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Thank you from ISSA President
Without a doubt the 2009 ISSA World Congress held in Utrecht, The Netherlands was one of the best and most successful in our history. The local organising committee was outstanding offering an excellent scholarly, cultural and social program. Over 200 delegates from 37 countries attended the conference with the theme Sport: Passion, Practice & Profit. It was very pleasing to see both veteran and first-time participants all of whom seemed to really enjoy themselves. After an opening ceremony featuring the mayor (or Burgemeester as we Dutch people say) and highly energetic street dancers, Maarten Van Bottenburg offered an interesting opening keynote address. This served to launch three full days of diverse paper sessions which collectively confirmed both the breadth and quality of research being conducted within the field. The final symposium panel discussion on Sport and Health was lively and insightful. Koen Breedveld did an excellent job of chairing the session and concluded by posing a simple but thought provoking question to each of the panellists: “If I were to offer you 40 million euro to address the issue what would you do”? I think this not only got the panellists but everyone in the room thinking.

But the conference was not limited to scholarly discussion and debate. The opportunity to explore the both Utrecht and Amsterdam by foot, bike or canoe offered everyone a chance to experience the history and beauty of the region. The fact that the conference coincided with the Utrecht music festival which featured singers of all genres performing throughout the city, including from the canals, was truly unique. The conference closed with a wonderful banquet, exciting entertainment and lots of dancing.

On behalf of the ISSA Executive Board I want to express our sincere gratitude to Koen Breedveld, Agnes Elling, Odette Jansen, Saskia de Groot-Nuijten, Jan-Willem van der Roest and all the great volunteers who helped make the event such a success. We look forward to seeing many of you again in 2010 in Goteburg, Sweden.

Steve Jackson
President, ISSA

Congress Materials
Photographs from the congress, and the keynote presentations, may be found via links on the congress website at www.issa2009.com.

Congress Lost Property
If anyone lost an item of black clothing and/or a grey USB during the congress, please email the ISSA General Secretary, Elizabeth Pike, with details and arrangements will be made to return these to you: e.pike@chi.ac.uk.
FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

The ISSA conference in 2010 will take place as part of the International Sociological Association (ISA) World Congress of Sociology in Gothenburg, Sweden, July 11-17th 2010.

Please note that the number of sessions allocated to ISSA (RC27) is determined by the number of paid members we have in 2009 and that you must be a member of ISSA, ISA and RC27 in order to present at the conference. So please consider joining ISA and the Sociology of Sport Research Committee (RC27) this year to help ISSA to offer a full schedule of sessions. Membership is for four years, and details may be found at www.isa-sociology.org.

Benefits of ISA membership include:

- Subscription to ISA journals *Current Sociology* or *International Sociology*.
- The Directory of Members (at present there are 4,300 members from 167 countries, who are all scholars and professionals of sociological teaching, research or practice).
- Reception of isagram, an electronic newsletter containing announcements of the forthcoming conferences, calls for papers and manuscripts, prizes, competitions, etc.
- Access to e-bulletin, ISA on-line publication.
- Access to SAGE Full-Text Collection which includes 31 journals with more than 12,500 articles.
- 35% discount on SAGE Publications books.
- Special subscription rates to journals offered by various publishers.
- A reduction in registration fees at ISA World Congress of Sociology.

OTHER FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES


STUDENT SECTION

*NEW REGULAR ITEM ON eBULLETIN*!!!!

During the Graduate Student Workshop at the ISSA World Congress in Utrecht, it was suggested that it would be helpful to have a regular item in the eBulletin devoted to student issues. So here it is!!! Please feel free to send any news and items to the ISSA General Secretary, Elizabeth Pike, who will include these in future eBulletins: e.pike@chi.ac.uk

ISSA Graduate Paper Award Winner 2009

ISSA was delighted to present the winner of this year’s Graduate Paper Award with his prize during the World Congress in Utrecht. The 2009 winner is Fumihiro Kaneko of Hitotsubashi University, Tokyo, Japan for his paper “Partnerships in Sport Policy under New Labour: The Case of the Community Sports Network in the Delivery System for Sport in England”

(Fumihiro Kaneko presenting his GPA winning paper, Utrecht, 2009)

Invitation from Utrecht

The ‘PhD research group Sport’ in Utrecht meets approximately once every six weeks to discuss work in progress and share ideas and feedback. They would like to invite any other postgraduate students to join them for one or two sessions, if they should be visiting The Netherlands at any time. If you are interested, please contact Jacco van Sterkenburg at: J.C.vanSterkenburg@uu.nl who will be able to advise details of the next meeting.
ISSA ARCHIVES

ISSA is pleased to announce that Pasi Koski has agreed to serve as the ISSA Archivist. If any members of ISSA have any materials, records, photographs etc of ISSA events or members, please contact Pasi at pasi.koski@utu.fi.

