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IOC ACTIVITIES

On 17 October in Vidy, **IOC President Jacques Rogge** hosted a meeting between the IOC and the Association of Summer Olympic International Federations (ASOIF). The ASOIF delegation was led by its President and IOC member Denis Oswald, and made up of Andrew Ryan, Francesco Ricci Bitti and Patrick Baumann, the latter two also being IOC members. A debriefing of the London Games brought together all the IFs that are members of ASOIF on the same day in Vidy.

This week, **President Rogge has met** International Basketball Federation (FIBA) President Yvan Mainini and Secretary General Patrick Baumann, who is also an IOC member. He also met IOC members Gunilla Lindberg, Richard Kevan Gosper and Barry Maister.

OTHER NEWS

The **IOC has announced a new supplier agreement that will see Nike** supply uniforms and products to IOC members and staff. The agreement will begin in January 2013 and run till the end of 2016. Nike will provide the IOC with uniforms and products for the Olympic Games in 2014 in Sochi and in 2016 in Rio, the Youth Olympic Games in Nanjing in 2014 and in Lillehammer in 2016, as well as for the Sessions, evaluation commissions and other IOC events as required. Press release on www.olympic.org (News section).

INTERNATIONAL SPORTS FEDERATIONS

SUMMER IFS



On 13 October, the **International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF)** announced the induction into its Athletics Hall of Fame of Romania's Iolanda Balas and Bulgaria's Stefka Kostadinova, who both made a mark on the history of high jump.

Iolanda Balas, Olympic champion in 1960 and 1964, set the first of her 14 world records in 1956, with a height of 1.75m. Stefka Kostadinova, world champion in 1987 and 1995 and Olympic champion in 1996, still holds the world record, with a jump of 2.09m, set at the 1987 World Championships. Detailed info at www.iaaf.org



Photographers Michael Heuberger (Germany) and Stephane Pillaud (France) have won the 2011 Handball Photo of the Year prize awarded by the **International Handball Federation (IHF)**. The winning photos were of Norway's Heidi Løke (photo by Heuberger) and France's William Accambray (photo by Pillaud), both world champions in 2011 and Olympic champions in 2012. Info at www.ihf.info.



Marius Vizer (left) and Wilfried Lemke signing the agreement between the IJF and the UN

The United Nations (UN) and the **International Judo Federation (IJF)** signed a two-year partnership agreement at the Abu Dhabi Judo Grand Prix last week. This partnership aims to further harness the power of judo to bring about social change. The agreement was signed by the UN Secretary-General's Special Adviser on Sport for Development and Peace, Wilfried Lemke, and IJF President Marius Vizer. This cooperation will mainly be carried out through the work of the IJF's Judo for Peace Commission as well as through the IJF's involvement in Leadership Camps organised by the United Nations Office for Sport for



Development and Peace (UNOSDP). Full info at www.ijf.org.

The IJF awarded the 8th dan, one of the highest grades in judo, to Russian President Vladimir Putin, who was celebrating his 60th birthday on 7 October. Putin is an Honorary President of the IJF and an emeritus and recognised judoka.



Young triathletes at the training camp

As part of an **International Triathlon Union** (ITU) development programme, 30 athletes and 11 promising coaches from 21 different countries and the five continents recently took part in an international camp for juniors and under-23s in Auckland (New Zealand). This camp was organised right before the ITU Junior and Under23 World Championships in Auckland on 20 and 21 October, in which some of these athletes competed. The programme included training advice from four world-class coaches, a physiotherapist and a high-level bike mechanic. More info at www.triathlon.org.

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The participants on the coaching course in Algeria

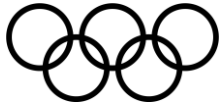
The **Algerian NOC** has informed us that a technical course for badminton coaches was held from 8 to 16 October. Led by Annirao Dajee, an expert from the Badminton World Federation (BWF), the main themes of this course were coaching, training and performance factors. More info can be found at www.comiteolympiquealgerien.com.



The first edition of the Bahrain Women's Games is currently taking place. Organised by the Supreme Council for Women, in cooperation with the **Bahrain NOC**, these Games are part of the annual Women's Day in Bahrain, devoted to the celebration of women's performances in the sporting arena. Eight sports are on the programme, which kicked off on 12 October and will end on 21 November: table tennis, indoor football, shooting, athletics, volleyball, basketball (photo), bowling and sport for women with a disability.



At the start of October, Raffaele Pagnozzi (centre of photo), Secretary General of the **Italian NOC (CONI)**, paid a visit to his counterpart at the NOC of Montenegro, Dusan Simonovic (right in photo). The aim of this visit was to discuss the implementation of a cooperation agreement signed between the two NOCs, which focused mainly on organising two courses for sports managers and coaches. Alexander Tičić, Director of Youth and Sports, and Michele Barbone (left in photo), a CONI Executive Board member, also took part in the discussion. Another meeting, held in the capital of



Montenegro, Podgorica, will be organised at the end of November. Info at www.coni.it.



Awarding of the Olympic order to Eiichi Kawatei (centre)

On 7 October, at the final of the Japan Tennis Open, Eiichi Kawatei, an honorary member of the **Japanese NOC**, was presented the Olympic order by Francesco Ricci Bitti, President of the International Tennis Federation (ITF) and an IOC member. ITF Honorary Life President Eiichi Kawatei was a technical delegate at six consecutive editions of the Olympic Games (Seoul 1988 to Beijing 2008). Among those present at the ceremony were Japanese NOC President and IOC member Tsunekazu Takeda, NOC Vice-President Masato Mizuno and Australian tennis legend Ken Rosewall, winner of Roland-Garros, Wimbledon and the US Open. Info at www.joc.or.jp.

YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES

On 16 October, the IOC announced that it had received the **Candidature Files of five cities bidding to host the 2018 Youth Olympic Games**. Buenos Aires (Argentina), Glasgow (Great Britain), Guadalajara (Mexico), Medellín (Colombia) and Rotterdam (Netherlands) (in alphabetical order) all submitted their Files before the deadline of 15 October. An IOC Working Group, chaired by IOC member Claudia Bokel, will now analyse the Files. The IOC members will elect the host city on 4 July

2013 in Lausanne. Press release at www.olympic.org (News section).

RECOGNISED ORGANISATIONS



The **International Paralympic Committee**

(IPC) has announced that the next Parapan American Games, which will be held in August 2015 in Toronto (Canada), will be the largest in the history of this competition. About 1,500 athletes will take part in 15 sports, including, for the first time, wheelchair rugby. Each sport will serve as a qualifier for the Rio Paralympic Games in 2016. Press release at www.paralympic.org.



At the **23rd SPORTEL Symposium**, the international convention of sports TV and new media, which was held from 15 to 18 October in

Monaco, the Georges Bertellotti Golden Podium awards once again recognised the best sports images and clips of the year. The IOC Grand Prize was awarded to "Meet the Superhumans" by Channel 4 (Great Britain). The 2012 winners of the Sportel Book of the Year prize were also announced. Find out who won at www.sportelmonaco.com.

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