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ACTIVITIES 2018

The International Olympic Academy has the pleasure to relay to you information concerning its activities in 2018:

- 1. 14th JOINT INTERNATIONAL SESSION FOR PRESIDENTS OR DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL OLYMPIC ACADEMIES & OFFICIALS OF NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEES**

Sunday, 6/05/2018 – Sunday, 13/05/2018

- 2. 58th INTERNATIONAL SESSION FOR YOUNG PARTICIPANTS**

Saturday, 16/06/2018 – Saturday, 30/06/2018

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3. 4th INTERNATIONAL SESSION FOR OLYMPIC MEDALLISTS OR OLYMPIANS

Monday, 2/07/2018 – Monday, 9/07/2018

4. 25th INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON OLYMPIC STUDIES FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS

Saturday, 1/09/2018 – Sunday, 30/09/2018

5. MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME:

“Olympic Studies, Olympic Education, Organization and Management of Olympic Events” of the Sports Organization and Management Department of the University of Peloponnese in collaboration with the IOA.

You may find attached herewith, detailed analysis of the aforementioned activities, as well as the relevant participant's personal history forms.

Kindest regards,



Isidoros KOUVELOU

Enclosures

**1. 14th JOINT INTERNATIONAL SESSION FOR PRESIDENTS
OR DIRECTORS OF NATIONAL OLYMPIC ACADEMIES &
OFFICIALS OF NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEES**

DATES OF THE SESSION

Arrival in Athens:	Sunday, 6 May 2018
Departure for Olympia:	Monday, 7 May 2018
Works of the Session:	Monday, 7 – Friday, 11 May 2018
Departure from Olympia:	Saturday, 12 May 2018
Departure from Athens:	Sunday, 13 May 2018

MAIN TOPIC

“The Athlete as a Role Model”

SPECIAL TOPIC

“Olympians promoting Olympism: Knowledge and experiences in Olympic Education”

ENROLLMENT

A. Each National Olympic Academy may enter the Session with a maximum of **two (2)** representatives. Please, bear in mind that it is imperative that the President or Director/Dean or other member of the NOA attends the Session.

The full price of the air ticket (economy class, direct routing) for **one participant per NOA** will be reimbursed by **Olympic Solidarity** upon completion of the Session. The IOA will confirm participation of the concerned delegate to Olympic Solidarity. **No reimbursement will be made for the ticket of a potential second participant.**

To benefit from this reimbursement, the NOC must send a financial report using Olympic Solidarity’s **online platform**, in line with the 2017-2020 financial guidelines. Once completed, the financial report will require validation by the NOC Secretary General/President/or Proxy as well as the Treasurer/Head of Finance before it is submitted to Olympic Solidarity.

B. Each National Olympic Committee may enter the Session with **one (1)** participant. Please, make every effort to enroll a senior member.

All charges by the NOC participants concerning the air-ticket should be borne by the NOC. The IOA will provide full hospitality to the participants from **6 to 13 May 2018**.

N.B.: There has been in the past some confusion between delegates of NOAs and NOCs. In order to avoid any further confusion, NOAs and NOCs are requested to clearly state whether a delegate is a member of a NOA or a NOC, stating, in addition, their respective functions.

FINAL ENROLLMENT DATE

Participation forms, which you may find enclosed herewith, must be submitted by **2 February 2018 at the latest**.

We have noticed in the past that many NOAs do not submit the application forms in due time. We hereby would like to bring to your attention that **no application submitted after the expiry date will be considered.**

LANGUAGE

English, French and Greek will be the working languages of the Session. **Simultaneous interpretation** in the three languages will be provided. All correspondence should be effected in one of these three languages.

SHORT PAPERS/ PRESENTATIONS

During the Session, NOA and NOC representatives may present a brief report on the activities their NOAs and/or NOCs have undertaken in the previous year(s), as well as on their NOAs' and/or NOCs' targets, priorities and progress with regard to Olympic Education and the promotion of the Olympic Movement.

The IOA strongly encourages NOA and NOC representatives to make such presentations during the Session.

PAPER SUBMISSION

A copy of the paper, in electronic format, in a standard word-processing programme (Word), must be sent to the IOA.

Papers must be presented in one of the three official languages of the IOA.

Papers should not exceed two (2) pages. Every NOA and NOC will have eight (8) minutes at its disposal.

