



Press Release

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Sport for All on top of EU sport agenda

Sport as an active driver for social inclusion is at the top of the future EU sport agenda. This is the conclusion after the meeting of Sport Council and the first meeting in the EU Advisory Group on Sport. All three European Institutions; the Sport Council, the European Parliament and the European Commission supports the “sport for all” principle based on equal opportunities by increasing overall participation and paying special attention to social inclusion through sport.

“ISCA Europe strongly supports the focus on social inclusion in the broadest sense, from the implementation of the principle of “sport for all” to specific focus on various target groups. Our members’ orientation towards grassroots sport is based on this philosophy”, says ISCA EUROPE chairman Filippo Fossati.

“We believe the priority of the European institutions is a clever and evidenced based choice. This is a priority, which will affect the European citizens in a positive way and contribute to a successful implementation of the new article 165 of the Lisbon Treaty” concludes Filippo Fossati.

Monday the 6th of December 2010 the Belgian presidency had invited five European based sport organizations to the first meeting within the smaller group of stakeholders – the Advisory Group on Sport, which was introduced by the Spanish presidency. Beside ISCA EUROPE, the European Non-Governmental Sport organizations, the European Team Sport Association, European Olympic Committee and European Paralympic committee was invited to the meeting hosted by Flemish Minister for Sport Mr Philippe Muyters.

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