the FISU Games got underway, FISU

Secretary General and CEO Éric Saintrond said, "I'm impressed by many things: all the services are very close to each other, the transportation network works very well, the facilities are all perfect. This is one of the best villages we have ever had."

China dominated the medal table in Chengdu with 178 total, almost doubling second place Japan's tally of 93. The hosts won 103 gold medals, including nine from swimming world and Olympic Champion, Zhang Yufei. India had its best ever FISU Games Summer with 26 medals, eclipsing its total from all previous participation combined, and Türkiye also surpassed its previous best result of 27 medals, winning 35.

Following the Chengdu FISU Games, two FISU University

World Cups were held (where teams represented their universities as opposed to their countries), with Football taking place in Jinjiang, China and 3x3 Basketball in Doha, Qatar. At the FISU Cup Football, eight women's and twelve men's teams took part, with Beijing Normal University winning gold on home soil in the women's action and Brazil's Paulista University winning on penalties in the men's final. ITES Monterrey of Mexico won women's gold in 3x3 Basketball, while the top seeded Vytautas Magnus University of Lithuania stood atop the podium in men's 3x3 play.

In November, the 38th FISU General Assembly was held in Geneva, Switzerland, where Leonz Eder was unanimously elected FISU President, after



having served as Acting President over the last three years. He, along with the newly elected Executive Committee, will serve until 2027.

"I am truly honoured to have the opportunity to continue to guide the university sport community in the exciting times that lie ahead," President Eder stated. "In the face of significant global challenges, FISU has in 2023 celebrated a full year of exciting university sport and two memorable FISU World University Games. As we approach our 75th anniversary, our movement remains as committed as ever to serving university students around the world, providing them with sporting opportunities, and helping them develop healthy habits to last a lifetime. I am deeply humbled to be entrusted with the responsibility of

helping shape the bright future ahead for the university sports community." – said Mr Eder.

During the General Assembly, FISU also welcomed the Qatar Collegiate Sports Federation as its newest member federation.

After a great and active 2023, FISU now turns its sights to its 75th anniversary year in 2024, with 22 FISU World University Championships scheduled, as well as the Zagreb 2024 FISU World Forum in Croatia. As 2023 has proven, university sport continues to thrive, and the upcoming year is sure to be a further demonstration of that around the world.



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ASIAN UNIVERSITY SPORT FEDERATION (AUSF)



For the Asian University Sport Federation (AUSF) the year of 2023 was the year of reunion for the organization and its members.

From May 7-8 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, the 12th ordinary AUSF General Assembly was successfully organized, with an attendance of 31 members. We were also very pleased to have leaders from FISU, EUSA and other Continental Federations to be with us on this important occasion. During this General Assembly, a new Executive Committee for the period of 2023-2027 was elected. In addition, Qatar was admitted to be a member of AUSF, making the total number of AUSF members 41.

The 3rd FISU-AUSF Strategic Dialogue was held on May 6, a day before the General Assembly, featuring the theme of healthy campus. Fernando Parente, FISU Development & Healthy Campus Director, shared the objective and

achievements of FISU's Healthy Campus Programme, as a global initiative launched by FISU for universities worldwide. The representatives from China, the Republic of Korea, Thailand, the UAE, and the ASEAN University Sports Council shared their strategies and best practices for building a healthy campus.

2023 has also been a remarkable year for the development of university sports in Asia. 3 out of 4 FISU sports events, including the FISU World University Games Summer, FISU University World Cup Football and FISU University World Cup 3x3 Basketball, were all staged successfully in Asia.

After two postponements caused by the pandemic, the highly anticipated Chengdu 2021

FISU World University Games was finally held from 28th July to 8th August in Chengdu, China. A total of 6,500 athletes from 113 countries and regions competed in 269 events across 18 sports. 22 FISU records were broken during the 12-day competitions. This incredible journey of competition and camaraderie in Chengdu left good memories to the athletes that could last a lifetime. Three Asian countries, namely China, Japan and Republic of Korea, were listed as the top 3 on the Medal Tally, demonstrating the high level of competition of Asian university athletes.

After the Chengdu Games, another city in China attracted the attention from all over the world. The 2023 FISU University World Cup Football was organized successfully from



21-31 October in Jinjiang, China. 12 men teams and 8 women teams from 16 countries of 5 continents gathered in Jinjiang for the top honor of university football. In the end, the women's Chinese team of Beijing Normal University won the title on home ground, while Paulista University from Brazil was crowned in Men's category.

In west Asia, the 2023 FISU University World Cup 3x3 Basketball was held in Doha, Qatar from 10-12 November. This 7th edition of the event featured 12 women teams and 12 men teams that competed for the top honors over the three days. As the newest member of FISU and AUSF, Qatar has set a high benchmark for other NUSFs as the Organising Committee of FISU events.

During the just concluded FISU General Assembly held in Geneva, Switzerland from 17-18 November, candidates from Asia have been elected to 8 positions in the FISU Executive Committee for the term 2023-2027, thanks to the concerted efforts of all Asian members and the generous support of our fellow friends from EUSA and other CUSFs. The result of the election is not only an honor, but also a glorious responsibility, which will inspire everyone to work harder for the development of university sports worldwide.

It was also encouraging to see much closer ties were strengthened between AUSF and other continental associations through the regular exchange of visits to each other this year. Such collaborations not only enhanced engagement

between the federations, but also strengthened the friendship among the member federations affiliated with AUSF and EUSA, FASU, FISU America and FISU Oceania. On November 19 in Geneva, on the occasion of the FISU Oceania General Assembly, AUSF, FISU Oceania, and FISU consolidated their collaboration through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The partnership between AUSF and FISU Oceania has steadily evolved since the inception in 2016. This collaborative framework serves as a blueprint for joint efforts, outlining the guiding principles and objectives under the auspices of FISU.



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FEDERATION OF AFRICA UNIVERSITY SPORTS (FASU)

As every year, the round up for 2023 in FASU was equally eventful and lively as before. Having a lot of important events, celebrating university sport, and developing it each year more and more, FASU has especially been proud of several highlighted events.

Elective General Assembly 2023

On May 6th, FASU held its Elective General Assembly, which ushered in a new Executive Committee for the period 2023- 2027. The meeting, hosted by University Sports South Africa at the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa, saw Prof. Sobhy Ashraf (Egypt) elected to the Presidency.

Current a Minister of Youth and Sports in the national government of Egypt, Prof. Ashraf Sobhy is a professor of Sports Economics and has previously served as General Secretary of the Egyptian University Sports Federation, Executive Director of the International Cairo Stadium among others.

Other directly elected members of the executive include: 1st Vice President – Muzuva

Tsitsi (Zimbabwe), 2nd Vice President – Ahshad Tariq (Libya), Secretary General – Peninnah A. Kabenge (Uganda), Treasurer – Rono Kibet Alfred (Kenya), Internal Auditor – Chidiebere Ezeani (Nigeria) and Student Representative – Emmanuel Aupal (Uganda). These are joined by representatives of the 5 FASU Zones and the immediate past president to complete the Executive Committee.

4th FISU-FASU Strategic Dialogue

The city of Johannesburg, South Africa, also played host to the 4th FISU-FASU Strategic Dialogue on May 5th, 2022, at the University of the Witwatersrand, with 120 participants from Algeria, Botswana, Egypt, Burundi, Cameroon, DR. Congo, Ethiopia, Ghana, Libya, Ivory Coast, Madagascar, Namibia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Somalia, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Comoros, Egypt, Kenya, Morocco, Sierra Leone, Lesotho, Burkina Faso, Malawi and Mauritius.

The FISU-FASU Strategic Dialogue was held under the theme "Unlocking Africa's Potential", and was graced by Acting FISU President, Leonz Eder.

FASU Championship 2023 Highlights

FASU organised 3 championships in 2023, which not only showcased athletic prowess but also fostered international representation and competitive spirit among universities from various African countries and universities.

The King of Africa University Rugby 7s and FASU Tennis Slam took place at Makerere

University, Kampala, Uganda, on October 7th and 8th, 2023. Rugby attracted six universities from Uganda and Kenya, while Tennis attracted 10 universities from Uganda, Kenya, and Ghana.

The 5th FASU 3X3 Basketball Challenge, held in Johannesburg, South Africa, saw American University in Cairo (Egypt), University of Cape Coast (Ghana), and United States International University-Africa (Kenya) qualify to represent Africa at the FISU University World Cup 3X3 Basketball in Doha, Qatar.

Africa's Representatives at the FISU University World Cup (3X3 Basketball and Football)

American University in Cairo made history by being the 1st African university to reach the finals of the FISU University World Cup 3x3 Basketball 2023, and won silver in the event in November in Doha, Qatar. Africa qualified four teams from 3 universities (American University in Cairo, the University of Cape Coast, and the United States International University in Africa).

