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Welcome to this issue of the FEPSAC Newsletter — Fédération Européenne de Psychologie des Sport et des Activités Corporelles (European Federation of Sport Psychology).

Involvement of FEPSAC in funding projects

After having obtained the EU legal status as an International Non-Profit Organization (INPA) in 2015, FEPSAC is now eligible to be a partner in funding bids. Given the growing number of possibilities to obtain funds for research, development and dissemination activities, FEPSAC, as an important stakeholder in European Sport and Exercise Psychology can be a valuable partner in the application to grant agencies. One outcome of the last MC Meeting was the finalisation of the guidelines for FEPSAC’s involvement in such funding projects. Individuals and organizations who wish to request the participation and/or support of FEPSAC in proposals for an EU/international or nationally-funded project are invited to send a brief description of the project, or a preliminary draft proposal, a budget and an outline for the task and respective budget for FEPSAC to the FEPSAC MC (office@fepsac.com). More information about the specific requirements for an application and FEPSAC MC’s decision making process can be found on our website.

Internships in Sport Psychology: Call for supervisors

One main goal of FEPSAC is to increase mobility and improve the quality and breadth of educational experience within Europe. For that reason, FEPSAC now provides a contact form on our website where potential supervisors/supervisees can state their interest to offer, or take an (un)remunerated temporary placement. This contact form will be available to supervisors and supervisees who can then contact the other party directly. To kick off such an initiative we would like to invite all those potentially interested supervisors to contact us with an expression of interest at office@fepsac.com.

News from FEPSAC group member — AIPS (Italian Association of Sport Psychology)

AIPS XXII National Congress of sport and exercise psychology will take place in Venezia-Mestre at IUSVE (http://www.iusve.it/) in 2018 (May 25–27). The event will be chaired and organised by the recently President Elected Marcella Bounous.

FEPSAC would like to take the opportunity to wish all the best to AIPS current President, Laura Bortoli (in mandate for 2016–18), as well as thank IAPS past President, Francesca Vitali and AIPS XXI Congress President Gianfranco Gramaccioni for hosting our latest Managing Council (MC) meeting, held during XXI AIPS Conference in Bologna, Italy (May 26–29, 2016).

Journal Metrics for Psychology of Sport and Exercise

The 2015 Journal Metrics for the official FEPSAC journal Psychology of Sport and Exercise (PSE) showed an excellent impact factor of 2.605 (compared to 1.896 in 2014) and number of total cites of 2615 (compared to 1986 in 2014). The FEPSAC MC would like to take this opportunity to congratulate PSE co-Editors Nikos Ntoumanis and Bernd Strauss as well as all Associate Editors for their outstanding work!

EASY networking conference

By Anna van Wel and Vana Hutter (Conference Organizers).

The network for educators in applied sport psychology, the EASY-network, held her first networking conference the 19th of May. It was a very inspirational day with great presentations and interesting exchanges of experiences. The first part of the day, new criteria for future FEPSAC accreditation were discussed and feedback was given by the experienced educators in the EASY network. After this, practical experiences and challenges for educators teaching applied sport psychology were elaborated on. After an energizing lunch the network was ready for the afternoon program consisting of discussions on what competencies a good applied sport psychologist should have and how best to assess them. Also, the educational program formats of the British Psychological Society and the postmaster program for applied sport psychology in the Netherlands were discussed. Interesting differences were the fuel of the discussions that followed, hopefully inspiring the development of such programs. All in all, it was an amazing day which couldn’t have been possible without the positive and active engagement of everyone involved.
Organising a FEPSAC MC meeting

FEPSAC MC meets twice a year, typically during April/May and October/November. These meetings are organised all over Europe. When holding such meetings, the local organiser (can) benefit from having members of the MC contributing to events that may be organised during that time (e.g., seminars, workshops, conferences). Anyone interested in organising an MC meeting can find more info here (email contact: office@fepsac.com).

FEPSAC and social media

Twitter (https://twitter.com/FEPSAC_MC).

On behalf of the MC, we would like to thank all those who contributed to the making of this Newsletter. We look forward to receiving more contributions for forthcoming Issues so do not hesitate to send them by email to office@fepsac.com.

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