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The International Pierre de Coubertin Committee preserves, analyses and disseminates the works and thoughts of Pierre de Coubertin

It remains necessary to archive, analyse and disseminate the writings and ideas of Coubertin. Only by doing so will it be possible to achieve an objective and comprehensive picture of Coubertin, his initiative for the reintroduction of the Olympic Games and his ideas to promote sport as a tool for social change and transcultural respect.

The IPCC looks forward to future projects, activities and events with excitement and conviction. Nevertheless, it should not be forgotten that Coubertin developed his educational ideas and initiatives at the close of the 19th century and in the first three decades of the 20th century. As times have changed, it is essential to adapt and provide a modern reading of Coubertin to stress his relevance in the present day in a realistic manner.



BUST OF PIERRE DE COUBERTIN BY KARLHEINZ OSWALD

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Welcome message Dr Thomas Bach, IOC President



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Making sport a force for good in the world was central to the thinking of Pierre de Coubertin, when he founded the International Olympic Committee in 1894. For him, the Olympic Games were always much more than just a sporting event. He was an educator, so from the very beginning, sport and education were linked to the Olympic Games.

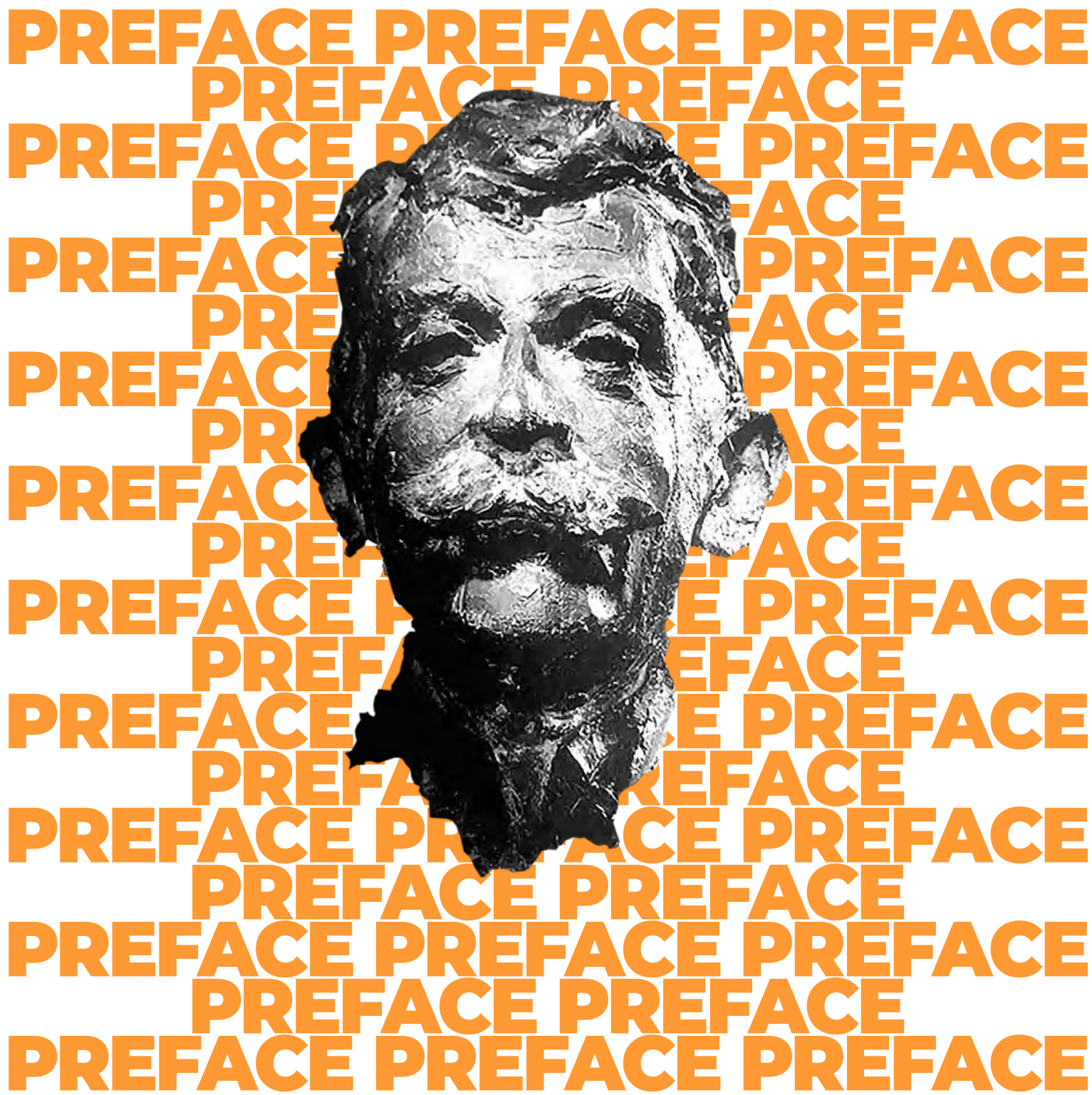
Coubertin wanted to make the world a better place through sport and its values. This remains the overarching mission of the IOC and the Olympic Movement to this day. This intrinsic connection between sport and education is also at the heart of the initiatives of the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee.

This book highlights the important contribution of the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee and its members to keep the visionary ideas of our founder alive in the hearts and minds of people around the globe through its numerous scientific and educational activities on all five continents.

My heartfelt thanks and gratitude go to the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee and all its members for their commitment to inspiring the young generation with our timeless Olympic values.

Thomas Bach

Lausanne, 2 September 2022



Preface

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PORTRAIT OF THE YOUNG
PIERRE DE COUBERTIN // © IOC

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE (IOC) FOR ITS SUPPORT IN THE FOUNDATION OF OUR COMMITTEE AND ITS RECOGNITION OF THE IPCC IN 1984. THE IOC'S SUPPORT HAS BEEN FUNDAMENTAL TO THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THE IPCC SINCE ITS CREATION IN 1975.



This publication provides an overview of the individual members of the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee (IPCC), the National Pierre de Coubertin Committees and the International Network of Pierre de Coubertin Schools. It describes the IPCC and those who keep alive the spirit of Pierre de Coubertin (1863-1937), showing that his ideas are integrated in today's world.

It aims to provide all members with an opportunity to communicate and interact with one another in a concise way and to strengthen their collaboration within the areas of their individual interests. It also seeks to facilitate communication and increase awareness about the IPCC and its place in society. We encourage you to visit our website, <https://www.coubertin.org>, and to enter into dialogue with us on the life and work of Pierre de Coubertin, the academic activities of the IPCC and its educational knowledge transfer projects.

HOW THIS PROJECT EVOLVED

In July 2019, Natalia Camps Y Wilant and Stephan Wassong discussed the idea of developing an IPCC members' directory. This initial discussion led to the preparation of a standardized questionnaire to collect all of the members' data and compile the information in a printed booklet. At the IPCC Board meeting in November 2019, the project was approved by the participants and the project team, accompanied by Elvira Ramini, started the pilot phase by sending test questionnaires to randomly chosen individual members and national committees. The idea was to present the successful result of the pilot phase and the collected data sample at the IPCC Board meeting in March 2020 so that the Board members would approve the project, its pragmatic management and, above all, the value of its expected results.

Unfortunately, at the beginning of 2020, the Covid-19 virus spread worldwide, slowing down daily life, and consequently also affected work on this project. As a result, the Board members cancelled the planned meeting and some projects were put on hold during the following months, among them the members' directory.

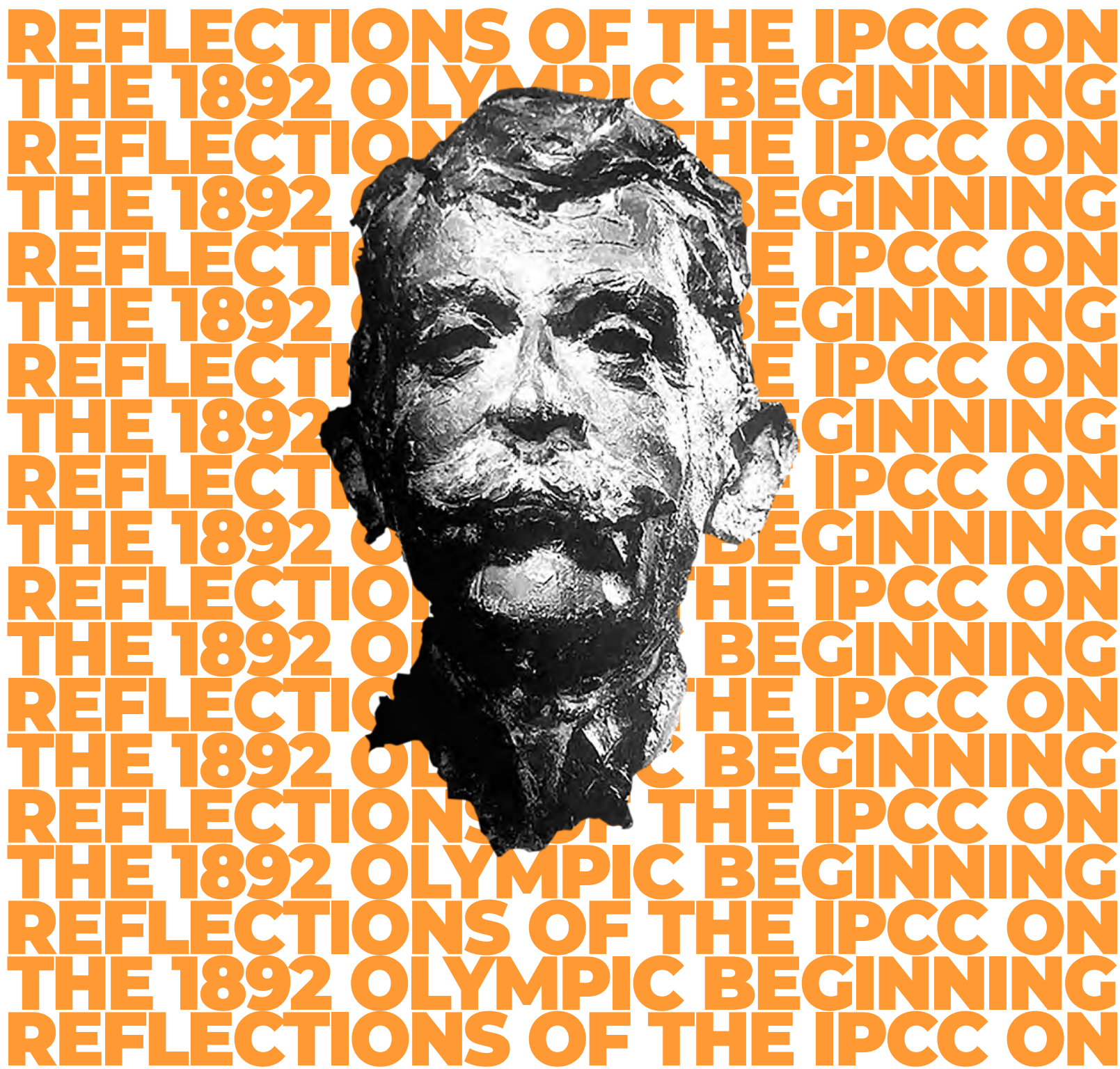
Luckily, the project was picked up again in December 2020. The questionnaires were successfully sent out to all members. Out of 116 individual members, 73 participated, equivalent to a return rate of 85%. The return rate was 100% for the national committees, including one additional committee newly recognized by the IPCC in the intervening period.

