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PRELIMINARY CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

IFAPA Executives 2015

By Yeshayahu "Shayke" Hutzler, IFAPA Past-President, shayke@wincol.ac.il

At the General Assembly during ISAPA at the Wingate Institute Israel. June 11-15, 2015, IFAPA members will elect a Secretary and Treasurer. Please submit nominations to IFAPA Past-President, **Yeshayahu "Shayke" Hutzler**, Chair, Graduate School, Zinman College for Physical Education & Sport Sciences at the Wingate Institute, 42902 Israel or via email at shayke@wincol.ac.il. All nominations must be received by February 1, 2015 and should include a 150 word biography.

Nomination and Voting Procedures

In order to allow all IFAPA members to vote for Executive positions, even those who are unable to attend the General Assembly, in Turkey, slate of potential officers will be distributed to all members by mid-April 2015 via email. Members can vote via e-mail and have their voice counted at the General Assembly, even if they are unable to attend. This means that there will be no nominations from the floor at the General Assembly in 2015 for Executive positions, that is, for President-Elect and Vice Presidents. However, a live vote will still be conducted for those members, particularly new members, who are unable to vote before attending the Assembly.



The Zinman College of
Physical Education & Sport Sciences
at the Wingate Institute, Israel



The 20th International Symposium on Adapted Physical Activity

In collaboration with
the International Federation of Adapted Physical Activity (IFAPA),

11-15 June 2015

Location: Wingate Institute, Netanya, Israel

Second Announcement

Adapted Physical Activity: Unification vs. Diversification

Abstracts will be accepted for:

- Research presentations (verbal and poster)
- Building sessions (Mini symposia)
- Practical Workshops

Important Dates:

Abstract Submission Open:

November 15th, 2014

Abstract Submission Deadline

February, 1st, 2015

Congress topics

- APA as an educational modality
- APA as an extension of rehabilitation
- Adapted sports, equipment and Paralympic challenges
- Special Olympics and sports for persons with developmental Disabilities
- APA and health promotion among populations with physical, sensory, intellectual, & mental disability

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New Mission Statement for the Adapted Physical Activity Quarterly Journal

By Yeshayahu "Shayke" Hutzler, IFAPA Past-President, shayke@wincol.ac.il

This Mission statement clearly identifies what physical activity implies, what the foci of adaptation include, who are the populations considered within APAQ's scope of interest, what are the disciplines from which scholarship to this aim originates, and what types of scientific inquiry are foreseen to be included in submissions to APAQ.

New Mission Statement

The *Adapted Physical Activity Quarterly (APAQ)* is an international, multidisciplinary journal designed to stimulate and communicate scholarly inquiry relating to physical activity that is adapted in order to enable and enhance performance and participation in people with disability. Physical activity implies fine, gross, functional, and interpretive movement, including physical education, recreation, exercise, sport, and dance.

The focus of adaptation may be the activity or task that is to be performed, environment and facilities, equipment, instructional methodology, and/or rules governing the performance setting. Among the populations considered are persons with motor, intellectual, sensory, and mental or other disabilities across the lifespan. Disciplines from which scholarship to this aim may originate include, but are not limited to, physical education, teacher preparation, human development, motor behavior and learning, biomechanics, exercise and sport physiology, and exercise and sport psychology. Scientific inquiry may originate from quantitative or qualitative inquiry, as well as from multi-method designs.

APAQ is divided into six sections, the first four of which include submitted papers. Viewpoint is an editorial section that contains commentary on current opinion, legislative and regulatory concerns, and trends in the discipline and profession. The Research section reports original and

replicated research using appropriate scientific methodology. The Application section contains applied investigations in settings often requiring unique methodologies, reports of case studies, programmatic developments involving strategies and techniques, and the design of equipment and facilities. The Review section contains papers that systematically and critically examine previous published literature. APAQ also contains a Digest of abstracts of recently published work from around the world, as well as a Books & Media review section. Not all sections necessarily appear in each issue. An author index will appear yearly in the October issue.

APAQ publishes with person-first, non-sexist language, according to the guidelines of the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association*, 6th ed. (2010).

