TAFISA Timeline 2011

January
- TAFISA National CLC, Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago
- TAFISA National CLC, Tehran, Iran
February
- Sports Clubs for Health Workshop, Helsinki, Finland
March
- TAFISA International CLC, Amravati, India
- TAFISA World Congress, Antalya, Turkey
- TAFISA General Assembly, Antalya, Turkey
- TAFISA Europe Forum, Antalya, Turkey
April
- TAFISA/UNESCO Africa VIPS Training Courses, Arusha, Tanzania
- TAFISA Africa Forum, Arusha, Tanzania
May
- World Challenge Day, Worldwide
June
- EUSA European Healthy Cities Networks (Triple AC Session)
July
- 5th TAFISA World Sports for All Congress, Stanliai, Lithuania
- TAFISA Board Meeting, Stanliai, Lithuania
- TAFISA/UNESCO Forum, Stanliai, Lithuania
August
- 2nd TAFISA Congress, New Delhi, India
- TAFISA National CLC, Tashkent, Uzbekistan
- TAFISA Sports Club for Health Workshop, Tashkent, Uzbekistan
September
- TAFISA National CLC, Amritsar, India
- TAFISA World Walking Day, Worldwide
October
- TAFISA National CLC, Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago
- TAFISA National CLC, Tehran, Iran
- TAFISA International CLC, Belgrade, Serbia
November
- TAFISA Board Meeting, Siauliai, Lithuania
- 12th ASFAA Congress, New Delhi, India
- TAFISA/UNESCO Forum, Siauliai, Lithuania
- TAFISA Board Meeting, Antalya, Turkey
- 22nd TAFISA World Congress, Antalya, Turkey
- TAFISA Triple AC Workshop, Jurmala, Latvia
December
- TAFISA International CLC, Muscat, Sultanate of Oman

A Global Alliance in Sport for All

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To facilitate improved Sport for All and Physical Activity for the world, the “Antalya Agreement on A Global Alliance in Sport for All and Physical Activity for All” was launched by TAFISA at its 22nd World Congress in November 2011. The intention of such an initiative is to unite Sport for All related organisations from around the globe to help “build bridges for a more active world”.

This is not a new organisation, or a program run by one organisation, but an agreement which is open to any willing Sport for All and physical activity related body to be a part of, and work with others to cooperate, learn, share and grow. As coordinator, TAFISA invites you to learn more about the Antalya Agreement, and join us in achieving our mission of a more Active World... (More on Page 10)

Themes in Brief

Cooperations & Networks

In line with the principles of the Antalya Agreement, TAFISA has worked hard throughout 2011 and 2012 to strengthen and grow the global Sport for All network, and formalise cooperation with many different regional and international organisations involved in the vast and varied world that is Sport for All... (More on Pages 2 and 3)

Highlights

In addition to TAFISA’s smaller and ongoing programs, 2011 and 2012 saw the realisation of two key events in TAFISA’s history: the 22nd TAFISA World Congress held in November 2011 in Antalya, Turkey, and the 5th TAFISA World Sport for All Games held in July 2012 in Stanliai, Lithuania... (More on Pages 5, 6 and 7)

Programs & Events

TAFISA takes pride in providing practical, educational and valuable programs and events for its member organisations, and the Sport for All Movement. From small workshops to physical activity days to international conferences, TAFISA has launched and developed a myriad of programs and events throughout 2011 and 2012, including the TAFISA Certified Leadership Program, Triple AC World Walking and Challenge Days, the TAFISA World Almanac and more... (More on Pages 4, 8 and 9).
Strengthening the Global Sport for All Network

In keeping with the principles and objectives of the Antalya Agreement (more on Page 10), TAFISA has been working hard to create and cement practical, political and cooperative relationships with other players in the global Sport for All scene to strengthen and grow the Movement. TAFISA hopes that this cooperative groundwork will lay the foundations and set an example for other organisations who are all, in their own way, working toward our communal goal of an Active World.

TAFISA Retains Strong Cooperation with IOC Sport for All Commission

The IOC Sport for All Commission, under the chair of Sam Ramsamy, South Africa, has confirmed its on-going support for the joint TAFISA programs - the Triple AC and the CLC. It has also been agreed in principle to hold a two-day Triple AC Workshop for international participants prior to the next IOC Sport for All Conference in Lima, Peru, April 2013. TAFISA's Secretary General Wolfgang Baumann, as a member of the Commission, welcomed this initiative which will be supported by SESCI & a TAFISA member from Brazil.

TAFISA and UNESCO sign Partnership Agreement

UNESCO headquarters in Paris in 2011. UNESCO Director General Irina Bukova in her speech highlighted the contributions TAFISA has paid over the years to the promotion of Traditional Sports and Games and through its membership in various CIGEPS working groups. The Agreement also focuses on a future close collaboration in regards to the new TAFISA Africa VIPS program (Volunteer Initiative for Peace through Sports) that was launched last year in Tanzania. TAFISA has also been appointed member of the Permanent Consultative Council (PCC) of the UNESCO Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport (CIGEPS).