The paper shortage within the printing industry in the autumn of 2021 was another drawback, and the project fell behind schedule. The project team did not want to jeopardize the desired quality of the project, so another postponement was proposed and accepted by the Board members in December 2021. At the following General Assembly in January 2022, a new publication date was agreed upon for the summer of 2022. The following months were spent creating the layout, editing and proofreading and finally distributing the publication among all the IPCC members.

In conclusion, it is important to stress that the project does not end with this publication. A database will allow for an additional digital portrait of the IPCC. It will be more than a mere list of members. It will enable communication and administrative functionalities that will facilitate processes on an individual, national and international level. Currently, the database project team, made up of Marco Tomasini, Elvira Ramini and Natalia Camps Y Wilant, is working on different tasks. The release of the database platform is planned for the spring of 2023.

Natalia Camps Y Wilant, Elvira Ramini and Stephan Wassong

Lausanne, 2 September 2022



Reflections
of the IPCC
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Pierre de Coubertin presented his idea to revive the modern Olympic Games for the first time in public at the fifth anniversary of the Union des Sociétés Françaises de Sports Athlétiques (USFSA) in November 1892. The USFSA was the umbrella organization for the promotion of sport in France, founded in 1889 and later joined by Coubertin. The place for the speech was well chosen, as it was the auditorium of the old Sorbonne, attributing academic value to the celebration and his idea of the re-establishment of the modern Olympic Games. At the end of his 14-page speech, Coubertin said the following:

“As for athletics in general, I do not know what its fate will be, but I wish to draw your attention to the important fact that it presents two new features (...). It is democratic and international. (...). As for the second, it opens an unexpected prospect to us. (...). Let us export rowers, runners and fencers; this is the free trade of the future, and the day that it is introduced into the everyday existence of old Europe, the cause of peace will receive new and powerful support.

That is enough to encourage me to think now about the second part of my programme. I hope that you will help me as you have helped me thus far and that, with you, I shall be able to continue and realize, on a basis appropriate to the condition.” (see photo of page 14 of the facsimile).

Despite the passive reaction, the topic had been addressed officially and recognized by a sport-oriented public. This probably paved the way for Coubertin's success in 1894 in Paris when it was decided to re-establish the modern Olympic Games. Between 25 November 1892 (the date of the speech) and 23 June 1894 (the day the decision was taken), Coubertin found support for his idea in France, Great Britain and the USA. Hence, the speech delivered in November can be regarded as the foundation speech for the modern Olympic Games.

IPCC President Stephan Wassong has been analysing Coubertin's speech in his lectures and publications. He highlights the following central ideas:

In his speech, Coubertin stresses the ancient roots of sport, which he links to physical culture in ancient Greece. However, his main focus was the development of modern sport and the fact that sport had to be regarded as an educational tool for character development and hence as a vehicle to support the education of the modern citizen.

According to Coubertin, the educational role of sport was coined in scholastic contexts at English public schools (private, mainly boarding, schools) and universities. It seemed to be important for him to mention that sport and its educational value spread to the world from

England. He refers among other things to countries of the Commonwealth, the USA and France. Coubertin's views were based on data collected by way of an international survey which he himself carried out in 1889 to analyse the increasing prestige of sport in educational settings. He carried out the survey for the International Congress on Physical Education, which he co-organized during the 1889 Paris World Fair. The survey is one of the very first conducted on the status of physical education on the international level.

In his speech, Coubertin stresses the fact that sport had developed into an international phenomenon, which was enjoying increasing popularity worldwide. For him, this was the motivation for expanding the educational impact of sport by adding an international dimension to it. He clearly stresses this view at the end of his speech, which makes it vital in terms of understanding the reason behind Coubertin's intention to revive the Olympic Games. Coubertin argues that the international nature of sport was the prerequisite to bringing athletes from different nations together, an objective that was supported by the innovations in the transport system at that time. He certainly recognized this novelty and encouraged advocates of sport to use it to their advantage.

After further analysis of this part of Coubertin's speech, one could assert that the aim of international meetings should not be athletic competition only. According to Coubertin, international athletic festivals/competitions should provide an opportunity to communicate with representatives of other nations and learn more about their cultures, thus reducing mistrust and prejudice against other nations, which was regarded as one of the driving forces behind the outbreak of armed conflicts.



Coubertin's vision of educational internationalism is rooted in the recommendations of the World Peace Conferences, staged since 1889. He knew about the conference recommendations and believed that the Olympic Games could make a contribution in that regard. Bearing this in mind, one can defuse some challenging and also erroneous academic notions that Coubertin established the Olympic Games only to stimulate the slow development of sport in France at the time. This speech proves that such statements lack academic validity.

The speech also confirms that Coubertin proposed the re-establishment of the Olympic Games in order to stress the educational value of sport in general and to serve as a basic platform for strengthening transnational understanding in particular. This is an academically proven explanation of why Coubertin proposed the re-establishment of the Olympic Games.

The link between Coubertin's speech of 1892 and the modern mission of the IOC proves that Coubertin's thoughts and ideas do not remain in the past. They continue to be relevant to the current Olympic Movement and its impact on societies across the globe. Their application undoubtedly requires a contemporary reading of Coubertin and the adaptation of his ideas to the present day. It is clear from Coubertin's writings that he was not opposed to this. On the contrary, he encouraged it, as he believed that the adaptation of his Olympic ideas to changing conditions in sport and society was important for the authenticity of Olympism.



Introduction to the IPCC

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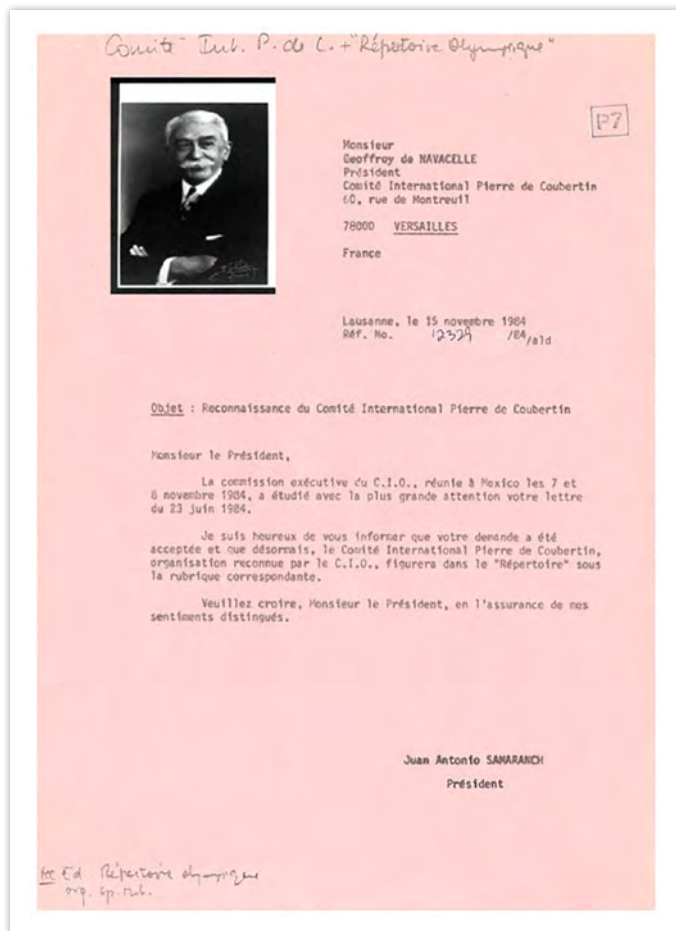
It was in Lausanne, the Olympic capital, that the initiative was taken to create an international committee to preserve, analyse and disseminate the works and thoughts of Pierre de Coubertin. The Comité International Pierre de Coubertin (CIPC), in English the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee (IPCC), was founded on 19 January 1975. The founding members, Paul Martin and Jacques Guhl, personally knew Pierre de Coubertin. Their initiative was based on their primary intention to make the founder of the modern Olympic Games known worldwide and remind the world of Coubertin's true purpose for this renovation, based on the embedded values of integrity of the Olympic Games.

The International Olympic Committee (IOC) understood the importance of the undertaking by Coubertin's faithful followers and assisted them in setting up the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee in Lausanne, subsequently granting it official recognition in 1984.

Right from the very beginning, the number of people wanting to contribute to the mission of making known Pierre de Coubertin and his work has been growing. Under the leadership of the former presidents (Paul Martin, Geoffrey de Navacelle, Conrado Duránte, Norbert Müller) and the current president, Stephan Wassong, numerous projects have been realized, and the enthusiasm continues. Some exceptional projects are mentioned briefly in this publication.



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THE IOC'S LETTER OF
RECOGNITION



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: JACQUES GUHL, OSWALD ZAPPELLI, PAUL MARTIN,
RAYMOND GAFNER AND OTTO MAYER – PHOTO: JACQUES GUHL

CONFERENCES

The first IPCC Conference took place in March 1986 in Lausanne and was entitled *The Relevance of Pierre de Coubertin Today*. It was during this conference that the project on the publication of Coubertin's writings was approved and initiated as a joint project between the IPCC and the IOC. In order to maintain the tradition, on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the second IOC Olympic Congress held in Le Havre (1897), the IPCC organized its second conference entitled *Coubertin and Olympism – Questions for the Future* in the same city in 1997. The next IPCC Conference took place in 2014 at the Olympic Museum in Lausanne and was entitled *Pierre de Coubertin and the Future*. These events provided meaningful opportunities to bring together IPCC members from different countries to exchange ideas and the results of their research.



PARTICIPANTS OF THE CONFERENCE
IN LAUSANNE IN 2014



NORBERT MÜLLER AT THE 2014 CONFERENCE



GROUP PICTURE OF THE 1986
CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS



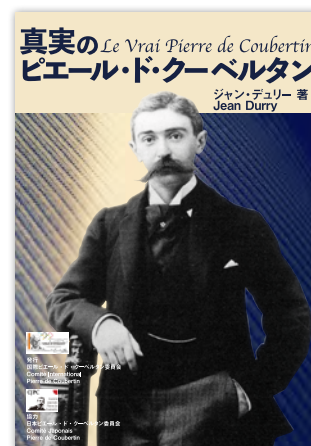
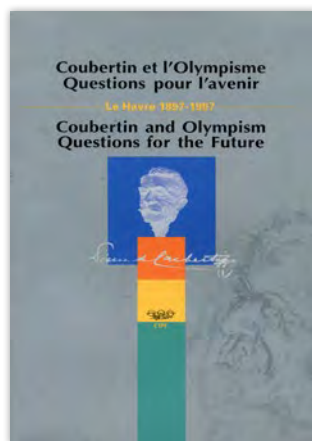
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PUBLICATIONS

The IPCC has published the reports of all of its conferences.

In addition, it publishes the e-journal *Diogoras: International Academic Journal on Olympic Studies* in collaboration with the International Olympic Studies Centres of the German Sport University Cologne, the University of Canterbury (NZ), the Autonomous University of Barcelona (ESP) and the Paul Valéry University of Montpellier 3 (FRA). In line with its mission, the IPCC collaborates and assists its members with their projects and publications. For example, the IPCC collaborated on and made available the translations of the book by former IPCC vice-president Jean Dury, *Le Vrai Pierre de Coubertin*, which is currently available in French, English, Portuguese, Spanish and Japanese.

As it is our objective to disseminate academic research and transfer knowledge on Pierre de Coubertin and his educational ideas, we have started to digitalize relevant publications on Pierre de Coubertin, Olympism, Olympic education and the Olympic Movement. It is important to stress that the IPCC focuses not only on its own publications but also on those by other authors who have given permission to upload their books on the IPCC website. We wish to draw readers' attention to *Pierre de Coubertin (1863-1937). Olympism – Selected Writings*, edited by Norbert Müller and published by the IOC. It is a benchmark for Olympic history research, and its translation into several languages allows for the work of Pierre de Coubertin to be made known worldwide. We invite you to visit our website, <https://www.coubertin.org/academic-activities/publications/>, where you will find electronic versions of all monographs, edited books and journal volumes linked to the IPCC and its members. The literature can be downloaded free of charge. We know that students, scholars and journalists frequently take advantage of this opportunity.



