

Local Sport in Europe

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Scientific Programme

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■ Preliminary Programme

Time	Thursday 31 May 2007	Friday 1 June 2007	Saturday 2 June 2007	Sunday 3 June 2007
9.30-11.00		Keynote Horst Hübner Local sport activity and sport facilities	Keynote Mait Arvisto Local sport in the transformational process in Eastern Europe	Keynote Fabien Ohl Local sport between identity and economy
11.30-13.00		Parallel Session 1	Parallel Session 4	Parallel Session 7
13.30-14.00		Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
14.30-16.00	Registration	Parallel Session 2	Parallel Session 5	Parallel Session 8
16.30-18.00	Opening ceremony	Parallel Session 3	Parallel Session 6	Panel discussion Local sport in Europe
18.30-20.00	Keynote Gertrud Pfister Local sport in Europe - national and international perspectives	Guided city sightseeing tour	Visit of sport facilities in Münster Guided tour in the open air museum Mühlenhof	Closing ceremony
20.00-	Welcome reception Stadtweinhaus	Visit of traditional brewery Pinkus Müller	Westphalian evening including buffet	Closing reception and barbecue Bennohaus

■ Social Programme

The conference fee includes a variety of social activities.

The welcome reception in the Stadtweinhaus will give the participants the opportunity to get together in a historical setting, where the Peace of Westphalia was negotiated four hundred years ago.

On the second evening, there is the opportunity to join a city sightseeing tour guided by a traditional night watchman. Afterwards we will visit the traditional brewery Pinkus Müller in Münster's old town.

The third evening starts with a visit to several sporting facilities and continues at the open air museum Mühlenhof where the participants will get a guided tour before enjoying a Westphalian buffet and traditional music.

The closing ceremony will also be held in the Stadtweinhaus. Afterwards there will be a bus transfer to the Bennohaus at the canal, where we will enjoy a barbecue and European folk dances.

■ Keynote speeches

Local sport in Europe - national and international perspectives
Gertrud Pfister, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

Thursday 31 May 2007 18.30-20.00

Local sport activity and sport facilities

Horst Hübner, University of Wuppertal, Germany

Friday 1 June 2007 9.30-11.00

Local sport in the transformational process in Eastern Europe

Mait Arvisto, University of Tallinn, Estonia

Saturday 2 June 2007 9.30-11.00

Local sport between identity and economy

Fabien Ohl, University of Lausanne, Switzerland

Sunday 3 June 2007 9.30-11.00

■ Panel discussion

Local Sport in Europe: New Challenges - New Ethics?

Modern sport has to face challenges like doping, corruption, violence, sexual harassment etc. The panel aims at discussing the question whether the traditional moral of sport is able to deal with these challenges, or whether new ethics are needed, particularly in top-level sport.

Host

Prof. Dr. Otmar Weiss, Austria, President of the European Association for Sociology of Sport

Panelists

Jürgen Fischer, Germany

Head of the Federal Institute for Sport Science

Dr. Konstantinos Koukouris, Greece

University of Thessaloniki

Prof. Dr. Michael Krüger, Germany

Head of the Faculty of Sport, University of Münster

Prof. Dr. Andrzej Pawlucki, Poland

University School of Physical Education and Sport, Gdansk

Prof. Dr. Nicola Porro, Italy

University of Cassino

Werner Stürmann, Germany

Head of the Department of Sports in the Ministry of the Interior of North Rhine-Westphalia

- Paralel Session 1 Friday 1 June 2007 11.30-13.00
 - A Sport facilities
 - B Sport and media
 - C Gender issues
 - D Sport and health I

- Parallel Session 2 Friday 1 June 2007 14.30-16.00
 - A Local sport development
 - B Sport activity
 - C Top-level sport I
 - D Tourism and economy

- Parallel Session 3 Friday 1 June 2007 16.30-18.00
 - A Sport and health II
 - B Sport and culture I
 - C Global and local sport events
 - D Sport clubs

