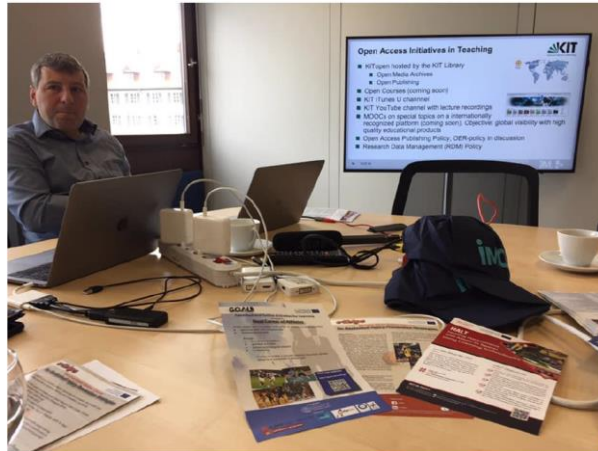


NEWSLETTER II

HALT project, was presented at KIT – AUTH workshop on 12th of July 2019 in Karlsruhe, Germany by Thrasyvoulos Tsiatsos. About 30 people attended the workshop.

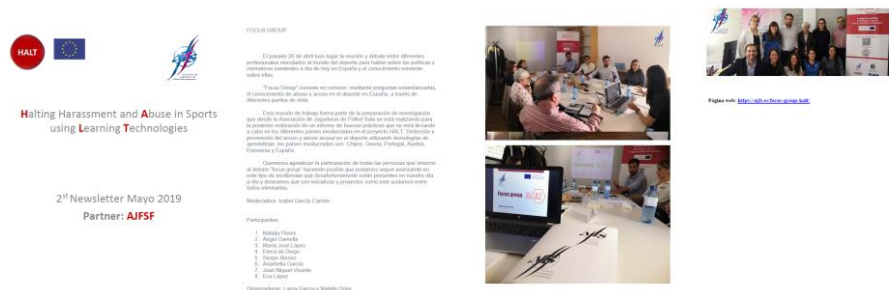


In Greece, HALT project was presented in International ALEXANDER THE GREAT – bwin Marathon 2019 through leaflets and banners. The event took place at 19 of October 2019. This International Marathon which symbolizes one of the most recognizable personalities of humanity, Alexander the Great, is not just a major and International sporting event. It is a path in history, a path in ancient Greek culture, a Path full of Greece. Marathon is the biggest celebration of sports in Northern Greece and every year give a lot of fun, absolute pleasure and strong emotions to 20,000 people who live the experience. MEAS TRITON of Thessaloniki, licensed by the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) and under the auspices of SEGAS, HOC, the Hellenic National Commission for UNESCO, and with the cooperation of 52 bodies, institutional supporters, organizes the top sports event of Northern Greece. This event is of social, cultural, environmental, tourist and above all historical significance and it is the perfect representative of our city, of our Macedonia and our country, worldwide.



Project HALT was presented to coaches and officials of member clubs of ASVÖ Salzburg in a meeting held in October 2019. Starting the afternoon with an impulse speech by Mag. Chris Karl – the Austrian expert on the prevention of harassment and abuse in sport and forensic psychologist, followed by the presentation of the objectives and intended Outputs of the project, leading to an open forum between the present coaches and officials including Mag. Chris Karl. The audience underlined the importance of spreading the topic into the clubs and emphasized their need of materials enabling them to do so.