EU Approves Grant for SportCityNet: TAFISA Leads 10 Body Cooperation

In addition to the partnership agreement signed with UNESCO, TAFISA has been formalizing cooperative relationships with many influential Sport for All related organizations. During 2011 and 2012, this has included signing partnership agreements or Memoranda of Understanding with:

- International Workers and Amateurs in Sports Confederation (CSIT)
- Agita Mundo
- International Women's Group on Sport (IWG)
- American Athletic Union (AAU)

Partners to the program include:

- Spain, Cultural and Scientific Association of Tourism, Leisure and Sport Studies (Association AccETTD)
- Netherlands, Netherlands Institute for Sport and Physical Activity (NISB)
- Poland, Ministry of Sport and Tourism
- Finland, Finnish Sport for All Association (Kunto)
- Denmark, Gerlev PE & Sports Academy
- Denmark, National Olympic Committee
- Portugal, Portuguese Institute of Sport and Youth (IPDJ, I.P.)
- Latvia, Latvian Sport for All Association (LtSA)
- Bulgaria, Bulgarian Sport for All Association (BASV)
- Hungary, Hungarian Leisure Sports Association (HLSA)
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TAFISA Cooperations & Networks

TAFISA Secretary General Elected ICSSPE Vice President

At the recent General Assembly of the International Council for Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE) that took place in Glasgow, Scotland as part of the ICSEMIS Conference, TAFISA Secretary General Wolfgang Baumann was elected new Vice President of ICSSPE. His four years term will formally start on January 1, 2013.

Ball Packaging Europe and TAFISA Extend Partnership

TAFISA is happy to announce that the long standing partner and sponsor Ball Packaging Europe has extended its cooperation with TAFISA for another three years. Ball Packaging representatives Stephan Rougen and Sylvia Blöcker met with TAFISA to finalize the future steps of the cooperation.

Ball Packaging Europe is one of the leading beverage can producers in Europe, and is part of the Ball Corporation, an international producer of high quality packaging. Ball has a strong will to contribute to sustainability, the environment and the good of society.

TAFISA Builds Sport for All Network with Multiple Organisations

TAFISA (The Association For International Sport for All) is the leading international Sport for All organisation with 250 member organisations in 150 countries.

TAFISA works in close cooperation with international organisations such as the IOC, UN, UNESCO and ICSSPE. TAFISA has regional bodies in Africa, Asia/Oceania, Europe and Latin America. Learn more about TAFISA and how to become a member at www.tafisa.net.
TAFISA: Region by Region

TAFISA has four identified regions, and now, a Regional Body in place for each of these. These include ASFAA in Asia/Oceania, TAFISA Africa in Africa, PASFAF in the Americas, and TAFISA Europe in Europe. Each Regional Body is an entity in its own right, and aims to fulfill the needs of its regional Sport for All Movement, as well as promoting TAFISA’s aims, programs and events. 2011 and 2012 were exciting years for TAFISA’s regional strategy. Read on to find out more.

TAFISA Europe is Born out of ESFAN

ESFAN elected to adopt a new approach at its General Assembly in 2011 on the occasion of the 22nd TAFISA World Congress. Based on the survey conducted to reanalyze the current status of the network and following the strong advice of an Advisory Group, it was decided that ESFAN would be dissolved as a legal entity registered in France and reorganized as an informal committee under the name “TAFISA Europe” led by the Steering Committee comprised of the members of the Advisory Group. The TAFISA Europe Steering Committee consists of:

- TAFISA Africa Established

TAFISA is happy to announce that as a result of the TAFISA/UNESCO Africa VIPS Training Course in Arusha, Tanzania, April 17 – 21, TAFISA Africa was founded. On the initiative of the TAFISA Vice President, Prof. Rodolfo Valgoni, it is facing a growing popularity for increased awareness in the importance of Sport for All and physical activity. TAFISA members are facing increasing demands to educate the local communities to become involved in the foundation stages of policy making and strategy planning. Congratulations PASFAF on the hard work and contribution in making a healthier world!

PASFAF Develops Sport for All

TAFISA’s regional body for South America, PASFAF (Pan-American Sport for All Federation), under the Presidency of TAFISA Vice President, Prof. Rodolfo Valgoni, is facing a growing popularity for increased awareness in the importance of Sport for All and physical activity. TAFISA members are facing increasing demands to educate the local communities to become involved in the foundation stages of policy making and strategy planning. Congratulations PASFAF on the hard work and contribution in making a healthier world!

TAFISA’s Membership Grows

TAFISA is very excited by its growth in membership base during 2011 and 2012, which included the adoption of 63 new members. New members include:

- Angola
- Commonwealth Games Association
- Antigua & Barbuda NOC
- Austria
- Afghanistan NOC
- Australia
- Austrian Rulers International
- Australia
- City of Mansfield
- Australia
- Longevity Plus Pty Ltd.
- Bosnia & Herzegovina
- Bosnian and Herzegovina Association Sport for All
- Bahamas NOC
- Barbados NOC
- Belize
- Belize Olympic and Commonwealth Games Association
- Bermuda NOC
- Botswana
- British Virgin Islands NOC
- Burundi
- Ministry of Youth, Sports and Culture
- Cayman Islands NOC
- Cuba NOC
- Dominica NOC
- Dominican Republic NOC
- Dominican Republic Federation
- Dominican Republic Desporte Para Todos
- Egypt
- Egyptian Sport for All Federation
- France
- French Sport for All Federation
- Grenada NOC
- Guadeloupe
- Caribbean Regional Sport Organization of Guadeloupe
- Guyana NOC
- Haiti NOC
- India
- International Tennis Volleyball Federation
- Indonesia
- National Taekwondo Federation
- India
- Shree Hanuman Vyayam Prakash Mandal
- India
- Sport for All Federation India
- Indonesia
- World Kurigfu Dragon and Lion Dance Federation
- Iran
- World Hapkido Confederation
- Israel
- Israeli Sport Administration
- Japan
- International Federation of Cheerleading
- Jamaica
- NOC
- Kazakhstan
- National Association of Kazakhstan for Sport Development & World Games
- Kenya
- Kenya Community Sports Foundation
- Kenya
- Sacrena Sports and Education Academy
- Lithuania
- European Radio Sport Federation
- Malaysia
- World Slamshad Federation
- Martinique
- Caribbean Regional Sport Organization of Martinique
- Montserrat
- Montserrat Commonwealth Games Association
- Netherlands Antilles
- NOC
- Norfolk Islands
- North Island Amateur Sports & Commonwealth Games Association
- Poland
- Polish Radio Orientalie Sport Federation (PZRS)
- Puerto Rico
- NOC
- St. Kitts & Nevis NOC
- St. Lucia NOC
- St. Vincent & the Grenadines NOC
- South Africa
- International Jukiske Federation
- Spain
- Federación Española de Artes Marciales Coreanas
- Spain
- Federación Española de Marciales Tradicionales
- Suriname
- NOC
- Sweden
- World Judo Federation
- Switzerland
- International Field Archery Association
- Turkey
- & Caicos Islands
- Turks & Caicos Islands Commonwealth Games Association
- U.K.
- U.K. National Association of Karate and Martial Arts Schools
- U.K.
- World Bodybuilding and Physique Sports Federation
- USA
- Amatuer Athletic Union
- USA
- International Shuffleboard Association
- USA
- Traditional Kodokan Judo
- US Virgin Islands NOC
- Uzbekistan
- National Encyclopedia of Polvons

12th ASFAA Congress a Success in Delhi

The Asania Sport for All Association (ASFAA) is the Asia/Oceania Regional Body of TAFISA, and supports all TAFISA programs and initiatives whilst maintaining its own agenda of programs and events. ASFAA’s premier event in 2012 was its 12th ASFAA Congress held from September 26th to 30th in New Delhi, India. The theme of the Congress was “Sport for All: Health, Education & Culture in the Contemporary World”, and was hosted by All India Association of Sports for All, an ASFAA and TAFISA member, active under its president, Dr. Anita Gosh. At the General Assembly newly elected Alex Vong, Macau, China took over the ASFAA presidency from Jianzhong Feng, China.

The TAFISA Europe Advisory Committee in Greece.
Developing Leaders in Sport for All

Since its inception in 2007, and with the support of the IOC since 2010, the TAFISA Certified Leadership Course in Sport for All (CLC) has been developing Sport for All leaders and managers around the globe. The CLC program has gained momentum and is now in such demand that TAFISA hosts up to courses each year. Additionally, due to popular demand, TAFISA implemented the national CLC course in early 2011, which has been a great success.

TAFISA CLCs bring together a group of up to 30 participants, either international or national, for an intense, 4 to 5 day course period in which students participate in lectures, working groups, field trips and networking. Topics covered include the global Sport for All movement, developing volunteers, Sport for All programs and events, Sport for All and social marketing, sport and health, Sport for All and elite sports, and many more. Courses are hosted by a TAFISA member organisation and led by TAFISA, and can be tailored to suit the regional or national need.

In January 2011, TAFISA hosted its first National CLC in Trinidad and Tobago, with roaring success. Since then, National CLCs have been held in Iran, Maldives, India and Uzbekistan. Concurrently, TAFISA has been continuing its International CLC program, with courses being run in Latvia, Serbia, Tanzania, Indonesia and Oman throughout 2011 and 2012. TAFISA is proud to have established a network of more than 800 CLC graduates from 70 countries, and looks forward to developing this network in the coming years, with such events as a CLC for International Sports Federations to be held in Lausanne in autumn 2013, in cooperation with the IOC.

TAFISA thanks all member host organisations and the IOC for their support of the course, and the Sport for All movement, and encourages anyone who may be interested to host either a National or International CLC to contact the TAFISA office.

TAFISA Board Meetings

2011 – 2012

Participants of CLC Oman

International CLC Graduates in India

International CLC Graduates in Latvia

International CLC Graduates in Uzbekistan

Launching of the ‘Tokyo Appeal’ for the support of Sport for All and physical activity amongst youth (left) and a panel discussion at the 5th TAFISA World Forum (right).

‘Sport for Youth Future’ World Forum in Tokyo

Under the title “Sport for Youth Future” and hosted by Saaikawa Sports Foundation (SSF), Japan, who compiled the almanac. The almanac details of 78 member organizations from 57 countries, including their activities, and the status of Sport for All in their countries.

TAFISA was delighted to publish its TAFISA Active World 2011 Almanac thanks to the hard work of TAFISA member organisation, Saaikawa Sports Foundation (SSF), Japan, who compiled the almanac. The almanac details of 78 member organizations from 57 countries, including their activities, and the status of Sport for All in their countries.

TAFISA first published a World Almanac in 2001, and is proud of the development in the global Sport for All movement, and the TAFISA member base, since that time. The Almanac was released at the 22nd TAFISA World Congress in November 2011 in Turkey, and will be distributed globally.
The format of the Congress included lectures, workshops and panel discussions, with much sports organizations, but also to the private sector, sciences, and the governments. Among the stakeholders has to be established, which did not only refer to the non-governmental sciences, private sectors, and traditional sports.

In his opening speech, TAFISA Treasurer Hon. Brian Dixon made it clear that a new solidarity reflected on the question of using Sport for All to better connect with cultures, elite sports, make cooperation more effective in international Sport for All. Each of the five sub­sessions reflected on the question of using Sport for All to better connect with cultures, elite sports, sciences, private sectors, and traditional sports.