The deadline for sending in the final Word document in electronic format is set for **16 March 2018**.

ACCOMMODATION / BOARDING

Accommodation and boarding expenses of the participants, both in Athens **(only for the nights of 6 and 12 May 2018)**, and in Olympia, for the duration of the Session, will be at the charge of the International Olympic Academy. **Any additional overnight stay in Athens must be taken in charge by the participant.**

Participants who need a VISA to enter Greece should address themselves to the Greek Embassy of their country, where they will submit their application along with an invitation letter from the IOA. Should there be no Greek Embassy in some countries, a VISA from an Embassy of any country member of the European Union could be accepted.

LOCAL TRANSPORT

The IOA will undertake all local transports.

INTERNET

Kindly note that, from the summer of 2001 onwards, the works of the IOA Sessions are transmitted live on the Internet. This offers to thousands of people the opportunity to follow the Sessions from home and take active part in them, by

presenting their questions and remarks. For those interested, the IOA live streaming address on the Internet is the following: www.ioa-sessions.org.

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2. 58th INTERNATIONAL SESSION FOR YOUNG PARTICIPANTS

DATES OF THE SESSION

Arrival in Athens:	Saturday, 16 June 2018
Opening Ceremony (in Athens):	Sunday, 17 June 2018
Departure for Olympia:	Monday, 18 June 2018
Works of the Session:	Tuesday, 19 June – Thursday, 28 June 2018
Departure from Olympia:	Friday, 29 June 2018
Departure from Athens:	Saturday, 30 June 2018

MAIN TOPIC

“The Athlete as a role model”

SPECIAL TOPIC

“Challenges an Olympic Athlete faces as a role model”

ENROLLMENT

Participants should be **strictly 20 to 35 years old** and should have shown ***a special interest in the aims of the IOA***, as well as in **current issues of Olympism**. **In case a participant is under or over the age limit, kindly note that the IOA will be forced to cancel his/her participation at any time during the session.**

Moreover, they should have a genuine interest in the educational aspects of the activities organized in the course of the Session. **NOCs and NOAs are kindly requested to provide their delegates with all the necessary information and hold briefings on the educational role of the IOA prior to the participants' departure.**

The NOCs should collaborate with the NOAs for the selection of the candidates, who should not exceed the number of **three (3) persons**.

Priority during enrollment will be **strictly observed**, subject to the date of receipt of the participation form. Furthermore, priority will be given to those NOCs who have already established a National Olympic Academy and whose nominees **have already participated in one National Session**.

It must be taken into account that the total number of beds available, in both dormitories and double rooms, is limited to 200 units and, therefore, **priority. in this case too. will be strictly observed.**

We would like to remind you that persons who have previously attended an Annual Session for Young Participants of the IOA **will not be accepted** in this particular Session again.

FINAL ENROLLMENT DATE

Participation forms, which you may find enclosed herewith, must be submitted to the IOA by **Friday, the 2nd March 2018 at the latest**. The above deadline will be strictly observed.

We have noticed in the past that many NOCs and NOAs do not submit the application forms in due time. We hereby would like to bring to your attention that **no application submitted after the expiry date will be considered.**

LANGUAGE

All correspondence between the IOA and NOCs or NOAs, must be effected either **in French or in English**, which, together with **Greek**, are the official languages of the IOA. **Kindly note that no correspondence in any other language will be taken into consideration.**

English, French and Greek will be the working languages of the Session. Simultaneous interpretation in these languages will be provided. The texts of the lectures will be available in French, English and Greek.

Participants must have an **excellent knowledge of either English or French**, since they are expected to take active part in the discussion groups which follow the lectures. This is the quintessence of the IOA's activities, i.e., to get people from all over the world to know and contact each other.

We have repeatedly noticed in the past that quite a few participants cannot understand or speak either English or French and consequently, they are unable to participate fully in the works of the Session. Therefore, all NOCs and NOAs are kindly requested **not to send over delegates who do not speak fluently at least one of the above two languages. In an opposite case, please kindly note that the IOA will be forced to cancel their participation at any time during the session.**

In order for their participants to be accepted in the Session, NOCs or NOAs **must submit the relevant certificate of studies** in either English or French.

SHORT PAPERS / PRESENTATIONS

The IOA strongly encourages Olympic medallists and/or athletes who have participated in the Olympic Games to make presentations on topics related to their Olympic experience.