REGIONAL NEWS- AFRICA

Inspiring Adapted Sport Leaders in Angola: Peter and Paul, Past Athletes, Today's Coaches

By Agueda Gomes, African Representative Republic of Angola, aguedalobito@yahoo.com

Cross country for people with various disabilities, Luanda March 2014

Pedro and **Paulo** are former soldiers who acquired a physical disability during the Angolan civil war. Today they are examples of track and field coaches in the Angolan Paralympic movement.

Both coaches share life histories, although in different circumstances. Paulo became an amputee 26 years ago at the age of 18 in Bié Province, and his colleague Pedro lost his limb when he was 24 years old, 38 years ago in Cabinda Province. Both young men were sent by their military commanders to the military medical hospital in Luanda in the capital of Angola, but it was only in 1994 that they were introduced to the first sport competition for people with disabilities. This was the beginning of the adapted sport movement in Angola.

The former soldiers have never stopped their involvement with the adapted sport movement, first as athletes by representing the country to participate in the regional and continental competitions and now coaching the young generation with all types of disabilities.

Their work and human qualities have been outstanding. Even though they are struggling with difficulties in their own lives, they dedicate their time and effort to preparing people with disabilities to become athletes and achieve

excellent levels of performance.

These two coaches are role models of people with disabilities. Examples of this level of dedication can be found in countries all over the African continent.

Acknowledgments

Committee Paralympic Angolan
Elisabeth Matos



Peter and Paul (from left to right)

REGIONAL NEWS- AFRICA

IPC Classification Project in Kenya November 24 to December 7, 2013

The team of researchers drawn from the University of Queensland in Australia and Masinde Muliro University were involved in testing athletes with lower-limb impairments who compete in Paralympic athletics in Kenya from November 24 to December 7, 2013.

The research team was led by principal investigator Sean Tweedy from the University of Queensland and the local coordinator of the project Peter Bukhala from Masinde Muliro University. Both are members of the Sports Science Committee of the International Paralympic Committee. Through this partnership a team of five scientists from Australia and Spain and another five postgraduate students drawn from local universities in Kenya assessed over 100 athletes with cerebral palsy and polio who were recruited from seven regions of Kenya. Each day

12 to 14 athletes were tested on their range of motion, anthropometric measures, levels of coordination, strength, and running ability. The data collected is being analyzed and will be disseminated soon. The graduate students had a practical experience with the testing protocols. Through this research, new athletes are identified and will now join the IPC fraternity. This research partnership is a good example of sharing knowledge between developed and developing countries.

Peter Bukhala, Kenya



IPC classification research team, Nairobi, Kenya.

REGIONAL NEWS- EUROPE

Call for Nominations for Elections of EUFAPA Board Members in 2014

By [Aija Klavina](#), IFAPA European Representative, Chief of the Board Latvian Disabled Children and Youth Sport Federation

February 2014

This year the EUFAPA board of directors will complete their four-year term. At that time, the current president-elect, **Pedro Ferreira**, will become EUFAPA president, and current president **Martin Kudlacek** will become EUFAPA past president. An election will be held in 2014 during EUCAPA in Madrid, Spain, for these positions:

- President-elect
- Vice president
- Secretary
- Treasurer

We invite EUFAPA members' input on identifying competent and motivated nominees for our next EUFAPA board as soon as possible but before September 7, 2014! Following are the guidelines and procedures for making nominations (Nomination Process). Before submission of your candidates, please read articles 9 to 12 in the EUFAPA Bylaws, which can be found at www.eufapa.eu

Important to Know

10.2. The board of directors members are elected at general assembly based on the nomination of EUFAPA members.

10.3. All members of the board of directors are elected for two biannual (4 years).

10.4. The members of the board of directors are president, president-elect, past president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer.

Elections will be held during the next general assembly (GA) in 2014. The GA will be held during EUCAPA2014 in Madrid, Spain, on October 1, 2014.

Nomination Process

(read before submitting a nomination)

All members shall have the right to nominate candidates for positions on EUFAPA board. (Members may nominate themselves, too.) Nominations shall include a statement of support that directly addresses qualifications to perform specific duties and responsibilities,



a short biography (about 250 words), a summary of scientific work, and a statement from the nominee that, if accepted as a candidate, she or he agrees to be on the slate. Nominations must be submitted in writing to the past president <maria.dinold@univie.ac.at>.