ISSA MENTOR PROGRAMME

The ISSA Executive Board is pleased to announce that the Mentor Programme commenced in 2009. We will shortly be issuing a call for volunteers to become involved in this programme. If you have any queries, please contact the ISSA President or General Secretary at steve.jackson@otago.ac.nz or e.pike@chi.ac.uk.

UPDATES TO ISSA WEBSITE

The ISSA website is continually being updated and we are grateful for your feedback. A few key new initiatives will be introduced to the website over the next few years including:
(1) a multi-language opening page with basic information (we will be relying on our Extended Board and regional/national representatives to assist us with translations);
(2) a research network/forum to help connect people working on similar projects and to facilitate cross-cultural studies;
(3) an ISSA digital archive that will serve as a living history that documents our rich history and tradition;
(4) an ISSA Facebook interface: this is already available and you can simply join Facebook (www.facebook.com) and search for the “ISSA” group. As always we welcome your feedback on future developments.

REQUESTS FOR OLD/DUPLICATE LIBRARY STOCK

ISSA occasionally receives requests from colleagues in developing countries who are trying to build sociology of sport resource centres. If you have duplicate copies of any materials, or your institutional library is clearing old stock, and you would be willing to donate this to such colleagues, please contact the ISSA General Secretary, Elizabeth Pike, in the first instance, who can make the necessary links between colleagues.
CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT ASSOCIATION’S

HONORARY MEMBER AWARD

The Executive Board invites nominations for an Honorary Member award in the International Sociology of Sport Association. This award honors outstanding contributions to the International Sociology of Sport Association and to the sociological study of sport. The recipient of this award must meet both of the following criteria: a) a long career of service to the International Sociology of Sport Association, and b) a distinguished international academic career as a sociologist of sport. Individuals who are retired from formal academic positions are eligible for Honorary Member awards. In addition, the International Sociology of Sport Association will consider retrospectively honoring an individual’s service and scholarship with a ceremonial posthumous Honorary Member award.

Honorary Members in the International Sociology of Sport Association receive:

- Full, lifetime membership in the International Sociology of Sport Association, including subscription to the *International Review for the Sociology of Sport*;
- Free, lifetime registration to the International Sociology of Sport Association’s annual conference.

The list of current Honorary Members can be found at www.issa.otago.ac.nz/ISSA_Board.html

Nominations:

Nominators should submit a 1 to 2-page document (letter) that describes in as much detail as possible how the nominee meets the International Sociology of Sport’s Honorary Member criteria. Submit nominations by email or post to:

Kimberly Schimmel, PhD
Associate Professor of the Sociology of Sport
School of Foundations, Leadership and Administration
263 Memorial Gym Annex
Kent State University
PO Box 5190
Kent, OH 44242-0001
USA
Email: kschimme@kent.edu
The International Sociology of Sport Association (ISSA) invites submissions to design a new logo for the Association to be used on letterheads, the ISSA website, business cards etc.

Criteria:

1. The logo must be submitted in word and jpeg formats so that it can be modified and integrated into documents as needed.
2. The logo must contain the letters “ISSA” and the words “Established 1965”.
3. The colours used must be the same as the Association’s journal, the International Review for the Sociology of Sport, and the style of the logo should complement that of the journal (see http://www.sagepub.com/journalsProdDesc.nav?prodId=Journal200937&).
4. Entrants are recommended to consider the Association’s aims and mission statement, to reflect these in their design. These may be found at http://www.issa.otago.ac.nz/about.html.
5. In entering the competition, entrants accept that full copyright ownership of the logo, and permission for all subsequent usage, is given to the International Sociology of Sport Association.

Prize ¹:

1. The designer of the winning logo will be awarded £100 (Great British pounds).
2. The name and photograph of the designer will be featured on the association’s website.
3. The designer will be recognised at an ISSA congress.