- Parallel Session 4 Saturday 2 June 2007 11.30-13.00
 - A Performative ethnographies and (g)local sport - in memoriam Eduardo Archetti
 - B Migration and sport
 - C Public sport policy
 - D Local sport and sport facilities

- Parallel Session 5 Saturday 2 June 2007 14.30-16.00
 - A Sport history
 - B Top-level sport II
 - C Sociology of football
 - D Sport as a social field

- Parallel Session 6 Saturday 2 June 2007 16.30-18.00
 - A Sport and ethics I
 - B Local sport and recreation
 - C From the body to the fitness branch
 - D Sport and culture II

- Parallel Session 7 Sunday 3 June 11.30-13.00
 - A Sport and ethics II
 - B Formal and informal networks
 - C Local sport and theory
 - D Life time sport

- Parallel Session 8 Sunday 3 June 14.30-16.00
 - A Sport and identity
 - B Youth sport
 - C Sporting disciplines at local level
 - D Evaluation, performance, learning and perception

Session A - Sport facilities

- 11.30 A Flemish project for the construction of sport facilities through alternative financing
Paul De Knop, Belgium
- 11.45 Long-term development of sport facilities in European cities
Kimmo Soumi, Finland
- 12.00 A study of the privatization of public sport facilities from a user's perspective
Ryoko Akiyoshi & Yasuo Yamaguchi, Japan
- 12.15 A strategy of sports development in Berlin
Christian Wopp, Germany
- 12.30 Discussion

Session B - Sport and media

- 11.30 Results of an international sports press survey: international events with a national perspective
Thomas Horky, Germany
- 11.45 Visualization of new trends in the development of physical culture in Russia
Irina Bykhovskaya & Nadejda Protasova, Russia
- 12.00 Media - power - emotion
Sven Ismer, Germany
- 12.15 The discourse of able-ism - gendered wheelchair athletes in the Swedish sports media
Kim Wickman, Sweden
- 12.30 Discussion

Session C - Gender issues

- 11.30 Girls football and gender construction
Eva Olofsson, Sweden
- 11.45 Gender stereotyping by Physical Education teachers
Claudia Pinheiro, Portugal
- 12.00 Woman in the world of sport: the sport sociologist's view
Liudmilla I. Lubysheva, Russia
- 12.15 Research on teacher behaviour of gender treatment in Physical Education class
Yueh-Chan Huang & Hu-Hui Wu, Taiwan
- 12.30 Discussion

Session D - Sport and health I

- 11.30 Local leisure sport and youth beliefs about health status
Rui Gomes, Portugal
- 11.45 The social responsibility of the sports organization
Lone Friis Thing, Denmark
- 12.00 Sport and health: the return of the local
Roger Penn & Mary Kiddy, United States of America/United Kingdom
- 12.15 Health education in Physical Education in Finland and North Rhine-Westphalia
Christiane Richter, Germany
- 12.30 Discussion

Session A - Local sport development

- 14.30 Local dealing with external changes
Dino Numerato, Italy
- 14.45 Evaluation of a local sport association in Copenhagen
Linnea Ytting, Denmark
- 15.00 The project design as a means for changing sport activities
Tor Söderström, Staffan Karp & Eva Olofsson, Sweden
- 15.15 Local sport development: solutions and opportunities of the Internet
Richard Förg & Jens Hoffmann, Germany
- 15.30 Analysis of changes in legislation regulating business activities of sport clubs with joint stock company status in Poland in 1989-2006
Andrzej Smolen & Zbigniew Pawlak, Poland
- 15.45 Discussion

Session B - Sport activity

- 14.30 Life strategies of the sportsmen
Lyudmila Mayorova, Russia
- 14.45 Holiday-sports, dancers and non-respondents
Koen Breedveld & Annet Tiessen-Raaphorst, The Netherlands
- 15.00 From the child to Roger Federer: the Swiss sport system
Alessandro Lodi, Switzerland
- 15.15 Sport activity in Europe after the Eastern enlargement of the European Union
Gregor Hovemann & Pamela Wicker, Germany
- 15.30 Discussion

