



Sport and Cultures in Dialogue

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

LOCAL CITIZENS PANEL IN SKOPJE

Through the project 'Sport and Cultures in Dialogue' ISCA (International Sport and Cultures Association), CESS (European Confederation sport and Health) and project partners will organize and facilitate a direct and trans-national dialogue between citizens in EU member states and candidate, respectively potential EU candidate countries from South East Europe - Croatia, Macedonia and Albania. The dialogue will focus on the role of sport in developing civil societies and in particular highlight current strengths and weaknesses of sport and its organizations and exchange best practices on sport's societal roles through events:

- Citizens Panel in Tirana, Albania, 7. – 9.5.2010
- *Citizens Panel in Skopje, Macedonia 28. – 30.5.2010*
- Citizens Panel in Zagreb, Croatia, 1. – 3.10. 2010
- Sport Citizens in Ljubljana, Slovenia: 19. – 21.11.2010



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LOCAL CITIZENS' PANEL IN MACEDONIA - SKOPJE 28 to 30 May 2010 at the Hotel Continental

Participants in the citizens' panel will share experiences on the role of sport and sport organisations in developing civil society and formulate input to the Sport Citizens' Forum in Ljubljana, Slovenia.

The main purpose is to facilitate a dialogue that is citizens-centred taking

Macedonia and sports organizations as starting points, but engaging citizens in their personal capacity, specifically relating to Macedonian particular situation and culturally sensitive acknowledging and working inside the vastly different starting points in terms of civil society concepts and development.



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SUPPORTERS:



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WHO IS ORGANISING THE EVENT?

The Panel will be coordinated by ISCA and CESS and organized by one of Sport and Cultures in Dialogue project partner: **GARD, Citizens' Association for Recreational Movement**



WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The Panel is expected to attract:

- persons who represent the leadership or management level of the involved civil society organizations
- citizens who are active in civil society debate or organizations at the grass-root level,
- local authorities and organizations,
- citizens' groups,
- civil society organizations and non-governmental organizations,
- educational institutions (universities)
- organizations active in the field of voluntary work

LOCAL CITIZENS PANEL IN MACEDONIA

Citizens Panel in Skopje takes great pleasure in inviting you to join the dialogue, to increase knowledge and awareness of the societal role of sport and sport organizations, including the content of the White Paper on Sport, to train the civic competences such as openness and receptiveness

towards other people's views and various methods of reaching decisions though deliberations, compromise and consensus, to learn from the opportunity to meet other sports organisations and other institutional stakeholders in the field of sport and to strength intercultural competences through the meeting.



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LOCAL CITIZENS PANEL PROGRAM

FRIDAY, MAY 28

Arrivals

19.00 Welcome dinner and presentations of participants

SATURDAY, MAY 29

09.00-10.30 Introduction of project partners and host organization

10.30-11.00 Coffee break

11.00-11.30 Introduction to the Europe for Citizens Program

11.30-12.30 WORKSHOP 1

How can we increase knowledge and awareness of the societal role of sport and sport organizations?

12.30-14.00 Lunch

14.00-14.30 Presentations on Active citizenship and the EU White Paper on Sport by project partners; "Can you find yourself?"

14.30-15.30 WORKSHOP 2

By promoting the physical and sports activities, we develop the taste and culture of a balanced practice through physical pleasure. What is the situation on the national level? What good practice we know? What is the future perspective? Who are our co-partners in development of promotion of sport and physical activity for all generations?

15.30-16.00 Coffee break

16.00-17.00 Report presentations and sharing of experiences on the societal roles of sport and White Paper

18.00-19.00 'Be active' sport activities

20.00 Traditional Macedonian dinner

SUNDAY, MAY 30

09.00-09.30 Role of the national authorities in development of physical activity promotion

09.30-11.00 WORKSHOP 3

Discussions in thematic groups according to various societal roles of sport:

- Outdoor activities and facilities
- health and physical activity national promotion (campaigns)
- education and training
- volunteering

11.00-11.30 Reports from workshop 3

12.00-13.00 Lunch and departures

EXTRA AGENDA ACTIVITY

Over the course of the Panel in Skopje participant and local authorities will be "interviewed" by ISCA staff on best practise examples of their work and for getting more details for the report. The reports will include proceedings, lessons learned and best practises presented during the events. These reports will be reproduced in an electronic format only and will be disseminated by the individual project partners to national policy makers and leaders of sport organizations in Croatia, Macedonia and Albania.

The final declaration of the Citizens' Sport Forum will contain conclusion from all Panels and recommendations on the role of sport and sport organizations in the development of civil society. The declaration will be printed in 500 copies to be presented to the 85 participants in the forum, to national authorities of the ten participating partner countries, European Sport organizations, including ISCA members, and to relevant policy makers at the European level, such as representatives of the European Commission and the European Parliament.



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LOCAL CITIZENS PANEL IN SKOPJE PARTNERS IN FOCUS

International project partners invited to Panel in Skopje :

- International Sport and Culture Association (ISCA)
- European Confederation sport and Health (CESS)
- Danish Gymnastic and Sports Association (DGI)
- Union Sportive de l'Enseignement dru Premier degree (USEP)
- Italian Sport for All Association (UISP)
- Romanian Sport for All Federation (FRSpT)
- Bulgarian Young People Federation (BYPF)
- Macedonia Sport for All Federation
- Citizens' Association for Recreational Movement (GARD)
- Croatian Medical Association, Croatian Sports Medicine Society
- University of Zagreb, Faculty of kinesiology
- Sport Union of Slovenia (SUS)



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