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"Rendez-Vous" WITH THE PRESIDENT

If one word could describe the 2017 season it would probably be "innovation". The ISF has engaged in new dynamics, extended its school sport network, and reached participation records whilst continuing to stand for education through sport.

ISF managed to connect with the World Federations of combat sports, set in motion the first edition of the ISF Combat Games (Agra, India). The International Boxing Association (AIBA), the International Judo Federation (IJF) and the United World Wrestling all joined the ISF movement with the signature of Memorandum of Understanding to jointly coordinate the development of combat sports together with the ISF. The European Schools Badminton Championship (Clermont-Ferrand, France) was a theatre of innovative actions with a new sport format for younger students and the integration of an Erasmus+ project to promote Volunteering in School Sport (V2S).

I am delighted to see that all 2017 ISF events were live streamed, therefore casting the light on ISF competitions and connecting its actors around the world. With the crystallisation of this modernisation, ISF now embraces a new logo that will be soon revealed.

September is another active month for the ISF with the initiatives of the European Week of Sport (EWOs) and the European School Sport Day. In this framework, the ISF is running for a new project ("She Runs"), to empower girls through school sport. This will set the path towards the revision of the ISF statutes for more gender equality - this remains one of the ISF's priorities.

I am also pleased to see the level of the ISF competitions increasing with the number of participating countries. The 2017 season witnessed three records of participation: ISF WSC Orienteering, ISF WSC Basketball, and ISF WSC Beach Volleyball. The dynamic stays, with the perspective of the 2020 Gymnasiade - Schools Summer Games - which will contribute to the vitality of the ISF and the reach of the ISF Vision 2030.

Laurent Petrynka



World of school sport



Croatia (Skolski-sport)

The Croatian School Sport Federation tackles youth physical inactivity with a successful pilot project called "Gymnasium" (Vježbaonica). Children left their smartphones and TV shows behind: "Gymnasium" offered a better way to spend their free time. From November 2016 to June 2017, children from Grade 5th to 8th were able to enroll in out-of-school activities, and discovered a new practice every month! "Gymnasium" created opportunities to experience physical activities outside of the class context, as well as meeting inspiring athletes and discovering sport facilities. Across Croatia, the program was implemented together with the county schools, and run by physical and health care teachers in collaboration with external actors from the sport sector. This starting school year, the Croatia School Sport Federation aims at spreading "Gymnasium" by attracting more and more children to join in the movement. The consequences of physical inactivity can be detrimental, from obesity to various early-stage illnesses; this project illustrates how we can work early with young students toward the acquisition of healthy life-style habits through school sport!

To know more: <http://skolski-sport.hr/index.php/projekti/vjezbaonica/>



Estonia (Koolisport)

No break during summer time for the Estonian school sport! Under the motto "Sea and Sun", the Summer Games took place in Tahkuna. They gathered hundreds of youngsters to play games in the forest, talk about Olympism, do sport activities, and enjoy night camp fires.

More information on <http://www.koolisport.ee/esmaspaeval-gavah-hiiumaal-xii-suvemangud-meri-ja-paike>



Brazil (CBDE)

CBDE, ISF Brazilian member, took another step towards sustainable environment with the Tamar project. At the occasion of a triathlon competition, participants who came from all over the world, not only biked, swam and ran; they also released turtles in their natural habitat after they visited the Aracaju Oceanarium. Outdoor sport competitions are great opportunities to raise awareness on the importance of the environment for our young athletes and their peers.

More information on <http://www.cbde.org.br/index.php>



Sweden (Skolidrottsförbundet)

Sun, rain, and rainbows in Stockholm last August. The school sport association of Sweden took part in Pride, along with more than forty sport federations of the country. With flags and songs, they demonstrated that sport is a great tool to break barriers and work towards a more inclusive society.

More information on <http://www.skolidrott.se/Nyheter/Egnanyheter/skol-ifoehelaidrottsrorelsenpapridefestivalen/>

You can't put a limit on anything. **The more you dream, the farther you get.**

Michael Phelps



The podium of the WSC Tennis constituted of **4 places** for the first time.

806 - the record number of participants for in the history of WSC Orienteering.

India organised its very **first ISF event** with the combat games.

Chile, this year, **twice won** the fair play trophy in WSC Tennis and WSC Swimming.

