



Jordan Olympic Committee signs agreement with Peace and Sport to support refugees in Jordan

08 December 2017; Monaco: The Jordan Olympic Committee (JOC) and Peace and Sport have today signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to promote sport as a tool for social development in refugee camps in Jordan.

The agreement, signed at the 10th Peace and Sport International Forum in Monaco, will see the JOC and its National Federations join forces with Peace and Sport to strengthen the “Live Together” programme in Za’atari and expand into other refugee camps in Jordan.

The “Live Together” programme, launched by Peace and Sport, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and the JOC earlier this year, brings together stakeholders from the world of sport and the peace-building community to work side by side for social development. The programme aims to increase the quality and quantity of sport activities in refugee camps around the world and address the educational, social and developmental needs of refugees of all ages through sport.

The JOC will provide local expertise and logistical support to ensure that sport can play a healing role for children within refugee camps in Jordan.

Nasser Majali, Secretary General of the Jordan Olympic Committee said:

“I am delighted to agree this partnership with Peace and Sport that will benefit thousands of refugee children in Jordan. I share the belief that sport can be a genuine and effective mechanism for building peace.

“The last ten years have brought turbulent changes around the world, which have led to a huge rise in the number of refugees worldwide. By working with organisations like Peace and Sport we can use the power of sport and the Olympic values to change lives and make a real difference. We look forward to starting work immediately, so that future generations may know peace.”

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