Session C - Top-level sport I

- 14.30 Sport identity and motivation of competitive athletes in Austria
Silvie Bergant, Petra Hilscher & Otmar Weiss, Austria
- 14.45 The expert's work of blessing in elite sport
Pal Augestad, Norway
- 15.00 Socialization, motives and barriers of practising sport for top national athletes in selected sports
Michal Lenartowicz, Zbigniew Dziubinski, Krzyszof W. Jankowski & Piotr Rymarczyk, Poland
- 15.15 A comparison of the individuals who take part and those who do not take part in amateur competitions
Svetlana N. Litvinenko & Liudmilla I. Lubysheva, Russia
- 15.30 Discussion

Session D - Tourism and economy

- 14.30 Ideal types of sport tourists in contemporary society
Hanna Vehmas, Finland
- 14.45 The impact of extracurricular tourist activities on preadolescent personality development
Constantin Pehoiu, Gica Pehoiu, Cristian Savu & Luminita Chesnoiu, Romania
- 15.00 A study of walking tourists focusing on pull factors and physical characteristics
Yasuo Yamaguchi, Ryoko Akiyoshi, Yong-Gyong Park & Shion Lee, Japan
- 15.15 The motives of using aggressive PR-technologies in sport and on the image of sport
Svetlana Averina, Russia
- 15.30 Sport tourism - an overview
Jürgen Schwark, Germany
- 15.45 Discussion

Session A - Sport and health II

- 16.30 Sport and exercise: why do(n't) children do it?
Madleine Frelier & Jan Janssens, The Netherlands
- 16.45 Physical activity and health in a Norwegian secondary school
Bente Ovedie Skogvang, Norway
- 17.00 Sociological essence sportization at Russian schools
Vadim Balsevich, Lyudmila Loubysheva & Alexandr Stradze, Russia
- 17.15 Sport at the neighbourhood level in Flanders (Belgium)
Marc Theeboom, Belgium
- 17.30 Discussion

Session B - Sport and culture I

- 16.30 The Eskimo roll - traditional exercise culture, modern sport
and supreme discipline in the Greenland Kayak Championships
Thomas Schlotter, Germany
- 16.45 Civilizing processes and hurling in Ireland: 1884-2000
John Connolly & Paddy Dolan, Ireland
- 17.00 Sport for all? The practice of sport development cooperation
Bert Meulders & Sebastian Kaiser, Belgium/Germany
- 17.15 Think global - dance local
Gabriele Klein, Elke Koepping & Melanie Haller, Germany
- 17.30 Antecedents of recreation in Mexico
Minaluaztekatl Vasquez Hernandez, Mexico
- 17.45 Discussion

Session C - Global and local sport events

- 16.30 Italian "24-hours football tournaments" as a form of social festivity
Davide Sterchele, Italy
- 16.45 The social impacts of the Olympic Games on the host city
Jun Jie Feng, Finland
- 17.00 A sociological analysis of the World Nature Games, Brazil 1997
Katia Bortolotti Marchi, Brazil
- 17.15 Analysing international sport events from the aspect of project management
Gabriella Dancsecz & Lajos Szabo, Hungary
- 17.30 Fan and flaneur: public viewing as a new quality of watching big sport events
Hans Jürgen Schulke, Germany
- 17.45 Discussion

Session D - Sport clubs

- 16.30 Young Australians using local sport for local transformation
Neil Hall, Australia
- 16.45 The local sport club as an educating agency
Hitoshi Ebishima & Biwako Seikei, Japan
- 17.00 Service orientation and organizational culture in sports clubs
Siegfried Nagel, Germany
- 17.15 From talking shops to constructive partnerships: a case study in community engagement
Chris Stone, United Kingdom
- 17.30 Economic power of Finnish canoeing
Bela Jozsef Pavelka, Finland
- 17.45 Discussion