200,000 people watched the finals of WSC Basketball, shared by FIBA and Olympic Channel Facebook pages.

The winners in WSC Football in both gender categories are, historically, the first time the countries of **Qatar and Austria** reached the top of the podium for this sport.

13 is the number of countries in WSC Beach Volleyball, and a record high for participation.

Olympic Champion, **Renaud Lavillenie**, was the ambassador of WSC Athletics.



Tennis



After 330 matches played by 130 tennis players during 5 days of competition, Turkey secured a double victory.

Followed closely on the boys' podium was team Scotland (2nd) and England (3rd). In the girls draw Germany took 2nd place followed by England in 3rd.

For the first time, a 4th place was rewarded as well: Italy for the girl's team and Chinese Taipei for the boy's team.

The matches, all played with great team spirit, consisted of 3 singles and 2 doubles and conducted by the TC President of Tennis, Pam Burrage and her team with the support the Head of Referees. «The strong point was the high level and a great ambiance that only Brazil can offer.» said Norbert Kever, ISF Sports Director and ISF Delegate. Being part of the spirit of the ISF event the best attitude and fair play award was given to the Chilean team with the Joy of Moving for Fair Play whose award is designed by Kinder+Sport.

The ISF Tennis will be represented by the two new ambassadors: Camila Almeida, Brazil and Sean Kelly, New Zealand who won the ambassador contest with 316 supports.

Girls podium

- 1. Turkey
- 2. Germany
- 3. England

Boys podium

- 1. Turkey
- 2. Scotland
- 3. England

Joy of Moving Trophy for Fair Play

- Chile

City

Recife

Country

- Brazil

Date

12 -19 March

Number of countries

13

Number of participants

192

ISF delegate

Norbert Kever (BEL)

ISF TC president

Pam Burrage (ENG)

Next event (city, country, dates)

Individual: Marrakech, Morocco, 2 - 9 May 2018

Cup: soon attributed





Educational Games



It's a wrap for ISF Educational Games 2017!

The 4th Educational Games organized by International School Sport Federation from 31st of March to 5th of April got to its successful end. Two cities of Greece; Athens, the capital, and Olympia, both sites of the ancient Olympics, welcomed young students to spend an unforgettable week full of new experiences, friendships and life long memories.

Over 100 participants from China, Brazil, Italy, France, Bulgaria and Great Britain joined forces and created an unforgettable and joyful event. Educational Games are the epitome of the ISF mission called "Education through sport". In addition, this year saw participation of Special Olympics, formed by the Great Britain team, which empowered the ISF perspective of "School sport against any kind of discrimination."

Participants also joined the International Sport for Development and Peace Day movement by displaying the Peace and Sport #WhiteCard campaign

The programme started in Olympia with a guided tour of the city of Olympics which included running in the ancient stadium and a visit to the Museum of the Olympics. It was followed by a basketball tournament of mixed teams. For the first time of ISF Educational Games local students from high

schools of Olympia also participated. The Opening Ceremony that followed was staged in the small-town square in front of the Olympia Hall. Enjoyed by many spectators, all delegations paraded and enjoyed Greek music and dance. The next day, before the departure to Athens where the rest of the Games was held, all participants enjoyed a Greek dance lesson. In Athens, youngsters and their teachers visited the iconic Panathenaic Stadium, which hosted both opening and closing ceremonies of the first modern Olympics in 1896. The programme included the Nations Night, full of national food. The delegations had a

chance to present their country with dance, music and videos.

The final day of the Games featured a mixed football tournament. This year the tournament included 20 players from the local schools of Alimos. During a ceremony, all young participants received the 4th Educational Games diplomas and medals. The Kinder+Sport #JoyofMoving Trophy for Fair Play from Olympic Medallists of Rhythmic Gymnastics went to Klelia Pantazis (Italy). Young people showed the world once more that they are the generation of unity, peace and multiculturalism. Bring on the 5th ISF Educational Games 2018!



Swimming



Young people from 17 countries such as Chinese Taipei, United Arab Emirates, Germany, China, France, Morocco, India and Brazil gathered together, not only to compete, but also to learn from each other, meet new cultures and make international friendships.

