Dear members of EASS,

The 16th EASS congress in Bø has been a memorable one. We once again thank the organizers for their hard work and for successfully organizing our annual congress. A steady number of about 175 scholars visit the EASS congresses each year. We are curious what the number of attendees will look like next year at our first visit to the UK for EASS2020 in Southampton.

Unfortunately, the good representation of scholars at our annual congresses is currently not reflected in our membership rates. As a member organization, we should bare in mind that our existence is partly defined by our member base. Consequently, the EASS board has defined recruiting and retaining members as one of the biggest challenges for the upcoming years. In order to succeed in increasing our number of members, we call on you, as member of our organisation, to help us in this challenge.

This starts of course with paying your membership fee and continuing your well-appreciated involvement in our organisation. In addition it would be of value if you could also stimulate others to become a member of EASS.

Our membership currently provides clear advantages with the reduced registration fee for our congresses and full access to our journal (EJSS - European Journal for Sport and Society). However, we are looking for ways to make a membership of EASS even more valuable and appealing. We aim to present our ideas at our General Assembly in Southampton. If you have any thoughts on this in the meantime, please share these with us.

Hopefully, I see many of you in Southampton next year at our conference as well as at our General Assembly. More information on the conference can be found in this newsletter. Other topics featuring in this newsletter are a recap of the EASS2019 congress, the call for papers for the Young Researcher Award, an international Winter school in sport sciences, call for papers for a youth and winter sports congress, and a call to submit biddings for the EASS2022 or EASS2023 congress.

Enjoy reading this newsletter!

Remco Hoekman
President EASS
Successful and enjoyable 16th eass Conference in Bø on Sports and the Environment

The 16th eass conference was held in Bø from 3–6 of June 2019 hosted by the Department of Sports, Physical Education and Outdoor Studies at the youngest university of Norway, the University of South-Eastern Norway. This is the first time an EASS conference was held in Norway. Bø, a breathtakingly beautiful and friendly village in Telemark with little over 6,500 inhabitants, hosted 177 conference participants from Europe, Asia, Oceania, and North America with the conference theme ‘Sports and the Environment: Policies, Values, and Sustainability’. During the four days of the conference papers were presented in 12 parallel sessions and 4 special sessions. Keynote speeches were given by Jan Ove Tangen (USN) with the titled ‘Is Sport Sustainable? A Simple Question and a Knotty; prof. Holly Thorpe’ (University of Waikato, New Zealand) with key note titled ‘Sport in Extreme Environments: Reimagining Spaces of Pleasure, Hope, and Despair’; prof. Thomas Hylland Eriksen (University of Oslo, Norway) on ‘The Treadmill Paradox: Sports in an Overheated World’, and Dr. Liv Yoon, a Postdoctoral Fellow at the Earth Institute at Columbia University in New York City (US) on ‘Forest through the Trees: The Politics of Sport Mega-Event-related Environmental Issues’.

WELCOME TO EASS2020 IN SOUTHAMPTON IN MAY 18-21

Stay tuned: Call for abstracts will open 15 November.
Visit conference pages at

https://www.solent.ac.uk/solent-sport/eass-2020-conference

Jo Grønlund (middle) hands over the conference hosting to Mihaly Szerovay (left) in Bø.
International Winter School in Sport Sciences
7-17 Jan 2020, Jyväskylä, Finland

The International Winter School in Sport Sciences has brought annually approximately 40 Sport Management students, researchers and experts from all over the world. The programme is offered in English and is intended for undergraduate and graduate students interested especially in Social Sciences of Sport or Sport Management.

**Duration:** 7-17 Jan 2020, 2 weeks

**Courses and others:**
**International Perspectives to Organisation and Management of Sport** - 1st week, 7-10 January 2020, (2 - 4 ECTS credits). Sport Management and Organization of Sport from the perspective of various countries and regions.


**Winter Sports** - held simultaneously with the other two courses. Practical winter sport lessons for all levels. The activities include snow walking, outdoor trips, cross-country skiing, downhill skiing, snowboarding, ice skating and ice-hockey (1 ECTS credit).

**Other activities include** Opening evening, sauna get-together, recreational outdoor activities, Finnish Ice-Hockey League match, closing dinner ceremony. In addition to the side activities, there will be a fulltime tutor assisting all students for practical matters.

Call for papers, Congress of Youth and Winter Sports, Lausanne Switzerland on January 7th and 8th, 2020

We would like to cordially invite you to the Congress of Youth and Winter Sports which will be held at the University of Lausanne, Switzerland on January 7th and 8th, 2020. The congress is organized with partnership of the EPFL, CHUV, and SmartMove network in collaboration with the IOC – Olympic Center Studies and ThinkSport.