COUBERTIN and ART



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PIERRE DE COUBERTIN AND THE ARTS EXHIBITION,
JAPANESE EDITION OF THE TOKYO 2020 OLYMPIC
GAMES, DESIGN – RONNY EDELSTEIN



Other interesting projects have focused on Pierre de Coubertin's lifelong enthusiasm for art. This is illustrated in his initiative to include art competitions in the Olympic Games programme. The art competitions were designed to contribute to the celebration of the Olympic Games as a unique festival at which competitors and spectators alike would experience a new aesthetic dimension of balanced harmony between athletics, culture and education.

Pierre de Coubertin inherited his ancestors' talents and his passion for the arts from his father, Charles Frédy, Baron de Coubertin, a respected painter in France and abroad. The exhibition entitled *Coubertin and the Arts* displays a selection of works of art that underline the Coubertin family's artistic nature. The exhibition itself was designed by Norbert Müller, late honorary IPCC president, Christian Wacker, IPCC member, Yvan de Navacelle de Coubertin, IPCC honorary member, and Marcia De Franceschi Neto. It was presented for the first time on the occasion of the Rio 2016 Olympic Games at the Olympic Village and then at the Club France in Rio de Janeiro. At that time, the panels were presented in English, French and Portuguese. As the exhibition attracted a large number of visitors, IPCC President Stephan Wassong decided to set it up as

a virtual exhibition, thus enabling access to a much broader audience. <https://www.coubertin.org/pierre-de-coubertin/introducing-baron-pierre-de-coubertin/coubertin-and-the-arts-virtual-exhibition/>. The Japanese edition of this exhibition was dedicated to the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

The IPCC has realized other artistic projects by commissioning several works from the artist and sculptor Karlheinz Oswald. His Pierre de Coubertin Medal is a highly valued IPCC distinction and is awarded for outstanding initiatives. The front of the medal bears a portrait of Pierre de Coubertin and the reverse features Pierre de Coubertin's leitmotif: *Voir Loin – Parler Franc – Agir Ferme*. Karlheinz Oswald's Pierre de Coubertin Bust is awarded by the IPCC to institutions such as museums.



PIERRE DE COUBERTIN
MEDAL BY KARLHEINZ
OSWALD



Karlheinz Oswald also created the impressive statue of the founder of the modern Olympic Games, Pierre de Coubertin. On the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the International Olympic Academy (IOA), IPCC President Stephan Wassong presented the artwork on-site on 17 October 2021 as part of the inaugural celebrations for the renovated IOA premises. The President of the IOA, Isidoros Kovelos, expressed his thanks during his speech at the event, which was also attended by IOC President Thomas Bach and IOC Executive Board members. The statue is situated in the central part of the atrium of the IOA auditorium. Since its foundation in 1975, the IPCC has developed strong ties with the IOA in research and teaching activities. Members of the IPCC are regularly invited as lecturers at IOA sessions. Furthermore, teachers in the International Network of Coubertin Schools are given the opportunity to attend seminar weeks at the IOA to further their Olympic expertise. Detailed information can be found on the website at: <http://www.coubertin.org/pierre-de-coubertin/beyond-the-olympics/international-olympic-academy/>.



THE STATUE OF PIERRE DE COUBERTIN
IN THE ATRIUM OF THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC
ACADEMY

International Network of Pierre de Coubertin Schools and the Youth Forum



PIERRE DE COUBERTIN
SCHOOL PLAQUE

The IPCC translated Pierre de Coubertin's focus on the youth of the world into two initiatives. Following Coubertin's idea of peace and friendship among nations, Norbert Müller initiated the organization of International Pierre de Coubertin Youth Forums, the first of which took place in 1997 with the participation of six Coubertin schools from four countries. The aim was to provide the younger generations with an understanding of Coubertin's Olympic idea and enable them to experience the values of friendship, fairness, respect and the joy of effort. Since 1997, 12 International Youth Forums have taken place, with a steadily rising number of participating delegations and countries as well as increasing numbers of

schools loyal to the network. The latest edition of the Forum, held in Mâcon in 2019, set a new record by welcoming an unprecedented 25 delegations from 23 countries. Its motto, *Olympism at school. It must be encouraged!* (the title of an article by Coubertin in 1934), was well chosen as it stressed a central pillar of the IPCC. Readers will find that the annual reports and individual activities have been given the space that they deserve on our website. Visual impressions and more information are available on the website at: <https://www.coubertin.org/knowledge-transfer/international-network-of-coubertin-schools/04-biannual-youth-forum-2019-macon/>.





ABOVE: VALUES TREE SET UP BY STUDENTS
FOR THEIR DISCUSSION SESSIONS, YOUTH FORUM,
ÜLENURME (EST), 2017
UPPER LEFT: YOUTH FORUM,
LILLEHAMMER (NOR), 2013
BOTTOM: NATIONAL DANCES,
YOUTH FORUM MÂCON (FRA), 2019

Online lecture series for teachers at Coubertin schools and National Pierre de Coubertin Committees

Without a doubt, the Forums are an effective tool to address the IPCC's objective of securing and expanding knowledge transfer in the fields of Olympic education and Olympism. The same can be said of the online lecture series initiative for teachers in the IPCC Network of Pierre Coubertin Schools and members of National Pierre de Coubertin Committees. The aim is to offer multi- and interdisciplinary topics providing knowledge about Pierre de Coubertin, modern reading and the application of his concept of Olympism, as well as contemporary aspects of the Olympic Movement based on values and education. The first edition was launched in October 2021 under <https://www.coubertin.org/academic-activities/lecture-series/>.



Mission of the IPCC

All IPCC activities are embedded in its mission. Overall, the IPCC's primary goals and guiding principles have not changed fundamentally. The latest updates to the IPCC Statutes were carried out by the project team, made up of Annett Chojnacki-Bennemann, Elvira Ramini, Alexandre Mestre and Stephan Wassong, and recently ratified by the General Assembly on 29 January 2022.

THIS IS THE MISSION OF THE IPCC:

- To seek to make known the works of Pierre de Coubertin in their entirety, to identify the main lines of his thinking and to ensure their dissemination throughout the world to contribute to human development and find solutions to current problems;
- To promote and foster the study of Pierre de Coubertin's integral humanism and his pedagogical and social thinking to identify more precisely the moral, civic, cultural and pedagogical teaching resulting from these;
- To translate Pierre de Coubertin's educational leitmotifs into our times to strengthen an objective identification with Coubertin as the founder of the Olympic Movement and promoter of sport as an educational tool for character development, social change and transcultural respect;
- To coordinate such study entrusted to the IPCC members or external experts selected based on their specific expertise;
- To contribute to the adoption of rules and methods following such teaching, from which the Olympic Spirit originates;
- To honour and reward those people, bodies or entities whose conduct or activity best serves the ideals of Pierre de Coubertin;
- To work with those national and international organizations that have undertaken to disseminate the Olympic Spirit and further the legacy of Pierre de Coubertin;
- To ensure the international coordination of the activities of its members in their respective countries and any Pierre de Coubertin committees that it has officially recognized.

As its presence has gradually mounted across the five continents, the impact of the IPCC has become increasingly substantial over the past four decades. Objectively, it is comforting to note that a team of volunteers has obtained such concrete results through various initiatives. Finally, it should be stressed that the unique support of the IOC throughout all of these years has contributed significantly to strengthening the profile of the IPCC.

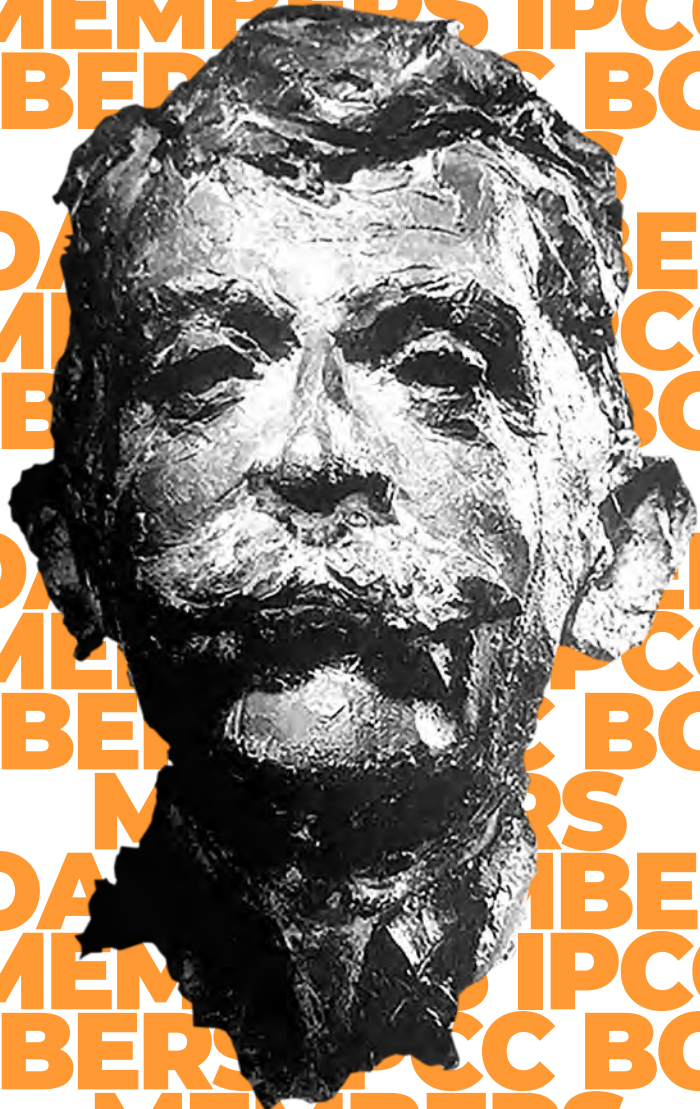
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O Sport, You are Peace!

