



## **Applications for the Peace and Sport Awards are open!**

From today until October 15, registrations for the Peace and Sport Awards 2022 will be open for stakeholders on sport for development and peace.

Created in 2008, the annual Peace and Sport Awards reward organizations and individuals who have made an important contribution to peace, dialogue and social change in the world through sport.

Throughout the years, the Peace and Sport Awards have become a distinguished reference in the peace-through-sport movement: the winners of these prestigious prizes are a source of inspiration for other stakeholders on how to use sport as a tool for social development and peace.

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On November 30, during the Peace and Sport International Forum, the prestigious Peace and Sport Awards celebration will honour organisations and individuals for their contribution to peace through sport under the following categories:

1. April6 initiative of the Year
2. NGO of the Year
3. Special Jury Prize
4. Institution of the Year
5. CSR Initiative of the Year
6. Champion for Peace of the Year

The “Champion for Peace of the Year” Award, awarded in previous years to Rudy Gobert - NBA player and pivot of the French basketball team, Lionel Messi - Paris Saint-Germain striker and 7 times Ballon d'Or winner, or Siya Kolisi - South Africa's iconic rugby captain, will be one of the main highlights of the Awards Gala Diner and will recognise an athlete's exceptional commitment to inclusion and dialogue.

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Numerous personalities, including H.S.H. Prince Albert II of Monaco, Patron of Peace and Sport, the Vice-President of Peace and Sport Didier Drogba, the Director of IRIS Pascal Boniface, the Director of the Outreach Division in the United Nations Department of Global Communications Maher Nasser, IOC Member and AKWOS Founder Felicite Rwemarika, and Champions of Peace committed to the Organisation, are expected to attend the panels of the International Forum and the Peace and Sport Awards gala evening.

**President and Founder of Peace and Sport Joël Bouzou** has declared:

*“With an innovative hybrid format that will allow for both in-person and virtual participation, the Forum will offer a unique opportunity to place peace-through-sport at the heart of the debates and generate concrete answers to build more inclusive and peaceful societies. The Peace and Sport Awards are a key component of the Peace and Sport International Forum. From specific field programs to global initiatives, these prizes will reward projects and best initiatives that are symbolic of sport’s capacity to reconcile divided or opposed communities. We hope to receive many applications!”*

### **About the Peace and Sport International Forum**

Over the years, the Peace and Sport International Forum has become a major event on the international scene. The 13th edition of the Forum, which marks the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Peace and Sport, will bring together decision-makers, strategic players from the world of sport and business, civil-society representatives and international organizations to reflect on the theme “Sport, an answer for peace”. High-level delegates and speakers will identify and share solutions to build more inclusive and peaceful societies through the power of sport.

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### **Peace and Sport’s 2022 milestones**

- **March 2022:** Statement « Sport as a force for peace » calling for dialogue amidst the invasion in Ukraine and signed by more than 700 personalities including 30 Olympic Gold medallists.
- **April 6:** Unprecedented mobilisation on the occasion of the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace, reaching a potential audience of more than 171 million people.
- **July 1st:** Peace and Sport presents the white jersey and the WhiteCard trophy to Tadej Pogacar during the 1st stage of the Tour de France.
- **August 11:** Peace and Sport supports young athletes leading the change by creating a Junior Champions for Peace Club including 6 athletes from different sports and backgrounds.
- **September 9:** Peace and Sport becomes charity partner of the AS Monaco FC in the Europa League.

- **September 21:** The Group l'Équipe/France Football has joined forces with Peace and Sport to create a societal award as part of the Ballon d'Or Ceremony (October 17): The Sócrates Prize.
- **23-25 September:** Exceptional edition of the Friendship Games in Colombia, involving international football player Eliaquim Mangala and Champions for Peace Honey Thaljih and Marlene Harnois.