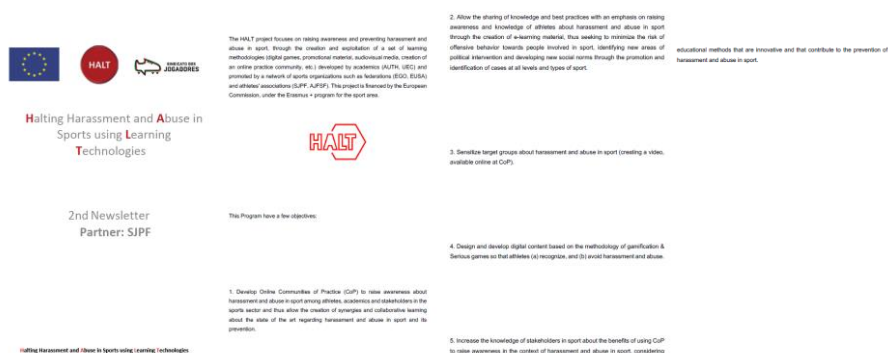
The Asociación de Jugadores de Fútbol Sala (AJFS) disseminated the 2nd newsletter presenting HALT project's latest activities (In Spanish).



The Spanish Women Futsal players Association in the second newsletter included the aims and objectives of HALT project.



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HALT project was presented by European University of Cyprus (EUC) at the online dissemination of 2nd project meeting. On the 30 October 2019, the EUC announces on all its online and social media outlets (webpage, Instagram, twitter, Facebook) its participation in the 2nd meeting of the HALT (Halting Harassment and Abuse in Sports using Learning Technologies), Erasmus+ Sport project in Ljubljana. The announcement includes all partner organizations.

During October 2019, each research team member of European University of Cyprus (EUC) dedicated a 3-hour teaching slot to incorporate the subject matter of harassment and abuse in Sports and in parallel present the aims and objectives of the HALT project to students of sport sciences, psychotherapy and psychology. Over 200 students took part in these "special topics" section incorporated in their courses.

September 27, 2019

Many words of wisdom shared at EUSA Conference 2019



An intense yet extremely knowledge-filled and inspiring EUSA Conference was held in the city of Aveiro in Portugal, which brought together some of the wisest minds and highest authorities in European University Sport.

Held at the University of Aveiro on September 26 and organised in conjunction with Portuguese University Sport Federation FADU, the Conference brought together EUSA's member associations, partners, invited guests, speakers and local university authorities to discuss various topics regarding university sport, its challenges and future plans.

Over 150 participants from all over Europe, as well as guests from visiting countries and continents, were in attendance at the event, which coincides with the 20th anniversary of the European University Sport Association.

Following the welcome addresses from University of Aveiro Rector Mr Paulo Jorge Ferreira, EUSA President Mr Adam Roczek and FADU President Mr Daniel Monteiro, the Conference began in earnest with a round table regarding good governance in sport, moderated by EUSA Executive Committee Member Mr Bruno Barracosa.



Speakers Mr Joao Gabriel Silva, the former Rector of the University of Coimbra, EUSA Honorary Member Mr Olaf Tabor, EUSA Student Commission Chair Ms Anna Edes and Senior Advisor at Cross Culture Project Association Mr Jens Nymand Christensen shared their insight, experiences and valuable tips regarding good governance, while taking on questions from the audience as well.

This round table was preceded by an engaging discussion about female leadership in sport, moderated by EUSA Treasurer Mr Lorenz Ursprung. The speakers included Chair of Women in Football Ms Ebru Koksak, Auditor of the Swedish Sports Confederation Ms Kristina Thuree, President of the Swedish University Sports Federation Mr Sture Espwall and President of the Latvian University Sports Federation Ms Agita Abele, who shared a number of good examples of women in their associations, including themselves, taking up positions of leaderships, while also posing challenging questions about the difficulties faced by women in sport across the continent.



The round table served as a good starting point to present activities of the European University Sports Association, which go beyond the action in various sports venues, with our commitment in various projects testament to our drive for social change. The EUSA Institute is involved in several diverse projects, ranging from education and dual career to safeguarding sport, social responsibility and equal opportunities. Most relevant for this round table was project GETZ – Gender Equality Toolkit for generation Z – one of the European Union-funded projects, which the EUSA Institute is a proud partner

of. The aim of the project is to address the issues around the lack of women involved in leadership and management across the sport sector. The objective of the GETZ project is to raise awareness and educate Generation Z (those born between 1995 and 2009) to challenge the inequalities that currently exist in sport and result in an underrepresentation of women in top positions. The other is the HALT project, Halting Harassment and Abuse in Sports using Learning Technologies, looking to raise awareness of best practices in combating violence and tackling racism, discrimination and intolerance in sport.



