



EDITORIAL

At the 125th IOC Session, which will be held in Buenos Aires (Argentina) in September, the IOC members will elect the new IOC President and the host city of the Games of the XXXII Olympiad in 2020, as well as making a decision on its Olympic programme. These decisions will affect the IOC and the Olympic Movement over the next few years. The OSC, with support from the IOC General Management, is also looking towards the future and has introduced changes to its activities programme in order to strengthen Olympic research and collaboration opportunities with the university community. You will find in this edition useful information on these new OSC developments and on other IOC activities which, we hope, will attract your attention and be useful to you in your Olympic activities. Enjoy your read!

OSC NEWS

- IOC OSC opens Research Programme to offer more opportunities for academic research

In order to continue empowering the IOC Olympic Studies Centre (OSC)'s commitment to collecting, enriching and disseminating Olympic knowledge, this year the OSC is launching a larger research programme giving more opportunities for academic research with a humanities or social sciences perspective. These programmes are aimed at the university community and have the following three main objectives:

1. To support early career researchers through a PhD students' Research Grant Programme;
2. To encourage established researchers to conduct projects in IOC priority fields of research through an Advanced Olympic Research Grant Programme, and finally
3. To respond to specific IOC research needs through an open call for proposals.

The 2014 edition of the **PhD Students Research Grant Programme** was launched in April. The [complete explanatory document](#) and the [application form](#) are available on our website. Application files should be sent to the **OSC by email** by 27 September 2013.

The new **Advanced Olympic Research Grant Programme** (2014/2015 edition) is addressed to university professors, lecturers and research fellows who have completed their doctorate or equivalent terminal degree and who currently hold an academic/research appointment covering the period of the grant. Applicants will have to submit proposals directly linked to the priority fields of research identified in the grant programme. A more detailed communication will be sent to the OSC academic contacts next October informing them of the publication of the rules and application form on [our website](#).

The **call for proposals** for specific applied research projects responding to the specific needs of the IOC departments will be launched at a later date. Further communication will be sent out in due course.

- The library is now making available to researchers **268 LOCOG publications**, including 180 in open access, in [our digital library](#).

IOC & OLYMPIC MOVEMENT ACTIVITIES

- A series of **IOC educational videos** exploring the "Games behind the scenes" and providing a comprehensive overview of the many facets of hosting the Games can be viewed on YouTube. You will find a catalogue and links to all videos available on the Olympic Games, the Youth Olympic Games and the Paralympic Games [here](#). The catalogue will be updated on a regular basis. We encourage you to make use of these audio-visual resources for your academic activities.

- The **declaration** issued from the 3rd **International Forum on Sport, Peace and Development** held in New York last 5 and 6 June and the IOC's latest report "**Olympism in Action – Sport Serving Humankind**", are now available via the [IOC website](#). The Forum was jointly organised by the IOC and the UN Office on Sport for Development and Peace, with the support of the United States Olympic Committee, and aimed to assess the successes and challenges of using sport as a tool for human development and peace promotion.

- The fourth meeting of the Founding Working Group (FWG) on the **Fight against Irregular and Illegal Betting in Sport** was held in May and concluded with the approval of a set of recommendations aimed at bolstering education on the issue, addressing monitoring, exchange of information and intelligence, and legislation. These recommendations deal with the following three topics: "Education and Information", "Monitoring, Intelligence and Analysis" and "Legislation and Regulation". Additional information on this subject is available [here](#).

- We invite you to discover "**Get Moving!**", a **Sport for All toolkit** published by the IOC under the initiative of its Sport for All Commission on the occasion of the 15th IOC World Conference on Sport for All held in Lima (Peru) in April. This guide has been designed to be an informative and useful digital platform providing Olympic Movement organisations with knowledge, understanding and tools to improve or create Sport for All programmes worldwide.

- A new **consensus statement on concussion in sport** is available on the [IOC Medical Commission web section](#). This statement is an outcome of the Fourth International Consensus Conference on Concussion in Sport, held in November 2012 in Zurich, and aimed at defining the best ways to manage and prevent cases of concussion in sport.