

# THE UNITED NATIONS AND SPORT FOR DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

## KEY MILESTONES

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| 2000 | September | UN Millennium Summit: Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) established.  |
| 2001 |           | <b>Special Adviser to the UN Secretary-General on Sport for Development and Peace, Mr. Adolf Ogi, appointed.</b><br>Period of evaluation of sport for development and peace prior to the establishment of further institutional mechanisms.   |
|      | November  | UN Inter-Agency Task Force on Sport for Development and Peace established.  |
| 2002 | February  | 1st International Conference on Sport and Development (Magglingen, Switzerland).  |
| 2003 | March     | <b>Landmark report published of the UN Inter-Agency Task Force on Sport for Development and Peace: "Sport for Development and Peace: Towards Achieving the Millennium Development Goals".</b>   |
|      | November  | UNGA Resolution 58/5 adopted "Sport as a means to promote education, health, development and peace", proclaiming 2005 as the International Year for Sport and Physical Education (IYSPE).   |
| 2004 | August    | <b>Establishment of the Sport for Development and Peace International Working Group (SDP IWG).</b>  |
|      | November  | Official launch of the International Year of Sport and Physical Education at UN Headquarters, New York by the Secretary-General. Adolf Ogi appoints Roger Federer and Margaret Okayo as Spokespersons for IYSPE 2005.   |
|      | October   | UNGA resolution 59/10 adopted, "Sport as a means to promote education, health, development and peace".  |
| 2005 |           | <b>International Year of Sport and Physical Education (IYSPE 2005).</b><br>125 UN Member States involved: 70 countries from all continents set up national committees or national focal points to plan, coordinate and implement national observance of the Year; in addition, 52 other countries reported on commemorative activities without having officially appointed such a national focal point.<br>20 international and over 18 regional conferences were organized during the year connecting the role of sport with the issues of development, health, culture, environment, peace, gender and education. |
|      | June      | International Toolkit Sport for Development launched.   |
|      | September | UNGA resolution 60/1, "World Summit Outcome".   |
|      | October   | <b>UNESCO International Convention against Doping in Sport adopted.</b>   |
|      | November  | UNGA resolution 60/9 adopted, "Sport as a means to promote education, health, development and peace"  |
|      | December  | 2nd International Conference on Sport and Development (Magglingen, Switzerland).  |
| 2006 | October   | UN Report published on the International Year of Sport and Physical Education (IYSPE 2005).   |
|      | November  | UNGA resolution 61/10 adopted, "Sport as a means to promote education, health, development and peace" which takes note of the Action Plan in the report of the Secretary-General (A/61/373) which serves as an initial road map for a three-year period to expand and strengthen partnerships, sport for development and peace programmes and projects and advocacy and communications activities.  |
| 2007 | February  | <b>UNESCO International Convention against Doping in Sport enters into force.</b>   |
|      | March     | <b>Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and its Optional Protocol opens for signature.</b> Article 30 provides that States Parties take appropriate measures to enabling persons with disabilities to participate on an equal basis with others in recreational, leisure and sporting activities.  |
|      | December  | Adolf Ogi concludes his mandate as Special Adviser.   |
| 2008 | March     | <b>Wilfried Lemke, of Germany, appointed as Special Adviser to the UN Secretary-General on Sport for Development and Peace</b>  |
|      | August    | Beijing Olympic Games.<br><b>Publication of the Final Report of the Sport for Development and Peace International Working Group (SDP IWG): "Harnessing the Power of Sport for Development and Peace: Recommendations to Governments"</b>  |

### For further information:

- <http://www.sportanddev.org>: an international platform for all actors involved and interested in the field of sport for development and peace.
- <http://www.un.org/sport>: the website of the United Nations Office on Sport for Development and Peace (UNOSDP).



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