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In his closing words, TAFISA Secretary General Baumann emphasized TAFISA's obligation to make the alliance a reality, and asked for the support and cooperation of the Congress participants to connect and network under the common goal of Sport for All and Physical Activity for All (SAPA).

Dr. Erdal Zorba, President of the Turkish Sport For All Federation and the Host of the 22nd TAFISA World Congress expressed his sincere gratitude and satisfaction on the success of the Congress, which marked a meaningful event in the history of Sport for All Movement.

The participants also remarked on TAFISA’s new status on the global map while appreciating the breadth of topics covered by the variety of speakers from all aspects of Sport for All.

Some 400 participants from 60 countries worldwide met in Antalya, Turkey for the 22nd TAFISA World Congress, 10-14 November 2011. Under the theme “Sport for All: Building Bridges”, the participants debated, discussed and shared future strategies and experiences to make cooperation more effective in international Sport for All. Each of the five sub­sessions reflected on the question of using Sport for All to better connect with cultures, elite sports, sciences, private sectors, and traditional sports.

TAFISA General Assembly

One of the highlights of the 2011 General Assembly was the selection of the Host for the 6th TAFISA World Sport for All Games. After hearing from two excellent bids from Indonesia and the Netherlands, the General Assembly voted for Indonesia to be venue of the Games in 2016. The date of the Games will be October 6 - 12, 2016. TAFISA thanks both candidates for the excellent preparation of their bids.

Furthermore, the General Assembly welcomed 52 organizations as new members, approved the proposed changes to the statutes, approved the financial statements of 2009 and 2010, as well as agreeing on Budapest to Host the TAFISA World Congress in 2015 only to name some of the decisions made.

TAFISA Turns 20!

The TAFISA General Assembly elected Joel Raynaud (France) and Dr. Oscar Anuero Ruiz (Colombia), both founding TAFISA board members, as Honorary Members of TAFISA in recognition of their substantial contribution to the development of TAFISA as a professional and successful organization. Both served on the TAFISA Board for 18 years. Congratulations Joel and Oscar!

TAFISA Honorary Members

Joel Raynaud and Oscar Anuero Ruiz

TAFISA General Assembly

According to the many well­wishers attending the Birthday Party, TAFISA is now in its adolescent stage preparing for a bright future ahead.

TAFISA General Assembly

2011 General Assembly (top) and Signing of the Contract for the 6th TAFISA Sport for All Games 2016 with Dr. Iskandar Zulkarnain of Indonesian Sport for All Federation (FOMI) (bottom).

23rd TAFISA World Congress 2013

TAFISA is now looking forward to its next World Congress in the Netherlands from 23rd to 27th October 2013. Clemence Ross, CEO of the Netherlands Institute for Sport and Physical Activity (NISB) and host of the event, invited all delegates to come to the city of Enschede where the Congress will take place. NISB is a long standing TAFISA member and has an extensive record of organizing international Congresses and Conferences. (More on Back Page)

Int’l Women in Sport for All Workshop

During the Congress, a workshop was organized on Women in Sport for All with a Panel Discussion on gender equality. After the Workshop, TAFISA signed the Brighton Declaration and a Memorandum of Understanding with International Working Group on Women and Sports (IWG) represented by Raija Mattilla (Finland), Co­Chair of IWG, to cooperate in finding ways to making it easy for girls and women to participate in Sport for All around the world.

International Congresses and Conferences. (More on Back Page)
The Games kicked off with a parade of 60 participating nations walking the 2km from the city centre to Siauliai Arena, each proudly holding their flags.

A breathtaking opening ceremony then followed with performances by 500 acrobats, stuntmen, gymnasts, dancers, and singers exhibiting Lithuanian history from the creation of the universe to the Balks, the ancestors of Lithuania to modern day Lithuanians. Traditional dancing, choir singing, costumes, traditional games and fireworks of colors and sounds were mixed into a spectacular show for the world.

The motive of the Sun was selected for the opening ceremony of the Games by no accident – Siauliai city is called the City of the Sun. The participating delegations were welcomed onto stage by TAFISA President Lee and the Siauliai Mayor Mikšys.

For six days from July 5th to 11th, 2012, the Lithuanian City of Siauliai could be rightly considered the world’s capital of Traditional Sports and Games (TSG). With more than 12,000 registered participants, the 5th TAFISA World Sport for All Games was the largest event of its kind in the history of TSG. 60 countries from all continents sent their delegations to perform their national games, dances, sports and movement cultures making the event the most vibrant experience for athletes and spectators alike.

Day of Nations

The Day of Nations was a colourful and vibrant full day affair where all 60 countries were present in one area to perform their traditional sport or game. Visitors were allowed to try their hands at sport and games from all over the world, and understand for themselves the significance of these traditions.

Traditional Games and Sports Program

The 5th TAFISA World Sport for All Games had a myriad of traditional sports and games, ranging from commonly played sports to games and dances unique to just one nation. 7,000 people from 60 delegations came from the following countries to demonstrate their cultures and traditions:

Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Congo, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Honduras, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Macau (China), Latvia, Lebanon, Lithuania, Moldova, Namibia, Nepal, Nigeria, Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Russia, Scotland, Serbia, Slovakia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Tanzania, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States and Uzbekistan.
Every four years, TAFISA holds its World Sport for All Games – a vibrant and entertaining experience, offering a unique opportunity for the public to discover the traditional and contemporary games and sports of cultures from around the globe. The Games has grown from humble beginnings in Bonn, Germany, in 1992 with only 620 participants from 33 countries, to a spectacular world event. Between Bonn and Siauliai, the Games were also held in Bangkok, Thailand, Germany and Korea. The 6th World Sport for All Games will be held in Jakarta, Indonesia in 2016.