In 2017, the city of Budapest was devoted to the sport of swimming. But this time, youngsters competed before the professionals. The ISF WSC Swimming 2017 unfolded before the FINA World Championship, which also took place in Budapest between July 14th and 30th 2017 and before the European Youth Olympic Festival in the Hungarian city of Győr from July 22nd to 30th 2017.

The ISF WSC Swimming 2017 was the first event of the year in Hungary, which celebrated the great impact of sport on the young people's lives' and their education.



Selected Girls podium		School Girls podium	
	1. Turkey		1. Germany
	2. Chinese Taipei		2. Romania
	3. Brazil		3. Turkey
Selected Boys podium		School Boys podium	
	1. Turkey		1. Turkey
	2. Chinese Taipei		2. Germany
	3. Brazil		3. Romania
Joy of Moving Trophy for Fair Play			
	Chile		
City			
Budapest			
Country			
	Hungary		
Date			
20 - 25 April			
Number of countries			
17			
Number of participants			
368			
ISF delegate			
Zeljko Tanaskovic (SER)			
ISF TC president			
Edina Szep (HUN)			
Next event (city, country, dates)			
Individual: Marrakech, Morocco, 2-9 May 2018			
Cup: Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 2019			





Orienteering



The competition took place in the small village of Ficuzza, with only 70 inhabitants and a location surrounded by a stunning 7400-hectare forest. With such a lush nature, that made it more difficult to spot the control points, a terrain with a lot of differences in heights and various fauna provided fantastic conditions to compete.

A complete different atmosphere was chosen for the Friendship Team Event (FTE – also known as For The Experience). This one was run in the city centre of Palermo with the theatre as the start and finish line. An inspiring concept that educates the participants from various nationalities, age, level, and gender to team up and, in a limited amount of time, set up a strategy to navigate all the control points. Not as easy as it seems, with some control points requiring the 3 of them all together to validate.

This World Schools Championship in Orienteering saw the highest number of participants of all events!



Girls U18 School	Girls U16 School	Girls U18 Selected	Girls U16 Selected
1. Sweden	1. Spain	1. Sweden	1. Slovakia
2. France	2. England	2. Austria	2. Latvia
3. Finland	3. New Zealand	3. Latvia	3. Spain
Boys U18 School	Boys U16 School	Boys U18 Selected	Boys U16 Selected
1. France	1. Czech Rep.	1. Spain	1. Spain
2. Sweden	2. Italy	2. Sweden	2. England
3. Finland	3. England	3. Latvia	3. Latvia

Joy of Moving Trophy for Fair Play
New Zealand
City
Palermo, Sicily
Country
Italy
Date
22 - 28 April
Number of countries
26
Number of participants
806
ISF delegate
Stelios Daskalakis (GRE)
ISF TC president
Karl Keuppens (BEL)
Next event (city, country, dates)
Otepää, Estonia, 2019



Basketball



From 29th April to 7th May 2017, the Croatian city of Poreč, located in the heart of the western coast of Istria, hosted one of the biggest sports events for young athletes – World Schools Championship Basketball organised by International School Sport Federation and the Croatian School Sport Federation. Boys and girls from 32 countries including Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Chile, China P.R, Chinese Taipei, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, I.R.Iran, India, Ireland, Israel, Kosovo, Latvia, Luxembourg, Netherland, New Zealand, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey, gathered together not only to compete, but also to learn from each other, meet new cultures and make international friendships.

One of the great milestones of this event was the cooperation between FIBA and Olympic Channel through social media. This allowed the promotion of the Championship among young people all around the world. For once, youngsters who usually watch their sports idols on the screens had the chance to watch their peers and align with them via the most important social media sport channel.

Girls podium
1. Serbia
2. Greece
3. Finland
Boys podium
1. Turkey
2. France
3. Finland
Joy of Moving Trophy for Fair Play
Chile
City
Porec
Country
Croatia
Date
29 April - 07 May
Number of countries
33
Number of participants
940
ISF delegate
Jan Coolen (BEL)
ISF TC president
Julia Boyanova (BUL)
Next event (city, country, dates)
Creta, Greece, 2019





Football

While the matches of the tournament took place in several different venues all around the city of Prague, all students were accommodated in the same hotel. Hallways and dining rooms for 10 days were painted in the different colours of the teams' uniforms, all mixed together in an atmosphere of joy and friendship.

The same atmosphere moved on the boats that sailed the Vltava river on the cultural day: students had the opportunity to see the city of Prague from a different perspective and to dance, play and sing together for a day.

