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IOC ACTIVITIES

IOC PRESIDENT



President Rogge announcing that Singapore will host the 1st Summer Youth Olympic Games in 2010.

On 21 February at the Olympic Museum in Lausanne, **the IOC President, Jacques Rogge**, announced the name of the host city of the very first edition of the Youth Olympic Games in 2010. This will be **Singapore**, which beat the city of Moscow in the final by 53 votes to 44. Sergey Bubka, the Chairman of the IOC Evaluation Commission for these Games, was at the ceremony. Addressing the media in Lausanne, President Rogge declared that "the Youth Olympic Games are the flagship of the IOC's determination to reach out to young people. These Games will not only be about competition. They will also be the platform through which youngsters will learn about the Olympic values and the benefits of sport, and will share their experiences with other communities around the globe." The IOC members, except for those from the Russian Federation and Singapore, made this choice in a postal vote. For more details and photos, go to www.olympic.org ("Olympic news" section).

This week, the IOC President has met the President and Secretary General of the NOC of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia,

Vasil Tupurkovski and Saso Popovski respectively. On the same day, he met a delegation from the Korean city of Busan, led by its Mayor, Nam-Sik Hur, with whom the main topic of discussion was the 6th World Forum on Sport, Education and Culture, which is taking place in Busan from 25 to 27 September 2008, at the same time as the 4th TAFISA Sport for All World Games. More details can be found on www.olympic.org ("Olympic news" section). The President also met IOC members Craig Reddie and Hein Verbruggen.

Taking advantage of their presence for their first ever meeting in Vidy, **the IOC President** welcomed the members of the **Executive Committee of the European Olympic Committees** (EOC), whose President is IOC member Patrick Hickey.

This Friday 22 February, **President Rogge met** French Secretary of State for Sport Bernard Laporte.

Next week, **President Rogge will be travelling to Vancouver**, where the IOC Coordination Commission for the 2010 Winter Games will be holding its sixth meeting.

IOC MEMBERS



At the Laureus World Sports Awards ceremony for 2007, **Richard W. Pound** (left) received the Spirit of Sport Award, and **Sergey Bubka** (right) the Lifetime Achievement Award.



During a recent visit to Vilnius, **Mario Vázquez Raña** (right) was awarded the Cross of Commander of the Order of Merit of Lithuania by the country's President, Valdas Adamkus (left). He also received Lithuania's highest sports decoration, the Order of Honour, from NOC President Arturas Poviliunas.

Merit of Lithuania by the country's President, Valdas Adamkus (left). He also received Lithuania's highest sports decoration, the Order of Honour, from NOC President Arturas Poviliunas.

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATIONS

SUMMER OLYMPIC IFS



The **International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF)** has launched a new version of its web site. Discover the site, which now offers a new athletes section and a

"fanzone", by clicking on www.iaaf.org.



After its young players of the year, FIBA Europe, the European association of the **International Basketball Federation (FIBA)**, has announced the names of its Men's and Women's Player of the Year 2007. The winners are

Latvia's Anete Jekabsons-Zogota and Russia's Andrei Kirilenko. Details on www.fibaeurope.com.



AIBA Executive Committee group photo in Busan.

Meeting in Busan, the members of the Executive Committee of the **International Boxing Association (AIBA)**, whose President is IOC member Ching-Kuo Wu, took a number of decisions, including to sign a declaration of unity, recognising the need for a united approach for the successful development of the Federation. In addition, the five AIBA Vice-

Presidents were appointed as Presidents of the new AIBA confederations. The cities of Ningbo (People's Republic of China) and Moscow (Russian Federation) were elected to host the women's World Championships in 2008 and the 1st AIBA World Cup respectively, while a new event – the AIBA President's Cup – was unveiled, and will be contested in May this year in Chinese Taipei. Meanwhile, the host city for the Youth World Championships will be known at the end of March. More info on www.aiba.org.



With six months to go until the triathlon competitions of the 2008 Olympic Games kick off, the **International Triathlon Union (ITU)** has launched its website

www.triathlon.org/olympics.

The site features the latest Olympic news for the media and fans, a list of the athletes selected and a description of the Olympic competition venue.

NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEES



This week in Dublin, the **Irish and Japanese Olympic Committees** signed a **Memorandum of Understanding**.

The subjects discussed by the two NOC Presidents, Patrick Hickey (right) and Tsunekazu Takeda (left),

include the possibility of Japanese athletes using Ireland as a training and acclimatisation base for the 2012 Games in London.



IOC honorary member and **Mongolian NOC** Executive Committee member Shagdarjav Magvan (right), presented the IOC “**Sport and Promotion of Olympism**”

trophy to John Patrick Fenegan (left), the CEO of Golomt Bank, an NOC partner which has supported the development of sport and the Olympic Movement for many years in Mongolia. Fenegan is the first foreign recipient of an IOC trophy in the sporting history of Mongolia.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS



The **International Paralympic Committee (IPC)** has announced the launch of its **Paralympian Ambassador Programme**.

The aim of the programme is to create a roster of Paralympians who will serve as ambassadors for the Paralympic Movement, and role models for young people with or without a disability, and raise awareness of the Paralympic Movement to enhance and increase its public profile. Discover the names and profiles of the 11 ambassadors on www.paralympic.org.

ERRATA

In our **previous issue**, a mistake found its way into the text concerning the **meeting between the IOC President and Raymond Goldsmith** (“IOC activities”). The text should have read: “**President Rogge also** gave Mr Goldsmith a copy of ‘Teaching Values: An Olympic Education Toolkit’, published by the IOC with the support of ISM.”

In addition, please note that, in **issue 799** (8 February 2008, “NOCs” section), the address of the **website of the Comité Départemental Olympique et Sportif de l’Isère** was wrong. The address is in fact www.cdos-isere.com.



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