The afternoon session brought together some of the most experienced heads as FISU First Vice-President Mr Leonz Eder moderated a roundtable discussion including Mr Matytsin, Mr Roczek, Mr Monteiro and EUSA Honorary Member Ms Alison Odell who reflected on the past 20 years of EUSA so far, it's growth, improvements, milestones as well as future focus.



The final session was conducted by EUSA Treasurer Mr Ursprung, who presented the association's development strategy for the next five years.



Mr Milan Zvan, Chair of EUSA's Education Commission, concluded the day's packed agenda by summing up the Conference programme and sharing his final remarks.

EUSA's 20th anniversary celebrations will continue with the Extraordinary General Assembly on Friday, September 27 which will culminate in the annual Awards Ceremony and Gala dinner.



October 18, 2019

HALT project partners meet in Slovenia



Partners of the EU-supported project Halting Harassment and Abuse in Sports using Learning Technologies (HALT) met in Ljubljana, Slovenia, on October 18, 2019 for the second meeting of the collaborative project. The three-year project, which is co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union, addresses the topic of combating violence and tackling racism, discrimination and intolerance in sport. In this area the HALT project is focused on raising awareness about good practices for preventing harassment and abuse in sports. HALT will create and exploit learning technologies (digital games, digital informative material, a movie and online community of practice platform) developed by academics to address this goal in network of athletes across Europe, supported by the sports and athletes' organisations.

Partners of this transnational project include the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (GRE), European University Cyprus (CYP), Portuguese Union of Professional Football Players (POR), Spanish Women Futsal Players Association (ESP), Salzburg Sports Association (AUT), Hellenic Gymnastics Federation (GRE) and the EUSA Institute (SLO).



All seven project partners were present at the one-day meeting in the Slovenian capital, including two partners who were connected via Skype.

The main aim of the meeting was to discuss what tasks in the project had been completed so far, while then consulting and distributing the next work points for the upcoming eight months ahead of the project's third meeting in mid-2020.

A report of the project's dissemination plan was presented before all media and marketing matters were discussed. Attendees then went through the quality assurance and internal evaluation plans, as well as the impact assessment framework.

An overview of Intellectual Output 1 was then presented, which involved a survey on practices for preventing harassment and abuse in sport. It was revealed that abuse and harassment in sport is rife across the partner countries, further motivating partners to create high quality material according to the aim of the project to address this global issue.



A report on the Community of Practice Operation Framework was then presented before partners presented the project's multiplier events they had hosted so far.

With the project's aim to enable knowledge sharing and the emergence of best practices with an emphasis on athletes' awareness and knowledge about harassment and abuse in sport, partners discussed the formation of a game/role play scenario which will help train young minds about choices they make which may come across as harassment or abuse, while details around the production of a short movie was also discussed.



The meeting concluded with task distribution for all partners ahead of the next project meeting, which is set to take place in Portugal in mid-2020.

April 15, 2019

EUSA Magazine 2019-20 published



The European University Sports Association (EUSA) has published the annual edition of its magazine – the European University Sports Association Year Magazine 2019-20.

The magazine gives a comprehensive overview of the association and its activities over the past year, with an emphasis on the successful and record-breaking 2019 European Universities Championship season.

In the magazine you will be able to find the welcome address by the EUSA President, current information on the structure of EUSA, including its member associations, Executive Committee, the Commissions and the Secretariat.

Emphasis is given to each of the 21 sports on last year's Championship programme, where readers will be able to indulge in a general overview as well as the statistics of each sport, complete with the results, final standings and activities that accompanied the event.



EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019 – FACTS AND FIGURES

The 2019 European Universities Championships was another milestone season for EUSA, which celebrated its 20th anniversary year in style as a record number of participants took part in the biggest EUSA Championships sports programme to date.