For the record books, the tournament was won by two rookie nations in ISF Football WSC history; the girls' final saw Austria prevailing over the defending champion, France, and in the boys' final match Qatar edged Germany to win their first title.



Girls podium
1. Austria
2. France
3. Germany
Boys podium
1. Qatar
2. Austria
3. Germany
Joy of Moving Trophy for Fair Play
Chile
City
Prague
Country
Czech Republic
Date
21 - 29 May
Number of countries
24
Number of participants
785
ISF delegate
Avraham Zuchman (ISR)
ISF TC president
Konrad Berchtold (AUT)
Next event (city, country, dates)
Belgrade, Serbia, 2019



Beach Volleyball



French Polynesia hosted its very first ISF event and the most successful ISF Beach Volleyball Event so far. An event that was completely, from the start to the very last moment, led by the youth. On the main park of Papeete, you could meet with young radio-broadcasters interviewing athletes, young reporters taking pictures and editing the daily "Api" news, young recycling teams setting fun games to make you aware of sorting out refuse properly, young supporters cheering equally each country and exchanging traditions, young artists in charge of the logos, the event anthem and promotion.

You would walk across the village and pass by the 4 beach volleyball courts, the restaurants, the boutique, the radio station, the audience seats, the office and medical facilities. It felt like a village, and all with a stunning view of the ocean. Spectators could enjoy the matches onsite or live on TV. All the courts action were broadcast by the national TV. The president of French Polynesia, Édouard Fritch, attended the finals of the tournaments with the Minister of Education, Nicole Sanquer.



Girls podium U14	Girls podium U16	Girls podium U18
1. Brazil	1. Brazil	1. USA
2. French Polynesia	2. Poland	2. Brazil
3. Slovenia	3. Germany	3. Chile
Boys podium U14	Boys podium U16	Boys podium U18
1. Brazil	1. Brazil	1. Brazil
2. Latvia	2. India	2. China
3. French Polynesia	3. Israël	3. Poland
Joy of Moving Trophy for Fair Play		
French Polynesia		
City		
Papeete		
Country		
French Polynesia		
Date		
27 May – 03 June		
Number of countries		
13		
Number of participants		
219		
ISF delegate		
Robson Aguiar (BRA)		
Next event (city, country, dates)		
Belgrade, Serbia, 2019		





Triathlon



The Orla de Atalaia was the scene of one of the greatest demonstrations of clawing and resistance, and once again proving the capacity of the state of Sergipe to host international school sport events. Boys and girls, from around the world aged between 14-18, swam, cycled, and ran surrounded by the beautiful Brazilian environment.

After two days of intense competition the athletes gathered at the edge of the beach of Atalaia and participated in one of the most exciting moments of great environmental relevance; the release of sea turtles, preserved by the Tamar Project. This added greatly to the accomplishment of the event.

In the last few days, it was remarkable that each athlete gave his/her best. The joy of the Chileans, the strength of the French and the determination of the Hungarians, the smiles of the Brazilians, the persistence of the Germans, made the ISF WSC Triathlon an unforgettable moment of sport and education for the Sergipe population.



Joy of Moving Trophy for Fair Play
Hungary
City
Aracaju
Country
Brazil
Date
07 - 12 June
Number of countries
5
Number of participants
66
Organiser
CBDE
ISF delegate
Avraham Zuchman (ISR)
Next event (city, country, dates)
Castelnaudary, France, 2019



EURO Badminton



The partnership with ISF, the event was supported by the World Badminton Federation, the French Badminton Federation, and also more specifically by Badminton Europe which produced the Live Broadcasting of the competition.

150 boys and girls from 12 countries such as Russia, Latvia, Scotland, Romania, Greece, Georgia, Germany, Croatia, Bulgaria, France, Sweden, Czech Republic gathered together not only to compete in the 3 disciplines, but also learnt from each other during educational side events during the event. Indeed, for the first time, the ISF European Schools Badminton Championship proposed non formal educational workshops led by young volunteers of the V2Sproject (project financed by the European Commission with 24 young volunteer working on «Sport, Volunteering, Skills Development»).

The event was supported by Badminton Ambassadors Hongyan Pi, Ronan Labar and Gaetan Mittelheiser who inspired young athletes throughout the event.