How to enter:

All entries should be submitted electronically to the International Sociology of Sport Association’s General Secretary, Dr Elizabeth Pike, at e.pike@chi.ac.uk.

Please feel free to circulate this advertisement to other members of your institutions who may be interested in entering the competition. Entrants do not need to be members of ISSA.

The closing date is March 1st 2010.

The winner will be announced during the ISA World Congress in July 2010.

¹ The ISSA reserves the right not to grant an award.
ISSA is pleased to announce several exciting developments in its journal, the *International Review for the Sociology of Sport*:

- Professor David Andrews has recently been appointed as USA corresponding editor
- Scholars who publish in IRSS now retain copyright to their own work
- SAGE Publications is planning to register IRSS on the major academic indices (Impact Factor) in the near future
- The number of developed world academic institutions able to access IRSS has increased by 34% as a result of our active consortia sales policy
- The number of article downloads has increased by 48% as a result of our marketing campaigns; the total number of downloads was 49,855 in 2006 compared to 73,959 in 2007.
- The number of registrants for Table of Contents (TOC) Alerts has increased by 41.5% to over 860.

**Process for Special Issues**

Questions have been raised regarding how to propose and organise a Special Issue for IRSS. In the past this has been a relatively informal process overseen by the Journal’s Editor, who is currently John Sugden. At the 2009 Executive Board meeting in Utrecht, it was agreed to make this process more accessible and transparent for the membership. While the Editor will still be able to commission Special Issues – for instance as the result of a particularly stimulating conference or seminar - he will also accept themed proposals from established scholars who are active members of ISSA. In all cases, proposals will be reviewed by the Editor and two other members of the Editorial Board. Proposals should be no longer than 1000 words and should include a themed focus, rationale and list of 6-8 potential contributors, including information/credentials of the proposed Guest Editor. If selected, the Guest Editor will liaise closely with the Journal Editor and his Editorial Assistant in the scheduling, peer reviewing and production of the Special Issue in question. For the time being, opportunities for special Issues will be limited as they will be counted as one of the (4) standard quarterly editions of IRSS.

Any queries regarding the IRSS should be addressed to the Editor, John Sugden, at j.sugden@bton.ac.uk.
Books Currently Available for Review in IRSS

If you would like to review any of the following books, please contact the IRSS Book reviews editor, Camilla Obel at camilla.obel@canterbury.ac.nz.


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**YOUR NEWS AND VIEWS**

*ISSA is happy to share information about conferences, seminars, awards, jobs etc. We will gladly include your news in our eBulletin and the ISSA website. ISSA is always looking for ways to improve communication and serve our members. We encourage you to submit comments and suggestions.*

*Please send any feedback and information to the ISSA General Secretary, Elizabeth Pike at: e.pike@chi.ac.uk.*
The Copenhagen Summer School this year took place in August 2009 with the theme “Sport and movement cultures - developments and practices in a globalised world”.

The School was the largest yet, attended by nearly 40 students representing several countries in Europe, Canada, the USA and Taiwan.

Lectures were given by invited speakers including ISSA Vice President and Summer School organiser Gertrud Pfister, ISSA General Secretary Elizabeth Pike, Dorothee Alfermann, Henning Eichberg, Gerald Gems, Annette Hofmann, John Horne, Barrie Houlihan, Tony Hwang (President of the Taiwan Sociology of Sport Society), Lone Friis Thing, Laila Ottesen and Chris Shilling.

For further details, please see the webpage at http://reps.ku.dk/Calendar/summerschool09/.
The University of Chichester is keen to recruit two Senior Lecturers with particular expertise in the Sociology of Sport, Sport Development and/or Sport and Fitness Management. The successful applicants will teach across a range of modules on the BA programmes in Sport Development and/or Sport and Fitness Management. They will be expected to undertake related administrative tasks and contribute to the research, scholarly and income-generating activities of the subject areas.

The persons appointed will have a postgraduate qualification in the Sociology of Sport, Sport Development, Sport Management or a related discipline, or a relevant undergraduate qualification and industrial experience. Applicants will possess good teaching and communication skills and the ability to work on their own initiative and meet deadlines. The appointments will commence on January 1st 2010, or a mutually convenient date to be agreed with the University.

