

TAFISA Traditional Sports and Games Resolution

This resolution, in accordance with WHO's Global Recommendations on Physical Activity for Health, UNESCO's International Charter of Physical Education and Sport 1978, UNESCO's Berlin Declaration 2013, UN's Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities 2006 and Designed To Move – A Physical Activity Action Agenda, confirms and reinforces the importance of Traditional Sports and Games as a vehicle for the world's unity, integration, cultural diversity, peace and physical activity.

Many Traditional Sports and Games have disappeared or are under threat. In order to promote and contribute to cultural diversity, as well as to guarantee the participation of all in sports and physical activity, regardless of gender, race, religion, ability or social background, we resolve to promote Traditional Sports and Games as a decisive component of world sports in itself, and further develop the complementarity between Traditional Sports and Games and modern sports.

This resolution acknowledges the need for action at the world, national, regional and local levels to develop plans, strategies and investments to align Traditional Sports and Games to the future. It is agreed that these plans should include:

- Support networks that cooperate with local, regional, national and international groups,
- Work with academic partners and institutions to document and evaluate the role of Traditional Sports and Games,
- Work toward capacity building and dissemination of programs and events at the local, regional, national and international levels,
- Work to ensure the inclusion of people of all abilities and universal access to Traditional Sports and Games.

The TAFISA General Assembly calls the world to join a new movement, which aims to reintroduce Traditional Sports and Games into the daily lives of all people, particularly children and youth.



Together, TAFISA members and any interested parties will:

- Encourage the celebration of the world's rich cultural diversity through Traditional Sports and Games,
- Promote Traditional Sports and Games as an important mechanism for world unity,
- Transmit traditions in sport to new generations, focusing on creating early positive experiences amongst children,
- Integrate physical activity into everyday lives through Traditional Sports and Games,
- Develop mechanisms and strategies to guarantee the universal access to Traditional Sports and Games for all people, including those with disabilities,
- Coordinate international partnerships to restore, enhance and celebrate Traditional Sports and Games at local, regional, national and international levels, liaising with cultural, educational, health, environmental and social institutions,
- Further develop the complementarity between Traditional Sports and Games and modern sports,
- Seek government and institutional endorsement and investment in the promotion of Traditional Sports and Games, for example with UNESCO,
- Sponsor, whenever possible, events and programs that showcase the world of Traditional Sports and Games,
- Aim to preserve Traditional Sports and Games for the promotion of health,
- Benefit from and further extend from the experience established via project "Recall: Games of the Past Sports for Today."

It is understood that this movement will in future form a basis and framework for all TAFISA actions and initiatives in the field of Traditional Sports and Games – including TAFISA World Sport for All Games and Regional TSG Centres – as well as a common reference point for all parties that wish to learn more about Traditional Sports and Games and take action.

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