School podium
1. France
2. Sweden
3. Germany
Selected podium
1. France
2. Romania
3. Greece
City
Clermont-Ferrand
Country
France
Date
16 - 21 June
Number of countries
16
Number of participants
120
Organiser
UNSS
ISF delegate
João Graça (POT)
ISF TC president
Laetitia Picard (FRA)
Next event (city, country, dates)
Pune, India, 2018





Athletics



The French city of Nancy in the Lorraine region hosted the 15th Jean Humbert memorial, ISF Athletics World Schools Championships, on June 24-30, 2017.

The event took place at the Raymond Petit Stadium in Tomblaine, and was linked to the Stanislas Meeting, an international athletics meeting in which some of the best athletes of the Jean Humbert Memorial were allowed to take part.

The partnership with the Stanislas Meeting helped the organisers to create the perfect conditions inside the venue and to attract some high-level athletes as ambassador of the WSC; Renaud Lavillenie (pole vault WR holder, Olympic and World Championship medallist), Pascal Martinot-Lagarde (60m hurdles French NR holder, World Championship medallist) and Flora Gueï (400m World Championship medallist) were present throughout the event to inspire the young athletes.

All the side-events of the WSC (opening and closing ceremonies, cultural day and friendship relay) took place in the wonderful framework of the Nancy city centre around the Stanislas square and the Perpinière Park.



Girls School Podium	Girls Selected Podium
1. Australia	1. England
2. Spain	2. France
3. China	3. Turkey
Boys School Podium	Boys Selected Podium
1. Iran	1. Brazil
2. Germany	2. England
3. Chinese Taipei	3. Chinese Taipei
Joy of Moving Trophy for Fair Play	
Brazil	
City	
Nancy	
Country	
France	
Date	
24 - 30 June	
Number of countries	
25	
Number of participants	
775	
Organiser	
UNSS	
ISF delegate	
Nicos Megalemos (CYP)	
ISF TC president	
Jaroslav Koukal (CZE)	
Next event (city, country, dates)	
Individual – Gymnasiade: Marrakech, Morocco, 2-9 May 2018	
Cup: Split, Croatia, 2019	



Combat Games



For the very first time India hosted an ISF event, with its edition of the Combat Games. The event was presided over by Sushil Kumar Solanki, the only Indian to win two individual Olympic medals, and is also the president of SGFI. The event was highly orientated towards cultural wonders of the City – including the Taj Mahal and the Red Fort, but there were also many moments of international exchanges between the nations. Many of the athletes arranged additional trainings after the competition to transfer knowledge and techniques with each other. The event showcased the Indian Culture with music, food, flowers, colours, dances and many cultural protocols on the various sites.



City
Agra
Country
India
Date
07 - 15 July
Number of countries
6
Number of participants
278
Organiser
SGFI
ISF delegate
Robson Aguiar (BRA)
Sports
Judo, Karate, Taekwondo, Wrestling
Next event (city, country, dates)
Budapest, Hungary, 2019





Kinder+Sport is a global and responsible project developed by the Ferrero Group, aimed at supporting physical activity among young generations.

The programme stems from the knowledge that an active lifestyle is an essential part of a positive daily routine for children, teens and families. The goal of Kinder+Sport is to increase levels of physical activity among young generations around the world, giving them the possibility to develop a skill-set able to help them acquire proper behaviors and social and ethical attitudes.

We strongly set education at the core of our project, to help children grow up with the most worthy values of sport and life such as honesty, friendship, unity and trust in others.

In the eye of the young generation

Bidding cities of Gymnasiade, Schools Summer Games 2020

The 17th Gymnasiade 2018 organised by International School Sport Federation in Morocco is still ahead of us, but the preparations for the 18th Gymnasiade have already started. As this event is being more and more recognised on the worldwide level as a major and prestigious sport event and also as a great opportunity to support young people, there are three countries that showed a significant interest in hosting the Gymnasiade 2020 – China, Hungary and Chinese Taipei.

The ISF Evaluation Team, led by the ISF President Laurent Petrynka, visited the bidding countries to meet the highest authorities. The journey began in China, from 8th to 13th of July 2017 and continued in August – Chinese Taipei from 17th to 22nd August and ended in Hungary from 25th to 28th August.