Kenyatta University (Kenya) and L'Universite De Kindia (Guinea) represented Africa in men's and women's categories, respectively, at the FISU University World Cup in Football.

2nd International Forum for Sports, Investment and Manufacturing in Cairo

FASU was part of the 2nd International Forum for Sports Investment and Manufacturing, held from October 29th to 31st, 2023, in Cairo, Egypt and organised in collaboration with the Ministry of Sports in Egypt. Two presentations from FASU were made by Ms. Chidiebere Ezeani, the FASU internal auditor on the investment opportunities in African university sport; and Dr. Simon Munayi, the president of the East African University Sports Federation, on the future of African university sports.

FASU President celebrated at the UCSA Sports Award

Dr. Ashraf Sobhy the President of the Federation of Africa University Sports Federation and also the Minister of Youth and Sports of the Arab Republic of Egypt emerged as the recipient of the prestigious Best Africa Sports Service Award during the Association of African Sports Confederations (UCSA) African Sports Awards as a testament to his unwavering dedication and significant impact on the realm of sports services.

The UCSA African Sports Awards ceremony was not just a celebration of individual

achievements, but also an acknowledgment of the positive influence that sports can have on society.

International Day of University Sports

The official FASU IDUS celebrations were held in Uganda in conjunction with the Association of Uganda University Sports and Makerere University.

The week-long celebrations that took place from 17th to 24th September, 2023, included various activities on each day as follows: taekwondo performance, cycling, a fresher's swimming gala, 3 football matches, a Rugby 7 circuit, Aerobic dancing, Operation Clean Sports Environment, and cake cutting, reaffirming the importance of sport in universities and the role of universities in the community as responsible actors for consolidating and developing quality physical and sport education at the service of citizens. Other activities were also held in South Africa, Kenya and Ghana.



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FISU AMERICA

It is a great honour for us, to be part of the EUSA magazine, which is hard proof of our mutual involvement and cooperation throughout the years. Greetings from FISU AMERICA to all of you, the university sports community, behind the pages!



We are the organization of university sports on the continent of America, which has celebrated its 15th anniversary this year, and we know we have a lot more to go!

The organisation is led by Alim Maluf Neto from Brazil, with a board of 9 people from all over the continent.

We bring together 28 NUSFs off the continent, from the North to the South, and in these 15 years, we've become become a very active organization whose main objective is to promote university sports in every corner of the continent, trying to equalize the development despite the differences between countries and cultures.

In 2023, we had a very busy calendar, not only with our own events but also being involved in worldwide events organized by FISU, such as the Winter and Summer World University Games and having the honour of receiving the world in Lake Placid, a part of our continent. In both cases, we encourage our NUSF to participate and cooperate with them not only in





the preparation of the delegation but also in the communication and all needs that might appear.

We have a team that consolidates our work daily: communication, education, and sporting events. The team that keeps the agenda active as it is today.

We would like to share how 2023 came through:

In May, our sports calendar began with the III FISU AMERICA CHESS, it taking place from May 4th to 11th, online. In the third edition, 8 countries participated: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Mexico, the Dominican Republic, and Venezuela. 168 participants took part in the event: 74 men, 74 women and 21 teams. It is important for us that we can still organize this kind of championships because it gives the NUSF's with a lower budget the opportunity to participate.

Then, we had our FISU AMERICA 3X3, which was held in Chihuahua, Lima, with more than 100 student-athletes from all over the continent. The podium was finalized as follows: Women, 1st the Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey (Campus Monterrey) – Mexico;

2nd Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey (Campus Toluca) also Mexico and 3rd Universidad Nacional de Colombia, from Colombia. In men, it was as 1st Universidad Autónoma de Ciudad Juárez, from Mexico; 2nd Pontificia Universidad Católica from Chile; 3rd Universidad Nilton Lins from Brasil.

Esports are growing permanently, and since FISU America has found a way to unite virtually the entire continent, 2023 was a record year in registrations after the incorporation of the Clash Royale competition, a new virtual modality in which student-athletes from all over the continent participated, where men and women competed jointly. Furthermore, just like in previous years, the FIFA tournament was part of our IDUS celebration.

We also have the FISU – FISU AMERICA STRATEGIC DIALOGUE in Joinville, Brazil, which, of course, was an opportunity to work towards future initiatives in the field of university sports.

In November, Lima held the FISU AMERICA FUTSAL, with a high level of performance and a beautiful atmosphere for



Peruvians and online spectators to enjoy good games and sports!

2024 is also giving us a lot of good reason to be happy: we will celebrate our 3rd FISU AMERICA GAMES in Cali, Colombia, next November, along with the FISU AMERICA CHESS, 3X3, sports, and FISU AMERICA FORUM that will happen according to the calendar all through the year.

On the other side, we are sure we will receive a lot of participants from EUSA because we will have three world championships on our continent: Cycling in Costa Rica, Finswimming in Colombia also the first edition of the World

University Beach Games will be held at home, in Brazil.

We look forward to seeing you all at the next events!

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FISU OCEANIA

FISU Oceania is the smallest of the Continental University Sport Federations and has relations with 12 National University Sport Federations in American Samoa, Australia, the Cook Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Guam, the Marshall Islands, New Caledonia, New Zealand, the Northern Mariana Islands, Papua New Guinea and Samoa.

Introduction

FISU Oceania's vision is for all university, college and tertiary students of Oceania to be able to participate in sport and leadership opportunities. Our strategic pillars focus on leadership, development, engagement and partnerships.

Our values, coupled with our vision and mission, have driven the work of our Federation, as we continue to be inclusive, to value teamwork, to respect and

acknowledge the traditional owners, elders and cultures when it comes to contributions to our member countries, as well as to maintain integrity and to promote sport and the joy it brings.

FISU Oceania continues to report on strategic progress that is aligned to the Sustainable Development Goals and is proactively working to implement actions to reach the targets as a signatory to the United Nations Sport for Climate Action.

MOU with ASEAN University Sports Council

2023 also saw our Federation re-sign our MOU with the Asian University Sports Federation and a new MOU signing with the ASEAN University Sports Council. Both MOUs will see further collaboration to deliver sport and professional development events for students and university sports administrators.



National university sport events

University Games, championships and intervarsity events were held in Australia, Fiji, Guam, New Caledonia, Northern Marianas and Papua New Guinea. Over 12,000 students participated in university sport competitions across the region, with the following countries awarding overall champions for university sport in their specific country: The University of Sydney (AUS), the University of Canterbury (NZL), and the University of South Pacific (FJI).

International Day of University Sport (IDUS)

IDUS activities continue to increase as more students in the region become aware of the day. Held annually on 20 September, IDUS provides a platform to celebrate university sport and its impact on students and the wider university community. Activities across Oceania included:

- Fiji hosted the annual Fiji Inter Tertiary Games in the week of IDUS. Over 3,500 students from more than five universities and other tertiary institutions took part in over 10 sport competitions.
- The Marshall Islands used IDUS as a platform to promote the value of sport volunteering to local College students, with the main focus

being on the upcoming Pacific Mini Games.

- New Caledonia held a workshop for students focusing on discovering new sports, through trying traditional and urban sports such as: traditional cricket, teqball, quatch, breakdance and skateboarding.
- New Zealand held activities across all eight universities with events including fitness challenges, club activations, sports competitions, sausage sizzles, have-a-go sessions in both traditional and new emerging sports, free fitness classes, erg competitions, photo competitions, surveys and social media promotions relating to sport.
- Northern Mariana Islands hosted their 4th annual celebration of IDUS involving college students and the community in sports such as athletics, ultimate frisbee, volleyball, soccer and spikeball

University World Cup qualifying events – 3x3 basketball

In 2023, FISU Oceania held its qualifying tournament in person, making it the first sporting event ever held by our Federation. Thanks to the gracious support of the host university, Auckland University of Technology, the event was a success despite last minute travel issues preventing some teams from attending. In total, five men teams and four

women teams competed, with the winning team selected to represent the region at the 2023 3x3 University World Cup.

The teams selected to attend the University World Cup 3x3 in 2023 were: University of Sydney AUS (men); Monash University* (men); University of Sydney AUS (women); Lincoln University NZL* (women).

University World Cup qualifying events – Football

The University World Cup Football was held in October 2023. With New Zealand and Australia, the only countries holding a national football tournament, the winners of the men's and women's competitions in each country played one game, with the winner going on to represent the region at the 2023 University World Cup Football.

The teams selected to attend the University World Cup Football in 2023 were: University of Auckland NZL (men); Western Sydney University* AUS (men) and University of Sydney AUS (women).