PAPER SUBMISSION

An electronic copy of the paper, in a standard word-processing programme (Word), must be sent to the IOA. Papers must be presented in one of the three official languages of the IOA. Papers should not exceed two (2) pages (8 minutes maximum).

The deadline for sending the final draft of the paper is set for **Friday, the 30th March 2018.**

The IOA is going to select the papers that are going to be presented during the Session.

EXPENSES

A) TRANSPORT

50% of the air ticket(s) (economy class, direct routing) **for one or two participants (if one woman and one man)**, will be reimbursed by **Olympic Solidarity**. The cost of the air-ticket for any additional participant must be covered by the NOC.

The IOA will send the final list of participants to Olympic Solidarity, **upon completion of the Session.**

To benefit from this reimbursement, the NOC must send a financial report using Olympic Solidarity's **online platform**, in line with the 2017-2020 financial guidelines. Once completed, the financial report will require validation by the NOC Secretary General/President/or Proxy as well as the Treasurer/Head of Finance before it is submitted to Olympic Solidarity.

The IOA will take care of the participants' local transport from the 16th June (date set for the arrival of the participants in Athens) **to the 30th June** (date set for departure). **In the case of arrivals or departures earlier or later than the dates mentioned above, the IOA will not meet the participants at the airport, nor will it take care of their accommodation, boarding or transportation until the dates set for their accommodation at the hotel.** The same applies to later departures.

B) ACCOMMODATION / BOARDING

Accommodation and boarding expenses of the participants, both in Athens (**only for the nights of June 16, 17 and 29, 2018**) and in Olympia, for the duration of the

Session, will be at the charge of the International Olympic Academy. **Any additional overnight stay in Athens must be taken in charge by the participants.**

1. No financial assistance whatsoever can be provided to the participants.

2. Participants who need a VISA to enter Greece should address themselves to the Greek Embassy of their country, where they will submit their application along with an invitation letter from the IOA. Should there be no Greek Embassy in some countries, a VISA from an Embassy of any country member of the European Union could be accepted. May we remind you once again that **any cost concerning the issuance of such a VISA should be borne by the participants themselves.**

C) PARTICIPATION FEES

Participation fees for **one male and/or one female participant(s)** per NOC are covered by **Olympic Solidarity.**

The NOCs must cover the participation fees, **amounting to 1000 Euros per person,** for any **additional** male or female participant.

The payment of the participation fees (1000 Euros per person) for any additional participant must be effected **at least ten (10) days prior** to the opening of the Session via crossed cheque or bank transfer made payable to the International Olympic Academy's account:

INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC ACADEMY

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**3. 4th INTERNATIONAL SESSION
FOR OLYMPIC MEDALLISTS OR OLYMPIANS**

DATES OF THE SESSION

Arrival in Athens:	Monday, 2 July 2018
Departure for Olympia:	Tuesday, 3 July 2018
Works of the Session:	Tuesday, 3–Saturday, 7 July 2018
Departure from Olympia:	Sunday, 8 July 2018
Departure from Athens:	Monday, 9 July 2018

MAIN TOPIC

“The athlete as a role model”

SPECIAL TOPIC

“Olympic Medallists & Olympians as role models: their educational role”

ENROLLMENT

Each **NATIONAL OLYMPIC ACADEMY** and **NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE** may enter the Session with one (1) Olympic Medallist or one (1) Olympian.

The **IOC ATHLETES’ COMMISSION** may suggest five (5) of its members to participate in the Session.

Each **INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC SUMMER SPORTS FEDERATION** and each **INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC WINTER SPORTS FEDERATION** may suggest one (1) Olympic Medallist or one (1) Olympian to participate in the Session.

FINAL ENROLLMENT DATE

Participation Forms, which are enclosed, must be submitted **by Friday 30th March 2018 at the latest**.

It must be taken into account that in case applications exceed **the number of sixty (60), priority will be given to the applicants who sent their participation forms first.**

LANGUAGE

Delegates have to speak at least one of the three working languages of the Session, that is English, French and Greek. **Simultaneous interpretation** in these three languages will be provided during the works of the Session. All correspondence should be effected in one of these three languages.

ACCOMODDATION/BOARDING

Accommodation and boarding expenses of the participants, both in Athens (only for the nights of the **2nd and 8th July 2018**) and in Olympia (throughout the duration of the Session) will be taken in charge by the International Olympic Academy.

