

2016 ISSA WORLD CONGRESS OF SOCIOLOGY OF SPORT IN BUDAPEST

Call for Papers

From June 8-11, 2016 the International Sociology of Sport Association (ISSA) will hold its World Congress in Budapest, Hungary at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. The local Organizing Committee – a collaboration of Hungarian academics working at St John’s University (New York, USA), the University of Physical Education (Budapest, Hungary) and Bell & Partners Communication – is honored to organize this event, which will have the theme “*Sport, Global Development, and Social Change.*”

Sport, Global Development, and Social Change

Sport has become an important vehicle for initiatives related to global development and social change. Such initiatives range from sport for peace and conflict resolution, the advancement of girls and women in sport and physical activity and the use of sport for economic development. With respect to the latter international sport federations and governing bodies have awarded hosting rights to host a range of sport mega-events to both established and emerging markets. The rationale is that sport and sporting mega-events play a positive role in both social and economic development often through what are popularly referred to as ‘legacy’ programs. However, some critics argue that as a result of these policies nations spend valuable resources on sporting events instead of education, health, or social programs. Scheduled one year after the 2015 Rugby World Cup hosted by the U.K. and the 2015 Handball Men’s World Championship hosted by Qatar, in the year of the 2016 Rio Olympics, one year prior to the 2017 FINA World Championship in Budapest (Hungary), and 2 years prior to the 2018 FIFA World Cup in Russia this congress will provide a forum for scholars to discuss and debate these important issues. Beyond the main theme, the congress will also feature a diverse range of sessions to enable scholars, including postgraduate students, the opportunity to share their latest research.

Key Dates

- 📅 **Extended abstract submission deadline: January 22**
- 📅 **Confirmation of abstract acceptance / rejection:**
 - February 1st, 2016 (*for the 100 or so abstracts submitted already*)
 - February 19th, 2016 (for those that submitted an abstract in January 2016)
- 📅 **End of early bird registration: March 1st 2016**
- 📅 **End of registration: March 15th 2016**

More information: www.issa2016.org

SPECIAL TOPICS

Sport and Social Change
Sport, Development, and Peace
Sport and Emerging Markets
Sport and Regional Development
Sport, Politics, and Policy
Sport and Globalization
Sport, Economics, and Society
Sport, Social Inclusion and Exclusion
Sport and National Identity
Sport and Disability: New Sporting Activities
and New Technologies
Sport and Health
Elite vs Sport for All
Sport and Urban Development
Sport and Urban Development
Sport, Physical Activity, and Education
Teaching the Sociology of Sport
Sport and Organizational Behavior
Other Issues Related to the Sociology of Sport

Sport and Media
Sport and Performance
Sport and Violence
New Sporting Activities
Sport and New Technologies
Sport and Identity
Sport and Social Class

Sport and Sexuality
Physical Education and Sport at
School/University
Sport and Literature
Sport and Doping
Race and Ethnicity
Sport Participation and Measurement
Sport and Philosophy
Sport, Business, and Management
Sport and Marketing

Instructions for authors

- ☒ Authors should submit their abstracts and communicate during the congress **in English**.
- ☒ Authors are required to submit their **abstract online** (abstracts sent by e-mail will not be accepted).
- ☒ Abstracts should not exceed 250 words (approximately 1750 characters including spaces).
- ☒ ISSA policy limits the number of papers an individual author can present: each participant can present one paper as the lead author. His or her name can appear on up to two additional papers as second or additional author, but not as the presenter.
- ☒ Authors should make themselves available for the duration of the Congress, June 8-11.
- ☒ We encourage all presenters to prepare a power point presentation in order to facilitate comprehension since the ISSA Congress attracts an international audience.
- ☒ Abstract submission is free of charge.
- ☒ Registration fees must be paid by the 1st of March 2016 at the latest to secure the presentation during the congress and the publication of your name and abstract in the Book of Abstracts.
- ☒ Poster presentations: Please use portrait style (A0 size)