*You forge happy bonds between the peoples
by drawing them together in reverence for strength
which is controlled, organized and self-disciplined.*

*Through you the young of the entire world
learn to respect one another,
and thus, the diversity of national traits becomes a source
of generous and peaceful emulation!”*

PIERRE DE COUBERTIN'S "ODE TO SPORT", 1912



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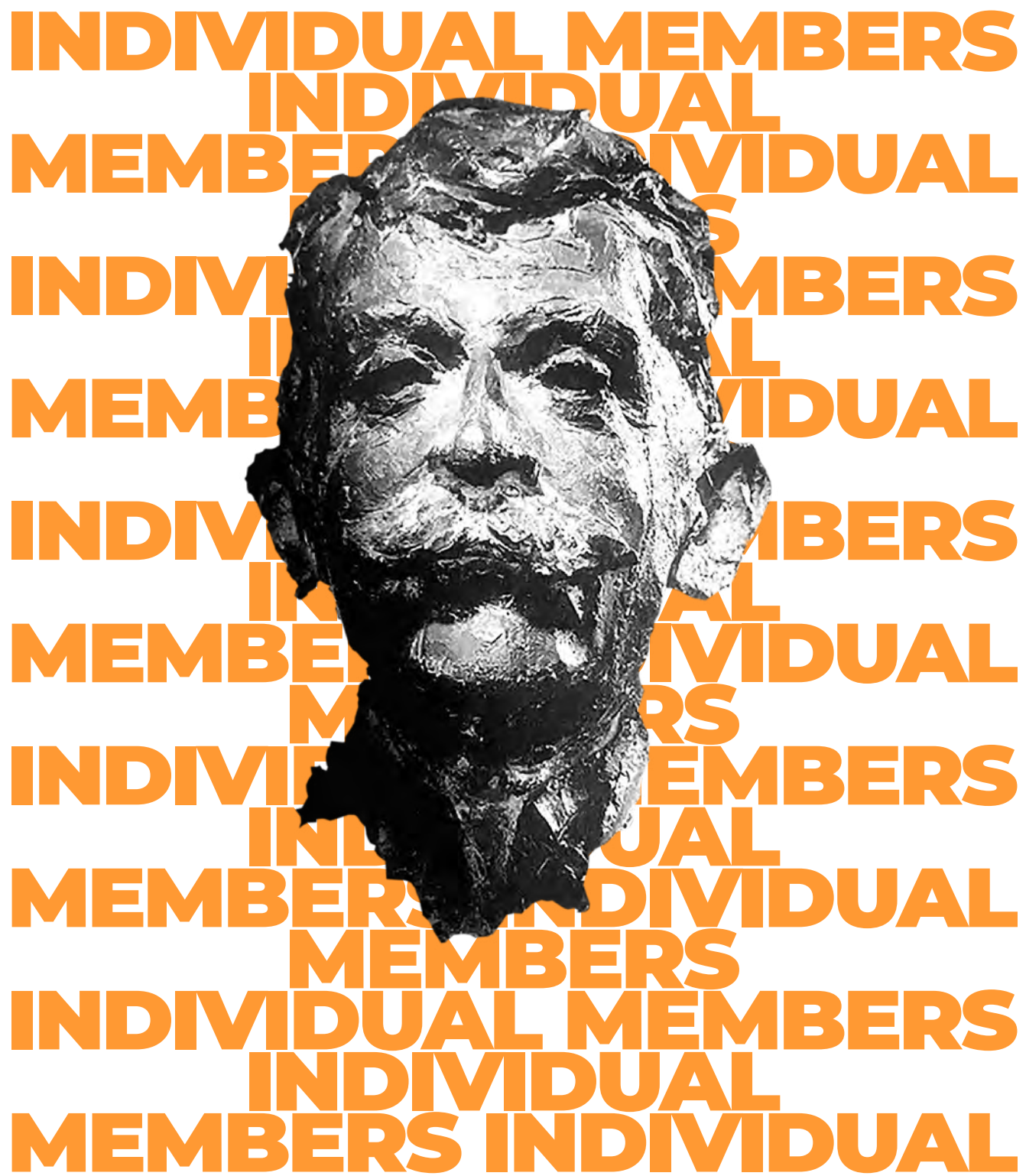
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In 1986, I was a lecturer at the Coubertin Symposium in Lausanne. I was a member of the IPCC Board from 1988 to 2006; since then, I have been an honorary member. I was founding member of the Austrian Olympic Academy (1982) and, from 1994 to 2000, its president. From 1973 to 2000, I was invited as a lecturer to the IOA in Olympia (12 times). In 2005, I organized the 5th IPCC Youth Forum in Radstadt, Austria.



Head of the Department of Physical Education and School Sport, 1969-1995, at the Ministry of Education in Austria, founding member of the International School Sport Federation in 1972 and member of the board until 1990, member of the board of INTERSKI (International Federation of Ski Instruction), president of the schools and universities ski section from 1985 to 1993, still active as a Masters athlete in track and field at national and international level.

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I have been a volunteer for the Olympic Movement for almost 20 years, including assignments at Olympic Games, Asian Games, Mediterranean Games, IOA, IPCC Youth Forums and others. I am also an active member of the IOAPA, IPCC and ISOH and I am (or have been) a member of the executive committee of the three organizations. In terms of Olympic interests, I am more of a generalist than a specialist. I follow the macro topics surrounding the Olympics and its influence in society from historical, ethical and educational perspectives. I have written 20+ articles on Olympic matters in various newspapers and journals. I work in the professional sports sector at the media department of the NBA as Vice President of Digital Partnerships. Therefore, I am interested in sports management and sports media, especially as it relates to the digital space. I have participated as a speaker in multiple forums as a practitioner in this area.



IPCC member since 2004, IPCC Executive Board member from 2010 to 2018, IOAPA member since 2002, Executive Board member since 2003, IOAPA president from 2007 to 2013, ISOH member since 2006, ISOH Executive Board member (treasurer) since 2020.



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Pierre de Coubertin, Olympic Education and Movement, Olympic arts programmes and Olympic Museum, Olympic Games and sports policy, classic Olympic sports, Olympic history (Games), Olympic Games and golf.



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Primarily interested in Olympic education. Have conducted numerous Olympic education workshops and was responsible for the Olympic education programmes in NSW schools leading to the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games. Published *Sharing The Spirit* in 2002 which outlined the journey from the Olympic bid to the 2000 Olympic Games, the programmes developed and the schools/students involved. From 2001 to 2017, have organized a student group to attend the International Pierre de Coubertin Youth Forum and contributed to supporting the programme wherever possible. Have overseen the work of the Australian Olympic Committee in developing new education programmes on a national basis that respond to our changing technological world.



Australian Olympic Committee (vice-president), NSW Olympic Council (president), IOC Commission for Olympic Education (1994-2020), IOC Commission for Women & Sport (since 2020), Oceania National Olympic Committees (ONOC) Equity Commission (chair), ONOC Executive Board, ONOC Education Commission, Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC) Executive Board.

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Participation 1990s: Olympic studies at IOA, Olympia, Greece, sharing academic activities with Prof. Norbert Müller, University of Mainz, in which the focus on Pierre de Coubertin's works was one of the priorities (Ref. DaCosta, L. (2017) Revisiting Norbert Müller's Contributions to Olympic Studies: A Dialogue with Lamartine DaCosta. In this period, I began to collaborate with the IPCC as one of the authors of the *Coubertin et l'Olympisme* (Müller, N., ed., 1998. p. 188-199). In 2003, I was appointed Corresponding Member and in 2014, I was awarded the title of Honorary Member for my academic production on topics related to Pierre de Coubertin. Main books on Pierre de Coubertin: 1. Da Costa, L. (2008) *The Contribution of Arts in Pierre de Coubertin's Conceptions Towards a Sport Global Culture*. In Wacker, Chr./Marxen, R. (eds.): *Olympia – Ideal und Wirklichkeit. Festschrift für Norbert Müller zum 60. Geburtstag*. Berlin, LIT, 2008, pp.315-324. 2. Todt, N., DaCosta, L. & Miragaya, A., eds., (2020) *Reinventing Sport and Olympic Games After COVID-19: A Return to Pierre de Coubertin*. Rio de Janeiro: eMuseum of Sport.



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I am the ICF (International Catchball Federation) CEO, and dream of promoting the game in order to spread Catchball around the world and empowering women of all ages with a magical combination of sport, friendship and fun. My publications and lectures are in the field of Olympic education, OVEP and Pierre de Coubertin's philosophy. In 2015, I initiated the NOC Olympism in School project, which was implemented in more than 100 local schools. I was awarded the International Committee for Fair Play award for directing the national education project on Olympism in 2016. I was a member of the Israel advisory committee for re-designing the national curriculum for physical education. I was a trainer at workshops for physical education teachers in order to use sport as a tool for developing life skills and instilling values in life. I was a board member at the Olympic Studies Center at Wingate College. I was part of the professional team of the Olympic delegations in Athens 2004, Beijing 2008, London 2012 and Rio 2016, and the 2015 European Games in Baku. I was professionally involved in the winning of three judo Olympic medals.

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I am interested in Olympic education programmes based on Pierre de Coubertin's legacy and cultural aspects of sport. I have participated in several publications dedicated

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I am an Olympian. I participated in sailing events at the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games. I obtained a Master's Degree in 2013 at the University of Warsaw and another Master at the Warsaw School of Economics in 2021. I am the mother of three boys.

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Comié Pierre de Coubertin Argentina (president), Centro Latinoamericano de Estudios Coubertinianos (administration committee), Confederación Argentina de Judo (education director), Instituto Superior de Educación Física (titular professor), Universidad Blas Pascal (titular professor).

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As a 4th generation descendant of Pierre de Coubertin, I am personally vested in the preservation of the work of my ancestor. As such, I have taken on the role of president of the Pierre de Coubertin Family Association and I am the family representative at the IOC. Our family association's mission is to ensure that the Olympic philosophy and values conceived by Pierre de Coubertin are promoted and respected by institutions and other initiatives involved in the Olympic Movement, notably with the assistance of the IOC and the IPCC. The association also actively offers its support to all initiatives that carry the spirit and values of Pierre de Coubertin. The association's activities include the following: - Act as a source of information for all matters relating to Pierre de Coubertin's philosophy, his work and his family history. As direct heirs, we hold a large collection of personal belongings that we would be happy to share (i.e. personal objects, letters, original books and writings, family portraits and paintings, etc.) - Liaise with Paris OCOG with a view to contributing and offering our support to the success of the Paris 2024 Olympic Games. - Be a source of creative ideas to encourage and promote the Olympic spirit and core values of Pierre de Coubertin. - Attendance and/or participation in sport and Olympic-related discussions and events, promoting the ideals of Pierre de Coubertin.



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As descendants of Pierre de Coubertin, my family and I have the privilege of an amazing legacy. It leads us to talk about sport, Olympism and Pierre, of course, and to exchange with all kinds of related institutions, people and projects. It is our duty to make sure Pierre's values are well passed on, in line with what he thought and constructed. As an artist (goldsmith and sculptor) and a teacher, I am particularly interested in sports and arts, women and sports, education and inclusion through sport, peace and new technologies and environmental evolutions. I went to my first Olympic Games in PyeongChang in 2018, to India in 2019 to support an art and sport competition entitled Expression, participated in a solidarity race to encourage hospital staff on 23 June 2020 in Paris and have been involved in many other projects, conferences and webinars. I am committed to doing my part to transmit and share Pierre's work and values, so they can continue to inspire and help people around the world.



Member of the OLY Art Committee that was created in September 2018 (after the PyeongChang Olympic Winter Games) with the IOC to promote art and sport during and in between the Olympic Games, member of our Pierre de Coubertin Family Association (AFPC), member of the French Pierre de Coubertin Committee (CFPC), member of friends of the Coubertin Foundation, member of the AFSVFP

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I am a new member of the IPCC; the official Hungarian Pierre de Coubertin Organization (HPCC) will be registered soon. I would like to strengthen cooperation between the HPCC and IPCC regarding communication, social media, education and ethical topics, and in the future we hope to focus on other areas. My plan is to carry out joint activities together with national partners, in order to increase our followers, members and partners. In Hungary I give fair play lessons and presentations at schools for children between 10 and 18 years of age. I increase the number of schools every year.



AIPS (International Sports Press Association), MSÚSZ (Hungarian Sport Journalists Association), International Relations Committee – MEFS (Hungarian University Sports Federation), MSTT (Hungarian Society of Sport Science), TIT (Hungarian Society for the Dissemination of Scientific Knowledge), HSSS (Hungarian Society of Sport Science).

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L'Almanach du Sport (Encyclopaedia Universalis). *De 1850 avant J.-C. à nos jours* ;

Le Chant du Sport (le sport thème littéraire depuis 1850) ;

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Le vrai Pierre de Coubertin (1994) – (traduit en anglais *Coubertin the Visionary*),

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Coubertin autographe. Tome I. 1889-1915 (2003, Comité International Olympique)

Catalogue de l'exposition *Pierre de Coubertin et le miracle grec* (CIPC, Athènes 2004)

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My area of interest is communication, from mass media to new media and social networking websites. Pierre de Coubertin had a very close relationship with communication from the very start. He used the emerging popular press as the appropriate platform for disseminating his thought from the outset. If de Coubertin were alive now, he would be a YouTuber, with significant social media presence.