**Session A - Performative ethnographies and (g)local sport
in memoriam Eduardo Archetti**

- 11.30 Global football in the local-war-zone: George Weah, the UN and transnational networks in Liberia
Gary Armstrong, United Kingdom
- 11.45 Talent export or child trafficking? The complex footballing life of John Obi Mikel
Hans Hognestad, Norway
- 12.00 Understanding the implications of the world's first football franchise
James Rosbrook-Thompson, United Kingdom
- 12.15 Sport and globalization: exploring the social dimensions through football
Richard Giulianotti, United Kingdom
- 12.30 Revolution from the right? Neo-fascism in the twenty-first century Italian football stadia and society
Alberto Testa, United Kingdom
- 12.45 Glocalized bodies
Bernd Bröskamp, Germany
- 13.00 Göttingen 05 - a club dies, the fans survive
Rolf Husmann, Germany

Session B - Migration and sport

- 11.30 Natives vs. migrants: tensions on the football pitch
Jan Janssens & Madeleine Frelie, The Netherlands
- 11.45 Positive futures: the local delivery of a national sports based social inclusion initiative
Donna Woodhouse, United Kingdom
- 12.00 Migrant sport clubs in Germany as a source of local identities
Silvester Stahl, Germany
- 12.15 The frontiers of football: meaning of the ethnic-national origin in professional football teams
Marion Müller, Germany
- 12.30 Discussion

Session C - Public sport policy

- 11.30 The changing role of the local public authority in the sport sector in Poland and the UK
Jolanta Zysko, Poland
- 11.45 The role of local authorities of Czech cities in support of sport: a case study of the capital city of Prague
Miroslav Stanek & Libor Flemr, Czech Republic
- 12.00 Public politics for sport and leisure in the cities of the State of Paraná
Fernando Marinho Mezzadri, Fernando Augusto Starepravo, Robson Reis Privado & Luiziana Guimaraes, Brazil
- 12.15 The impact of public administration reforms on sport policy in the Czech Republic
Irena Slepickova & Miroslav Stanek, Czech Republic
- 12.30 Public sport policy in Münster
Dieter H. Jütting, Germany
- 12.45 Discussion

Session D - Local sport and sport facilities

- 11.30 The demand for sports facilities in a small township of the Münsterland
Ulrike Müller, Germany
- 11.45 Time for sports and physical activity
Annet Tiessen-Raaphorst, Erik van Ingen & Koen Breedveld, The Netherlands
- 12.00 Youth sports environment in Japan: challenges from the schools to the communities
Takahiro Kitamura & Masashi Kawanishi, Japan
- 12.15 Public sport facility operation
Hitomi Sukesue, Kozo Tomiyama & Keiko Matsunaga, Japan
- 12.30 Discussion

Session A - Sport history

- 14.30 Swedish gymnastics as a link between gymnasts from all over the world (1830-1939)
Eva Fredriksson, Sweden
- 14.45 The irruption of sport for all in the city of Barcelona (1975-1982)
Sixte Abadia y Naudi & Xavier Pujadas i Marti, Spain
- 15.00 The history of volleyball in Brazil: the development of sport in the theory of Pierre Bourdieu and Norbert Elias
Wanderley Marchi Jr., Brazil
- 15.15 Ages and transformations of sports culture in an industrial town
Hannu Itkonen, Finland
- 15.30 Discussion

Session B - Top-level sport II

- 14.30 The institutional status of Olympiatoppen in the elite sport system in Norway
Nils Asle Bergsgard, Norway
- 14.45 Coaching as a form of supporting sports coaches
Joanna Femiak, Poland
- 15.00 A new era: female coaches at the top in team handball
Marta Bon, Slovenia
- 15.15 Gender as class in competitive sports: the different meaning of gender in top-level sport
Marion Müller, Germany
- 15.30 Discussion