The main goal of the World Sport for All Games is to promote diversity of national cultures, cooperation, peace and welfare through sport. Key aims for the Games include:

- To preserve and promote traditional sports and games and therefore national identity and heritage,
- To acknowledge and experience different national cultures,
- To encourage cooperation between nations,
- To highlight the importance of physical education and sports,
- To reveal and enrich traditional games and sports,
- To provide experience exchange opportunities,
- To enjoy.

UNESCO/TAFISA Forum Leaves a Legacy for Siauliai

Eight speakers from different continents talked about the role of traditional sports and games of their country, with keynote speeches by TAFISA Secretary General Wolfgang Baumann and UNESCO Representative Alexander Schischlik. The Forum took place in the beautiful Ch. Frenkelio Vila which suited the theme "Role of Sport and Culture in Community Development". The signing of the Siauliai Call for Best Practices in TSG took place after the Forum in partnership with Poznan University of Poland leaving a legacy for Siauliai in the history of TSG.

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TAFISA Members Continue to Rise to the Challenge

TAFISA World Challenge Day, formerly International Challenge Day, has been around since 1991, and TAFISA members continue to do TAFISA proud with their commitment and enthusiasm for the day. The TAFISA World Challenge day provides a platform for cities and communities from around the world to challenge each other to see who can encourage more citizens to be active for just 15 minutes on one day, the last Wednesday in May each year.

TAFISA is excited to report that World Challenge day was again a great success in both 2011 and 2012, with numbers of participants increasing and the new element of the World Challenge Day Cup being welcomed by all. TAFISA gives special thanks to its significant member organisation, SESC, Brazil, for their organisation and promotion of the event across Latin America. SESC notes, “Besides creating new behaviors and motivating people to adopt a healthier life style, Challenge Day also remarked the importance of its legacy – the permanent actions that are developed after the realization of this ‘one day’ movement.”

TAFISA World Challenge Day Cup Winners

Each year, communities compete against a similar sized rival community in the TAFISA World Challenge Day Cup to see who can encourage more citizens to be active for just 15 minutes on one day. The categories and winners for 2011 and 2012 are shown below.

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In 2011, TAFISA welcomed 24 countries and more than 63 million participants to the World Challenge Day. In 2012, 60 million people from 22 countries competed, with the addition of two Middle Eastern countries for the very first time, namely Oman and Qatar.

TAFISA Partners with 10 European Institutions for the EU-Funded Project “Prevention of Sexualized Violence in Sports”

TAFISA is part of the EU-funded network project “Prevention of sexualized violence in Sports – Impulses for an open, secure and sound sporting environment in Europe” led by the German Olympic Sports Confederation and 10 European sport federations and child protection institutions together with a group of scientific advisors from 11 European countries.

The project’s central aim is to sensitize and raise awareness about the prevention of sexualized harassment and abuse on all levels of the European sports environment. For more information, refer to www.dsj.de/childprotection.

TAFISA supports Sports Clubs for Health

TAFISA Partners with 10 European Institutions for the EU-Funded Project “Prevention of Sexualized Violence in Sports”

An initiative which is getting the attention of the European community is the Sport Club for Health (SCforH) program, of which TAFISA was a founding member, and continues to support.

The aim of the SCforH programme is to help the local level sports clubs to develop health-oriented sports activities and become more aware of the positive health effects of different sports disciplines. Developed in cooperation with scientists, practitioners and policymakers and funded by EU DG Education and Culture in 2010-2011, the SCforH programme details step-by-step guidelines for sport clubs. The programme has also created a European network (TAFISA Europe, ISCA, ENGSO, HEPA Europe, EFCS) promoting the positive affect of sport and health.

The 1st TAFISA Sports Club for Health Workshop was held 9-10 September 2012 at the Iranian National Olympic Academy hosted by the Iran Sport for All Federation with the aim of developing Sport for All and improving the scientific knowledge of coaches and sport club managers. About 70 delegates from sport federations and Sport for All related organizations attended from within Iran. The ten-session workshop was lectured by Mr. Jorma Savola, TAFISA Board Member and one of the authors of Sport Club for Health, with Dr. Mitra Rouhi as moderator.

TAFISA encourages all to learn more about the program and participate if possible by visiting www.kunto.fi/en/sports-club-for-health.
Walking for an Active World

TAFISA’s Triple AC Goes Live

TAFISA’s newest program, the “Active Cities, Active Communities, Active Citizens” Program, the Triple AC officially ‘went live’ during a launching ceremony held as part of the 22nd TAFISA World Congress in Turkey in 2011. Being developed in cooperation with the IOC, this Recognition and Awards Program was presented at the Lausanne Summit 2012 of the World Union of Olympic Cities in October 2012, and is in the last stages of being formally finalized. The international roll out of the program is planned for 2013, including a mailout to all TAFISA members, NOCs, some 3,500 American cities, WHO Healthy City Network, other national and international city networks, the official launch of the website and program materials translated into Spanish and Portuguese, and the establishment of a global city network. 2013 will also see the establishment of the SportCityNet program as part of the Triple AC with the support of the European Union (more on Page 2).