Founding director of the Sport Research Institute of the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, which has 40 associated senior sport researchers, director of the Olympic Studies Centre at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, professor of Communication at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.



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I am very interested in the dissemination of the ideals and values of Olympism and the history of the founder of the Olympic Movement, Pierre de Coubertin.

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I have been a member of the Spanish Olympic Committee since 1992 and am a member of its executive committee. I am a member of the Spanish Olympic Academy, general secretary of the Asociación Panibérica de Academias Olímpicas (APAO), with 29 Spanish- and Portuguese-speaking national academies from America, Africa and Europe, member of the Spanish and International Pierre de Coubertin Committee, member of the AICO (International Association of Olympic Collectors), vice-president of the Spanish Olympic Philately Union (UEFO), president of the Spanish Hockey Federation (1992-1996), member of the European and International Hockey Federation, member of the International Society of Olympic Historians (ISOH), and president of the Familia Olímpica de Cantabria.

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Music of the Games; arts-related events at the Games; early music and arts competitions; opening and closing ceremonies. Olympic education related to the arts.



I am a member of the US National Association for Music Education, the Ohio Music Education Association and the International Society of Olympic Historians. I received the Olympic Order in 2000 for my research into the history of music and the Olympic Games.

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I introduce myself as an intellectual in the quest for knowledge about Pierre de Coubertin and the Olympic Movement, and assist my father, Jacques Guhl, in his pedagogic Olympic research. I am also a filmmaker, painter and writer, interested in communication through the arts and the cultural impact of Olympic society in the field of humanism. In addition, architecture and the social activity of ethics and the future landscape of the Olympic Movement form the basis of my interest. Philosophy, education, pedagogy, culture and arts, diplomacy, Olympic Movement, creation of the IPCC, Olympic Games, soccer.



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I like to research and write about the personality of Pierre de Coubertin and his involvement in the Olympic Movement, Olympic education and historical and social aspects of the Olympic Movement. A group of chosen friends and I are involved in the work of the CPPC (Portuguese Pierre de Coubertin Committee).



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During the Covid-19 restrictions, I realized that many Olympians, elite athletes and young athletes were unable to proceed with their regular training. As a former athlete, I inspired them by sending brief Zoom and Facebook video messages, telling them not to lose patience and to try to do regular exercise as much as possible, wherever they were.

During the Covid-19 restrictions, as secretary general of the Indian Pierre de Coubertin Association (IPCA), I organized several online conferences marking important dates celebrated by the Olympic Movement worldwide in order to disseminate Olympic values and the history of the Olympic Movement, thus fulfilling one of the IPCC missions. It was important to encourage athletes and the youth of India to remember the true spirit of Olympism: Citius, Altius, Fortius, remembering that we have to work hard in all circumstances. In the face of adversity, we must rise.

The international Master of Arts in Olympic Studies courses at the German Sports University in Cologne were an exceptional experience that motivated me to develop youth programmes at Pierre de Coubertin schools in India.

Recently, I have written a booklet on the Indian legendary female hockey player Sumrai Tete, a role model for younger people in India. I presented her life history, her sports career overcoming many hurdles and becoming a champion. Sumrai Tete is a role model in India for people of all ages.



I have been a member of the IPCC since 2005.

I am a founding member of the Indian Pierre de Coubertin Association (2018), a life member of Jharkhand State Cricket Association (JSCA) and a vice-president of Jharkhand State Wushu Association (JSWA). I am former athlete and now I am a government official. I am interested in working in Olympic education.



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*Sport must be the heritage of all men
and of all social classes”*

PIERRE DE COUBERTIN, 1919

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I have a great interest in promoting and disseminating Olympic thought and the ideals of Pierre de Coubertin among children and young people through the publication of the books that form part of the EDUSANU programme, so that they can be used in basic education at schools, since changes induced in children and young people are more lasting. My activity as a doctor is to promote a better state of health by disseminating the concepts and life of Pierre de Coubertin.



President of the Oaxaca Chapter of the Mexican Society of Nutrition and Endocrinology, member of the EDUSANU Foundation, member of the regulatory unit for research on academic quality.

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Sport must be accessible to working class youth”

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As a retired professor of teacher training, I have been especially interested and worked in developing teaching material in the field of Olympic education. I was a member/chairman of the Kuratorium Olympische Akademie at the German NOC for two decades. Furthermore, I have been active in the German Pierre de Coubertin Committee (president for six years), as well as the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee (honorary member), predominately in the field of education and spreading Pierre de Coubertin's ideas in schools.

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Currently, I hold various positions within my university, including vice-president of the University of Franche-Comté, Representative for Olympism Generation 2024 and director of the Centre for University Olympic Studies and Research (CEROU). Furthermore, I am a member of the Scientific Commission for the inclusion of the Olympic Spirit on the UNESCO Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity, the French National Olympic Academy (ANOF) and the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee (IPCC).

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*Sport is part of every man and woman's heritage
and its absence can never be compensated for”*

PIERRE DE COUBERTIN, 1919



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PIERRE DE COUBERTIN

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*And you, athletes, remember the flame,
lit by the ardent sun,
which has come to you from Olympia,
to lend its light and its warmth to our era.
Guard it jealously so that it may reappear
in full strength on the other side of the world
when, in four years' time,
you will celebrate the 22nd Olympiad
on the faraway shores
of the Pacific Ocean!”*

PIERRE DE COUBERTIN, 1936

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Vice-President of the German Pierre de Coubertin Committee since 2002, member of the Förderverein (Friends) of Pierre-de-Coubertin-Gymnasium Erfurt, UNESCO school coordinator of the Coubertin-Gymnasium Erfurt, member of the Network of Thuringian UNESCO Schools working group, initiator of the Thuringian Coubertin Pupil's Prize and member of the annual jury, member of the Kindergarten-School-Sports Club working group at the Thuringian Sports Association, organization of several exhibitions/workshops for teachers/students on Coubertin at regional and national level, close cooperation with the GutsMuths heritage site in Schnepfenthal.

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for inner improvement”*

PIERRE DE COUBERTIN, 1919



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Since 2015, I have been a participant and teacher at the International Youth Forum. I was in charge of the French team and I was in the organizing team for the 12th forum. I am also studying Olympism in Olympia through the International Master's programme at the IOA and I am writing my thesis on the Olympic education programme for Paris 2024 in comparison with other previous programmes. I will also write another Master's thesis next year on the Olympic education programme of the Youth Olympic Games and hopefully write a PhD thesis on culture, sport and education in France since Pierre de Coubertin (from 2022 to 2026). I would like to get involved in a French Pierre de Coubertin prize, as it exists in other countries, and work with the Pierre de Coubertin schools in France. My real interests are Olympic education and all things related, such as history, the Olympic Movement, Olympic law, etc.



I am a student at Lille University and the University of the Peloponnese/IOA and involved with two charities as a volunteer (Artisans du monde, Grandir au Sénégal). I am writing my Master's thesis with co-director Mr Eric Monnin, director of the new University Centre of Olympic Research and Studies.



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As an academic artist, I have created numerous artworks for the IOC. For example, in 1999 I produced a Coubertin portrait in iron for the IOC in Lausanne. Furthermore, my Coubertin busts stand in London (2012), Rio de Janeiro (2016) and PyeongChang (2018). Furthermore, I have designed several Coubertin medals.

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PORTRAIT OF THE YOUNG PIERRE DE COUBERTIN
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It has been a privilege to be a member of the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee since 2014. I was invited to become a member on the occasion of the IPCC Symposium held in Lausanne on 24-25 January entitled Pierre de Coubertin and the Future. I actively participated in IPCC activities helping the then President, Prof. Dr. Norbert Müller, in the preparation of different reports and the Questionnaires for the Survey on Olympic values and the Cultural Olympiad for spectators at the 2012 London Olympic Games and 2016 Rio Olympic Games. I had the honor to be elected Secretary General of the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee in 2018 and in 2022. Academic interests: the courses of the Master of Arts in Olympic Studies of the German Sport University Cologne motivated me to further analyse and study the effect of the presidency of Juan Antonio Samaranch in the evolution of the Olympic Movement in the 1980s and 1990s. This is the period in the history of the Olympic Movement that interests me the most as it unveils a strong relation between two IOC presidents: Pierre de Coubertin and Juan Antonio Samaranch.



1/ Association Amitiés Gréco-Suisses: I have been a member of the Association Amitiés Gréco-Suisses since 2014. This association was founded in 1929 in Lausanne on the initiative of Baron Pierre de Coubertin and Dr. Francis-Marius Messerli, who wanted to involve the Greek people living in Lausanne in the renewal of the Olympic Movement. Its aim today is to maintain friendly relations between Greece, the city of Lausanne - the Olympic capital, and the canton of Vaud in various fields, including history and culture. I am a member of the Executive Committee that organizes monthly conferences and I am in charge of maintaining updated the website of the association: <https://www.amities-grecosuisses.org>. 2/ International Olympic Academy Participants Association (IOAPA): I have been a member of this association since 1997 when I first attended the IOA session. The IOAPA maintains the spirit of the experience of attending the International Olympic Academy (IOA) sessions and encourages actions after these experiences which educate and inspire. 3/ Friends of the Olympic Museum in Lausanne: I have been a member of this association since the Olympic Museum first opened in June 1993 to serve as a global platform for communication and information about the Olympic Movement and as a pillar of excellence for its work promoting sporting and cultural values internationally. 4/ Centro Latinoamericano de Estudios Coubertinianos: I am an ad honorem member of this Centre since its creation in March 2020. I regularly attend and participate at their monthly meetings, conferences and academic events. 5/ Alumni Circle of the Master of Artes in Olympic Studies of the German Sport University in Cologne (OSAC). I am one of the founding-member of the Alumni Circle that was set up in Cologne in September 2016 with the ethos of Sharing Knowledge. One of the basic aims of the Alumni Circle is to enhance communication amongst members of the MA Olympic Studies Family and facilitate long-lasting relations between participants and sustain their ongoing identification with the programme.



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My IPCC-related interests are mainly connected with Olympic education: *The concept of harmonious development of the whole human being - holistic harmonious education (using sports for achieving the balance of body, spirit and will), *The connection of sports with culture and education, *Sports as the tool for teaching and experiencing ethical principles (human respect, tolerance towards fellow players, equality of opportunity, fair play), * International aspects and understanding in sports (values of friendship, mutual respect, solidarity, peace and international understanding). I appreciate the IPCC work achieved in the international development of the network of Pierre de Coubertin schools and hope to give my contribution in this activity in the future.



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I currently serve as the President of the United States Pierre de Coubertin Committee (USPCC). The USPCC is working to support increased understanding of Olympism and the work of Pierre de Coubertin through a number of efforts. My research interests as a Professor in the College of Education at California State University at Dominguez Hills includes a focus on Pierre de Coubertin, Olympism, and the Olympic Movement to support international learning and understanding. Support for this effort includes the development and support of the website: WorldWideAthlete.com, which provides guidance to support a better understanding of the concepts of Olympism. The content is currently connected to the host of the upcoming Olympic and Paralympic Games (currently, Tokyo, Japan). One of the courses I teach as a Professor at California State University at Dominguez Hills provides a focus on student success in their studies and life, connecting directly to Olympism and the Olympic Movement. I also publish and attend and present at conferences related to the Olympic Movement. As Director of the Center for Global Education, I am working to connect the field of university student international mobility and international learning and understanding to Pierre de Coubertin and the Olympism.