Session C - Sociology of football

- 14.30 The construction of masculinity in Spanish football
Ramon Llopis Goig, Spain
- 14.45 Local identity and football: Ankaragücü as a symbol of Ankara
Funda Akcan, Ilknur Hacisoftaoglu, Serdar Üstüntas & Nefise Bulgu, Turkey
- 15.00 Islands, mountains and time: a comparison between global football and urbanism
Roberto Bottazzi, United Kingdom
- 15.15 Making money and winning championships - a mission impossible in German football?
Thomas Schroeter & Jürgen Weigand, Germany
- 15.30 Football fans as political players
H. Georg Lützenkirchen & Peter Schüngel, Germany
- 15.45 Discussion

Session D - Sport as a social field

- 14.30 "Ever increasing circles" - exploring the recruiting motivations of coaches in British professional ice hockey
Richard Elliott, United Kingdom
- 14.45 A qualitative study into the development of capital in amateur and professional boxing
John Fulton, United Kingdom
- 15.00 Understanding possibilities of the Brazilian public politics for sports through some of Elias's and Bourdieu's categories
Isabel Cristina Martines & Fernando Marinho Mezzadri, Brazil
- 15.15 Determinant factors for the relation offer/demand of the Brazilian basic sport subfield
Felipe Canan, Marlise Monica Araujo & Fernando Marinho Mezzadri, Brazil
- 15.30 Discussion

Session A - Sport and ethics I

- 16.30 Football mud stars: scandals, urban actors and new stakeholders
Nicola Porro, Italy
- 16.45 Doping in recreational sport
Irena Šlepícková & Libor Fleml, Czech Republic
- 17.00 Violence in sports
Ales Sekot, Czech Republic
- 17.15 Sports, fairness and the use of drugs
Dimitris Platchias, United Kingdom
- 17.30 Sport clubs and sexual orientations
A. Gerwinat, M. Schweer & K. Siebertz-Reckzeh, Germany
- 17.45 Discussion

Session B - Local sport and recreation

- 16.30 Local sport in Münster - running competitions
Steffi Tiedtke, Germany
- 16.45 Enhancing the reputations of sports clubs
Kozo Tomiyama, Japan
- 17.00 Use of outdoor and indoor recreation facilities in Poznan
Iwona Kielbasiewicz-Drozdowska & Beata Pluta, Poland
- 17.15 Social development of youth's physical activity and Japanese Comprehensive Community Sports Club
Ko Narita, Masashi Kawanishi, Fusako Matsumoto & Takahiro Kitamura, Japan
- 17.30 Who's in and who's out? Girls' and boys' gendered socialization in children's football teams
Inger Eliasson, Sweden
- 17.45 Discussion

Session C - From the body to the fitness branch

- 16.30 The social image of the sportive body
Marizabel Kowalski, Brazil
- 16.45 The amputee's body
Ana Luisa Pereira, Rui Corredeira & Ana Isabel Sousa, Portugal
- 17.00 Body values in alpinists and gym academy practitioners
Ana Luisa Pereira, Portugal
- 17.15 The logic of the gym culture
Tor Söderström, Sweden
- 17.30 Factors of success in the fitness branch
Manuela Trillitsch, Germany
- 17.45 Discussion

Session D - Sport and culture II

- 16.30 Sport and multiculturalism - the Canadian experience
Peter Donnelly & Yuka Nakamura, Canada
- 16.45 Classical dance in India and Europe
Kulkanti Barboza, Germany
- 17.00 The adoption of salsa in the local scene of Cologne
Silke Vagt-Keßler
- 17.15 Glocalization and de-territorialization: post-territorial sport
Pippo Russo, Italy
- 17.30 Monuments and streets names honouring sports personalities
Gilbert Norden, Austria
- 17.45 Discussion