A total of 25 different sporting competitions made up the 2019 Championships programme, which took place at 48 separate events in 14 host cities across different countries across Europe.

The Championships, which started in 2001 and have been organised biennially since 2011, began on June 10 with the first event, the European Universities Football Championships, which took place in Amsterdam, Spain and Lahti, Finland, respectively.

The month of July saw a total of 11 different events, including the European Universities Basketball Championships, which took place in Amsterdam, Spain and Lahti, Finland, respectively.

Four new sports were introduced into the year's Championships programme, namely Water Polo,

Beach Handball, Unihockey and Judo, which formed part of the European Universities Championships. Judo, Unihockey and Judo, which formed part of the European Universities Championships.

Two cities hosted a European Universities Championships for the first time. Budapest and Poznan, which hosted the 2019 EUSA Championships, were the second-most attended event with 249 participants, followed by Poznan with 445.

EUSA would like to thank all participants and organisers for their support and contribution to the year's Championships, which saw a record number of participants and a record number of events.

In total, 5,242 participants from 1,245 universities across 43 different countries participated in the 2019 European

Universities Championships, making it the largest edition of the Championships in EUSA history. Following the previous year's Championships, the 2019 EUSA Championships were held in several places and the Portuguese Academic Federation of University Sport in their.

Based on the results achieved according to each participating country's national body, the French University Sport Federation won the Most Successful NUSA award.

Followed by the German University Sports Federation and the Spanish Students' Union of Sports.



The magazine also reports on the events organised under EUSA Patronage, as well as several educational events organised by EUSA over the past 12 months, including various seminars, conventions as well as the association's 20th anniversary celebrations in Aveiro, Portugal, where the EUSA Conference, Extraordinary General Assembly and Gala took place.

EUSA AWARDS

EUSA awards officially recognise excellence in the field of university sport over the previous year in the areas of sporting performance, participation, sport development, lifelong dedication, fair play, inclusion and many, many more.

Attributed to individuals, universities and institutions of higher education, EUSA member associations, and other organisations, the awards allow for public recognition of their contribution and efforts.

In addition to the annual categories below, the 2019 EUSA Awards Ceremony, which took place in Aveiro, Portugal following the 2019 EUSA Conference and Extraordinary general Assembly, included a number of special awards given to those who particularly excelled and contributed to European university sport over the past decade.

At a separate awards ceremony at the EUSA Dinner held in Lisbon, Portugal at the end of the year, several special appreciation awards were given to local institutions and individuals who significantly contributed to the development and growth of the organisation.

2019 AWARDS

Most Active University
The Most Active University award is determined by the participation of individuals and teams per university in the European Universities Championships or Games.

Best University
The Best University award is determined by the sports achievements and results per university in EUSA competitions.

Most Active NUSA
The Most Active National University Sports Association award is determined by the participation of teams and number of participants per NUSA in the European Universities Championships or Games.

Most Successful NUSA
The Most Successful National University Sports Association award is determined by the results and final placement of athletes per NUSA in the European Universities Championships or Games.

Erno Harms Fair Play
Named after the first EUSA President, the Erno Harms Fair Play award takes into account a fair play gesture situation during EUSA sporting events which stood out the most.

Order of Merit
EUSA awards the Order of Merit as the highest recognition to individuals and institutions for their outstanding contribution to the development of EUSA and university sport on local, European and international level.

Special Awards
EUSA may also recognise other special achievements and contributions by presenting special awards to individuals or institutions.

2019 AWARDS

Most Active University
University of Coimbra (POR)

Best University
University of Coimbra (POR)

Most Active NUSA
Portuguese Academic Federation of University Sport (POR)

Most Successful NUSA
French University Sport Federation (FSA)

Erno Harms Fair Play
Technion - Israel Institute of Technology (ISR)

Special Award
WAKO European Karate Federation (WAKO Europe)

Logotype Award
European Universities Badminton Championship, Lahti (FIN)

JMYEUSA Photo Competition
Claudia Sanchez, Polytechnic Institute of Porto (POR)

2009-2019 AWARDS Most Successful NUSA
German University Sports Federation (GER)

2009-2019 AWARDS Best University
University of Minho (POR)

2009-2019 AWARDS Order of Merit
Mr Oleg Matytsin, FISU President

A chapter dedicated to EUSA's numerous projects showcases the association's work in the topics of, among others, Equal Opportunities, Fair Play and Dual Careers, while the EUSA Volunteer Programme, Photo Competition, Awards, University Sport Exhibition, EUSA Club of Donors and the International Day of University Sport (IDUS) are also covered.