Launching WWD 2011 in China

China was the first country to start WWD 2011 with the launching ceremony being held in Qingdao, China on April 15th. Organized by TAFISA member, China All­Sport Federation, together with the local sport bureaus, Qingdao was the first of 12 Chinese cities to host the WWD 2011 between April and September 2011 leading up to the official TAFISA WWD held in October.

TAFISA President Dr. Kang-Too Lee, TAFISA Vice President and ASFAA President Mr. Feng Jianzhong, TAFISA Board member and ASFAA Secretary General Mr. Herzel Hagay and Qingdao City government officials attended the ceremony. Both Dr. Kang-Too Lee and Mr. Herzel Hagay successfully finished the entire course of 6km.

Poland Hosts WWD Kick Off in 2012

On September 7th, 2012 Warsaw was the host city for the European Inauguration of TAFISA World Walking Day.

The Warsaw walk was a great chance for all to spend an active morning and to join a great event led by the Polish Minister of Sport and Tourism Joanna Mucha, Olympic Champion in walking Robert Korzeniowski, President of the International Nordic Walking Association Aki Karihtala, Stephan Roesgen, Vice President of Ball Packaging Europe, as well as representatives of the TAFISA Board Ewa Suska and Wim Florijn.

The walk, under the slogan “I’m walking – I’m cheering”, of a distance of 5 km was a joint activity with the run of 10 km. The event gathered over 15,000 sport enthusiasts and it was the biggest and most popular mass sport event organized in Poland in 2012.

2011 and 2012 saw another two successful years of TAFISA World Walking Day, with participation from an estimated 12 million participants from 32 countries in 2011, to 14 million participants from 45 countries in 2012. Villa Clara, a province of Cuba, had some 504,000 people from the total population of 800,000 people participate. That is 63% of the population! They hosted “walk to school”, ancient day, running events, “plant a tree” and recyclable material pickup events to encourage citizens go out and be physically active.

Nations regularly participating in TAFISA’s World Walking Day include Brazil, China, Cuba, Denmark, Iran, Japan, Korea, Poland, Slovakia, Taiwan and Trinidad & Tobago. TAFISA is very appreciative of its members that continue to support World Walking Day and looks forward to continuing to develop the event into the future.

What is the Triple AC?

The TAFISA Triple AC program is for all cities and communities around the world. The program recognizes and awards cities and communities for their Active City programs, events and other good work.

Why Join Triple AC?

Cities and communities should join the Triple AC to:

• Win regional and global awards
• Be a certified ‘Active City’
• Meet and learn from other cities
• Share your good work with the world
• Be a part of something bigger, something global
• Make your people healthier and happier
• It’s free!

To learn more about the Triple AC program please visit www.triple-ac.net
A Global Alliance in Sport for All

During its 22nd TAFISA World Congress in November, 2011 in Antalya, Turkey, TAFISA launched the "Antalya Agreement on A Global Alliance in Sport for All and Physical Activity for All". This an open agreement that any Sport for All and physical activity related body or individual can sign to strengthen the global Sport for All Movement, and work together to achieve our common aim of a more active world.

Antalya Agreement on
A Global Alliance in Sport for All and Physical Activity for All

Building Bridges for a More Active World

A TAFISA Initiative to facilitate improved Sport for All and Physical Activity for the World

Background

The world of today is facing a variety of challenges, incorporating everything from obesity to globalization, from conflict between cultures to an ageing population, from an increase in sedentary lifestyle and therefore loss of personal interaction, to terrorism, from financial crisis to sustainability. Whilst there is no singular solution to these challenges, there is a phenomenon already existing around the globe that can provide some aid in tackling all of them; Sport for All and Physical Activity (SAPA).

Relevance

The challenges the world faces today, and any relief that SAPA might provide, are too large for any one organization to tackle alone. To fully exploit the potential of SAPA, the global Sport for All movement needs solidarity, joint activities and cross-sectoral initiatives. The movement needs a new alliance in Sport for All and Physical Activity.

Scope & Purpose

This Agreement calls for a united, global solidarity for Sport for All and Physical Activity, lead by the existing international bodies which at present have no defined platform on which to communicate, debate, develop and cooperate. This Agreement is not the creation of a formal organization, but an alliance of SAPA related bodies with the common aim to achieve a truly global alliance and solidarity in Sport for All, beginning with existing international bodies, and spreading to all SAPA related bodies.

Objectives

The objectives of the alliance are:
1. To create a stronger and more powerful voice for Sport for All and Physical Activity for all,
2. To increase the profile of, and participation in, Sport for All and Physical Activity globally,
3. To establish a stronger, global, platform for Sport for All activities and programs,
4. To be more innovative and productive for the benefit of member and network organisations,
5. To increase our political power in sport and Physical Activity through a common voice and potentially joint programs,
6. To support each the sport political activities of parties in dealings with other governmental and non-governmental organizations, and
7. To search for synergy between SAPA parties and to explore and utilise the resources of our different networks.
8. To increase collaboration between science, practice and policy.

Actions

To reach these objectives, parties to this agreement will take action as follows:
• Actively and openly share experience and develop the SAPA network, between organizations, sectors, nations and regions.
• Be open to identifying potential areas for practical cooperation,
• Grant access where applicable and beneficial to each other's networks,
• Be open to nominating project areas for a stronger, more practical cooperation between two or more parties to this agreement,
• Leading Sport for All nations take responsibility for aiding less developed nations
• International organizations with global visibility utilize their political influence to raise the profile of Sport for All and Physical Activity as a stepping stone for health, peace, culture, and elite sports
• Promote Sport for All and Physical Activity for all as intimately linked
• Strengthen the link between science and practice through research, education and programs
• React flexibly to the varying social, education, health, political and economic conditions around the world, and strive to reduce inequalities in sports and Physical Activity participation for all
• Be supportive of, contribute to, and whenever possible attend, meetings of the parties of this agreement, which will be held at existing major events of the parties to the Agreement, e.g. games, congresses, conferences
• Acknowledge this Agreement publically
• Optimise the value and benefit delivered to the organisations members and all participants in the global Sport for All and Physical Activity movements.