Session A - Sport and ethics II

- 11.30 Understanding resistance to the implementation of sports. Equity strategies in English "local" football
Jim Lusted, United Kingdom
- 11.45 Referees' perspective on the theoretical models of violence. The case of violence in Greek basketball
Konstantinos Koukouris & Taxiltaridis Stavros, Greece
- 12.00 Aggression behaviour in sport
Jerzy Kosiewicz, Poland
- 12.15 The sense of the Olympic sport act
Andrzej Pawlucky, Poland
- 12.30 The expression of fair play as an Olympic ideal in teenagers' sporting activities
Asta Budreikaite & Eugeija Adaskeviciene, Lithuania
- 12.45 Discussion

Session B - Formal and informal networks

- 11.30 Grassroot pitches and spontaneous play
Josef Fahlen, Sweden
- 11.45 Community, continuity and commitment in a local Saturday football league in England
Vic Duke, United Kingdom
- 12.00 The community impact as the sporting localism in the new Japanese local professional Baseball league
Masashi Kawanishi, Yukihiro Yabana & Takahiro Kitamura, Japan
- 12.15 Qualitative network analysis of an intersectoral network bridging sport, politics and social youth work
Sascha Alexandra Luetkens, Germany
- 12.30 "We need to push each other". Networking among female snowboarders
Mari Kristin Sisjord, Norway
- 12.45 Discussion

Session C - Local sport and theory

- 11.30 Emerging order in movement
Monika Roscher, Germany
- 11.45 Sport and violence: a study by the figurational theory
Aline Barato Cheluchinhak, Andre Casarotto & Fernando Renato Cavichioli, Brazil
- 12.00 Resistance (or something else?): examining the use of a subcultural resistance framework in the sociology of sport
Michele Donnelly, Canada
- 12.15 The symbolic dimension of Japanese budo
Wojciech J. Cynarski & Kazimierz Obodynski, Poland
- 12.30 Guttman and Weber: a sport analysis at SESI-PR (1948-1958)
Ricardo Joao Sonoda Nunes, Fernando Marinho Mezzadri & Felipe Fagundes, Brazil
- 12.45 Discussion

Session D - Life time sport

- 11.30 A study on the developmental process of lifelong sports in Korea
Young-Kyung Park & Yasou Yamaguchi, Japan
- 11.45 The role of parents and peers in the leisure activities of young adolescents
Ali Zarei & Mahbode Chaman Pira, Iran
- 12.00 The social representation of Physical Education amongst students
Claudia Pinheiro & Leonea Santiago, Portugal
- 12.15 Assessment of the current status of Physical Education for staff members of universities
Mohammad Koushki, Iran
- 12.30 Discussion

Session A - Sport and identity

- 14.30 Sport as a vehicle for a post-national identity? An empirical analysis based on Eurobarometer-data
Charlotte Van Tyckom, Belgium
- 14.45 Local sport as a source of identity
Jakub Mosz, Poland
- 15.00 Social and collective identities of the professors of Physical Education
Sergio Ricardo Quiroga Macleimont, Argentina
- 15.15 Territorial identifications and political uses of surfing on the Aquitanian coast
Christophe Guibert, France
- 15.30 Discussion

Session B - Youth sport

- 14.30 Physical Education and sport as a compound of leisure education in Poland
Beata Pluta & Iwona Kielbasiewicz-Drozdowska, Poland
- 14.45 Brazilian youth, sport and leisure
Fernando Renato Cavichioli, Aline Barato Cheluchinhak & Vitor do Nascimento Augusto, Brazil
- 15.00 The youth as sport spectators
Irena Slepickova & Pavel Slepicka, Czech Republic
- 15.15 Relationship between menarche and anthropometric factors in 14 female athletes of the age 15-17. A longitudinal and correlation study
Christina Burger, J. Taeymans & W. Duquet, Switzerland
- 15.30 Organizational learning concerning physical activity in primary schools
Silke Vagt-Keßler & Tessa Temme, Germany
- 15.45 Discussion

Session C - Sporting disciplines at local level

- 14.30 Why Flamengo?
Marizabel Kowalski, Brazil
- 14.45 Changes in the consumption of leisure activities of Denizli District
Serdar Üstüntas, Turkey
- 15.00 Supporting groups or hooligans at sport events?
Mojca Doupona Topic, Slovenia
- 15.15 Surveying causes of soccer decline in Bushehr province
Daryoush Kajavi & Hassan Khalaji, Iran
- 15.30 Discussion