Oceania student-athletes at the FISU University Games

Oceania was represented by 29 student-athletes from Australia for the Lake Placid Winter University Games in January 2023. The team finished with four top-ten finishes in the Alpine Skiing disciplines.

Chengdu 2021 World University Games Summer

At the 2021 World University Games held in Chengdu, China, from July 28 to August 8, 2023, Oceania was represented by 98 student-athletes from Australia and one student-athlete from Fiji, with Australian student-athletes achieving medals in Athletics and Water Polo.

FISU Volunteer Leaders Academy (FVLA)

Four Oceania students, Demi Fittler, Alexandra Chua, Stella Rose Lay and Mckayla Little, graduated from the FVLA program in 2023. These students have since taken on leadership roles with their Federation and FISU Oceania, as well as working at the

campus level to further promote university sport opportunities both locally and internationally.

FISU Oceania General Assembly

The 2023 General Assembly for FISU Oceania was held in November in Geneva, Switzerland, where members elected a new Executive Committee for the mandate period December 2023 – November 2027). The five elected Executive Committee members were: Mr David Schmude from Australia – President, Ms Amy Sasser from the Marshall Islands – Vice President, Ms Denise Myers from the Northern Mariana Islands, Mr Karl Whalen from New Zealand and Mr Eric Michalak from New Caledonia.

The following persons were appointed to the Executive Committee: Mr Martin Doulton from Australia (FISU Senior Executive Committee Member), Ms Donna Spethman from Australia (FISU Oceania Secretary General), and Ms Demi Fittler from Australia (student representative).

FISU Oceania is proud to be the only FISU Continental University Sport Federation with equal gender representation of 50% female / 50% male on its Executive Committee.

Looking forward to 2024

As our Federation moves into 2024, our key focus will be to meet specific targets set against our strategic plan. In addition, we will deliver events and programs with our MOU partners and FISU. We look forward to continue working with our National University Sport Federations to further increase the impact of university, college and tertiary sport in the Oceania region.



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COOPERATION AND ALLIANCES

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OVERVIEW

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EUSA's partners are a constant source of help and support, aiding the association's goal of enhancing the quality of events and initiatives while further developing university sport as an integral part of a student's life.

From knowledge exchange and practical assistance to the provision of personnel and equipment at sporting events and co-operation in various projects, EUSA's partners are a fundamental resource for the association's growth and continual development.

With the list of partners ever-growing, we are proud to be associated with the following list of partners:

International University Sport Federation (FISU); African University Sport Federation (FASU); Pan-American University Sport Federation (FISU America); Oceania University Sport Association (FISU Oceania); Asian University Sport Federation (AUSF); European Commission; Council of Europe; European Non-governmental Sports Organisations (ENGSO); European Fair Play Movement (EFPM); European Olympic Committees (EOC); European Paralympic Committee (EPC); European Union of Sports Press (AIPS Europe); European Athletes as Student (EAS) – Dual Career Network; European Students' Union (ESU); Badminton

Europe Confederation (BEC); European Bridge League (EBL); European Chess Union (ECU); European Handball Federation (EHF); European Judo Union (EJU); European Karate Federation (EKF); European Powerlifting Federation (EPF); European Table Tennis Union (ETTU); European Volleyball Confederation (CEV); International Federation of Sport Climbing (IFSC); International Orienteering Federation (IOF); ParaVolley Europe; Rugby Europe; European Kickboxing Federation (WAKO Europe); World Taekwondo Europe (WTE) and Radio Capodistria as a media partner.

We are also happy to have Kraft and Werk Marketing and

Communications Agency as our official partner, as well as ORKA Holding as the official clothing supplier.

EUSA looks forward to continually developing university sport with each of its current partners, and hopes to continue expanding its network, building new alliances and forming new partnerships in the coming years.



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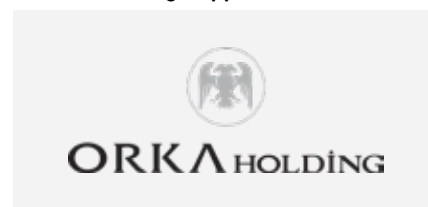
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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

On an annual basis, the European Commission organizes several seminars, meetings and different types of gatherings for sports stakeholders across Europe, including EUSA, to discuss various aspects of sport on the continent.

At the beginning of the year, the European Commission and the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) organised a hybrid info day on Erasmus+ Sport and other EU funding opportunities on January 30, 2023.

Several sessions were held in plenary form: starting with the introduction to the Erasmus+ Sport Programme and practical examples of project implementation, Erasmus+ Sport Policy priorities, and other EU funding opportunities.

Attending this event, apart from getting valuable information and being able to nurture the cooperation with the European Commission, was also a great opportunity to continue cooperation and networking with some EUSA members, existing strategic and project partners, as well as explore possibilities for new cooperations.

Around the middle of 2023, representatives of the national coordinating bodies and

partners of the European Week of Sport and the #beactive campaign met online, on June 15 for the Key Players' Seminar. Attending this seminar was EUSA Media Coordinator, Salvatore Sisca.

The meeting started with the welcome of Ignazio Cocchiere on behalf of the European Commission's Directorate General for Education and Culture (DG EAC), who introduced the outlines of the new edition of the European Week of Sport while praising the good results from past-year activities and the numerous applications already received for the #BeActive Awards.

Representatives from Pomilio Blumm, EWoS 2023 communication agency, then introduced and explained the communication campaign of this year. The pillars of the communication strategy of this year are going to be three: Involvement, Inclusion, and Innovation. Around these keywords, the campaign will

thrust forward to accomplish Activation, Empowerment and Engagement of European citizens. The EWoS 2023 visual identity was also presented.

Later this year, on November 23, the European Commission organised the ninth edition of the #BeActive Awards, celebrated as a hybrid event, with in-person attendance in Brussels, and online streaming. At the event, EUSA was represented by Andrej Pisl, Communications and EU Projects Manager.

The awards were created to support projects and individuals dedicated to the promotion of sport and physical activity across Europe. The awards have 4 categories: Education, Workplace, Local Hero and Across Generation Award. Following the awards ceremony, a panel debate on healthy lifestyles took place.

The next day, representatives of the national coordinating bodies and official partners of

the European Week of Sport and the #BeActive campaign met in Brussels. This internal meeting of the key players focused on the highlights of the 2023 campaign, reviewing this year's activities, reaching the goals, and making plans for next year's campaign and activities.

European University Sports Association (EUSA) is an official partner of the initiative and will continue supporting the European Week of Sport. This includes the overall promotion of #BEACTIVE.



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COUNCIL OF EUROPE

European University Sports Association (EUSA) works closely with the Council of Europe (COE), where we are members of the Consultative Committee of the Enlarged Partial Agreement on Sport, as well as member of the Conference of International Non-governmental Organisations (INGO).

The annual meeting of the EPAS Governing Board and meeting of the EPAS Consultative Committee were held in Strasbourg on June 8 and 9, 2023. The event was held at the Council of Europe headquarters, and before the official meetings, the members, among them also the European University Sports Association (EUSA), were invited to an unconscious bias training on Wednesday afternoon.

Parallel sessions of in-camera meetings of the 17th Plenary meeting of the EPAS Governing Board and the 15th Plenary meeting of the Consultative Committee. Elections for the Consultative Committee's Bureau also took place at the meeting.

Following on the program of the event was the joint meeting of EPAS Governing Board and Consultative Committee, addressing several topics, reflecting on the EPAS core values on promoting and

ensuring that sport is a safe sport, inclusion, diversity, equality, and the European Sports Charter.

At the interim elections, Andrej Pisl, EUSA Communications and Project Manager, was elected as supplement member.

EPAS joint sessions brought reports and information about past and upcoming EPAS events, highlighting the EPAS' 3-pillar values, starting with the first one on Ethical sport – highlighting the round table on integrity in sport. The second pillar – Inclusive sport – showcased the Combating Hate Speech in Sport Joint project; All In Plus project on promoting gender equality in sport, the EPAS diversity conference 2023 on Inclusion of child migrants and refugees in and through sport; as well as the Webinar on protecting and promoting the human rights of transgender and intersex athletes in

sports – organised with active contribution of EUSA.

Later in the year, the Enlarged Partial Agreement on Sport (EPAS) of the Council of Europe (COE), in cooperation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Education and Sport of the Principality of Liechtenstein within the framework of the Liechtenstein Presidency of the Committee of Ministers, organised the EPAS Diversity Conference on the topic of Inclusion of Child Migrants and Refugees in and through Sport on November 28 and 29 in Schaan, Liechtenstein.