Principles

Parties to this agreement acknowledge:
• that Sport for All and Physical Activity (SAPA) are intimately linked and complementary,
• SAPA shall be developed in line with environmental sustainability,
• SAPA is an effective tool for social inclusion and integration, within and between individuals, communities, races, ethnicity, religions and regions,
• sport is a vehicle for peace at all levels,
• SAPA is beneficial to individual and community physical, mental and social health,
• SAPA preserves and promotes cultural identity, including traditional sports and games (TSG),
• respect for ethics and values in critical in SAPA,
• economic benefits are inherent in SAPA for the individual and governments alike,
• SAPA shall present equal opportunities for participation for all individuals, regardless of gender, age, cultural or socioeconomic background or level of mental or physical ability,
• SAPA require adequate facilities,
• Investment in research, leadership, education, training and development specifically in the field of SAPA is critical at all levels,
• Cross sectoral cooperation is vital,
• Volunteerism should be encouraged and nurtured, and
• Increased participation in SAPA across the globe is the ultimate goal.

Many international and regional organisations have already signed the Antalya Agreement, with interest from many others, including the International Women’s Group on Sport and the Special Olympics. TAFISA will be coordinating the widespread adoption of the Agreement in 2013. To become a part of the Antalya Agreement, contact the TAFISA office at info@tafisa.net.
TAFISA Awards 2011 & 2012

In 2009 TAFISA implemented its global Awards Scheme to reward those who have contributed to the Sport for All movement, regionally or globally, and to TAFISA. TAFISA was proud to continue this tradition through 2011 and 2012 with the presentation of Jürgen Palm Awards, TAFISA “Friend for Life” Awards, and Innovation Awards.

For more information about the TAFISA Awards Scheme, or how you or your organisation might be nominated for an award, please visit www.tafisa.net or contact info@tafisa.net.

Jürgen Palm Awards

The TAFISA Jürgen Palm Award is for individuals who have made a significant and long-term contribution to the field of international Sport for All and physical activity.

In 2011, TAFISA presented the Jürgen Palm Award to Mrs. Kyosako Ono of Saaawaka Sports Foundation (Japan), Mr. Danilo Santos de Miranda of SESC (Brazil) and Mr. Bengt Sevelius (Sweden) for their long standing and continuing contribution to the global Sport for All movement, particularly in their respective regions.

In 2012, TAFISA presented this prestigious award to former Mayor Genadijus Miklys and current Mayor Justinas Sartauskas of Siauliai, Lithuania. Under the guidance of these two great Sport for All leaders, Siauliai hosted the 5th TAFISA World Sport for All Games, attracting more than 10,000 participants from 60 countries. The Games are considered the number one event in the field of Traditional Sports worldwide.

TAFISA ‘Friend For Life’ Awards

The TAFISA “Friend for Life” Award is given to those individuals who have made a significant contribution to the development of TAFISA, including hosting or coordinating major TAFISA events.

In 2011, the TAFISA “Friend for Life” Award was presented to five organisations who have shown great support for TAFISA in recent years, including the German Olympic Sport Confederation (Germany), SportStadiaNet (Germany), Turkish Sport for All Federation (Turkey), State Ministry of Hesse (Germany), and United Nations Office on Sport for Development and Peace (Switzerland). In 2012, the TAFISA “Friend for Life” Award was presented to Mr. Kestutis Petraitis for his excellent services as Executive Director of the Siauliai Organizing Committee for the 5th TAFISA World Sport for All Games.

Innovation Awards

TAFISA Innovation Award is given to outstanding Sport for All interventions or programs from all around the world. In 2011, Innovation Awards were presented to the following organisations for their outstanding and innovative programs or events:

• All China Sports Federation for its “National Fitness Day”
• Iran Sport for All Federation for its “National Sport for All Day”
• Uganda Sports Council for its “School Sport Project”
• German Olympic Sports Federation for its “Stars of Sports”
• Netherlands Institute for Sport and Activity for its “Meedoen – Participation”
• Hungarian Leisure Sports Association for its “Sport for All Women’s Festival”

TAFISA Grants Patronage

The goal of TAFISA’s Patronage Program is to support members in good standing, who are providing the platform for men and women of various age groups and abilities to develop, compete in, demonstrate and/or participate in their particular sport or physical activity in the direction of SAPA. Events can include conferences or congresses and campaigns, as well as physical activity events.

TAFISA’s patronage program remained strong in 2011 and 2012, and is already looking forward to 2013, with the granting of TAFISA patronage in 2013 to the 1st Global Conference on Traditional Physical Culture, Sports and Games, to be held 15-17 January 2013 in Amravati, India. The Conference is hosted by Hanuman Vyasam Prasarak Mandal under the technical guidance and patronage of TAFISA, ICSSPE, IAPESGW, ISHPES and ITSGA.

For more information about, or to apply for, TAFISA patronage of your event, please visit www.tafisa.net or contact info@tafisa.net.