Each NOA, NOC, International Sports Federation as well as the IOC Athletes' Commission **will have to cover the cost of the air ticket of their delegate to and from Greece.**

Participants who need a VISA to enter Greece should address themselves to the Greek Embassy of their country, where they will submit their application along with an invitation letter from the IOA. Should there be no Greek Embassy in some countries, a VISA from an Embassy of any country member of the European Union could be accepted. May we remind you once again that **any cost concerning the issuance of such a VISA should be borne by the participants themselves.**

LOCAL TRANSPORT

The IOA will undertake all local transports.

LIVE STREAMING

Kindly note that, from the summer of 2001 onwards, the works of the Sessions are transmitted live on the internet. This offers to thousands of people the opportunity to follow the Sessions from home and take active part in them, by presenting their questions and remarks. For those interested, the site of the IOA live streaming of the sessions is the following: www.ioa-sessions.org.

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4. 25th INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON OLYMPIC STUDIES FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS

DATES OF THE SEMINAR

Arrival in Athens:	Saturday, 1 September 2018
Arrival in Olympia:	Monday, 3 September 2018
Works of the Seminar:	Tuesday, 4 – Friday, 28 September 2018
Departure from Olympia:	Saturday, 29 September 2018
Departure from Athens:	Sunday, 30 September 2018

MAIN TOPIC: *“The Olympic Games and the Olympic Movement: Past, Present and Future - An Analysis from the Historical, Philosophical and Social Perspectives”*

SPECIAL TOPIC: *“The Olympic Athlete as a role model”*

This IOA Seminar attracts a multicultural body of postgraduate students of the highest academic standards who are researching topics related to sport and Olympism, and/or who wish to enhance their knowledge and do research on Olympic subjects.

APPLICATIONS

The National Olympic Academies or the National Olympic Committees can propose ONE (1) postgraduate student with outstanding academic achievement, aged up to forty-five (45) years old.

We suggest that the interested National Olympic Academies and National Olympic Committees collaborate with Universities and Olympic Centers of their respective countries so as to select the most competent candidate possible.

The IOA will also address **individual invitations** to Professors of Universities and Higher Institutes of Physical Education in order for them to recommend the participation of Postgraduate students.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

The submission of the application must be accompanied by:

1. a detailed CV of the candidate
2. a copy of identity card, passport or other document proving the age of the applicant
3. two passport-size photos or a passport-size photo in electronic format
4. a recommendation letter from the student's Supervising Professor
5. the Olympic topic the student is doing research on and a two-page summary analysing the topic of the paper
6. official certificates demonstrating the proficiency of the applicant in English

Applications by post to: **Ms Gina Tsiotra**
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Applications by email to: g.tsiotra@ioa.org.gr

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS

The deadline for submission of applications is set on **Friday, April 13 2018. No application submitted after the deadline will be accepted.**

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF PAPERS

If the candidate is finally selected, he/she will have to send the complete draft of his/her paper by **Friday, May 25 2018**. After the completion of the Seminar, the IOA will publish a special edition, which will also be available on the internet,

including the students' papers. Therefore, the IOA strongly encourages the students to have their papers edited in order to meet the requirements of the publication. Otherwise, the papers will not be published.

LANGUAGE

All works of the Seminar are conducted in ENGLISH. Therefore, it is mandatory that participants are fluent in English. **Certificates that demonstrate the proficiency of the applicants in English must be submitted along with the above mentioned supporting documents.**

SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS

The selection of the participants will be based on their qualifications, academic achievements, the topic of their paper and their sports background. Moreover, priority will be given to participants that are recommended by NOCs and NOAs. The total number of participants **will be up to thirty five (35) students.**

ACCOMMODATION / BOARDING

Accommodation and boarding expenses of the participants, both in Athens (**only for the nights of September 1 and September 29, 2018**), and in Olympia will be covered by the International Olympic Academy. **Any additional overnight stay in Athens must be covered by the participant.**

VISA

Participants who need a VISA to enter Greece should address themselves to the Greek Embassy of their country, where they will submit their application along with an invitation letter from the IOA. Should there be no Greek Embassy in their country, they can apply for a VISA to an Embassy of any country member of the European Union. **We would like to remind you once again that any cost concerning the issuance of such a VISA should be borne by the participants.**

TRANSPORT

Participants **must pay for their round-trip air-ticket**. All local transports, related to the official programme of the Seminar, will be undertaken by the IOA. No transportation will be provided to participants arriving earlier than the official arrival date or departing later than the official departure date.