As EUSA is a proud partner in projects and initiatives run or endorsed by the European institutions, agencies, and other partner organisations, receiving support by the European Union, Council of Europe and other institutional bodies, these projects were introduced as well.



UNISPORT

The project Supporting Mobility and Good Practice Exchange in University Sport (UNISport) supports learning mobility and exchanges while promoting the international dimension of sport, targeting management of university sport in general, as well as organisers of sports events on a national and international level.

The project, supported by the European Union, links the European University Sports Association as the applicant, national university sports bodies and universities in three countries: organisers of the European Universities Games in Portugal, Serbia and Poland respectively, as well as a National Olympic Committee as an expert body.

Through the exchange scheme of sport management staff in form of practical study visits, trainings and job-shadowing on one hand and seminars and knowledge transfers on the other, EUSA as the project coordinator hopes to strengthen the competences and qualifications of the partners and their staff, develop international cooperation, encourage similar exchanges within our networks and contribute towards a European network of skilled sport staff.

In addition, we will include modern technologies in powerful innovative tools for collaboration, knowledge sharing and management.

In preparation for the upcoming edition of the European Universities Games in Belgrade, the local organising committee welcomed more than 80 participants to the EUSA EURO2020 Belgrade Convention between May 30 and June 1, 2023, which was the first event of the knowledge-sharing process within the Supporting Mobility and Good Practice Exchange in University Sport.

EUSA, Technical Commission, EUSA Office Staff, the EURO2020 Organising Committee and representatives from Serbia's National and Regional Sport Federations had the opportunity to visit the proposed sport venues and share their evaluation of them, including the renovations that were needed to improve certain venues to be in line with EUSA standards.

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EMPOWERED NATION

Based on the EUSA gender equality survey results, EUSA finds it important to strengthen women's participation in the field of university sport. The Empowered Nation (ENACT) project officially kicked off during the European Universities Games 2018 in Coimbra, and was a two-year project which aimed to create a change in university sport society and raise awareness about the issues for women in sport.

The project was financed by the European Union as an Erasmus+ collaborative partnership project, and reached across Europe, with project partners from Slovenia, Portugal, Hungary and Turkey. The project had a wide impact not just geographically, but also included different levels of sport governance as partner organisations included a university, a university sport club, a national university sport governing body and an international Non-Governmental Organisation.

ENACT focused on searching for long term and sustainable strategic plans to enhance a gender balanced sport society at all levels, supporting women through non-formal education and engaging them into the European sport sector. Fostering international cooperation and sharing good practices in university sport at different levels for gender balanced leadership and fighting against the lack of access and opportunities at higher levels in sport for women.

Over the duration of the two-year project, which concluded at the end of 2019, the partners were able to organise a site visit at the 4th European Universities Games (EURO2018) in Coimbra, data was gathered about the gender situation of EUSA sport events, a voluntary pledge board to support gender equality in sport and leadership at all levels was established, several local activities were carried out by the partners, and sustainable ideas and future cooperation between target groups were prepared with the aim to build sustainable, gender balanced sport events from the point of view of athletes and volunteers ahead of EURO2020, next big event – the 5th European Universities Games in Belgrade, Serbia.

The project was coordinated by the European University Sports Association Institute and partners included Ulag University (TUR), Portuguese University Sport Federation (FCS) and Budapest University Athletics Club (HUN).