As indicated in the title of the conference, the focus of the event was on the inclusion of children and youth migrants, refugees, and asylum seekers in and through sport.

Workshops, plenary sessions, and panels on the topics of key challenges to the inclusion of child migrants and refugees

in and through sport, existing good practices, initiatives and solutions for these challenges, the policy position of COE, the role of sport for child migrants and refugees, and more specifically, how sport can be used as a tool for inclusion, were part of this Conference.

The conference closed in a constructive way, with key important messages and commitments of the participants and stakeholders to enable safe sport in all communities, with active engagement of migrants, refugees and asylum seekers, as well as local communities in all stages, as well as use sport as a tool for integration, inclusion and social cohesion.



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ENGSO & ENGSO YOUTH

The 6th edition of the European Sport Platform (ESP2023) took place in Lisbon, Portugal, from October 12 to 14, organized by ENGSO and hosted by the Sports Confederation of Portugal, featuring diverse representatives from European sports organizations, including the European University Sports Association (EUSA).

With the theme of "Strengthening sport for stronger communities", the ESP included various workshops, speeches and activities related to building up a more inclusive and cooperative community, as well as the Equality in Sport Conference and the final event of the EQUIP project.

The two-day program consisted of a Human Library workshop, a Call to Action for improving equality in sports, and a Walk of Privilege role play addressing discrimination. EUSA Communications Officer, Hristina Hristova, participated in the Human Library sessions as one of the experts, sharing her experiences on inclusion and equal opportunities.

Topics such as values and policy in sport, sustainability in sports management, and insights from the European Commission's Sport Unit, sustainable sport management, good governance, youth integrity, safeguarding in sport, fair play in grassroots sport,

and the HealthyLifestyle4All initiative were also covered. The event was wrapped up with the announcement that the next European Sport Platform in 2024 will be hosted by NOC Kosovo.

This year, besides the ESP, from June 1 to 4, 2023, in Stockholm, Sweden, the inaugural edition of the European Youth and Sport Platform 2023 was organized by ENGSO Youth in collaboration with ENGSO and the Swedish Sports Confederation. The event aimed to address global challenges, facilitate youth advocacy, and foster discussions on themes such as good governance, sustainability, and digitization within the context of the Youth Legacy in and within Sport, aligning with the goals of the Swedish EU Presidency. The diverse program included an official opening, high-level panels, workshops, sessions on various topics, such as: governance, digitalization, and sports, sustainability, policy-making, led by speakers from organizations such as IOC,

European Commission, ENGSO and ENGSO Youth. Participants had the chance to also enjoy, #beactive engaging activities like Wheelchair Basketball, Disc Golf, and Running.

The closing remarks outlined plans for the next edition in 2025 in Warsaw, Poland, accompanied by festivities and celebrations in Stockholm.

In 2023, EUSA had the chance to also attend the General Assembly of ENGSO and ENGSO Youth, which took place in Hersonissos, Crete, Greece, from 12-14th of May. The event kicked off with the EQUIP Seminar on equality, inclusion, and disability, organized by the Hellenic Paralympic Committee and ENGSO EWS Committee. The seminar featured a panel discussion and inspiring discussions on sport, inclusion, and equal opportunities, shared by Para-athletes, emphasizing empowerment through sports and the importance of visibility for people with disabilities.

The official opening of the General Assembly included welcoming words from ENGSO President Stefan Bergh and other dignitaries, followed up by an ENGSO Member seminar, featuring discussions on the recent member survey, the new ENGSO Policy program, and presentations on equality and sustainability, crisis resilience, and EU sport policy. The assembly concluded with the election of the ENGSO President, Mr Stefan Bergh, and other Executive Committee Members for 2023-2027.

The Youth Assembly of ENGSO Youth followed, highlighting activities, achievements, and elections for the Youth Committee and leadership positions for 2023-2025. Ugne Chmeliauskaite was re-elected as Chair of ENGSO Youth, joined by the new Vice-Chair, Erik Van Haaren, and other committee members from various countries.



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EUROPEAN FAIR PLAY MOVEMENT

The European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) is a non-governmental association with the main aim of promoting Fair Play and Tolerance in the broadest sense in sports and everyday life on a European level. The EFPM seeks to achieve this goal by supporting its members, by helping to promote Fair Play campaigns where sports organizations take the initiative, by cooperating with the authorities to foster Fair Play themes, and by facilitating regular contacts between the various European sports organizations.

European University Sports Association (EUSA) and its Institute have been advocating for clean sport without doping and Fair play for several years already and remains committed to the cause.

EUSA is an official partner of the European Fair Play Movement (EFPM), which is a member of the International Fair Play Committee (IFPC). The values of fair play, equality, ethics, and clean sport without doping and without match-fixing are at the core of EUSA sport and other events. As a recognition for this, EUSA also received a special Fair Play Award from the EFPM in 2014.

The President of the European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) Philippe Housiaux and Executive Committee member Robert Perc met with the Secretary General of the European University Sports Association

(EUSA) Matjaz Pecovnik, on May 10 in Ljubljana.

The meeting was held on the occasion of scheduled EFPM visit as preparation of activities related to the implementation of the European Youth Olympic Festival (EYOF), which was held in July in Maribor, Slovenia. EUSA and EFPM have been long-time partners, promoting fair play and positive values in sports. The participants discussed the existing cooperation and potential new ways, initiatives and strategies of promoting fair play principles – fair competition, respect, friendship, team spirit, equality, sport without doping, respect for written and unwritten rules such as integrity, solidarity, tolerance, care, excellence and joy; on and off the field.

World Fair Play Day aims to demonstrate that Fair Play

can be promoted through both large-scale operations and simple actions. The aim is to make this Day an authentic celebration of Fair Play as a real component of education in sport, society, and life itself.

The 4th edition of the ceremony to celebrate World Fair Play Day 2023 was held on 7th of September, 2023. This 4th edition of the event was honoured by the presence of a very special guest: Berit Reiss-Andersen, President of the Norwegian Committee for the Nobel Peace Prize, who was presented with the European Fair Play Movement's 1st "Sport for Peace Award" by the Norwegian Nobel Committee. The ceremony was dedicated to "Peace Through Sport".

This edition of World Fair Play Day demonstrated the power of Fair Play in promoting peace, both through sport and artistic

expression. It also celebrated the inspiring individuals and organisations that are helping to create a more harmonious and respectful world.

The aim of this special day is to underline the fact that Fair Play needs to be promoted both through large-scale operations, as well as through simple gestures. All athletes, sportsmen and women, coaches, referees, supporters, volunteers, managers, teachers, physical education instructors, school heads, parents, public representatives, and institutions, etc. are invited to take practical action wherever they can on the ground to encourage sportsmen and women, young people and all those around them to demonstrate exemplary behaviour in all circumstances.



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EUROPEAN ATHLETE AS STUDENT (EAS) NETWORK

The European Athlete as Student (EAS) network was founded in 2004 with the support of the EU Commission during the European Year of Education Through Sport (EYES), with the aim of supporting European athletes in combining high performance sport and education.

European Athlete as Student (EAS) – Dual career network held its annual Conference and General Assembly between October 2 and 4 at the Angioino-Aragonese Castle in Gaeta, Italy. Hosted by the University of Cassino and Southern Lazio, the conference was held under the title "Promoting wellbeing in dual career".

At the conference, the European University Sports Association (EUSA) and its Institute were represented at the event by its Communications and Projects Manager, Andrej Pisl; while also EUSA Vice-President, Joerg Foerster, EUSA Executive Committee Member, Agita Abele and member of the EUSA Education Commission, Romana Caput-Jogunica attended the event as well.

Welcome addresses were given to the participants by Cristina Cortis, Rector Delegate for Sport and President of the Organizing Committee, and Laura Capranica, President of EAS.

Sessions on the topic of EU Sport Policies and Opportunities, European Policies and funding opportunities for innovative projects in dual career, as well as the detailed explanation of the role of EPAS and its Consultative Committee of International Organizations in supporting the advancement of sport culture and dialogue, kicked off the conference.

The programme was then continued with the presentations of the recent celebration of World Fair Play Day, the introduction of the 365-day calendar of the European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) and the dual career activities of major International and European sports associations.

Joerg Foerster and Andrej Pisl from the European University Sports Association – EUSA reported on the actual sports activities at the European level and the current involvement with EAS in EU-funded dual career projects BRAVA-DC

(2020-2023) and the DiscoverU to be started soon.

The first day of the conference was marked with a lot of interesting and knowledgeable presentations related to the evolution of dual career, dual career policies and best practices.

On the second day of the conference, participants had the chance to hear about the promotion of wellbeing in dual career through a holistic approach, as well as seven valuable presentations highlighting Dual Career Best Practices and Research.