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Je suis directeur du Ülenurme Gymnasium depuis 2002. J'ai toujours été fasciné par la manière de donner aux jeunes une éducation meilleure et plus diversifiée, comment apporter l'idée olympique à chaque élève. Nous sommes arrivés à la conclusion que l'application des idées de Pierre de Coubertin à l'école permet l'intégration de la plupart des matières et contribue à une meilleure coopération et compréhension mutuelle entre étudiants et professeurs. De 2003 à aujourd'hui, Ülenurme Gymnasium a participé à tous les Pierre de Coubertin forums de la jeunesse. En 2017, Ülenurme Gymnasium était l'organisateur du 11e Pierre de Coubertin Forum des jeunes à Ülenurme en Estonie. En 2004-2007, en collaboration avec Pierre de Coubertin Gymnasium Erfurt, Pierre de Coubertin Gymnasium Piestany et l'Académie de Tennis de Sopot, nous avons publié le Manuel d'Education Olympique pour les Ecoles „Coubertin Academy“. Cette année, avec la Slovaquie et la Pologne, nous participons au projet de deux ans „Coubertin Academy - Inclusion sociale par les valeurs du sport“. Notre école participe activement aux travaux de l'Académie olympique estonienne. Ülenurme Gymnasium a également rejoint le réseau des écoles avec activité physique depuis 2019 et nous travaillons en étroite collaboration avec le laboratoire d'activité physique de l'Université de Tartu.



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I am a member of the IPCC and I am devoted to several activities that contribute in making a better life for youth by showing in practice the values promoted by Pierre de Coubertin. I create strategies for children and youth to develop in a healthy surrounding of humanism and sport.



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I am interested in theories and perspectives of the history of ideas, sociology of knowledge, and cultural studies.

I am interested in: • Coubertin and his ideas, • The reception of Coubertin ideas, the history of the Olympic Movement and the Olympic ideas, • The perception and reception of the Olympic ideas, • The relations between the Olympic and the Paralympic Movement.

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*The Olympic Spirit is neither the property of one race
nor of one age”*

PIERRE DE COUBERTIN, 1918

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Previous activities: have been participating in and as a staff member at the IPCC Youth Forums (since 2007), Referee of Pierre de Coubertin Awards. Present Activities: Vice-president of IPCC (since 2014), Chair of Japanese Pierre de Coubertin Committee (since 2007). Research topics: Pierre de Coubertin's vision in the fields of education and international relations. Pierre de Coubertin thoughts about Japan and Asia.



Participant at several International Olympic Academy (IOA) sessions, its general session (1985), the educators' session (1991), the post graduate seminar (1993) and the directors' sessions (2005, 2006, 2018). Board member of Japan Olympic Academy (JOA), member of the Olympic Movement Commission of Japanese Olympic Committee (JOC), member of International Society of Olympic Historians (ISOH), board member of the International Fair Play Committee (IFC), advisory board member of the Women Sport International (WSI).

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J'ai assuré les fonctions de secrétaire général de la Conférence des Ministres de la Jeunesse et des Sports des Etats Members de la Communauté Economique des Etats de l'Afrique de l'Ouest (CEDEAO), puis de directeur du Centre de Développement de la Jeunesse et des Sport de la (CEDEAO) et des programmes de sport.

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I specialize in constitutional law and international human rights law. I am particularly interested in the protection of human rights in relation to the rights to body, life and sexuality. With regard to the Coubertin, I am interested in the internationalization of Europe at the end of the 19th century, the protection of human rights and the establishment of peace through education. I am also interested in contemporary Olympism and the work of the IOC and their collaboration with the United Nations to protect human rights internationally as a realisation of Sport for All, in terms of the effectiveness of the influence of Olympism on the work of the IOC as a private international organisation. In terms of Olympic education, I have lectured at JOA sessions and youth sessions on Olympism and why the Olympics should guarantee human rights..



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IPCC Member since 1996. I have organised various exhibitions related to Pierre de Coubertin: Pierre de Coubertin and the Greek Miracle (with Jean Durry, Athens 2004); Pierre de Coubertin and the Arts (at various locations: Cologne, Paris, Tartu, Warsaw, Rio). I published various papers about the early history of the Olympic Movement, some of which are related directly to Pierre de Coubertin, for example the International Hygiene Exhibition 1911, (recently JOH 3.2020). I am interested in organizing or to be involved in organizing a congress about the Olympic Movement and Arts.



Since 1996 Comité International Pierre de Coubertin, since 1996 German Pierre de Coubertin Committee (president from 2015 to 2018), since 2005 German Society for the History of Sports Science (vice-president until 2009), since 2006 International Motive Group for Olympiads and Sports, since 2007 German working group of sports museums, sports archives and sports collections, since 2007 International Society of Olympic Historians (vice-president since 2012, president since 2020), since 2014 International Association for Olympic Memorabilia Collectors / Prolympo (president), since 2015: Institute for Sports History Baden-Württemberg (member of the scientific advisory board), since 2015 Swiss Sports Museum.

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As a member of the Japan Olympic Academy, I have been engaged in various Olympic movement activities to promote Olympism within the country. To this end, it is essential to learn about Pierre de Coubertin including his ideas, thoughts, philosophy, his life, etc. I am interested in the activities of the IPCC as the most important academic resource regarding Pierre de Coubertin. As a professional translator, I have been extensively engaged in the translation and proof-reading of Olympic and sport-related documents: Pierre de Coubertin Olympism (excerpts), Olympic Memoirs, the Olympic Charter, the IOC Code of Ethics, OVEP, news releases from the IOC and JOC, Japan Olympic Museum materials, academic papers on the Olympic movement, sport, and physical education, etc.



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I was elected as President of the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee in 2018 and re-elected in 2022. In 2014, I organized in Lausanne the IPCC Conference "Pierre de Coubertin and the Future", and worked on the conference proceedings which were published in 2016 in collaboration with Norbert Müller and Jean-Loup Chappelet.

I am one of the three editors-in-chief of the e-journal Diagoras. The editorial board of this International Academic Journal on Olympic Studies has been joined by the IPCC in 2018. My research work focuses mainly on the US-American influence on Pierre de Coubertin. Furthermore, I am interested and have worked on the following topics: modern reading of Coubertin, Coubertin as an advanced educator, Olympic Movement and Sport for All, athletes in the Olympic Movement, development of governance structures of the IOC, problems of amateurism and doping in the Olympic Movement, history of the International Olympic Academy, Olympic Movement and politics and concept of Olympic Education. In my university lectures at undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate levels I regularly include content on Pierre de Coubertin and the historical and contemporary aspects of the Olympic Movement. Since 2010, I am the Director of the international study programme M.A. Olympic Studies which is delivered by a core network of international Olympic Studies Centres and supported by the IOC.



Full professor at the German Sport University Cologne, head of the Institute of sport and director of Olympic Studies Centre (since 2009), associate professor at Liverpool Hope University, GB (2006-2009), visiting professor at the Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium (Olympic Chair Henri de Baillet-Latour et Jacques Rogge) (2018), member of the IOC's Olympic Education Commission (since 2015), founding member of the Scientific Committee of the International Olympic Academy (2022). I have been presented with the Vikelas Award Plaque by the International Society of Olympic Historians.

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First of all, the most important thing for me is that the Olympic Games continue to respect Pierre de Coubertin's visions and ideas and that sport stays clean from doping. Some years ago, I gave the former IPCC president, Prof. Dr Norbert Müller, the inspiration to introduce climbing to the Olympic Games which finally happened for the 32nd summer Olympic Games of 2020 which were postponed to 2021. Norbert Müller and I also had the idea to create a Pierre de Coubertin committee in Luxembourg which never happened because of a lack of interest and no reaction from the National Olympic Committee. But I still haven't given up the idea ... maybe one day. What is very important for me is to use sport to educate children. As a teacher I use sports to teach mathematics. My bachelor thesis, for example, was dedicated to combining mathematics and sports. My idea is to introduce in primary schools in Luxembourg a special prize for children who reach outstanding achievements in sports, arts and in one of the main school subjects: Mathematics, French, German (and maybe Science, Geography and History) in order to motivate them.



I am a member of the FLERA (Fédération Luxembourgoise de l'Escalade, de Randonnée et d'Alpinisme / Luxembourgish Federation of Sportclimbing, Hiking and Alpinism).

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*The Olympic Games are for the world and all nations
must be admitted to them”*

PIERRE DE COUBERTIN, 1919



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PIERRE DE COUBERTIN CYCLING IN NICE

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»IS MANKIND REALLY AWARE OF EVERYTHING IT OWES TO THE BICYCLE – NOT ONLY CONCERNING THE TECHNIQUE, BUT ALSO, I WOULD EVEN SAY, ABOVE ALL, CONCERNING ITS PHYSICAL UPWARD TREND? IS MANKIND AWARE OF THE INCREDIBLE EXTENT OF DEXTERITY, BALANCE, SELF-CONFIDENCE, PHYSICAL WELL-BEING, MUSCULAR STRENGTH THAT THIS WONDERFUL INVENTION HAS BROUGHT THE HUMAN RACE? THIS ALONE IS REASON ENOUGH FOR CYCLING TO BE REPRESENTED IN THE OLYMPIC GAMES PROGRAM, AS A KID OF THANK YOU HOMAGE TOWARDS MANKIND.« PIERRE DE COUBERTIN, 1937

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September



Daniel de la Cueva



ACTIVITIES

- » Pierre de Coubertin Committee of Argentina was founded with the objective to promote and spread information about the life and work of Baron Pierre de Coubertin, his educational, sports and cultural legacy. Our academic and institutional activities consist of organizing conferences, seminars and symposia which are followed by publication of papers and result of research work.
- » The Pierre de Coubertin Committee of Argentina is represented and collaborates academically with the following institutions: the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee, National Olympic Committee of Argentina, national Pierre de Coubertin committees in Latin America, the Sports Confederation of Córdoba, Ministries of Education, and Universities/Institutes of Physical Education.
- » We work on the development of Pierre de Coubertin school network nationally. Our high-school students have participated in the International Pierre de Coubertin Youth Forum in 2015/2017/2019.
- » We publish and disseminate across the country all available IPCC publications, videos, and other materials. The Spanish translation of Pierre de Coubertin's "Selected Writings" is well known. We translated and published, for the first time in Argentina, the book, "El Verdadero Pierre de Coubertin", (Pierre de Coubertin the Visionary, by Jean Durry).
- » Our collaboration with other institutions is based on agreements with the Catholic University of Santiago del Estero, the Blas Pascal University of Córdoba, and, in the near future, the Faculty of Physical Education of the National University of Tucumán.
- » We have organized the *First National Academic Day Pierre de Coubertin 150 years since his birth* in 2013 and the First Latin American Symposium on Pierre de Coubertin in 2015 in Córdoba.
- » In recent years our committee members participated in the Brazilian Symposium on Olympic Studies, as guest speakers at the Educators Session of the International Olympic Academy, and at the 2nd Latin American Symposium and 1st International Congress on Olympism held in Colombia.



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2006 27th
July



Nelson Schneider Todt

⚙️ ACTIVITIES

The Brazilian Pierre de Coubertin Committee has among its objectives, to bring together researchers and those interested in life and work of Pierre de Coubertin and to promote academic projects and educational knowledge transfer in Portuguese language. Currently, we have 52 active members, mostly academics, but we also include the participation of athletes, professionals in different fields as well as young students.

At the national level, there are two sports-related social programmes and 1 public school with certified Olympic Education programme and a commitment to promote the life and work of Pierre de Coubertin. This school is a member of the international network of Pierre de Coubertin schools under the auspices of the IPCC.



