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Report about the 7th conference of international society for the social sciences of sports

The 7th Conference of the ISSSS was held in Budapest (Hungary) on November 12–14, 2015. The topic of the conference was *Sport in changing social, economic, political and cultural contexts*. The conference was organized by University of Physical Education in Budapest (*Testnevelesi Egyetem*) and International Society for the Social Sciences of Sport – supported by Hungarian Society of Sport Sciences. Venue of the conference was University of Physical Education and Novotel Budapest City Hotel.

At this Conference were presented 59 papers drawn up by 112 authors. 3 of these papers were presented by keynote speakers. It was possible to congregate papers in several thematic groups as *Interdisciplinary, Sociological, Philosophical, Psychological, Pedagogical and Management approach* and in special session on Project on the *European Dimensions of Hungarian Sport*.

112 speakers and authors from 14 countries (Czech Republic, Egypt, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Iraq, Italy, Japan, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Turkey, USA) took part and presented research and studies results in 12 oral, parallel sessions and three keynote lectures in plenary sessions. The organizers headed by Prof. Akos Koller (chairperson) and Dr. Andrea Gal (secretary) had prepared an interesting scientific programme in the pleasant atmosphere of the two Budapest restaurants and River Danube boat cruise.

The organizers worked hard to make the conference a success. The scientific programm was composed by Dr. Tamas Serbenz (chairperson), Dr. Tamas Doczi (secretary) and Prof. Dr. Jerzy Kosiewicz (President of the ISSSS). They prepared a comprehensive scientific programme in 3 plenary sessions, 12 parallel sessions. Three keynote lectures were delivered by:

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Dr. Tamas Sterbenz (University of Physical Education, Budapest) „Decision making theory as the common base of social sciences“,

Prof. Dr. Nuria Puig (University of Barcelona) „Sport participation: from research to sport policies“,

Prof. Dr. Jerzy Kosiewicz (Josef Pilsudski University of Physical Education, Warsaw) „Olympic Games on the context of a spirituality and spiritualism“.

The conference gave a great opportunity for presenting the new theoretical and empirical results of sport-related social sciences and humanities in which can help the further development of sports and leisure and serve the everyday practice of sport. What is more, during the cultural programs the participants could exchange ideas or build partnership as well. PhD students brought to the conference many interesting results and conclusions.

In scientific terms, thanks to the increasing number of participants, the organization of the Conference highlights the diversity of the subjects of papers and quality demonstrated by most of them. The organization emphasizes, therefore, the quality and diversity of lectures as one of the most positive aspects of this Conference.

Thanks to Dr. Andrea Gal and her excellent staff the social programme and the visits took place as an extraordinary and very pleasant. Most of the participants took part in three different restaurant dinners, tasting Hungarian kitchen and experiencing national dances and music.

The Organization believes that has also provided several options to participants and also an acceptable quality in all the services provided; in conclusion, have fulfilled the objectives of the initiative and provided participants with the necessary conditions for a good Conference.

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