At the end of the morning and afternoon sessions of the second day, the participants contributed to the EAS workshops of the Erasmus+ Sport project Brand Values Alignment through Dual Career (BRAVA-DC), defining the clarity of the 16 guidelines developed for enhancing dual career at the workplace, and of the TALENT project, asking participants'

opinions on the most relevant factors for identifying and supporting talents.

The EAS also held their annual General Assembly, summarizing the activities carried out throughout the year. It was also announced that the 2024 EAS Conference will be held in Katowice (Poland), and the proposals for the 2026 Conference in Oulu (Finland), and the 2027 Conference in Croatia, with an open call for the 2025 Conference. EAS Treasurer Mojca Doupona, presented the 2022 Financial report, also unanimously approved. At the end of the General Assembly, the EAS members and stakeholders presented their appreciation to the Executive Board for its dedication to the dual career family, and Andrej Pisl from EUSA announced that the President of EAS was awarded the "EUSA Medal of Appreciation" for her long-term commitment to EAS.



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EUROPEAN POWERLIFTING FEDERATION

EPF was founded on May 14, 1977, in Turku, Finland, and the first 10 years of its history, EPF's primary responsibility as an organization was to direct the various European championships, while the International Powerlifting Federation took care of the general "policy" of European powerlifting as well as worldwide.

EPF and EUSA have developed a recent relationship, sharing an official partnership since signing of the official Memorandum of Understanding on September 22, 2020.

Some of the main objectives of the Memorandum of Understanding between EUSA and EPF include strengthening general cooperation and partnership between the two organisations; working together in activities and projects promoting university sport in Europe; promoting and contributing to the development of competitions in Powerlifting disciplines among students; searching for wider synergies and new opportunities arising from the cooperation; encouraging gender equality in

university sport while promoting sustainability, fair play and integrity within the sport.

The first joint venture deriving from the new partnership was the organisation and promotion of the second European Open University Classic Powerlifting Cup, taking place in Merignac, France, from August 26-28, 2021.

Since then, the European University Sports Association (EUSA) has been the patronage organization for this cup, being organized every year.

On March 29, 2023, the European University Association Secretary General, Matjaz Pecovnik and Sports Manager, Miha Zvan held a meeting at the EUSA headquarters in Ljubljana

with the European Powerlifting Federation's (EPF) General Manager, Emanuel Scheiber, and Treasurer, Xavier De Puytorac, Treasurer.

EUSA and EPF revised the details of the partnership made in 2020 when they signed the Memorandum of Understanding, brainstorming on how to strengthen the cooperation and partnership between the two organizations; working together in activities and projects promoting university sport in Europe; promoting and contributing to the development of competitions in Powerlifting disciplines among students, and searching for wider synergies and new opportunities arising from the cooperation.

At this meeting of EUSA and EPF representatives, the organizational requirements, rules and regulations, and financial conditions for the inclusion of Powerlifting in the European Championships and on the EUSA sports program, were discussed. The two organizations have worked together to create a proposal that was presented at the EUSA executive committee meeting in Split, in May 2023.

Establishing a wider synergy in the field of communication and creating a future closer collaboration agreement was also discussed.



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EUROPEAN HANDBALL
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The European Handball Federation, founded on November 17, 1991, is the umbrella organisation for handball in Europe and has 50 member federations and two associated federations.

With headquarters in Vienna, Austria, EHF's responsibilities include the organisation and management of the world's most high-profile and competitive handball competitions, as well as acting as the common voice for the European member federations and representing the entire European Handball family on the international sporting stage.

EUSA and EHF have shaken the cooperation hand and began a longstanding relationship with sharing an official partnership back in 2013, when the Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the two organisations.

With this established cooperation, EHF undertook the actions to provide and support EUSA, with technical, organisational know-how, as well as with professional human resources, in order to define, organise and implement a great level of Handball and Beach

Handball competitions with a well organised playing system.

Besides the technical support, EHF supports the Handball and Beach Handball competitions with the Young Referee Clinic, nominating six to eight Young Referee Project couples, who serve as referees at the competitions.

The great cooperation is additionally strengthened on the playing field with having EHF lecturers and the EHF staff supervising the ongoing competitions. In 2023, Marta Bon, Executive Board Member of EHF and Gabriella Horváth, EHF Beach Handball Commission Chair, were present at the European Universities Handball and Beach Handball Championships, serving as a helping hands and supervisors of the competitions.

Additionally, Predrag Pavicevic, was assisting the European Universities Handball

Championship, having a divided role as a representative of the Organizing Committee and EHF, as well as Marcos Bestilleiro, adding a great amount of extra-valued help in the area of competitions and referee operations.

The engagement of the Technical Delegates for Handball, Paivi Mitrunen, for Beach Handball, Jelena Eric, as well as Assistant Technical Delegate, Marco Trespidi, is done due to the nomination of the European Handball Federation.

Based on the previous agreement between both organisations, the cooperation synergies are present on a great level in terms of organising sports events, making sure there is no overlapping of schedules, resulting in stronger cooperation between EUSA and EHF staff.

The European Handball Federation also adds a technical value in terms of equipment, for

both, for Handball and Beach Handball competitions.

The collaboration between EUSA and EHF will be continued with the next competitions in Handball and Beach Handball, planned to happen during the European Universities Games 2024 in Debrecen and Miskolc, Hungary, followed by the already scheduled European Universities Championships in Handball, foreseen to happen in Covilha, Portugal, from 22-28 of July 2025 and Beach Handball, attributed to Malaga, from July 20-25, 2025.

The partnership between EUSA and EHF serves as a positive model and can signal the development of similar cooperation for other sports governing bodies.



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EUROPEAN JUDO UNION

The European Judo Union (EJU) was founded on July 28, 1948, in London. It is a non-political and non-profit organization, composed of 51 Member National Federations or Associations officially recognized through their National Olympic Committees. As a Continental Union inside the IJF, the EJU is in charge of implementing the policies of the IJF and the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

EJU and EUSA have established an official partnership in 2019, with the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding, marking the beginning of strengthening the general cooperation and partnership between the two organizations.

The aim of the signed Memorandum of Understanding is for EUSA and EJU to work together in activities and projects promoting judo as a university sport in Europe, promote and contribute to the development of judo competitions among students while also exchanging information and searching for new opportunities arising from the signed cooperation.

Judo has been part of the EUSA sports programme since 2011, when the first European Universities Judo Championship was held in the Bosnia and Herzegovina capital, Sarajevo. Until now, Judo has been part of 5 European Universities Championships seasons in 2011, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019 and 2023. Judo has been on the official sport program of the European Universities Games in 2016, 2018 and 2022, holding a bright future in terms of being part of next editions of the EUSA Championships and Games.

In 2023, on the occasion of the Opening Ceremony of this year's European Universities Combat Championships in Zagreb, representatives of the European University Sports Association

(EUSA) had a working meeting with representatives of the European Judo Union (EJU).

On the day of the Opening Ceremony on July 20 in Zagreb, EJU President, Dr László Toth, together with EJU General Treasurer, Envic Galea and CJF President, Dr Sanda Corak had a very successful and productive meeting with the EUSA delegation with its President, Adam Roczek, 1st Vice-President, Haris Pavletic and Secretary General, Matjaz Pecovnik.

Both, EUSA and EJU, used the opportunity to express satisfaction with the cooperation so far and to discuss two important proposals for the future, concerning common cooperation in university areas

for 'safe fall' techniques and self-defence education for students.

Throughout the meeting, it was stated that it is of great importance for the European Judo Union to have their participation as a member and supporter of the European Universities Games and Championships, as well as the partnership and collaboration with EUSA.

Judo will be seen on the official sports program of the European Universities Games 2024 in Debrecen – Miskolc, as well as part of the 4 combat sports in the European Universities Combat Championship in 2025, planned to be held in Zagreb, Croatia.



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EUROPEAN VOLLEYBALL CONFEDERATION

EUSA and the European Volleyball Confederation (CEV) have a successful partnership established in 2017 with the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding at the headquarters of CEV in Luxembourg.

The aim of the agreement to strengthen the cooperation and to lead to a closer partnership of the two organizations, has shown fruitful results over the past 7 years, showcasing great collaboration on EUSA sport events in Volleyball, Beach Volleyball and officially from this year in Snow Volleyball, as well.

The concept of Snow Volleyball as a newly rising sport was presented during the EUSA-FISU 2023 seminar, on behalf of Daniel Horvath, Snow & Beach Volleyball Coordinator of the European Volleyball Confederation (CEV). Daniel Horvath was also present at the first European Universities Winter Championships, as an observer and support of the Snow Volleyball competition.

