

SportAccord IF Forum, Lausanne, Switzerland, 09.-11.2016

Participants: Tomas Eriksson, IFF President
John Liljelund; secretary general

Report on present issues

1. *Sport Accord IF Forum*

The SportAccord organised the 10th IF Forum, this time mostly discussing the health of the athletes, how the IF's could take part in the prevention of injuries and how to enhance health factors among the athletes. IOC stated that the governments of the World are looking for activities that activates youth and the general population, so if you would like to have support use this for your national associations and IF's

FIFA has created a number of tools that are really clever like the 11 steps to better health program and the Concussion Recognition Tool. Floorball was actually mentioned two times in the special lecturers, as FIFA mentioned the Kati Pasanen injury prevention research and the Danish Professor mentioned a study made in Denmark on how five sports in schools develops physical conditions, out of which one was Floorball.

One key issue was that the IF's needs to include their SATC's in the discussion of the medicalisation of Athletes in each sport, as this is a growing problem. IOC also informed that they will launch a new program a toolkit for prevention of sexual harassment for next summer.

Mr. Liljelund participated in a panel discussion on activation of youth together with former FIFA Medical Chief Jiri Dvorak, FIS secretary general Sarah Lewis, Sledge dog federation President and the FINA vice president Sam Rammasay, presenting the IFF Urban Floorball concept and the way we get people to play. The presentation was well received and raised a lot of question on how it could be used in different type of multi-sport events. IFF has already earlier provided the Urban Floorball concept to the IOC Sports Department and discussed the possibilities to have it in a Sport Lab.

The general atmosphere was quite calm and all parties seemed to be quite positive towards SportAccord. Mr. Patrick Baumann stressed that SportAccord will re-organise their activities and also start looking at the multi-sport games again.

2. *Meetings during SportAccord*

2.1. **Patrick Baumann, SportAccord President**

Mr. Baumann informed that the SportAccord Council has decided to make a study of the possibility to re-instate the Combat, Mind and Urban Games. The process for the Combat Games is already in process and there had been a meeting on Thursday on the Urban Games and a new concept will be built for the Urban Games. IFF will receive information of the process later, when there are some more concrete plans.

2.2. **Olympic Channel, John Palfrey Programming Manager, Catharine Philbin Communications Manager and Jose Manuel Gonzales**

The publication of the cooperation was discussed and the plan is to have the agreement published on the week starting on the 21st of November.

The Sport Production Team will run the process for the WFC broadcast. The Olympic Channel requires English commentary and match graphics to broadcast the matches. IFF is to provide whole matches and match high-lights

IFF can choose which matches are broadcasted and have to inform these and the satellite segment 24 hours in advance. Geo-blocking can be made with one hour prior to match start

Report on present issues (cont.)

The OC want to get as much promotional material as possible a WFC video (produced by the LOC), IFF videos, and information of the WFC.

2.3. Raffaele Chiulli, ARISF President

The ARISF President was seeking support for his candidacy for a second term as the ARISF President. He stressed the importance to have active persons in the ARISF Council. As Mr. Riccardo Fraccari, the WBSC President is not running for the position of secretary general anymore, Chiulli asked if IFF could consider nominating for the position.

It was agreed to continue the discussions in Riga, if President Chiulli will make it there, as planned.

In connection to this IFF discussed the ARISF elections also with Riccardo Fraccari (Baseball-Softball), Volker Bernardi (Flying disc), Tommy Viking (American Football), Michael Dornak (Sports Climbing), Anna Arazhova (Underwater), Francesca Frabetto (Softball)

2.4. Jens V. Holm, IMGA CEO

The IMGA is discussing the organisation agreement for the Torino European master Games 2019 and IFF should now provide a proposal for the format of the Floorball tournament before the end of November.

IFF will run the 1st IFF Master World Championships in Torino, with an A and B tournament. The target is to have between 20 – 30 teams participating at least. The age groups would be Men 35+, M40+ and Women 35+

It was agreed that the IFF invites representatives from Torino to the WFCQ played in Campino, Italy in beginning of February, to get acquainted with the sport and the Italian Federation.

2.5. Joachim Gossow, IWGA CEO

A sort meeting to discuss the TV situation of Floorball for the World Games, as at the moment there are only the Final day matches on the WOCIWGA production. IFF is to continue the discussions with the Hagen Bossendorf, IWGA Media manager in the coming weeks.

2.6. .sportTLD Policy Advisory Board

The US governmental authority, which gives the right for the TLD's ICANN, has not yet given their decision in the Famous4 Media complaint against the SportAccord .sport application. The decision is expecting still this year and then it will take 6-9 months to set up the sales system for the TLD's and agree with the SportAccord members.

3. *Other meetings during the IF Forum*

3.1. BroadReachMedia, Steven Morris

BRM has sold the Women's WFC 2015 high-lights program to a six different operators and the program has been shown in over 130 countries.

IFF will provide the whole matches from the WFC and the high-lights with English commentary, interviews with the winning and losing teams and match graphics. Also some host country/venue and the medal ceremony footage is needed. IFF shall provide this to BRM no later than the 17.12.2016 on a hard drive.

3.2. Sportcal, Tim Smith

The meeting was arranged to go through the Sportcal Sport Global Index questionnaire for the WFC2016 and define what data is needed from the IFF and the LOC. All requested data can easily be found, but outside help is needed through the Riga tourism board concerning visitor spending.

IFF is to provide all information by mid of January and we will then have the first draft by end of February and the final report by end of March.

3.3. Inside the Games, Duncan Mackay, Editor

As requested in the CB meeting IFF took contact with the Inside the Games and arranged a meeting in Lausanne.

Inside the Gems has now been added to the receivers of the IFF Newsletter.

3.4. ThinkSport, Anna Hellman CEO

A meeting was organised by ThinkSport and the Lausanne Universities of EDLP and LUP to discuss the possibilities to conduct a study on evolution of a 3rd generation floorball ball, which would be a little slower on the floor,

3.5. Skylab, David Johnsson

The meeting was organised to discuss the possibilities IFF would have to re-build our web page using the Skylab expertise. IFF has provided a wish-list of what the new web page should look like and Skylab will now look upon it and come with some more questions and then make a proposal during Q1.

The idea is to spread the financial effect of the project to both the fiscal years 2017 and 2018. The start date of the site would be in connection to the change of the IFF logo in beginning of 2018.

Upcoming meetings and issues

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Issues that need to be discussed or decided upon or taken action upon

- Provide promo video material and the IFF logo to the OC
- Provide pre-information (team presentations) of the WFC to the OC
- Provide match and satellite information to OC.
- Provide geo-block information at the same time to OC
- IFF to write a concept paper on the Masters tournament for Torino
- Provide the IFF broadcasted TV matches with satellite information to BroadReachMedia
- Send the English commentary matches and high-lights, with interviews and the medal ceremonies to BRM by 17.12
- Provide the GSI research data sheet by 15th of January to Sportcal

New ideas, etc...

- Address the Athletics Commission with the FIFA 11 Steps to better health program
- Invite the representatives of Torino to the WFCQ 2017 in Italy
- Organise cross-meetings with the IFAF during the World Games in Wroclaw.