



THE GLOBAL FORUM FOR SPORT AND ENVIRONMENT

LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND

30 November and 1 December 2006

Mainstreaming the Environment in Major Sports Events





The Global Forum for Sport and Environment

The Global Forum for Sport and Environment (G-ForSE) is organized every two years by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Japan-based Global Sports Alliance (GSA). G-ForSE brings together international sports organizations and federations, sports clubs, sporting goods manufacturers, civil society organizations, the media and sport personalities.

G-ForSE provides a platform for sport and the environment stakeholders to review sports impact on and contribution to the environment. Specifically, the Forum provides a platform to discuss the integration of environmental issues in the development of sports facilities and equipment and the running of sports events. It also provides a platform to discuss the role of sport in promoting environmental awareness and action and to recognize and promote best practices.

G-ForSE online — www.g-forse.com — provides an extensive database of environmental activities by sport stakeholders. It enables them and the general public to share and view information on the link between sport and the environment.

2006 Global Forum Sport and the Environment (G-ForSE 2006)

G-ForSE 2006 will be held at the Olympic Museum in Lausanne, Switzerland, on 30 November and 1 December 2006. One hundred and fifty participants are expected to attend the Forum which will focus on “mainstreaming the environment in major sports events”.

G-ForSE 2006 participants will review efforts by sport organizations to mainstream the environment in their events. The participants will use experiences of recent sport events — the Helsinki IAAF World Championships, the Turin 2006 Olympic Winter Games and the 2006 FIFA World Cup — as the basis for discussions. Based on the presentations and discussions, the participants will make recommendations on how to further improve and integrate environmental considerations in major sport events.



Tentative Agenda

Thursday 30 November

14:00 – 18:00

19:00 – 21:30

ARRIVAL OF PARTICIPANTS

Field trip

Gala Dinner (Venue to be decided)

Friday 1 December

09:00 – 10:00

10:00 – 10:30

10:00 – 12:30

OPENING SESSION

Keynote addresses:

- Mayor of Lausanne, Mr. Daniel Brélaz
- UN Secretary General's Special Adviser on Sport for Development and Peace, Mr. Adolf Ogi
- President of the International Olympic Committee, Mr. Jacques Rogge
- UNEP Executive Director, Mr. Achim Steiner

Media launch of the Torino 2006 final Sustainability Report and the 2006 FIFA World Cup Green Goal implementation report.

PANEL DISCUSSIONS

Panel 1: Environmental Challenges of Organizing Major Sport Events — the Torino Experience.

Panelists

- UNEP
- Turin 2006 Olympic Organizing Committee (TOROC)
- International Olympic Committee (IOC)
- WWF
- IUCN
- Beijing 2008 Olympic Organizing Committee (BOCOG)
- Vancouver 2010 Olympic Organizing Committee (VANOC)
- Greenpeace International
- Olympic athlete

Panel 2: Environmental Initiatives in Athletics Events — the Helsinki 2005 Experience

Panelists

- International Association of Athletics Federations
- Helsinki 2005
- Greenpeace Helsinki
- Global Sports Alliance
- Athletes

14:30 – 16:30

PANEL DISCUSSIONS

Panel 3: Environmental Challenges of Organizing Major Sport Events — the 2006 FIFA World Cup Experience

Panelists

- Federation International de Football (FIFA)
- Organizing Committee of the FIFA 2006 World Cup
- German Ministry of the Environment
- World Conservation Union (IUCN)
- Greenpeace Germany/WWF Germany
- Friends of the Earth International
- Organizing Committee of the FIFA 2010 World Cup
- Soccer personalities

Panel 4: Environmental initiatives by other sport organizations

Panelists

- International Motorcycling Federation
- International Volleyball Federation
- International Ski Federation
- International Water Ski Federation
- World Federation of the Sporting Goods Industry
- Global Sports Alliance (GSA)
- Sport personalities

17:30 – 18:30

Synthesis of discussions and the way forward for strengthening partnerships on sport and the environment

18:30 – 21:30

DINNER WITH INFORMAL CLOSING

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