"The inaugural European Universities Winter

Championships run by the European University Sports Association (EUSA) in Val di Zoldo coincided with the historic first appearance of the youngest and coolest version of the Volleyball game at a multi-sport event. Snow Volleyball competitions have been organised under the auspices of the European Volleyball Confederation (CEV) since 2016, and despite the constraints brought about by the coronavirus pandemic between 2020 and 2022, the discipline continues to experience steady growth across Europe.

We were happy to welcome six men's and five women's teams from across six countries to Val di Zoldo, where Snow Volleyball was played against the iconic backdrop of the Dolomites.

The addition of Snow Volleyball to the programme of such a

multi-sport event is highly important for the growth of a winter sport that is still very much at an early development stage, especially compared to other, more-established winter disciplines.

We are grateful for the positive and encouraging feedback that we have received from our partners and friends at EUSA and that we could contribute to the success of the European Universities Winter Championships. This event helped draw attention to Snow Volleyball and is good news for its further development across Europe through the involvement of young student athletes.

I was also happy to join a panel discussion at the Winter Forum, where I could share the CEV's perspective and vision on the sustainability of sports events.

We are ready to look into further opportunities to expand our cooperation with EUSA and hope the experience we shared in Val di Zoldo will be repeated at many more events and locations." – emphasized Mr Horvath.

Volleyball and Beach Volleyball will be taking part of the sports program of the European Universities Games 2024 in Debrecen – Miskolc, Hungary, followed by: the European Universities Championship in Volleyball in 2025, hosted by the city of Budapest from July 4-11; and the European Universities Championship in Beach Volleyball, hosted by Malaga, Spain, from September 19- 24, 2025.



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BADMINTON EUROPE CONFEDERATION

After the successful signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between the European University Sport Association (EUSA) and Badminton Europe Confederation (BEC) in 2015, both organisations contributed to development of a closer and active cooperation between each other, showcasing positive results over the years.

One of the main goals of this MOU, was working together on activities and projects promoting university sport in Europe, with a special focus on badminton competitions for students, and to promote and develop badminton competitions among students, taking part in the sport program of EUSA European Universities Games and Championships.

EUSA introduced badminton to the sport calendar in 2004, and badminton competitions have been annually organised ever since as the European Universities Championships and Games.

In 2023, the European Universities Badminton Championship was successfully organised and hosted by

Miskolc, Hungary, serving as one great test event before being one of the organising parties of the European Universities Games in 2024.

In 2023, on the invitation of Badminton Europe (BEC), Adam Roczek, EUSA President and Matjaz Pecovnik, EUSA Secretary General, attended the Annual BEC Awards Gala, which was organised on April 22, 2023, in Baku, Azerbaijan.

The event followed the BEC Members' Forum and the Annual Delegates' Meeting, during which the delegates elected Sven Serre as new BEC President.

At the gala evening, the Europe's best-performing players, coaches and technical officials of the past year were honoured,

and the new members of the BEC Hall of Fame were introduced.

After the award winners were announced, the BEC President Serre announced Budapest (HUN) as the host city for 2024.

During their stay in Baku, EUSA representatives met and discussed the foreseen common activities with BEC President, Mr Serre, Secretary General, Mr Agerbak and Deputy Secretary General, Mr Andersen together with EUSA Technical Delegate for Badminton, Mr Jovovic.

Badminton is on the programme of the European Universities Games in Debrecen-Miskolc 2024 and Salerno 2026; while the 2025 European Universities Badminton Championship will be organized in 2025 in Madrid.



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FUTURE PROGRAMME

Being the leading organisation working in the field of university sport in Europe, EUSA continues to prioritise student-athletes and aims for a bigger and better development of the sports events it governs, as well as to evolve its educational programmes in order to convey its values, meeting and exceeding the expectations of its participants, partners and universities.



EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025

The championships season of 2025 is expected to be another year in which the European Universities Championships will be hosted in different cities around Europe. Student athletes will have another opportunity to enjoy competing in their sport and have another enjoyable EUSA sport event experience.

The first one to host and to open the European Universities Championship in 2025 will be University of Ljubljana and city of Ljubljana, Slovenia, with the 3x3 Basketball championship. Not far from here in Debrecen, Hungary, in 2023 the championship in 3x3 Basketball was a great success, so in 2025, from June 28 to July 2, Ljubljana will do its best to be a great hosting city and provide

another amazing opportunity for the athletes that will be part of the competition. However, Ljubljana has already proven great organisational skills and hosting abilities in the history of EUC, being the place where EUC Handball in 2009 and EUC Badminton in 2017, took place.

The second two European Universities Championships, planned to start a day after 3x3

Basketball, are Tennis and Padel. The multiple times host in the past, the city of Coimbra will be hosting one new sport, Padel and one veteran sport Tennis. On the banks of the river Mondego, Coimbra is famous for its university, the oldest in Portugal and one of the oldest in Europe, which over time has shaped its image to become "the city of students", making this city the

perfect hosting location for these two sports. From June 29 – July 5, Coimbra will be offering days full of sport, youth, and fun.

Meanwhile, at the beginning of July, we are also going to be active at the European Universities Championship in Volleyball. After the beautiful city of Braga in Portugal and the great competition in 2023, we are moving to the capital

of Hungary, Budapest. The capital and the most populous city of Hungary, along with the University of Physical Education of Budapest, will offer their city, venues and will make sure a great atmosphere will be following the championship, from 4 until the 11 of July. After hosting the European Universities Championship in Karate in 2013, Budapest is looking forward to hosting a Championship again.

The EUC in Badminton, after its appearance in Miskolc, Hungary, in 2023, will change its location to the capital of Spain, Madrid. The biggest and greenest city of Spain offers its inhabitants and visitors a dynamic blend of cultural richness, vibrant nightlife, and diverse cuisine, providing them a lively and fulfilling experience. After many successful hostings of the EUC in Football in 2019 and Tennis in 2017, Madrid is ready to take over the organisation of the next EUSA Championship. The championship is planned to be held from 6 until 12 of July.

From Portugal in 2023, the EUC in Basketball is moving to Bologna in Italy. Many cities in Italy have been hosts of different Championships, but this will be the very first hosting experience for the capital and largest city of the Emilia-Romagna region in Northern Italy. Many student athletes will travel to Bologna to play and get a place on the triumph podium, competing in one of the oldest sports, Basketball, from 6 to 13 of July. Having the oldest university in the western world, stunning architecture, a buzzing population, and being considered the gastronomic capital of Italy, Bologna will be a great host for the EUC Basketball in 2025.

The EUC Water Polo, while in its preparations for 2023 in Miskolc, Hungary, has already got a proposal for a new hosting location in 2025, being the city of Vukovar, in Croatia. Vukovar, a town of around 27 thousand inhabitants, is located in the north-east part of Croatia, at the border with Serbia across the Danube River, will be the first-time host of a European Universities Championship. The

championship will be organised between 7 and 13 of July.

In the summer of 2023, after the successful European Universities Championship in football in Tirana, Albania, in 2025 we are moving the hosting location to Camerino, Italy, where the teams will be hosted by the University of Camerino. In the small town in the centre of the Marche region of central Italy, the teams will be playing and chasing victories from 20-27 of July. This will be the first time for the city and University of Camerino to host a European Universities Championship in Football, since their history includes twice-organized Championships in Volleyball, in 2008 and 2015 and one in Table Tennis in 2019.

Proposals for hosting city of the European Universities Championship of Rugby 7s have also been made. With the hosting location for the 2023 championship being in Portugal's hilly, coastal capital city of Lisbon, in 2025, the leadership will be in the hands of the city of Ankara, Turkey, in partnership with Bilkent and ME Technical University. The EUC Rugby 7s in 2025 is foreseen to take place from 21 to 24 of July. This will be a debut for both Ankara, Bilkent and ME Technical University in hosting EUSA events. They'll be putting their organisational skills to the test as they take on the role of leaders in coordinating the European Universities Championship in Rugby 7s in 2025.

From Podgorica, Montenegro, the EUC in Handball will travel to Covilha, Portugal, in 2025. Described as a quite original example of a "mountain city", rare in Portuguese urbanism, with the expression of a vast industrial tradition based on modern and contemporary times, this city sounds like a great hosting place for the many handball competitors, not just to conquer new victories but to also have a great time celebrating them. From 22 to 28 of July, Covilha is looking forward to being a host of a European Universities Championship, for the very first time.

The EUC in Futsal, is not changing the hosting country but

just the hosting city. From being organised in Split in 2023, is now moving into the organizational hands of the capital of Croatia and the University of Zagreb. Zagreb and Croatia in general have been multiple times hosts of EUC throughout the years, so we believe that again this city will be an amazing place where Futsal athletes will have the opportunity to win another title, gain new friends and create new memories. From 23 to 31 of July, the European Universities Championship in Futsal will be in the spotlight.