The past president, with the help of the secretary, shall ascertain that all nominees are current EUFAPA members and submit names of nominees **to the board of directors** before the close of nominations (September 7, 2014). The past president shall work with the board of directors to ensure that the slate of nominees is diverse, especially with regard to including individuals with impairments, activity limitations, and participation restrictions in physical activity.

The close of nominations will occur about 1 month before the general assembly. The slate of nominations will then be mailed to all members about two weeks before the general assembly.

REGIONAL NEWS- EUROPE

Call for Nominations for EUFAPA Awards

By Terri Lakowski, Inclusive Fitness Coalition, United States

To honor outstanding achievements in the field of APA in Europe the European Federation of Adapted Physical Activity (EUFAPA) calls for nominations and applications for awards. This will be selected during the next European Congress (EUCAPA) to be held September 29 to October 2, 2014, in Madrid, Spain.

EUFAPA Awards are conferred in three categories:

1. EUFAPA: European Professional Award for Outstanding Achievements

The contribution to the field of APA can be achieved by acquisitions in research or professional activities or in sport competition.

The candidate will be selected by the **EUFAPA award committee** following nominations and applications from European countries. The call for nominations will be published at the EUFAPA website and on the EUCAPA organizers' website. The nomination letter for this award should include a one-page (300-word) biographical sketch of the individual, highlighting major accomplishments. Please submit nominations by **May 15, 2014**, to EUFAPA past president **Maria Dinold** (maria.dinold@univie.ac.at).

2. EUFAPA: Award for Outstanding Achievements on National Level (of the hosting country)

The contribution to the field of APA can be achieved by acquisitions in research or professional activities or in sport competition—this year from Spain!

The candidate will be selected by the **national (award/organizing) committee** verification by two members of EUFAPA board.

Nominations should be forwarded to the awards committee by the EUCAPA organizing committee.

3. EUFAPA: Young Investigators Award

To award the best **orally** presented paper at EUCAPA.

Criteria for submission are as follows:

Submission of an abstract for an oral presentation in the congress as **first** author

Participation and presentation in the congress
Age limit: under 40 years

The paper should not have been published before (original)

The presenter might present his or her master



or doctoral thesis or his or her work after PhD (not longer than 3 years)

Extended criteria for selection:

25% on the quality of the abstract

50% on the quality of the presentation (content related: aims, methods, results, discussion, conclusions; framework related: length, structure, visualization, language, etc.)

25% on responses to questions from committee or audience

The candidates will be selected among their applications for the award, which should be done together with the submission of the abstract for the congress presentation by the **EUFAPA award committee**. The award includes an awarding document, a EUFAPA honoring plaque, and the waiving of the fee for the next EUCAPA.

North American Federation of Adapted Physical Activity 2014 Symposium

*“Generating New Scientific Knowledge in
Adapted Physical Activity to Benefit
Individuals with Disabilities”*



When: October 16-18, 2014

Where: University of Michigan, Ann Arbor MI

www.nafapa.org

The North American Federation of Adapted Physical Activity (NAFAPA) is the North American branch of the International Federation of Adapted Physical Activity (IFAPA). It is an international organization dedicated to the promotion, dissemination and practical application of results and findings in the field of physical activity for the benefit of populations with disabilities and/or special needs. NAFAPA has a coordinating function with international, national and regional organizations, both governmental and non-governmental, which are concerned with the scientific aspects of adapted physical activity, physical education, rehabilitation therapy, recreation, sport and leisure activities for persons with disabilities or special needs.

We are announcing the *Call for Abstracts* for the 2014 symposium.

