Dear Sports Friends,
Up-to-date news on the CSIT - International Workers and Amateurs in Sports Confederation

41st CSIT Congress in Rome

Italian CSIT member organization AICS (Italian Association of Sports Culture) hosts the 41st CSIT Congress Week to be held in Rome from 14th to 20th October 2019 at Salone d’Onore del Coni, the Italian National Olympic Committee. The Congress is a very important Congress for CSIT. It is an Election Congress for the CSIT ExCom and the presidency of CSIT with Bruno Molea as the only candidate. Molea took over from Harald Bauer two years ago and will now start in October into his first full period as CSIT President with lots of adaptions, new ideas, plans and projects. Around 120 delegates from grassroots sports promoting organizations from 45 countries around the world will participate at the CSIT congress that includes also the meetings of the CSIT Executive Committee, the General Assembly of the Technical Commissions, working groups of the 13 Technical Commissions, the sectors Seniors, Media & Marketing, Young Leaders, EU projecting as well as Community-based and social sports.

1st World Amateurs Sport Forum
The first edition of the World Amateur Sport Forum "Sport Impacts All" will open the 41st CSIT Congress in Rome. Italian CSIT member-organization AICS is the host of the Forum, which is organized by CSIT and will be held in Rome on 18th of October from 9 am to 1 pm also at Salone d'Onore del Coni. AICS expects around 300 guests from different communities. The activities will be anticipated by the institutional greetings of the Italian Minister for Equal Opportunities Elena Bonetti. The Italian Sports Minister, Vincenzo Spadafora, and the Mayor of Rome, Virginia Raggi, have also been invited to speak. The congress will be opened by CSIT President Bruno Molea. His speech will be followed by reports on the Olympic perspectives. In addition to Sport in Commune, one of the strategic national projects of AICS, there will also be the presentation of the results of the European project OutSport against sexual orientation discrimination in the field of sports and of the European project YOUAca for the professional growth of future sport managers. Find here the program and the link to the official LIVE stream of the Sport Forum.

**HOCSH is new CSIT member**

"Hellenic Organization for Company Sport & Health" from Greece is applying as CSIT candidate member. The CSIT ExCom decided to accept the application form of HOCSH. With this new application for membership the CSIT family has actual in total 42 member organizations. 30 Full and Associate Members, 1 Continental member and 11 Candidate Members. CSIT is very happy about the new application as it is very important to have new members from the southeast of Europe. The status candidate member means that these organizations are a new member of CSIT with all rights and obligations like a CSIT full member, except voting rights. HOCSH is therefore invited, will take part and introduce itself together with the new member organizations from South Korea (KOWSC - Korea Office Worker Sports Committee), Kosovo (KWSF - Kosava Workers Sports Federation) and Italy (FISAC - Italian Federation of Acrobatics and Choreographic Sports) at the next CSIT Congress to be held on 18th of October in Rome together. After a longer period of observation CSIT will decide about a full membership status, which will be finally awarded by the Congress. Further details about CSIT memberships.

**Review 2019 - Preview 2021**
The last edition of the CSIT World Sports Games was held in Tortosa (Spain) last July. During the upcoming Congress in Rome the organization committee TORTOC will present the final report of the Games in all details. Furthermore, the Spanish CSIT member organization UCEC will also present the Book on the World Sports Games Tortosa 2019 and a documentation Video of all the activities that took place in the region of Terres de l’Ebre. CSIT is looking forward to all this information as well as to the planned presentation of the 7th CSIT World Sports Games Zagreb 2021, organized by the Croatian CSIT member Health Life Academy (HLA).

Your fancy Sports Fashion

CSIT Solidarity App

CSIT would like to draw everybody’s attention to the "CSIT4Aid"- App, which is one of those projects lying close to CSIT President Bruno Molea. "CSIT4Aid" is a tailor-made app, designed in-house, which is aimed at fundraising for the needs of our poorest athletes and sports organizations to take part in CSIT activities (World Sports Games, International Single Championships, courses, trainings, projects ...). Solidarity is for our benefit and a very important attitude in our movement, which is as old as the CSIT! Everybody can download the App via App Store and Play Store. Every single person can easily take part, even the smallest contribution can play a big role! President Molea finally emphasizes that if the CSIT - as a social and democratic organization - will not find a way to help those organizations, they could fail to achieve one of the most important objectives, which is to allow the
poorest and deprived people to practice popular sport in a cooperative spirit and friendly atmosphere; for the poor or developing countries sport representatives in fact a key-tool for a social rescue, for socialization as well as integration and for the developing of global citizenship. Find solidarity criteria and procedures at NEWS & SERVICE on www.csit.tv

CSIT EU projects Bridges and YOUAca

Since the beginning of the year, CSIT is involved in the two EU projects Bridges and YOUAca which are co-financed by the European Union. Bridges concerns the social cohesion of refugees and third country nationals in society through co-designed activities in the field of sports, culture and volunteering. YOUAca is a project in which CSIT is leader and which is a major concern of CSIT President Bruno Molea with the goal to ensure management talents for CSIT’s future. The development of sports management skills in the field of grassroots sports for young people and young adults. The project now reaches the "learning by doing phase": young participants are asked to design project proposals through dialogue with their leaders. The outputs will be discussed at the next YOUAca meeting in Rome in order to present them during the CSIT congress in October in Rome.

EU Bridges project - needs and assessments

Tortosa in Spain hosted the second meeting of the EU Bridge Project, in which CSIT is involved as a partner. The project will run for two years from January 2019 to January 2021 and is co-financed by the European Union. The main objective is to create cohesive and inclusive local communities that promote participation and exchange between old and new residents. They promote active citizenship and promote dialogue, cooperation and intercultural exchange. Citizens are mobilized and motivated to interact with each other and to make their skills and voluntary commitment available to the community. In the second session in Tortosa, the needs and assessments of the bridge project were discussed and explained using practical examples. Where is the need to work with the project, with which communities and which groups? Why is the project so important? What are the challenges of the project? Which tools, approaches and success stories from the best practices of the participating partners AICS, COSPE and SOCIOLAB (Italy), UCEC (Spain), ANTIGONE (Greece) and CPS (Croatia) can be exchanged and used to help meet the challenges? The tools and evaluations for a positive solution are very similar: sports, music, workshops, dance courses or cooking events. Bring people together and increase group feeling!
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