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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY SPORTS ASSOCIATION YEAR MAGAZINE 2023-24

Special attention has been given to the report of the European Week of Sport, which was held under the #BeActive slogan, promoting sport and physical activity throughout Europe. Other EU-funded projects where EUSA is a lead or partner have also been introduced, including the projects Gender Equality Toolkit for Generation Z (GETZ), Education Model for Parents of Athletes in Academics (EMPATIA), Smart Sport, Media as a channel of athlete's dual careers promotion and education (EdMedia), Athletes Friendly Education (AFE), Match Point, Halting Harassment and Abuse in Sports using Learning Technologies (HALT), Rainbow Youth for Sporting Equality (RYSE), Skills for You(th) through Sport (SK4YS), Athletic Migration: Dual Career and Qualification in Sports (AMID), as well as introducing new projects Innovating Football Leadership through Practice and Policy (iFLIPP) and the Queens Rugby 7s Festival.

The EUSA Institute will form part of a partnership consortium in other projects which were selected for funding in the field of promotion of education in and through sport, with special focus on skills development and supporting the implementation of the EU Guidelines on dual careers of athletes as well as in the field of encouraging social inclusion for more information and equal opportunities in sport.



With the green signal from one of the best-kept secrets, the tournament was off to a scintillating start. The stadium in Jinjiang, many of which were purpose-built for the event, provided the perfect setting for some football.

As the tournament progressed, the women's team from the University of Ottawa made news for more reasons than one. The forwards from Canada, known as the 'Gee-Gees', earned their way through the draw even as they studied furiously for exams during the day.

"We have been trying to balance school and soccer while we've been here," said goalkeeper Margot Anne Shaw, the undisputed star of Ottawa's team. Their first victory against Beijing Normal University.

"Most of us start exams as soon as we get back, so we are all trying to keep up with our schoolwork here in Jinjiang."

The sheer effort of keeping up with academics and reaching the final at the same time was not lost on anyone and the Canadians became immensely popular with local fans and other teams alike.

They did not disappoint in the final either, as Mikayla Murtonis



second-minute goal against Pusan National University proved to be enough for the title.

After 11 days, 61 matches, and 200 goals scored, it finally came down to the University of Wellington from Australia taking on the University of the Republic from Uruguay in the men's grand finale that was played out in a packed Jinjiang Football Park Stadium before 7,500 spectators.

Before a grand finale, the match went 1-1 into half-time, then into full time and finally into 30 minutes extra time. The decisive moment came when University of the Republic's captain, Santiago Palacios Palomeque scored a penalty kick just six minutes before the match would have gone into a shootout, which was enough for the title.

"I was trying to be as calm as possible in that moment because it was a decisive one," the Player of the Tournament said after the victory. "I tried to bring myself into a calm state and get some power inside me."

When the winning team was asked if the final was their toughest match of the tournament, Head Coach Alejandro Higuera Chamalet immediately said, "Yes, of course, a final is a final. In our country we say you don't play a final, you only win a final!"

"Thank you to the people of Jinjiang for being so helpful and receptive to us," he added. "The people here were truly amazing."

The FISU University World Cup Football returns to Jinjiang in 2022. The year 2022 will also see the sixth edition of the University World Cup DCS, the

FISU Forum in August that will be held in Budapest, Hungary, and the fourth FISU Volunteer Leaders Academy in Kazan, Russian Federation that will get again bring together hundreds of future leaders from around the world.

At the International University Sports Federation, excitement never stops.

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We offer an overview of the most visible events and achievements of the EUSA members and partners, including the International University Sports Federation (FISU), Continental university sports bodies of Africa, Americas, Asia and Oceania, as well as the other EUSA partners and allies, including the European Commission, European Non-Governmental Sports Organisation (ENGSO) and ENGSO Youth, European Athlete as Student (EAS) Network, European Handball Federation (EHF), European Karate Federation (EKF), World Taekwondo Europe, European Olympic Committees (EOC). The last chapter of the publication is the Future programme, promoting the fifth edition of the European Universities Games in Belgrade, Serbia as well as the forthcoming editions in Lodz and thereafter in Debrecen-Miskolc.