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2019 10th
March



Tómas Emilio Bolaño Mercado

⚙️ ACTIVITIES

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1999 8th
October



Malik Atour Evele



ACTIVITIES

The committee promotes, disseminates and teaches Olympic value in the society through sport, cultural, pedagogic and scientific activities



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ACTIVITIES

- » Presentation of the proceedings of the conference of African games
- » Symposium on olympism
- » Exhibition of Olympic Day"





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Zdeněk Škoda

ACTIVITIES

The Czech Pierre de Coubertin Committee has one representative in the Czech Olympic Academy Executive Board since 2021. In recent years, we have organized several seminars on research in history. Our members have co-operated in publishing books, worked on historical research and exhibitions. The Czech Pierre de Coubertin Committee gives financial support to the Gymnasium Pierra de Coubertina in Tábor.

The main activities in the last 5 years were the following:

- » Seminar on history, Sport and Art (2016), Ancient Days in Brno (2019) and proceedings.
- » Olympic Encyclopaedia: Czech and Czechoslovakian athletes at Olympics (2021). Members of our committee worked on the book for five years under the guidance of František Kolář.
- » The Czech Pierre de Coubertin Committee plans to work on all Olympic Games during the time of Pierre de Coubertin (1896-1936), and during his lifetime as a whole, because books on individual Olympic Games were not published in the Czech Republic before 1948. We have already finished two publications: *Rebirth of the Olympic Games* (2020) and *Antwerp 1920: for the first time at the Olympic Games under the Czechoslovakian flag* (2021). A book and an exhibition on the 90th anniversary of LA 1932 and the Czechoslovakian team will be released and presented next year.



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1950 8th
December



André Leclercq

ACTIVITIES

The French Pierre de Coubertin Committee organizes a national and international symposia every two years. It regularly publishes the magazine Gazette, various publications and manages a website and a Facebook page.

Our programme, "Olympism and Fraternity", aims to share the values of sport and Olympism (excellence, friendship, respect) in all national territories by promoting the idea of responsible citizens through the commitment of all people. The goal is the well-being for everyone, pleasant living together. Olympism is a culture of fraternity.

Our open meetings of Pierre de Coubertin Circles are tools for this mobilization and represent territorial committees of the French National Olympic and Sports Committee.

The regional circles mobilize universities alongside with sports leaders and organize conferences, seminars, round table discussions, testimonials, and produce publications. The mission of the regional circles is to bring together various local actors (associations, municipalities, schools, state establishments, social centres, specialized institutes and many others) to join common projects, in order to share in concrete action these five cardinal values, to ensure that they spread throughout the society, in all sectors, and among populations of all ages.



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2018 20th
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ACTIVITIES

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2002 21st
March



Semir Kamhawi

ACTIVITIES

- » research, documentation and consequent dissemination of Pierre de Coubertin's life's work
- » promotion of the publication of German-language writings by Pierre de Coubertin
- » promotion of scientific and public discourse on the ideas of Pierre de Coubertin
- » cooperation with the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee (development of materials and facilitation of teacher training on Olympic education, support of Coubertin schools in preparation and facilitation of International Pierre de Coubertin Youth Forums)
- » cooperation with schools: (development and facilitation of workshops for pupils, organization of a Coubertin pupil exhibition in 20 languages, support of the download center for schools www.coubertin.net, participation in video conferences of the International Network of Coubertin Schools, announcement and presentation of Pierre de Coubertin prizes, support and dissemination of the Coubertin pupils prize since 2002, now in six federal states)
- » cooperation with Olympic organizations, Olympic museums, Sports museums, the National Pierre de Coubertin Committees of numerous countries, as well as the national sports committees of the federal states in various capacities.

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*The six colors, including the white background,
represent the colors of all the world's flags -
this is a true international emblem.”*

PIERRE DE COUBERTIN, 1914



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February



Tirkey Dilip

ACTIVITIES

The Indian Pierre de Coubertin Association (IPCA) has organized many conferences by zoom during the COVID-19 period restrictions:

- International Webinar on the *Olympic Education in India*, 21 May 2020.
- Celebration of the *International Olympic Day*, 23rd June, 2020 and
- *World Sports Journalist Day* on 2 July 2020. President from Asian Sports Journalist Committee and National Sports Journalist Association took part. Olympians, national sports personalities and students from the Pierre de Coubertin school shared their experience at these events.
- *The International Pierre de Coubertin Youth Forum* 15 July 2020. IPCA Board members interacted with Dr Ines Nikolaus, International Delegate, IPCC Vice- President. We had discussed many points with Dr Nikolaus, mainly on Coubertin School Network in India and its future. On the basis of big country and large youth population, IPCA had requested to have the possibility of having two teams participate at the next "International Coubertin Youth Forum"

On the occasion of the Birthday of Hockey-player, the legendary, Major Dhyan Chand, we had celebrated *National Sports Day in India* on 29 August 2020. On this occasion we had as a chief guest, the Honourable Minister of Tribal Affaires of the Government of India, Mr. Arjun Munda (President, Archery Federation of India) and as a GUEST of Honour Ms. Sumrai Tete, Meior Dhyanchand National Awardee in India. They have all sent a special message on this important day. An important discussion took place on the topic of COVID-19 challenges in sport and on the importance of the national sports day. All IPCA members and other officials from different sports association, eminent sports personalities and Pierre de Coubertin school students took part.

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*Olympism is the fraternity
between the body and the soul”*

PIERRE DE COUBERTIN, 1894





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1998 20th
May



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ACTIVITIES

Research in Coubertin's History, Olympic Games, Olympism. Educational activities in schools for youth. Projects for disable peoples. Activities for inclusion and sport for all. Sport cultural events seminars, congresses, expo. Innovations and new technology in sport promotions.



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2019 4th
August



Shigeo Shimizu

ACTIVITIES

1. Youth forum on an annual basis with cooperation from the Japan Olympic Academy (JOA) to select and dispatch participants to the International Youth Forum
2. Debriefing forum by the International Youth Forum participants
3. Lecture meetings on Pierre de Coubertin and Olympism
4. Translation of writings of Pierre de Coubertin into Japanese in cooperation with the JOA



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ACTIVITIES

Olympic history, Olympic ideals, Ethics and fair play, Olympic education, Olympism, Education, our sports (see our website), parasport, fair play



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2007 8th May



Gitanjali Vandana (Nisha) Ramdin



ACTIVITIES

At present we are creating a space called Pierre de Coubertin in secondary schools with the aim to promulgate many Pierre de Coubertin's messages. We prepare our students to participate at the International Pierre de Coubertin Youth Forum organized by the IPCC. To teach the youth about the person of Pierre de Coubertin we organize talks on life and values in general at different forums such as sports events, team building events. Pamphlets on different aspects of Baron's life have been updated and shared at each programme organised by the CMPC.

We organize award ceremonies (Trophy Pierre de Coubertin) to publicize those athletes who did not only bring medals for the island at international level but also demonstrated attitudes of fair play and respect. Children's Fun Day is another event that is organised by the committee and aimed at passing the message of Pierre de Coubertin to vulnerable children. We have television and radio interviews to talk about the Baron Pierre de Coubertin, especially around major sports events.





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2019 12th
August



Carlos Hernández Schäfler

ACTIVITIES

Promote and foster Coubertinian humanism and the philosophy of Olympism in Mexico, through educational, cultural, health, artistic, scientific and technological research activities; both by virtual and face-to-face means.

Conduct research and promote publications of all kinds (books, magazines, articles, brochures, press releases and web pages, etc.) on the history of sport in Mexico and disseminate the humanistic values implicit in sport to the maximum.



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2002 21st
November



Kajetan Hądzelek

ACTIVITIES

Olympic education, Pierre de Coubertin legacy, Olympic dissemination in the society.



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2018



Marion Keim Lees

ACTIVITIES

Advocacy ,School liasion, Capacity building and Training, OVEP, Research and commnity outreach, Youth Network, leadership and mentorship, annual Sport and Peace Conference, Youth Network Activities.

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*Winning medals wasn't the point of the Olympics.
It's the participating that counts”*

PIERRE DE COUBERTIN, 1926



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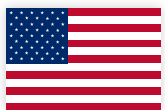
Conrado Duránte



ACTIVITIES

The Spanish Pierre de Coubertin Committee has among its objectives the study of the personality, life and work of Pierre de Coubertin. For this, its president, D. Conrado Duránte has written numerous publications on the work of the humanist and his social, cultural, educational and moral principles.

In order to collaborate with other institutions in the implementation of the Olympic Spirit and the transmission of the heritage and legacy of the distinguished pedagogue, the Spanish Pierre de Coubertin Committee has created a project called "Spanish Network of Coubertin Schools". This summons a good number of educational centers in our country and from among them one is chosen to represent Spain in international meetings dedicated to the figure of Pierre de Coubertin.



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ACTIVITIES

The US Pierre de Coubertin Committee (USPCC) was very active in the 2019/20 year. At the 2019 meeting, the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee formally recognized the reactivation of the USPCC under the leadership of Secretary General George Hirthler and President Gary Rhodes. USPCC leadership presented at the IOC and the USOPC headquarters, was represented at the Coubertin Youth Forum in France, the Youth Summer Olympics in Argentina and Youth Winter Olympics in Switzerland, and attended and presented at a number of conferences in the US and internationally. Meetings with representatives of the French Pierre de Coubertin Committee and US

organizations supporting the Los Angeles 2028 Summer Olympics and Paralympics were held to support collaboration leading to Paris, 2024 and Los Angeles, 2028. Legal work is being completed to ensure the appropriate recognition of the USPCC as a non-profit organization. A leadership board is being recruited with broad ranging representation in the US. A new website has been developed (www.Coubertin.us). Planning is underway to support the development and implementation of a Coubertin in America Symposium (Olympism in Action) in the US in 2021. Through these and other collaborative efforts, the USPCC is moving forward to the 2020/21.



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June



Héctor Horacio Henry

ACTIVITIES

The Pierre de Coubertin Committee -Uruguay -has the same tasks as the IPCC, and since its foundation in 2016, it has addressed the study of the life and work of Pierre de Coubertin, carrying out research, publication and dissemination work in different media, especially in the field of education and academia.

During the school period and in years of the Olympic Games, primary schools, secondary schools, universities, centres of public interest, the media (newspapers, radios, TV) are visited throughout the country.

Before our committee was founded, we participated in symposia on Coubertin and Olympism in: 2015 (Córdoba, ARG), 2016 (Rio de Janeiro), 2017 (Porto Alegre), 2018 (Buenos Aires), 2019 (Pereira .COL). Since 2020 we are part of the Latin American Centre for Coubertinian Studies, conducting research, publications, and dissertations in collaboration with the IPCC Secretariat.

We have our own headquarters with a library and a Coubertinian and Olympic Studies Centre.

We have become a certified centre for research in Olympic sport activities in Uruguay, recognized for our serious approach in scientific investigations.

In 2021 we made a four-year agreement with the French Embassy in Montevideo to promote the Paris 2024 Olympic Games, coinciding with the first 100 years of participation of Uruguay at Olympic Games (Paris 1924).

Our members come from different professional backgrounds linked to sport and Olympism: sport leaders, teachers, Olympic medallists, researchers, academics, leaders in the National Departments, journalists, elite athletes, etc. which allows us to fulfil our tasks and missions in a wide range of the country.