Germany and Korea in Support of TAFISA

TAFISA can rely on the longstanding support of two strong members from Germany and Korea: the German Olympic Sport Confederation (DOSB) and the Korea Council of Sport for All (KOCOSA). Their generous and substantial assistance assists TAFISA to run its headquarters in Frankfurt, Germany. TAFISA thanks both organizations under the leadership of Presidents Dr. Thomas Bach (DOSB) and Dr. Lee Kang-tan (KOCOSA).

TAFISA Thanks You!

TAFISA acknowledges that its leading position in the global Sport for All Movement would not have been achieved without the strong and consistent support of its members, colleagues, sponsors, volunteers and supporters. In particular, TAFISA would like to thank its international, volunteer Board of Directors, Special Advisors and Commissioners under the leadership of the TAFISA President, sponsors, including Commerzbank, SportStadiaNet, City of Frankfurt, State of Hesse, German Federal Government and the German Olympic Sports Confederation, and partners, including the IOC and Ball Packaging.
Sustainable Sport for All – Worthy of a World Congress

TAFISA is delighted to invite you to the 23rd TAFISA World Congress hosted by the Netherlands Institute of Sport and Physical Activity (NISB) and the Municipality of Enschede, from 23rd to 27th October, 2013, in Enschede, the Netherlands.

Under the main theme “Sustainability and Sport for All – New Learnings and Understandings”, the Congress will explore such important topics as:

- Technology and Social media,
- Nature and the environment,
- Communities and networks, and
- Social inclusion, empowerment and participation.

Sport is sustainable when it meets the needs of today’s sporting community, while contributing to the improvement of future sport opportunities for all and the improvement of the natural and social environment on which it depends. This year’s conference aims to contribute to sustainability in the world of sport and physical activity. The Call for Abstracts is now open, with a deadline of 17th February 2013. We welcome all submissions! Please find more information under the Congress website www.tafisaworldcongress2013.nl.

Eschede is a city of 158,000 inhabitants located in the eastern part of the Netherlands on the German border. It has a reputation as a top Sport for All city and a long history in organizing national and international sport events. Eschede is easily accessible from international airports in Amsterdam, Netherlands as well as Frankfurt and Düsseldorf, Germany. To learn more about Eschede please visit www.visiteschede.nl.

In contrast to previous TAFISA Congresses, the 23rd Congress will not take place in a traditional congress hall, but a unique culture and social complex which is comprised of the Eschede Wilminktheater, the Muiziekenhuis and the Grote Kerk (big church) that has been modified into a conference center. The complex is located right in the city center, in walking distance from the central train station. The program will include renowned speakers, workshops, networking opportunities and field trips. With more than 500 delegates expected from up to 150 countries, it is sure to be an event not to be missed.

Please join us!

The Year to Come

TAFISA Timeline 2013

- January
  - Global Conference on Traditional Physical Cultures, Sports and Games, Amravati, India, 15th – 17th
  - TAFISA Board Meeting, Amravati, India, 18th
- February
  - TAFISA National CLC, Kingstown, St. Vincent & Grenadines, 11th - 16th
- March
  - Workshop “Community Setting and Sport for All”, Wiesbaden, Germany, 15th – 17th
- April
  - TAFISA Board Meeting, Enschede, Netherlands, 6th
  - TAFISA Triple AC, Satellite Workshop, as part of IOC 15th World Sport for All Conference, Lima, Peru, 22nd – 25th
- May
  - TAFISA International CLC/IPS Training Course, Kampala, Uganda, 7th – 10th
  - World Challenge Day, Worldwide, 29th
  - MINEPS V, Berlin, Germany, 28th – 30th
- July
  - TAFISA National CLC, Kazakhstan
- September
  - TAFISA International CLC, Haiti
  - TAFISA International CLC (for IFs)
- October
  - TAFISA Board Meeting, Enschede, Netherlands, 23rd
  - 23rd TAFISA World Congress, Netherlands, 25th – 27th
  - TAFISA General Assembly & Board Elections, 29th
  - TAFISA Europe & ASFAA General Assemblies, 26th

TAFISA Outlook for 2013 & Beyond

Aligned with the occurrence of its 20th birthday, TAFISA has planned an action-packed 2013! A sneak preview of TAFISA Outlook for 2013 & Beyond.

The next TAFISA General Assembly will take place October 25, 2012 at 14:00-17:00 during the 23rd TAFISA World Congress.

TAFISA ‘Active Cities – Active Communities – Active Citizens’ Program, Triple AC, Worldwide

The Triple AC program recognizes and rewards the use of community and city settings to help citizens become more active, and improve their quality of life. The Triple AC is a global initiative being developed in collaboration with already ‘active’ cities, e.g. Liverpool in the UK, and in cooperation with the IOC. The program is open to all cities and communities worldwide and is deliberately transferrable across regions, races, level of development and economic status.

23rd TAFISA World Congress, Enschede, Netherlands, 3rd to 27th October 2013

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TAFISA World Congress, Jakarta, Indonesia, 6th to 10th October 2016

The next TAFISA World Sport for All Games will take place in Jakarta, Indonesia, October 6 - 12, 2016. The Games will be hosted by TAFISA’s Indonesian Member Organization Indonesia Sport for All Federation (SOROM) and the city of Jakarta.

Indonesia has a unique diversity of ethnic, language, culture, customs and religion, and as the capital city, this diversity is mirrored in Jakarta. The main theme of the Games will be “Let’s Move, Be Active!”. The venue for the event will be “Anatol Jakarta Dreamland”, a popular fun park with entertainment facilities and accommodations in very close proximity.