



**Sport and  
Cultures in  
Dialogue**



## **Citizen` Panel in Skopje, Macedonia Hotel Continental, 28. – 30.5.2010**



### **Panel Program**

#### **Friday, 28.5.2010**

**19.00**

#### **Welcome by**

Goce Ilievski, GARD President, Macedonia – **“Sport and Cultures in Dialogue”**  
Mogens Kirkeby, ISCA President, Denmark  
Macedonian Olympic Committee  
Agency of Youth and Sport, Macedonia

Presentation of participants and “Lets play a game”: **»What we know about Macedonia?«**

Dinner

#### **Saturday, 29.5.2010**

**9.00 – 10.30**

**Introduction of the project partners and host organization** based on national/local experiences and opinion of topics: Citizens program and White paper on sport  
*Each Association will have 5 minutes to give a presentation of Association.*

**10.30 – 10.45**

#### **Recommendations and Conclusions from the Local Citizens Panel in Albania**

Artan Shyti, Director of Sport Research Institute Albania

**10.45 – 11.00**

#### **Coffee Break**

**11.00 – 11.30**

#### **Introduction to the Europe for Citizens Program or How can we increase knowledge and awareness of the societal role of sport and sport organizations**

Erwan Fouéré , EU Special Representative for the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

**11.30 – 12.30**

#### **Europe for Citizens program, Group discussion**

*Participants work in 5 groups and find most important topic chosen after general presentations. Each working group choose a leader (and local assistant for translation). Groups have 30 minutes to discuss topic and 30 minutes for all reports.*

**12.30 – 14.00**

#### **Lunch in Hotel**

**14.00 – 14.30**

**Presentation on the EU White paper on sport or “What is the future perspective?”**

Mogens Kirkeby, ISCA President

**14.30 – 15.30**

**Group discussion on White paper on sport \***

*Discussion will follow the questions prepared in advance. Each working group choose a leader. Groups have 60 minutes to discuss about all topics.*

**\*Description and Questions for the Group discussion on White paper on sport**

- 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?
- What partnerships/activities do you feel are necessary within your national project/country that would help further the efforts of your Association in providing increased and more comprehensive services for national organizations in the Health/health promotion activities?
- Within your specific national project and geographic location (country), what are the most important issues for Physical Activity in Europe to address in order to better the health status, health promotion and sport/health activities?
- Through its role in formal and non-formal education, sport reinforces Europe's human capital. The values conveyed through sport help develop knowledge, motivation, skills and readiness for personal effort. Time spent in sport activities at school and at university produces health and education benefits which need to be enhanced. What is the status on non-formal education in your country and in your Association?
- Volunteering in sport organisations provides many occasions for non-formal education which need to be recognised and enhanced. Sport also provides attractive possibilities for young people's engagement and involvement in society and may have a beneficial effect in helping people steer away from delinquency. How does your Association promote volunteering and active citizenship through sport?
- Sport can also facilitate the integration into society of migrants and persons of foreign origin as well as support inter-cultural dialogue. How does your Association and your national government use potential of sport for social inclusion, integration and equal opportunities?

**15.30 – 16.00**

**Coffee Break**

**16.00 – 17.00**

**Report/presentation – sharing of experiences on the societal roles of sport and White paper on sport**

*Discussion about answers and national experiences*

**18.00**

**Exploring Skopje**

**20.00**

**Macedonian dinner**

## **Sunday, 30.5.2010**

**9.00 – 9.30**

### **"Role of national authorities in sport for all promotion"**

Stjepan Heimer, President of Croatian Sport Medicine Society

**9.30 – 10.30**

### **Discussions in thematic groups according to various social roles of sport**

*Topics:*

- HEPA promotion
- education and training
- volunteering
- social inclusion and sustainable development

*Style: Open space format*

#### **The principles of the Open Space format:**

##### **The law of the two feet**

You always work with the theme that you are most interested in, where your heart and energy lie. During the entire exercise participants can move around between the various workshops as they please. If one workshop is boring or irrelevant to you, then you should get up and leave.

##### **The ones that are here are the right persons**

It does not make sense to think or speak about who ought to be here.

##### **What ever happens is always right**

If participants in a workshop change the topic and start discussing something else rather than the original topic, then this was apparently more important to them.

##### **The exercise starts at the right time and when it is over, it is over**

It is important to be present here and now and focus on seizing the moment and make the best of it.

**10.30 – 11.30**

### **Thematic groups reports**

**11.30**

### **Local Citizens Panel Conclusions**

Saska Benedicic Tomat, ISCA Project manager

**12.00**

### **Lunch in Hotel (optional) and Departure**

#### **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.

Responsible for the "extra agenda activity": Tijana Anđelković, ISCA Youth officer



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