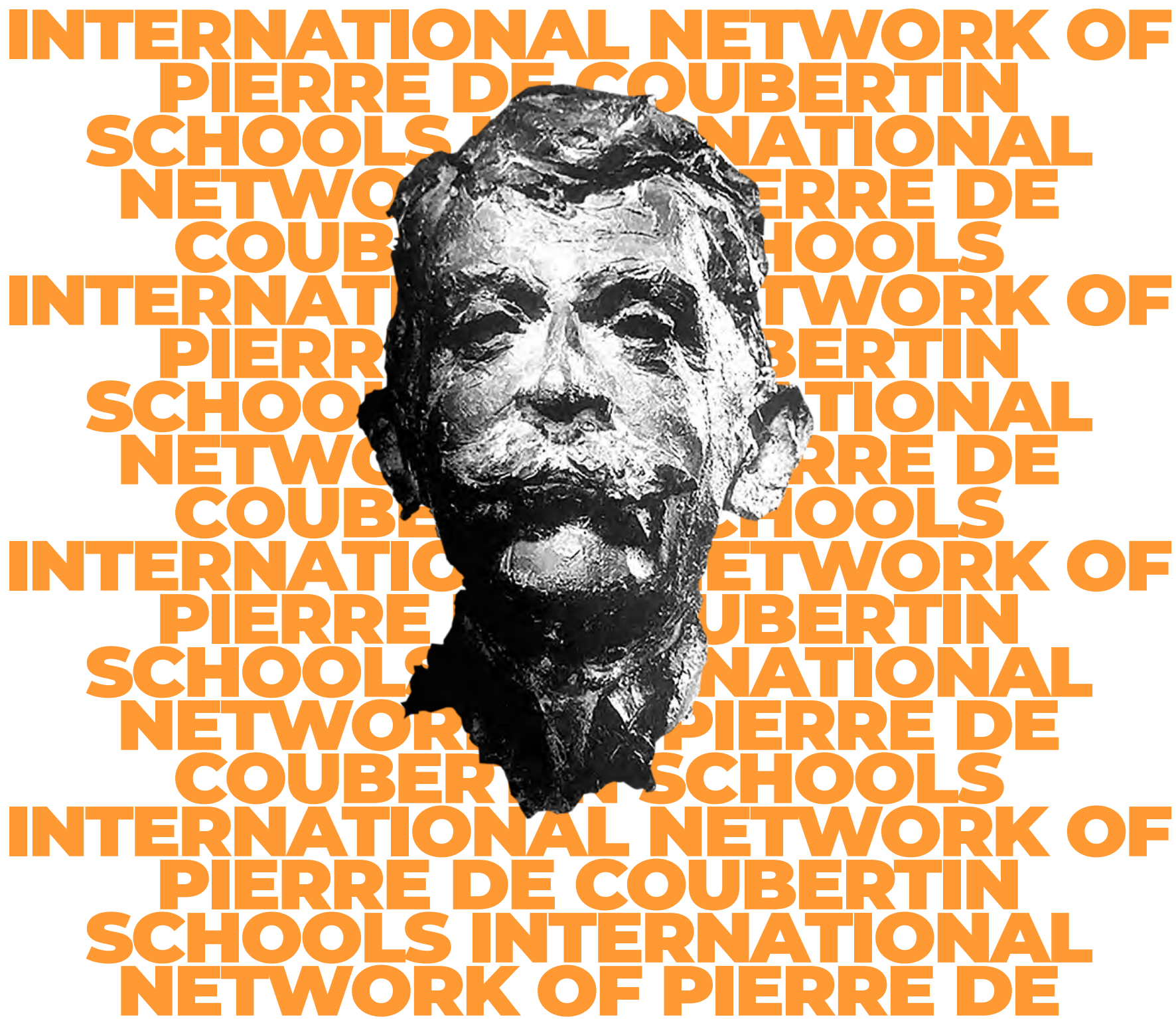
In addition, we have a very broad relationship with the Uruguayan government and with the embassies of host countries of the Olympic Games which allow us to establish dialogue about Coubertin and Olympism, and to exchange information about the culture of each country.



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ABOVE: YOUNG PIERRE DE COUBERTIN;
 UPPER RIGHT: PIERRE DE COUBERTIN
 SENDING A MESSAGE IN 1935 ON SWISS RADIO;
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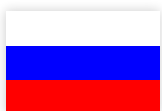
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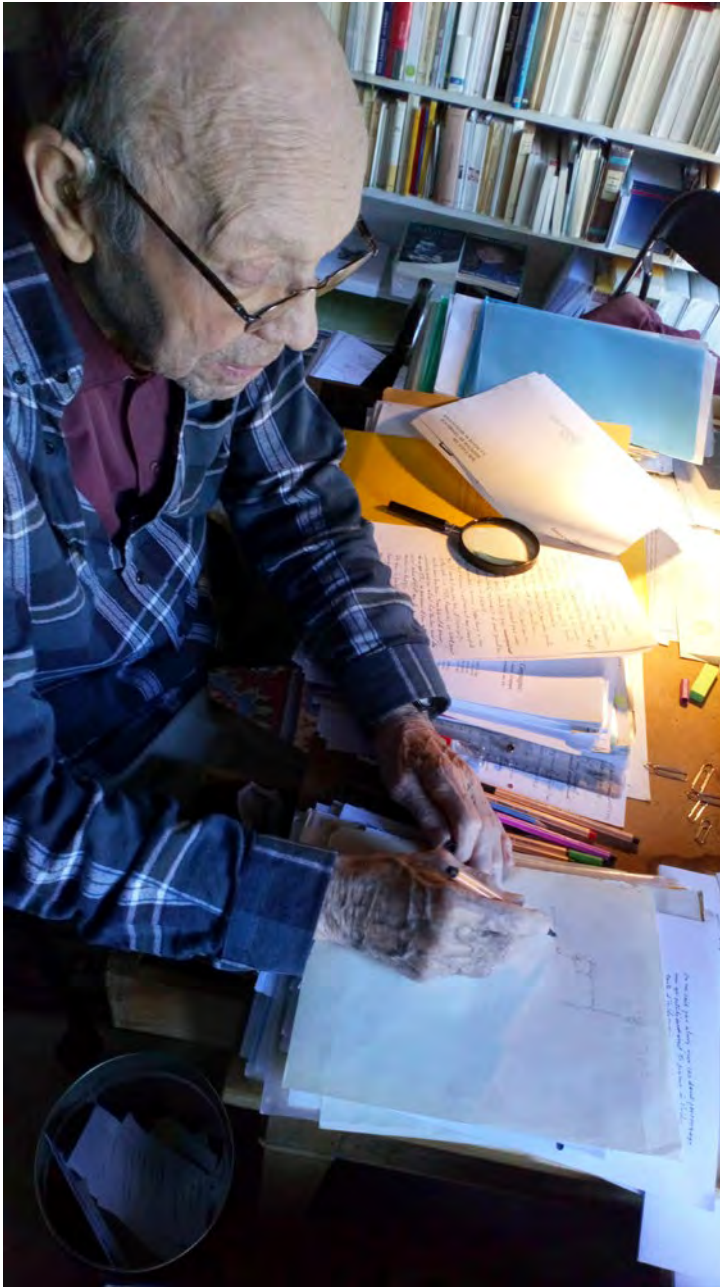


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*Olympism is not a system - it is a state of mind.
This state of mind has emerged from a double cult:
that of effort and that of Eurythmy - a taste of excess
and a taste of measure combined”*

PIERRE DE COUBERTIN, 1918



Jacques Guhl: the founder and first Secretary General of the International Pierre de Coubertin Committee who has fulfilled all of the IPCC missions and much more.

At present, Jacques Guhl is helping us write the history of our institution and asking us to continue along the path he embarked upon in the 1970s.

We send him our thanks and greetings on his 100th birthday on 23 October 2022.

JACQUES GUHL
WORKING IN HIS OFFICE, 2022

Poem by
Jacques Guhl

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Poem

by Jacques Guhl
dedicated to
Pierre de Coubertin



*« L'important dans la vie, ce n'est point le triomphe
mais le combat ; l'essentiel ce n'est pas d'avoir
vaincu mais de s'être bien battu. » Pierre de
Coubertin*

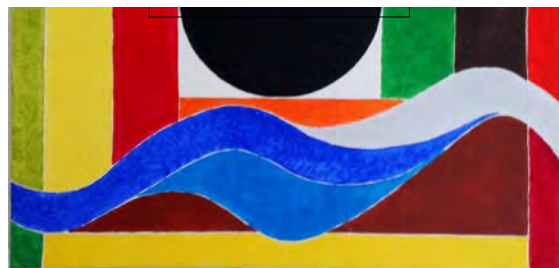
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L'AME DE COUBERTIN



L' A M E D E C O U B E R T I N

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Un homme fit un feu
 Jadis en ce temps-là
 Un normand visionnaire
 À l'intrépide foi
 Nourrit un rêve étrange
 Nourrit de faire courir
 Tous les hommes ensemble
 Au clair de la raison



Tous les hommes ensemble
 Réunis par l'effort
 En un unique souffle
 Une même foulée
 Au-delà des prairies
 Au-delà des saisons
 Avant que dans leur cœur
 Vienne le mot mépris



Et les hommes... ont couru
 De ce souffle voulu
 Réapprenant le monde
 Propageant l'espérance
 Des hauts plateaux d'Afrique
 Aux pentes de l'Olympe
 Des steppes sibériennes
 Aux plaines de l'Oregon



Un homme fit un feu
 Tel un cri : « Aimons-nous ! »
 Ô fol amour des autres !
 Ô flamme universelle
 Anneaux nous unissant
 Au rythme des couleurs !
 Et nul ne fut plus seul
 À l'appel de son nom



Un homme fit un feu
 Athènes en fut témoin
 Cet homme nous aimait
 Qui dit : « Courons ensemble !
 Emaillons notre effort
 De miroirs étonnés
 Ô vous... regarde-toi !
 Ô toi... regardez-vous ! »



Ô toi la multitude !
 Ô toi l'enfant du monde !
 Ô toi l'enfant perdu !
 Ô toi qui viens frapper
 À la porte dorée
 Du stade de la vie !
 Un homme fit un feu
 L'as-tu su ?... L'as-tu dit ?



L'as-tu dit aux étoiles ?
 L'as-tu dit à la voile ?
 L'as-tu dit au vent
 Qui conduit la pensée ?
 L'as-tu dit seulement
 Au pauvre de la rue
 Que tu vois le matin
 Tendant sa main glacée ?



Un homme un équipier
 Exemple de l'équipe
 Debout là près de nous
 À chaque coup de rame
 À chaque coup de cœur
 Sa main sur une épaule
 Soulève jusqu'au ciel
 De longs envols d'oiseaux



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Un homme fit un feu
 À l'aube de nos vies
 Pour que couve toujours
 L'âme de ce feu là
 Dans les mots que l'on dit
 Et qu'à chaque pensée
 Brûle dans notre cœur
 Quelque chose de lui



Ce poème a été dit par son auteur, Jacques Guhl, à la session de clôture du Congrès du Havre (Comité International Pierre De Coubertin le 20 septembre 1997.

L'olympisme est une œuvre mondiale de courage et de déterminisme, de culture et de révolution. Hommage à un père doté de pédagogie du sport, de valeurs essentielles, liberté et paix ne faisant qu'un. Agnès Guhl 2022

« L'olympisme n'est point un système, c'est un état d'esprit », Pierre de Coubertin.



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BUST OF PIERRE DE COUBERTIN BY KARLHEINZ OSWALD

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Wars break out

because nations misunderstand each other.

*We shall not have peace until the prejudices which now separate
the different races shall have been outlived. To attain this end,
what better means than to bring the youth of all countries
periodically together for amicable trials
of muscular strength and agility?”*

PIERRE DE COUBERTIN, 1919

“THE IMPORTANT THING IN THE OLYMPIC
GAMES IS NOT TO WIN, BUT TO TAKE
PART; THE IMPORTANT THING IN LIFE IS
NOT TRIUMPH, BUT THE STRUGGLE; THE
ESSENTIAL THING IS NOT TO HAVE CONQUERED
BUT TO HAVE FOUGHT WELL. TO SPREAD THESE
PRINCIPLES IS TO BUILD UP A STRONG AND MORE
VALIANT AND, ABOVE ALL, MORE SCRUPULOUS
AND MORE GENEROUS HUMANITY.”
PIERRE DE COUBERTIN, 1926



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