Having three countries bidding for Gymnasiade 2020 is evidence of the changing perception of school sport – for more frequent occasions to develop worldwide youth sport together with education. It is also an opportunity to bring together and stimulate high-level youth sport with grassroots sport. The attribution will take place on 15th October 2017 in Olbia, Sardinia, Italy.

 <p>Better Us, Better Future Vitality, Integration, Growth and Sustainability</p> <p>China / Jinjiang</p> <p>15 sports</p> <p>Athletics, Swimming and Gymnastics (Artistic, Rhythmic and Aerobics), Tennis, Chess, Basketball, Football, Table Tennis, Taekwondo, Karate, Wrestling, and Judo</p> <p>39 venues in total, including 23 competition venues and 16 training venues, divided in three concentrated clusters.</p>	 <p>School-Sport-Spirit</p> <p>Hungary / Budapest</p> <p>12 sports</p> <p>Athletics, Swimming and Gymnastics (Artistic, Rhythmic and Aerobics), Karate, Wrestling, Judo, Tennis, Chess, Archery and Fencing. However, the candidate city keeps its bid open and flexible regarding new sports.</p> <p>5 multifunctional sport centre, and 3 optional sport halls for additional sport and trainings.</p>	 <p>For Youth, For Future Friendship, Diversity, Hospitality and Technology</p> <p>Chinese Taipei / Taoyuan</p> <p>15 sports</p> <p>Athletics, Swimming and Gymnastics (Artistic, Rhythmic and Aerobics), Tennis, Table tennis, Chess Archery, Badminton, Taekwondo, Karate, Wrestling, and Judo</p> <p>14 sport venues including competition and training areas, divided in 4 clusters.</p>
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Miscellaneous SHE RUNS

First initiative 8 March 2017
 -La lycéenne- (The School Girl) Promotion of physical activity for girls through school.
 Nearly 1500 french girls.
 Communication Impact with Ambassadors.
 UNSS Union Nationale du Sport Scolaire
 UNSS more than 1.2 Million practitioners.

International Women's Day 8 March 2018 Running event
 Side events animations: Nutrition Stand, Flash mob, lectures, Cultural exchanges, between countries.
 3500-4000 Girls.
 20-27 Countries.
 Potential Partners: OLYMPIC CHANNEL, PARIS 2024, EUROPEAN ATHLETICS.

Dissemination A wide impact
 One of the main condition to participate in this international training will be that the selected girls will have the support and cooperate with their national school sport organisation to develop an action/project in their country for by the end 2019.

Communication
 OLYMPIC CHANNEL: Olympic Channel Live Broadcasting on the race day of march.
 Sport Ambassadors (Female & Male Sport).
 General & Women sport medias.

Girls Power
 3500 Girls from 13 to 18 years old running in Paris.
 International Women's Day.
 European Conference.
 #BEACTIVE European Week of Sport.
 Member of European School Sport Day.

S Runs H Learns E Leads
 A European project aiming to empower girls through sport practice and participation.
 1 Conference, 1 Race, 1 Training Program.

She Runs Sustainable Strategy
 Schools, Ministry of education, School sport federation, National sport actor mobilised.

International Training
 30 girls representing a wide range of countries (up to 10).
 Supported by ISF member or Ministry of Education/Sport.
 Objectives: Providing a practical training and skills to develop and lead a sport running event in their countries. The support and involvement of the national school sport federation is compulsory.
 1 Mar. 2018 Project development.
 2 May/June 2018 Time management & Financial.
 3 Sep. 2018 Sport Logistics & Security.
 4 Nov/Dec 2018 Communication.
 Organised in 4 different European countries.

At the Global Level

The topic of Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment has never been considered so highly or at the forefront of global political agenda as it is now. Utilizing sport and physical activity and sport organisations as a strategy for the empowerment of girls and women keeps gaining recognition worldwide. UN Assistant Secretary-General and UN Women Deputy Executive Director Lakshmi Puri declared, in February 2016, "The Value of Hosting Mega Sport Events as a Social, Economic and Environmental Sustainable Development Tool", and that "Sport has huge potential to empower women and girls".

