

ISCA General Assembly 2015: candidates'nomination
PhilippeMACHU's candidature

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3/ Describe the candidate's vision for ISCA and the sector "Sport for all"

A vision for ISCA, a vision of sport for all

As the president of one of the founding member organization of ISCA, I have seen ISCA grow and develop itself in such a way that at all times I was proud to be part of such an active and meaningful movement.

President of UFOLEP, Vice President of La Ligue de l'enseignement, ex USEP deputy-director, I wish now to be at the core of this movement to share my vision on "Sport for all" at an international level and thus build with others a common vision.

UFOLEP is a strong organization created in 1928 by and into la Ligue de l'enseignement. Founded in 1866, La Ligue de l'enseignement is one of France's largest organizations in non-formal education. It gathers 25 000 associations in 102 local and 22 regional federations with the common aims of training responsible citizens, fighting against all inequalities and building a fairer and more independent society. It aims to guarantee access to education for everyone and further promotes a secular society, solidarity among citizens and active citizenship. Over 1, 6 million members and 500 000 volunteers.

La Ligue promotes school sport and sport for all, through its sports federations UFOLEP and USEP. Their objective is to give everybody the possibility to practice physical activities, as part of culture and a means education, involving all people and especially children, in the perspective of favouring an inclusive society. In USEP, with its 10 000 associations and 360 000 members, UFOLEP with its 8500 associations.

Sport for all at an international level is not just one voice, but hundred of voices and as many visions. ISCA is for me the place to build a future in which "Sport for all" is valued and recognized for everything it can bring to our societies.

My vision is therefore the vision of a strong and independent organization that through its good governance will represent equally and strongly the worldwide voices of sport for all by:

- Working on ISCA's democratic representativeness: each member (especially the new ones) should feel at all-time adequately represented. Taking into account the lessons of the GGS program, we should look upon our statutes and make sure that they are in line with the best good governance practices.
- Building all together ISCA's future program and course of action. All members should understand where ISCA is going, why and what its strategy is. To achieve this, we need to build ISCA's strategy and action plan not with just a few but with everyone involved.
- Developing new relationships (and reinforcing existing ones) with some of the sport for all main actors: local authorities and each state government. This needs to be done by each national organization but hand in hand with ISCA in order to better support the universality of our vision and bring out and transfer more easily best practices.
- Taking the time to make an inventory of all the best practices on "sport and physical activity", "sport for all"... ISCA has come across with throughout the years to build a strong database. This database should be public, often updated and be used as an "appealing product" when getting in contact with new partners ISCA should be considered as the international resource center when it comes to "sport for all and physical activity".
- Strengthening the relationship between members as we need to better know each other in order to be more efficient at all levels.
- Making sure that in all places and at all times the "Sport for all" voice is being heard. People should start knowing what "sport for all" is through a strong communication recognizing that sport for all is not "sport for non-athletes people" but something essential for each citizen in their life courses in terms of health, but also in their "construction citoyenne" (active citizenship building) in terms of social relationships and well-being at all ages.

In July 2015, UFOLEP, La Ligue de l'enseignement and USEP organized in Strasbourg the first European platform of exchanges and experimentation for participants in sport (PEPS).

Create a space where people involved in grassroots sports can express themselves, exchange their ideas and experiment new or old ones (networking, identifying good practices, etc.).

Get some good and innovative practices that can enhance sport participation for the hard to- reach target groups in sport (women, disables, youth, senior...) implemented, tested and scientifically assessed at a local level.

To achieve these specific objectives, PEPS proposes to establish an European platform which will enable stakeholders to engaged in a scientifically and phased process of Exploration, Exchanges, Experimentation and Evaluation of initiatives to engage hard to-reach populations in sport and physical activity.

PEPS will be involving representatives of all actors of the grassroots sports (sport organizations, local, national and European authorities, universities...) that are willing to work with a variety of actors and experiment good practices to develop the accessibility of sport to all target groups, mainly the hard-to reach ones (women, disabled, youth, seniors, etc.)

If ISCA decides to get a World Congress each 2 years (2016, 2018, 2020...), the European intermediary event, a new PEPS, may be co-organized by ISCA and some main partners as UFOLEP, La Ligue de l'enseignement, USEP, in Strasbourg in 2017, and everywhere in 2019... Some others intermediary projects may be organize in different members country to grow up together our grassroots sport conception.

We need to be by our actions the "sport for all" voice, an NGO, not apart not in opposition but, complementary to (and in symbiosis with?) the IOC by putting out our differences while working towards the same direction.

Sincerely, Philippe Machu