The University of Chichester is located in a city in an attractive area of the south coast of England. The Sociology of Sport, Sport Development and Management areas have established and thriving learning, teaching and research cultures, and these are new posts to enhance the activities of the subject areas. Further information about the subjects and current staff may be found at www.chi.ac.uk/sport/index.cfm.

For an informal discussion about Post J1170 please contact Dr Elizabeth Pike at e.pike@chi.ac.uk, and for Post T1171 please contact Dr Peter Green at p.green@chi.ac.uk.

Closing date: Monday 31st August 2009
Interviews: Thursday 17th September 2009

To apply: please forward a completed application form (download from www.chiuni.ac.uk/jobs) and a covering letter, indicating your specific area/s of interest, to HR Recruitment Team or HR@chi.ac.uk. Please note that shortlisted candidates will be required to make a 15 minute presentation on Thursday 17th September. For Post J1170 this will be to indicate how they would introduce the sociology of sport to first year undergraduate students on a Sport Development degree. The presentation for Post T1171 will be on the current management challenges in the sport & fitness industries aimed at first year undergraduate students.
UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO  
Te Whare Wananga o Otago  
Dunedin, New Zealand

Postdoctoral Research Fellow  
(Socio-cultural Study of Physical Education/Sport - Fixed-term)

SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The School of Physical Education has created a fellowship for postdoctoral researchers with superior academic backgrounds in the socio-cultural aspects of sport/physical education, including dance studies, exercise psychology, pedagogy, outdoor education, sport coaching, sport history, sport management, sport policy, sport psychology or sport sociology.

Postdoctoral Fellows must have received their PhD within five years of selection. Except for fieldwork and other research activities that require absence from campus, the Fellow is expected to work from the University of Otago during the tenure of their fellowship.

Applicants should visit the School of Physical Education website and contact relevant members of staff in advance of submitting their application, to discuss possible projects and how their proposed research might complement existing research programmes. Candidates requiring more information should contact the Dean of the School of Physical Education, Professor Douglas Booth (email doug.booth@otago.ac.nz). The fellowship is limited to research of mutual interest to both the fellow, their mentor/s and the School of Physical Education. The successful applicant will conduct research, publish papers, contribute to the research environment, and give occasional lectures in their area of expertise.

Each application should include a statement of general research interests, a description of the specific research to be conducted during the term of the fellowship, curriculum vitae, and three letters of reference. Fellowship appointments may start on 1 October 2009 or as soon thereafter as possible.

General enquiries can be sent to Professor Steve Jackson at: steve.jackson@otago.ac.nz. Specific enquiries may be directed to Professor Douglas Booth, Dean, School of Physical Education, Tel 64 3 479 8995, Email pe.deanspa@otago.ac.nz.

Applications quoting reference number A09/82 close on Monday 31 August 2009.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

With each application you must include an application form, an EEO Information Statement, a covering letter, contact details for three referees and one copy of your full curriculum vitae. For an application form, EEO Information Statement and a full job description go to: www.otago.ac.nz/jobs Alternatively, contact the Human Resources Division, Tel 03 479 8269, Fax 03 479 8279, Email job.applications@otago.ac.nz

Equal opportunity in employment is University policy. 
E tautoko ana Te Whare Wananga o Otago i te kaupapa whakaorite whiwhinga mahi.

DO NOT send original documents in support of your application - copies are adequate and preferred. Documents will not be returned.

Please complete a separate application form and include a separate copy of your curriculum vitae and supporting documents for each vacancy you wish to apply for. For ease of processing and to avoid cost and waste, we ask that applications are not presented in folders.
The School of Sport, Tourism and the Outdoors at the University of Central Lancashire in Preston is pleased to announce a full-time PhD studentship for up to three years.

Project Reference: RS/08/23

Closing Date: Wednesday 28th October 2009

Provisional Interview Date: Monday 16 November 2009

Project Title: The Greening of the London Olympic and Paralympic Games in 2012

Project Aim: With London staging the Olympic and Paralympic Games in the Summer of 2012 this PhD offers an opportunity for a sociological investigation of International Olympic Committee and Olympic host initiatives to date and those being undertaken by the London organisers in light of the IOC Agenda 21.

Note: Previous applicants need not apply

More details, person specification and application procedures can be found at:

http://www.uclan.ac.uk/information/research/research_degrees/studentships.php

and in

www.jobs.ac.uk

It is anticipated that the successful candidate will commence in January 2010.