At European Union Level

New framework for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment: Transforming the Lives of Girls and Women through EU External Relations (2016-2020) has been adopted. For the first time, this framework identified 3 pillars, which could transform the lives of women and girls where sport, physical activities and sport organisations could make a strong contribution. Schools are the first place to educate and empower girls, Sport is a catalyst: School Sport is the tool

Vision 2030

- The three thematic pillars are:
- Ensuring girls' and women's physical and psychological integrity.
 - Promoting the social and economic rights / empowerment of girls and women.
 - Strengthening girls' and women's voice and participation.

CALENDAR

LAST UPDATED SEPTEMBER 21, 2017

2017

1. Executive Committee	24.05-29.05	Papeete	French Polynesia
Tennis	12.03-19.03	Recife	Brazil
Swimming	20.04-25.04	Budapest	Hungary
Orienteering	22.04-28.04	Palermo	Italy
Basketball	29.04-07.05	Poreč	Croatia
Football	21.05-29.05	Prague	Czech Republic
Athletics - Memorial Jean Humbert	24.06-30.06	Nancy	France
<i>UNDER THE AEGIS OF ISF</i>			
4th Educational Games	31.03-05.04	Athens	Greece
Cricket	02.04-11.04	Mumbai	India
Beach Volleyball	27.05-03.06	Papeete	French Polynesia
Triathlon	07.06-12.06	Aracaju	Brazil
Euro Schools Badminton	16.06-21.06	Clermont-Ferrand	France
Athletics	24.06-30.06	Nancy	France
Combat Games	07.07-15.07	New Delhi	India
TC Seminar/Convention	10.10-15.10	Olbia	Italy
2. Executive Committee	12.10-16.10	Olbia	Italy
Cricket	10.11-19.11	Mumbai	India
3rd Pan-American School Games	07.06-12.06	Aracaju	Brazil

2018

School Winter Games	05.02-10.02	Grenoble	France
Handball	21.02-01.03	Doha	Qatar
Futsal	13.03-21.03	Rishon Le Zion	Israël
Cross-Country	02.04-07.04	Paris	France
Table Tennis	08.04-14.04	Gzira	Malta
5th Educational Games	18.04-24.04	Athens - Olympia	Greece
Gymnasiade	02.05-09.05	Marrakech	Morocco
1. Executive Committee	17.05-22.05	Rio de Janeiro	Brazil
General Assembly	18.05-21.05	Rio de Janeiro	Brazil
Volleyball	02.06-10.06	Brno	Czech Republic
Badminton	15.06-21.06	Pune	India
Basketball 3x3	23.06-29.06	Belgrade	Serbia
Inclusive Games	09.07-14.07	Póvoa de Varzim	Portugal
Sambo	21.08-26.08	Oryol	Russia
2. Executive Committee	November	Moscow	Russia

2019			
Flying Disk	(.....)	Le Mans	France
1. Executive Committee	1st semester	(.....)	(.....)
Athletics - Memorial Jean Humbert	(May)	Split	Croatia
Basketball	(.....)	Heraklion - Creta	Greece
Football	(.....)	Belgrade	Serbia
Orienteering	(May)	Otepää	Estonia
Swimming	(May)	Rio do Janeiro	Brazil
Tennis	(May/June)	(Humacao)	(Puerto Rico)
2. Executive Committee	(November)	(.....)	(.....)
TC Seminar/Convention	(.....)	(.....)	(.....)
UNDER THE AEGIS OF ISF			
Triathlon	(June)	Castelnaudary	France
Combat Games	(Late spring)	Budapest	Hungary
Beach Volleyball - Beach Games	(.....)	Cagliari	Italy
Climbing	(.....)	Ardèche	France
Dance	(.....)	Oryol	Russia

2020			
Futsal		(Lyon)	(France)
Volleyball	(.....)	(.....) (Porec)	(Brazil) (Croatia)
Basketball 3x3		(.....)	(India) (Belgium Flanders)
Table Tennis		(...) (Montbeliard)	(India) (France)
Handball		(Belgrade)	(Serbia)
Summer Gymnasiade	(February)	(Budapest - Jinjiang - Taoyuan)	(Hungary - China - Chinese Taipei)
Badminton	(April)	(Olympia) (Sardinia)	(Greece) (Italy)

2022			
Summer Gymnasiade	(.....)(.....)(.....)	(Mellieha Bay) (.....) (.....)	(Malta) (China) (Chinese Taipei)

Remark: between brackets = application / not yet decided/confirmed



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