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5. MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME

**The call for applications for the academic year 2018-2019
will be available in March 2018.**

TITLE: "Olympic Studies, Olympic Education, Organization and Management of Olympic Events"

The Department of Sports Organization and Management (in Sparta-Greece) of the University of Peloponnese in collaboration with the International Olympic Academy organizes for the Academic year of 2018-2019 the Master's Degree Programme with the title "**Olympic Studies, Olympic Education, Organization and Management of Olympic Events**".

The Master's Degree Programme for the Olympic Studies constitutes an innovation in the Olympic Movement at an international level and is supported by the **Olympic Solidarity** (International Olympic Committee) with a number of scholarships. The educational programme is based on the three pillars of the Olympic Movement: Education, Sports, and Culture, which constitute the foundation of Olympism and Olympic Pedagogy.

The philosophy of the programme is consistent with the values of the Olympic Movement for the diffusion of the Olympic ideal worldwide, the promotion of knowledge and research in Olympic issues and global participation.

POSTGRADUATE TITLE

The Master's degree Programme's title is "**Olympic Studies, Olympic Education, Organization and Management of Olympic Events**" (MSc).

OBJECTIVES

- The promotion of knowledge and research on issues of Olympic philosophy and Olympic pedagogy, Olympic education, organization and management of Olympic Games, Mega events and in general Olympic studies.
- To provide students with specialized knowledge at a postgraduate level on issues related to Olympic studies as well as the necessary means for their academic, professional or research career.
- To provide a specialized workforce that will organize and direct Olympic and athletic institutions, promote the growth of programmes of Olympic education on an international level and contribute in the creation of a scientific background for the growth and organization of sports.

APPLICATIONS

The following categories of students may be admitted to the Master's Degree Programme; bachelor degree holders from Higher Educational Institutions, preferably officials of National Olympic Academies, National Olympic Committees, the International Olympic Committee, International Federations, National Federations and EU Committees for Education, Culture and Sport or graduates of Centers for Olympic Studies, Schools of Sports Organization and Management, Physical Education, Journalism, Economic Faculties and other Departments, as well as corresponding Departments of recognized institutions of equivalent status. The number of students **is limited to forty (40)**.

DURATION OF PROGRAMME

The duration of the programme is three (3) semesters. Students are required to attend two semesters (fall and spring, 9 weeks per semester) of lectures in Greece. The third semester is dedicated to the preparation of the master thesis at the student's place.

LOCATION

The programme **will take place at the facilities of the International Olympic Academy** in Ancient Olympia and the facilities of the University of Peloponnese in Sparta, Greece.

TEACHING PROGRAMME

The presence of the students at all the lectures is mandatory and the submission of module assignments and examinations at the end of each semester as well as the dissertation project at the end of the 3rd semester will determinate the success of the participants in this programme.

1st Semester

Mandatory Modules

1. The history and philosophy of sport in Antiquity: the birth of sport and its evolution.
2. The modern Olympic Games (revival, historic development of the Summer and Winter Olympic Games - social, political and cultural aspects of the Olympic Games - Olympic Institutions - Olympic Law).
3. Sport and Ethics – Olympic Philosophy.
4. Olympic Pedagogy I: Development and implementation of Olympic education programmes in schools.
5. Research methods in Social Sciences and Olympic Studies.

2nd Semester

Mandatory Modules

1. Olympic Pedagogy II: Development and implementation of Olympic education programmes in schools
2. Olympic Games and major sports events: organization and management
3. Sports marketing and Olympic sponsoring.

Optional Modules (2 from below)

1. Olympic Movement and International relations
2. Sports high performance: Olympic athletes and dual careers
3. Strategic and operational planning of major sports events
4. Financial management of sports organizations
5. The role, organization and operation of Olympic museums and libraries.

3rd Semester

Preparation, submission and presentation of Master's Thesis.

All lectures will be held in English.

COSTS AND FEES

The fees for the programme payable by the students are 4000 Euros (cost per student) for the three semesters. The rest of the total cost of the Programme is covered by the IOA and Sponsors.

INFORMATION

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