Session D - Evaluation, performance, learning and perception

- 14.30 Top-level athletes' perception of social support provided by their coach before injury and after it
Romualdas Malinauskas, Lithuania
- 14.45 Thinking for oneself. Playing chess for reflexive learning
Sergio Richardo Quiroga, Argentina
- 15.00 Is there a trade-off between skiing and shooting performance in professional biathlon races?
Joachim Prinz, Germany
- 15.15 Evaluation of the sixth sport Olympiad of girls students at universities of medical sciences
Mohammad Koushki, Iran
- 15.30 The effect of observational practice on learning of valley badminton service: the role of self-efficacy mediation
Poone Mokhtari & Reza Dana, Iran
- 15.45 Discussion

■ Registration Fees

	by 15 March	after 15 March	on-site
EASS member*	250 €	300 €	350 €
non-member	350 €	400 €	450 €
student	150 €	175 €	200 €
accompanying person	150 €	150 €	150 €

*The annual EASS membership fee is 70 €.

■ The registration fee for members and non-members includes:

- Admission to all sessions, poster area and panel discussion
- Conference material and abstract book
- Lunches
- Coffee/tea according to the programme
- Welcome reception (31 May)
- Westphalian evening (2 June) including guided tour in English and buffet
- Closing reception and barbecue (3 June)

■ The registration fee for students includes:

- Admission to all sessions, poster area and panel discussion
- Conference material and abstract book
- Lunches
- Coffee/tea according to the programme
- Welcome reception (31 May)
- Westphalian evening (2 June) including guided tour in English and buffet
- Closing reception and barbecue (3 June)

■ The registration fee for accompanying persons includes:

- Welcome reception (31 May)
- Westphalian evening (2 June) including guided tour in English and buffet
- Closing reception and barbecue (3 June)

■ Payment Methods

German bank account

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Visa, Mastercard and Eurocard are accepted. Detailed information will be given on the online registration form.

■ Conference Location

The Stadtweinhaus is located in the historical centre of Münster near the City Hall, dome and various shopping possibilities.

■ Accommodation

There are several hotels in walking distance to the conference location. Accommodation will be available via the conference website www.eass2007.de. The average price for a single room is about 70-80 Euros a night. There will be a special opportunity for doctoral students to stay with local students. Please consult the conference website or contact the conference office.

■ The Host City

Münster - The home to the Peace of Westphalia

It was in 1648 when Münster already created a name for itself as a "congress location". 150 legations from all over Europe, including their entourage, came to negotiate the end of the Thirty Years War. For four years, Münster had to accommodate and cater not only for its then 10,000 inhabitants, but also for an almost equal number of visitors. A supreme achievement, especially in times of war. But the effort proved worthwhile: the Peace of Westphalia was signed and sealed at Münster's Town Hall.

Today, Münster is a young and modern city with 280,000 inhabitants, including more than 40,000 students, an innovative and strong economic location, and a city of science and savoir vivre. Still, it has remained faithful to its tradition being a city full of history, culture, atmosphere, scenery and culinary delicacies. Apart from being a university town, Münster is a Hanseatic City, the bicycle capital of Germany and one of the member cities of the "Historic Highlights of Germany".

■ European Association for Sociology of Sport (EASS)

The European Association for Sociology of Sport (EASS) was established with the aim of promoting closer co-operation and networking between experts dealing with social issues related to physical activity and sport in Europe. This is particularly important today due to the emergence of a new social structure at the European level, and the ways in which sport is affected by alterations in ethics, politics, economics, organization and legislation. Scientific analysis of these issues and joint efforts to promote the sociology of sport in Europe seem to be necessary steps to take particularly at this historical moment in time when Eastern European countries are being integrated into the European Union. For more information please visit the EASS website at www.eass-sportsociology.eu.

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