Abstracts will be accepted for:

- Research presentations (verbal and poster)
- Building sessions

- Graduate students are encouraged to submit abstracts.
 - Research abstracts for poster and verbal presentations (including the *Greg Reid Outstanding Student Poster Award*)
 - Graduate student “Work-in-Preparation” proposal presentations

For more information on the call for abstracts instructions, please visit:

www.nafapa.org

Important Dates:

Abstract Submission Deadline: **June 1, 2014**

Abstract Notification: **July 1, 2014**

Early Bird Registration Ends: **September 7, 2014**

Online Registration Ends: **October 10, 2014**

Conference: **Thursday, October 16, 2014 at ~5:00pm
to Saturday, October 18 at ~6:00pm**

For more information on the 2014 NAFAPA symposium:

Website: www.nafapa.org

Email: kines-nafapa@umich.edu

IFAPA Facebook is Launched!

By Sean Healy, IFAPA student representative, Sean-og3@hotmail.com

IFAPA's new Practical Tips Facebook page now has nearly 500 followers representing 46 countries. Not only do followers receive regular tips for adapting physical activity, but they are also updated on the latest developments at IFAPA. In addition, the page serves as a help line in which practitioners regularly message me through the page with questions pertaining to how to adapt activities for specific individuals.

In addition, I recently launched project #Adap-Tip, which involves practitioners from around the world sharing their tips for adapting physical activity through the IFAPA Facebook page. It was a great success. Tips can still be contributed through the Facebook page or by e-mailing me at sean-og3@hotmail.com. In the meantime, tips are being compiled and, through a collaboration with Pete and Ken from the inclusion club,

a free book of tips will be produced and shared with as many APA practitioners as possible (currently an e-book is planned, but a hard-copy version may be published soon). This not only will provide valuable tips leading to better APA practices but will also increase individuals' awareness of IFAPA. Visit the Facebook page at www.facebook.com/IFAPA.tips and share it with your colleagues and friends!

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Calendar of Events for 2014 and Beyond

Please submit calendar information to editor at least three months before the date of the event.

2014

16th European Society of Sports Traumatology Knee Surgery and Arthroscopy (ESSKA) Congress
May 14-17, 2014, Amsterdam, Netherlands
www.esska-congress.org/esska2014/index.php
Contact esska@intercongress.de

61st Annual Meeting of the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) and 5th World Congress on Exercise is Medicine
May 27-31, 2014, Orlando, Florida, USA
www.acsmannualmeeting.org

6th IWG World Conference on Women and Sport
June 12-15, 2014, Helsinki, Finland
Lead the Change, Be the Change
www.iwg-gti.org/2014-world-conference

2nd International Conference and Exhibition on Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
June 23-25, 2014, New Orleans, USA
Facing the Future of Health and Rehab Solution
Contact physicalmedicine2014@omicsonline.net

19th Annual Congress of the European College of Sport Science (ECSS)
July 2-5, 2014, Amsterdam, Netherlands
www.ecss-congress.eu/2014

13th Asian Society of Adapted Physical Education and Exercise (ASAPE) Symposium
August 1-3, 2014, Fuzhou, Fujian Province, People's Republic of China
www.fjnutky.cn/asape2014/index.html

European Congress of Adapted Physical Activity (EUCAPA)
September 29-October 2, 2014, Madrid, Spain
Inclusion into Action: Applications from Research
www.eucapa2014.eu
Contact info@eucapa2014.eu

North American Federation of Adapted Physical Activity (NAFAPA) 2014 Symposium
October 16-18, 2014, Ann Arbor, Michigan
Generating New Scientific Knowledge in Adapted Physical Activity to Benefit Individuals with Disabilities
www.sites.google.com/site/nafapaorg/conference

2015

International Conference on Sports Science
May 27-28, 2015, Montreal, Canada
www.waset.org/conference/2015/05/montreal/ICSS

International Symposium of Adapted Physical (ISAPA)
June 11-15, 2015, Netanya, Israel
www.isapa2015.wincol.ac.il

20th Annual Congress of the European College of Sport Science
June 24-27, 2015, Malmö, Sweden
Sustainable Sport , www.ecss-congress.eu/2015/15

International Conference on Sport Medicine and Sport Science
June 25-26, 2015, Paris, France
www.waset.org/conference/2015/06/paris/ICSMSS

14th European Congress of Sport Psychology
July 14-19, 2015, Bern, Switzerland
Sport Psychology: Theories and Applications for Performance, Health and Humanity
www.fepsac2015.ch

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