Jakub Kalinowski

Jakub Kalinowski, Chairman of the Board of Volunteers for Sport Foundation, is a graduate of Social Studies Department at the University of Wroclaw. In 2000, he held a scholarship at the University of Plymouth; in 2002, he participated in an investigation project at the London Metropolitan University. In 1996 and 1997, he attended a high-school in the USA.

He has completed post-graduate studies in the field of project management at the Warsaw School of Economics. He holds a certificate in Project Management at PRINCE2 Methodology and Global Reporting Initiative – Sustainability Reporting Process.

He is an author of a concept of the personnel trainings in the management of sports projects financed by European Funds; he is also a co-author of the Sports Development Strategy of the Lower-Silesia Province. In 2007, he worked as a lead trainer at the Training course in acquiring European Union Funds for Sports Organizations, which was carried out by the Lower-Silesia Province Marshall Office. Within the framework of the strategy development, he was responsible for the preparation of work methodology of the entire team and also for the area of expanding sports volunteerism, implementing project management in sports organizations as well as utilization of the EU Funds and other financial mechanisms.

In 2005-2008, he was the General Manager of a transnational project "Sportsmen on the labour market" which was delivered in Poland by a consortium of Polish Basketball, Volleyball, Handball and Alpinism Federations.

In 2010-2012, he was responsible for preparing over 25 local government strategies of the sport-for-all initiative.

He is an experienced coach and trainer. His portfolio includes over 2000 hours of training in areas such as: strategic development of sports organizations, project management, applying for EU funds and generating other funding resources for 'sport for all' projects.

Today, his main duties in the Foundation include: strategic development, supervision of key projects.

He has been representing the Foundation at numerous seminars and conferences throughout the world during which he has presented his organization's vision of the development of sport-for-all.

Jakub Kalinowski represents the Foundation on the Think Tank for Sport forum that was established by V4Sport, the University of Warsaw, National Stadium and the Foundation for physical activity development.

He is very much engrossed in international relations and travelling. He has worked for OSCE (Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe) in Kosovo, and was an independent observer of the elections in East Timor. He has visited over 60 countries on 6 continents.