In the days preceding the 2020 Winter Youth Olympics, we welcome you to join us for a multidisciplinary scientific program with special focus on young elite athletes and winter sport. The combination of research institutes and international sport organizations in a winter sport environment will allow for networking and collaborative ideas to be shared while gaining momentum for the future of youth sport.

We are pleased to introduce our highlighted keynote speakers: Miléna Parent (Canada), Andrew Stephan Denning (USA), Erich Müller (Austria), Hans-Christer Holmberg (Sweden), Holger Preuss (Germany), Oyvind Sandbakk (Norway), and Stéphane Bouthiaux (France), of whom will share insight into many aspects of winter sport and success in the development of youth athletes.

Please find supporting information about the congress including information on the disciplinary sections of social sciences, technology, and physiology-medicine, along with abstract submission, registration, and logistical information via the following website: wp.unil.ch/cyws20/

For inquiries, please contact us via email at CYWS20@unil.ch

We look forward to seeing you in Lausanne in 2020!
All the best,
Organizers of the Congress of Youth and Winter Sports 2020

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Young Researcher Award 2019 — CALL FOR PAPERS

The European Association for Sociology of Sport is proud to announce the 12th Eass Young Researcher Award. The aim of the award is to facilitate the integration of outstanding graduate students and young researchers into the European community of sociology of sport scholars. The award will be granted to a scholarly paper authored by a young researcher, which is deemed by a panel of judges to be of highest quality. The winning author will be invited to receive the award and present the paper at the Annual Conference of the Eass, to be hosted by Southampton Solent University in 18-21 May 2020 (https://www.solent.ac.uk/solent-sport/eass-2020-conference). The winning paper may be considered for publication in the European Journal for Sport and Society, should the author wish to submit it.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF SUBMISSIONS: 31st January 2020

Selection Committee 2019:
Dr Mahfoud Amara (University of Qatar), Dr Tamas Doczi (University of Budapest), Dr Belinda Wheaton (University of Waikato), Dr Davide Sterchele (Leeds Beckett University).

All papers and enquiries should be sent to Dr Davide Sterchele at d.sterchele@leedsbeckett.ac.uk

Eligibility:
- Any student who is registered for master or doctoral level graduate work at the time her or his paper is submitted.
- Any researcher, younger than 35, who was awarded PhD not earlier than 2 years before the submission deadline of the YRA call for papers.
- The committee will accept only one submission per author.

Awards:
- The winning author will be invited to attend the Eass conference free of charge and to present the paper to the plenary session during the closing ceremony, in which they will receive a €500 monetary prize sponsored by Eass.
- Eass sponsored prize of membership in Eass for the year after which the award is also granted.
- The panel of judges may also give one honourable mention. Young researchers receiving an honourable mention will also have their papers accepted for presentation in a parallel session at the Eass conference free of charge and will receive a €250 monetary prize sponsored by ENGSO Youth.
- The name of all winning authors will be posted on the Eass website (see: http://www.eass-sportsociology.eu/award-winners/)

Requirements:
- Candidates will submit a scholarly paper on a topic that is of interest to the European sociology of sport academic community. Please submit two separate files: the first one must contain the title of the paper and the full contact information of the author; the second one must contain the title, the abstract and the full text of the paper (here the author should remain anonymous).
- Papers with a length of over 8,500 words (references included) will not be considered.
- Papers must be original, i.e. not already submitted elsewhere.
- Papers must be single-authored (please contact Dr Davide Sterchele if you need clarification).
• Authors will submit a letter, signed by her or his academic advisor, verifying their student status or the date of their PhD completion (not earlier than 2 years before the submission deadline).
• Authors will comply with the publications guidelines of EJSS (see: http://www.tandfonline.com/action/authorSubmission?show=instructions&journalCode=ress20)
• Papers should be sent to the Award Committee Chair in electronic copy (Microsoft Word).
• When sending the full paper for the YRA, those authors who plan to attend the conference regardless of the YRA results must also submit their abstract separately via the on-line submission system of the general conference.

Further information about the Award at: http://www.eass-sportsociology.eu/awards/

CALL FOR BIDDINGS – EASS CONFERENCES

We warmly invite colleagues and academic institutions to express their interest in hosting the upcoming eass conferences, particularly in 2022 and 2023. Eass conferences offer an excellent opportunity to gather colleagues in social sciences of sport to present and discuss the recent research outcomes, and to further develop new ideas in academic collaboration. The conferences are also good opportunities to enhance visibility and awareness of your academic institutions and cities more broadly.

If you are interested in sending in your bid, please contact the President of eass, Dr Remco Hoekman (rhost@mulierinstituut.nl) or Secretary General Dr Hanna Vehmas (hanna.m.vehmas@jyu.fi) for further information.

Upcoming conferences:
EASS2021 will be held in
BUDAPEST