From St. Gallen in Switzerland in 2023 to Lodz, Poland, the EUC in Orienteering will be continuing its presence on the sports program of the Championships in 2025. This third-biggest Polish city has already hosted many EUSA events, such as Badminton and Volleyball in 2019 and the European Universities Games in 2022. With their experience and gained abilities, Lodz and the Technical University of Lodz, are more than ready to assume responsibility for EUC in Orienteering. The championship is planned to be held from 24 until the 27 of July.

When we are talking about the great experience with organizing European Universities Championships in Zagreb, we are also talking about the hosting city of Combat Sports Championships in 2019 and 2023. However, this time, with the honour of being the hosting place for the athletes competing in karate, kickboxing, taekwondo, and judo, it belonged to Poznan, Poland. Having experience with organizing the EUC Basketball in 2019, Futsal in 2015, Rowing in 2013, Basketball in 2010 and Tennis in 2009, we have no doubts that this city, together with the University Sports Association in Poznan, will make a great team and organise another amazing combat sports championship from 29 of July to 1 of August.


To continue the story of EUC Table Tennis, with lastly being organised in Olomouc, Czech Republic, in 2023, the honour of having the heat of the matches, the glory of the victories, and celebration of the best will this time go in the hosting hands of the city of Burdur in

Turkey and the Burdur Mehmet Akif University. From 11 to 16 of September, the athletes competing in Table Tennis will be enjoying their time and fighting for the medals in this city in southwestern Turkey, located near the eastern shore of the beautiful Lake Burdur. This city, together with the Burdur Mehmet Akif University will try their organisational skills for the first time as leaders in organizing the European Universities Championship in Table Tennis in 2025.

The European Universities Champion in Chess, after skipping its presence on the program in 2023 and lastly being organised in Budapest, Hungary, in 2019, is now continuing its path in Yerevan, Armenia. This will be the second time Armenia is showing up as a hosting country for the European Universities Chess Championship, after being the organisers in 2015. Yerevan, as the capital and largest city of Armenia and one of the world's oldest continuously inhabited cities, and the leading hand of Armenian State University of Economics are looking forward to organising the European Universities Championship in Chess, from 16 to 20 of September 2025.

After the great organisation of the Beach Sports Championships in 2023, it has been decided that the hosting city will remain the same in 2025, as well. The beaches of Rincon de la Victoria and Torrox are willing to offer their beauty, sand and great weather once again and to host the athletes that will be willing to compete and win champions titles in Beach Volleyball and Beach Handball. Foreseen to happen from 19 to 24 of September, Malaga is looking forward to hosting another EUC in Beach Sports.

There a the chance for more sports to be added to the sports program of the 2025 season of European Universities Championships, such as Rowing and another edition of the European Universities Winter Championships.

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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES GAMES 2024

DEBRECEN AND MISKOLC, HUNGARY: JULY 12-24



In 2024, the Hungarian cities of Debrecen and Miskolc are set to host the 7th edition of the European Universities Games, marking a defining milestone for college and university athletes, sports-loving citizens and one of the most significant university sports events organized in Hungary. This announcement was made during the EUSA General Assembly in Madrid in April 2018. With expectations set high, organizers anticipate the participation of over 5000 athletes competing in almost 17 different sports.

The Organizing Committee for the next edition of the Games presents along with Zoltan Rakaczki, Board Member of the Hungarian University Sports Federations, Zita Horváth, Rector of the University of

Miskolc, Péter Szűcs, Vice-Rector of the University of Miskolc, László Balogh, Director of the Institute of Sport Sciences of the University of Debrecen, László Borkuti, Sports, Public Education and

Tourism Advisor of the Mayor of the City of Miskolc, Deputy Secretary General of the HUSF, György Kovács, and Head of local Organizing Committee in Miskolc, Tamás Kása. As per the organizers, the upcoming EUG

in the next year is envisioned as a new beginning for the young university student-athletes they aspire to engage and impact. They believe that being involved in the EUG can enhance students' preparation for a successful life in a more holistic manner – this is also the reason for choosing the slogan “More than games – this is the start of your career.”

Both, Debrecen and Miskolc, stand as sports-centric cities. With top-notch infrastructure, sports facilities, and an unwavering commitment to athletics, both cities are well-equipped to jointly host the European Universities Games. These two cities have a great amount of history and rivalry with each other, but join efforts for the thing they are both outstanding at: sports. They also showed their capability of hosting, as this summer of 2023 in July they gave home to the European Universities Championship, which has served as an official test for next year's events. It allowed Debrecen to host the European Universities Championship in 3x3 Basketball and Miskolc to host the European Universities Championships in Badminton and Water Polo. These events gave us a comprehensive picture and feedback regarding cooperation and venues and also filled us with hope, excitement and motivation regarding the organization of EUG2024.

As the slogan says – “More than games”, Hungary tries to approach a more culturally beneficial part of this event, to enrich the experience of the participants, as both Debrecen and Miskolc are historically and educationally prominent, two important cultural centres of the country. We aimed to capture the attention of Hungarian students from January 12-14 at the country's annual Education Expo in Budapest, where we had a booth and even a roundtable discussion about

sport, learning and moving on and the upcoming European and world events in Hungary: the presence of professional sport in the world. Miskolc hosted a similar event on April 28, called KarrierFeszt where they promoted not just the university sports community but the upcoming sports events in 2024.

The Hungarian city of Debrecen accommodated a two-day Supervision Commission Meeting on 23-24 November 2023, as the local organisers provided updates on their continual progress in the organisation of the next edition of the European Universities Games 2024. The reported updates on the organisational structure and the definitive sports programme will include 17 sports in total.

They also announced the registration opening scheduled for December 15. The local committees are staying active and continuously encourage the inhabitants to stay physically active. For instance, almost 150 young people accepted the invitation of the University of Debrecen to celebrate the International Day of Volunteers on December 5 and the upcoming EUG whilst already starting to recruit volunteers for 2024.

The organizers interactively introduced the Games by playing games and doing competitions: they tested the problem-solving skills of the young people and their knowledge of EUG through cognitive tasks and playful competition. There was also a crossword puzzle, a word search, anthem recognition and sports activities, where the students not only had fun but also gained important knowledge. The volunteer candidates were able to get to know the coordinators responsible for the volunteer area of the EUG Debrecen organizing committee, Katalin Jóna, Eszter Rác and Christa





Pfau. The latter shared important information about next summer's competition.

EUG 2024 Vision

Exemplary cooperation between the two universities and two cities should contribute to the development of the region.

EUG 2024 should contribute to the development of the university sports movement, local communities, and international relations.

Everyone involved should enjoy the event as a sports festival, which will be the celebration of the European universities' sports.

By applying smart and green solutions, sustainability goals should be achieved throughout the project lifecycle, involving all actors.

Volunteers involved in the implementation of the project should gain valuable professional experience and the opportunity to develop their individual competencies, and possibly become future sports leaders.

Sport Disciplines:

- 3x3 Basketball
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Beach Handball
- Beach Volleyball
- Chess
- Football
- Futsal
- Handball
- Judo
- Karate
- Kickboxing
- Para Table Tennis
- Table Tennis
- Taekwondo
- Tennis
- Volleyball
- Water Polo



