

UNITY, FRIENDSHIP AND PROGRESS OF HUMANITY THROUGH THE UNIVERSITY SPORT

21st FISU / CESU Conference

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The FISU/CESU Conference on numerous issues related to collegiate sport took place during the 21st Student University Games (UNIVERSIADE) in Beijing, China. The main topic promoted concepts of the university sport as a means of enhancing global unity, of establishing friendship among diverse cultures and different peoples, and of celebrating humanity.

On the first day, after the opening ceremony, fifteen invited lecturers addressed the audience presenting their research inferences and expert opinions regarding various problems within the scope of the following topics:

1. Practice of University Sport; Ideal and Education - Claude-Louis Gallien (France) and Zhang Liwei (China);
2. Organizational Management of University Sports - T. Rosandich (USA), D. Whitby (Hong Kong), Gudrun Doll-Tepfer (Germany), and Chen Xi (China);
3. Development of Sport: A New Tendency in University Sports - Paul De Knopp (Belgium), Gary A. Cunningham (USA), and Jin Jichun (China);
4. University Sports: Healthy and Pleasant Lifestyle – Gyorgy Foldesi (Hungary) and Alain Michiel (France);
5. Sports Training and Competition - Jan Boutmans (Belgium), Catherine Abela (France), Carlos Salazar Silva (Mexico), and Fritz Holzer (Switzerland).

Scholars, researchers and experts from 34 countries took part in the Conference work with a contribution of 1,116 summaries, which were published in the Proceedings Book. On the second

and the third working day of the Conference eighty seven 10-minute reports were presented and a poster display was organised.

Professor Dragan Milanović, Vice-chancellor, depicted the actual status of sport at Zagreb University, Croatia, in his report entitled: "Status and Perspectives of Sport Development at the University of Zagreb".

In the poster display part of the Conference the Republic of Croatia was represented by three posters:

1. Canonical Relations between the Dimensions of Strength and the Situation-Related Efficiency in Handball in Physical Education Students by Dinko Vuleta;
2. Physical Activity of Students at the University of Zagreb by Romana Caput-Jogunica, President of the Zagreb University PE Teachers Union, Dragan Milanović, and Ivan Kučinić;
3. A New Model of Estimating Relative Strength in Female Students by Romana Caput-Jogunica.

Participating in the Conference work was an interesting and important experience since it was a forum open to the exchange of ideas and a place to learn more about the diverse organisational forms and management of university sport in the world.

The next CESU Student University Games Conference will take place in Daegu, Korea, in August 29-31, 2003. The participation of Croatian representatives should be carefully planned with more high quality contributions on the status and prospectives of physical exercise and the sport activities of the student population from all the universities in Croatia.

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