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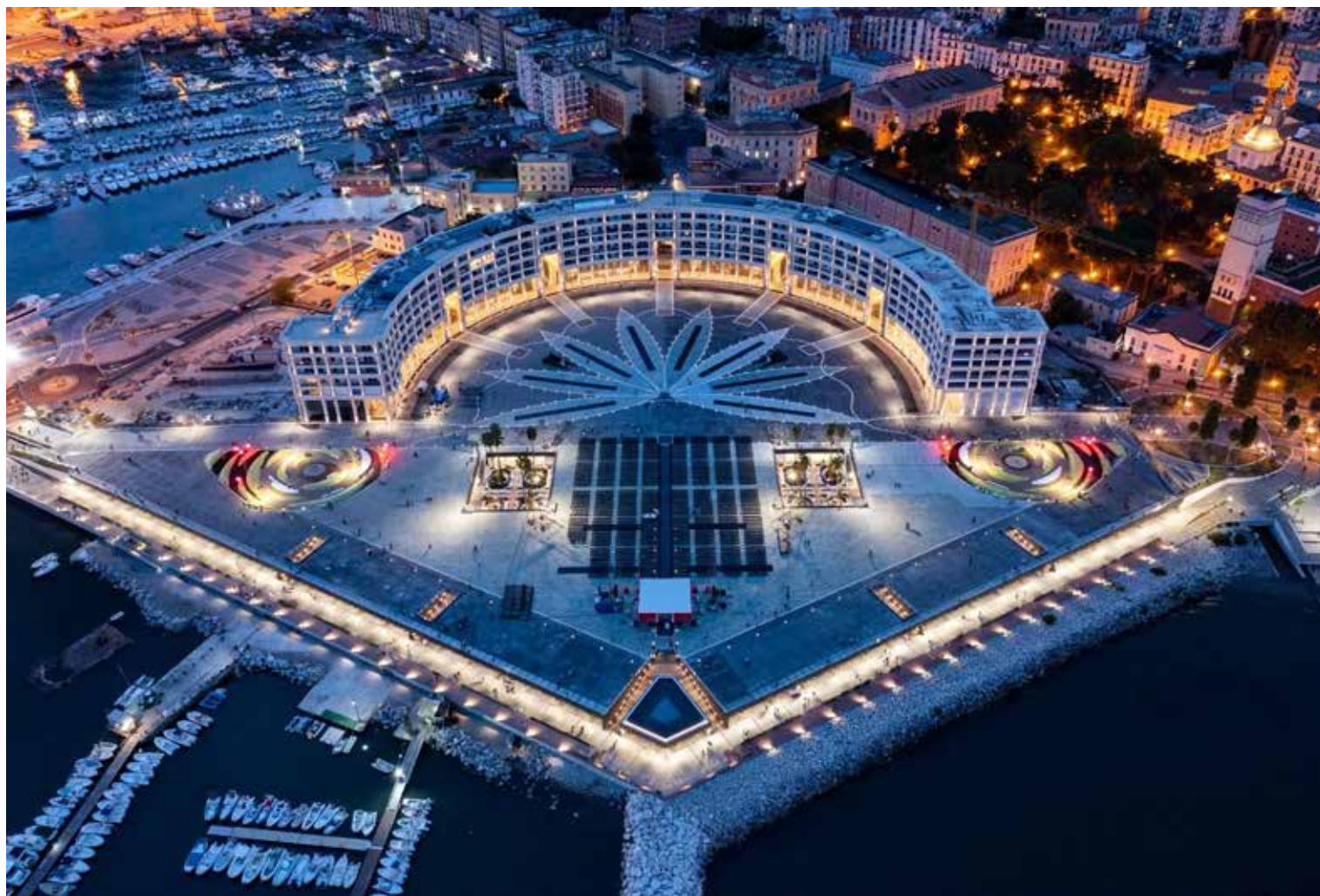
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DEB: Debrecen, MIS: Miskolc, ● Men, ● Woman, ARR: Arrival, GTM: General Technical Meetings, DEP: Departure, OC: Opening Ceremony, CC: Closing Ceremony



EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES GAMES 2026

SALERNO, ITALY: JULY 18-AUGUST 1



The Italian city of Salerno will host the 8th edition of the European Universities Games, as it was announced at the EUSA Executive Committee held in the same city in April 2022.

The European Universities Games 2026 will be a university multi-sport event involving student athletes from almost 500 European Universities, with an estimated participation of around 5000 university students and approximately 1000 support staff, including officials, referees and committed volunteers.

With all the traditional sports foreseen, the event aims to involve students from all over Europe in captivating and engaging competitions of a high standard quality, together with opportunities to discover new demonstrative sports and chances to compete in optional inclusive sports and activities.

Modern sport facilities

The 2026 edition of the EUG in Salerno promises to be an amazing experience for all participants, and a unique opportunity for the University of Salerno, and its two campuses, the city of Salerno and the whole Campania Region to get involved



and strengthen the international bond with the entire European Universities community.

On the occasion of the event, for example, eight new Padel courts will be built on the Baronissi University Campus. The whole infrastructure and the sports venues of the University of Salerno will be renovated and modernised. At the same time, student residences on the Fisciano and Baronissi campuses will be upgraded to meet the most modern standards, in order to be able to host student athletes during the Games and to subsequently benefit the resident students once the Games are over.

All this will significantly contribute to improving the quality of students' lives in Salerno, thus developing, among local people and university community, a favourable attitude to the visibility of EUG 2026.

Social inclusion and unity

Furthermore, the event will be an opportunity to display once again the fundamental role that sport can play into society, especially towards its use for the elimination of the barriers that hinder, at any level, the integration, inclusion and massive dissemination of well-being to all, especially for people with diverse abilities.

Terms such as "inclusion", "integration" and "sharing" will be the keywords of the 2026 EUG edition, with the aim of raising awareness among the new generations of European university students of the need for the empowerment of the psychophysical well-being of the individual. In such a particular moment for Europe, the Organising Committee of Salerno 2026 aims to create an occasion of meeting, joy, solidarity, union and involvement among the different souls and cultures that populate our continent.

In other words, the EUG2026 will try to be inclusive in the broader sense of the term, to place at the centre of the stage not just the competitive side of the sport activity, but more specifically the moments of communion, friendship, respect for others, fair-play and sportsmanship.

To this end, there have been included in the sports programme two disciplines that, in the mind of the Organising Committee, make it possible for people with physical disabilities to compete without any distinction of gender or ability: namely, Sitting Volleyball and Inclusive Show Dance; with the latter discipline in particular, foreseeing the participation of several people of varying degrees of ability and disability, that will be for sure one of the highlights of the event.

In the view of the university as a place of culture that must disseminate society with the 'germs' of unity, inclusion and solidarity, in order to foster respect and mutual understanding, recognition of others' freedom, but also the pursuit of the "common good".

The inclusion of unconventional sports, therefore, contributes to promoting the values of diversity, integration and fair play among the students participating in the EUG 2026, representing the Games not only as a sports competition but also as an opportunity to cultivate cultural and social exchanges among all the students and volunteers coming from the various participating European Universities.

Sport and beyond

In addition to the sporting events, numerous side cultural activities and meetings will be organised at various levels before and during the Games, on the themes of inclusion, sustainability and the protection of the environment, encouraging interaction and the exchange of knowledge within projects between the European Universities. The active participation of lecturers, researchers, managers, technicians, coaches and athletes from all over Europe is expected, also during all the test events in the years 2024 and 2025

that will lead to a successful organisation of the 2026 Games.

This eighth edition of the EUSA European Universities Games thus embodies not only sports challenges and meeting between different life and cultural models, but also a great opportunity for the University of Salerno, the city of Salerno, the municipalities and the entire territory where the University is located, to promote and spread the values of inclusion, integration and friendship among participants from all European nations, values that are so much needed to make our European students to create a better Europe and a better world where to live... chanting the event slogan "Passion Never Ends!".

Planned Sport Disciplines:

- Basketball 3x3
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Beach Handball
- Beach Volleyball
- Football
- Futsal
- Handball
- Inclusive Show Dance
- Rugby 7s
- Sitting Volleyball
- Table Tennis
- Tennis
- Volleyball
- Padel



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UPCOMING EVENTS

EUSA Events and Meetings

2024		
EVENT	LOCATION	DATES
European Universities Games	 Debrecen-Miskolc, HUN	July 12-24
European Universities Rowing Championship	 Ankara, TUR	TBD
EUSA Conference and 25 th Anniversary Gala	 Vienna, AUT	November 15-17

European Universities Championships

2025		
EVENT/CHAMPIONSHIP	LOCATION	DATES
3x3 Basketball	 Ljubljana, SLO	June 28- July 2
Tennis/Padel	 Coimbra, POR	June 29- July 5
Volleyball	 Budapest, HUN	July 4-11
Badminton	 Madrid, ESP	July 6-12
Basketball	 Bologna, ITA	July 6-13
Water Polo	 Vukovar, CRO	July 7-13
Football	 Camerino, ITA	July 20-27
Rugby 7s	 Ankara, TUR	July 21-24
Handball	 Covilha, POR	July 22-28
Futsal	 Zagreb, CRO	July 23-31
Orienteering	 Lodz, POL	July 24-27
Combat Sports		
Judo		
Karate	 Poznan, POL	July 29- August 1
Kickboxing		
Taekwondo		
Table Tennis	 Burdur, TUR	September 11-16
Chess	 Yerevan, ARM	September 16-20
Beach Sports		
Beach Handball	 Granada, ESP	September 19-24
Beach Volleyball		
Rowing	 Bydgoszcz	TBD



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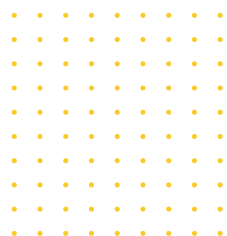


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-  KICKBOXING
-  KARATE
-  BASKETBALL
-  TENNIS
-  WATERPOLO
-  BEACH VOLLEYBALL
-  TAEKWONDO