

## ZAPISNIK

### **1. Sestanka odbora za invalide pri Namiznoteniški zvezi Slovenije**

Sestanek je bil v soboto 3.9.2009 v Ljubljani, s pričetkom ob 10 uri.

**Prisotni:** Alojz Volc, Mateja Pintar, Branko Mihorko

#### **Dnevni red:**

1. Seznanitev s trenutnim stanjem
2. Priprava osnov smernic dela
3. Odnos Namiznoteniška zveza Slovenije (NTZS) in Zveza za šport invalidov Slovenije - Paraolimpijski komite (ZŠIS-POK)
4. Razno

#### **Ad. 1.**

- Mednarodna namiznoteniška zveza (ITTF) je obvestila NTZS in ZŠIS-POK, da se počasi zaključuje integracija igralcev namiznega tenisa – prehod invalidov na Namiznoteniške zveze, ki poteka od leta 2007.
- Od 1.1.2010 bo možno prijaviti tekmovalce invalide le še preko NTZS-ja na tekmovanja pod okriljem ITTF-a.
- NTZS je sprejela sklep na 1. Seji izvršnega odbora, ki je bila dne 28.9.2009, da se šport invalidov vključi v vse dejavnosti NTZS-ja in potrdila Odbor za invalide v sestavi: Branko Mihorko, Mateja Pintar in Alojz Volc.
- Predsednika NTZS (Marjan Hribar) in ZŠIS-POK (Emil Muri) sta se sestala 30.9.2009 in dogovorila osnove za skupno sodelovanje. V prihodnosti bo potrebno skleniti dogovor o sodelovanju.
- Državna reprezentanca sedaj deluje na ZŠIS-POK in ima imenovanega glavnega trenerja.
- ZŠIS-POK je v naslednjem letu prirediteljica Pro Tour-a za invalide v Laškem. Na svetu so samo štirje taki turnirji na leto.
- ZŠIS-POK je razpisala državno prvenstvo za invalide za leto 2010.
- Pri pripravi novih pravil naj bi NTZS upoštevala novo stanje vključenosti invalidov.

#### **Ad. 2.**

- Vključitev/včlanitev aktivnih invalidov – igralcev namiznega tenisa v posamezne klube z upoštevanjem dostopnosti dvorane, sanitarij, mize in seveda možnosti strokovnega dela.
- Vključitev trenerja reprezentance invalidov v strokovno delo NTZS.
- Izvedba seminarja za trenerje s poudarkom na namiznem tenisu invalidov v času prvenstva v Laškem.
- Motiviranje namiznoteniških klubov/društev za delo z mladimi invalidi v svojem okolju.
- Izvedba turnirja (prvenstva mladih) pod okriljem NTZS.
- Pregled stanja statusa vrhunske športnice, ki ga ima Mateja Pintar.

**Ad. 3.**

- Oba predsednika sta izrazila pripravljenost za sodelovanje. Je pa tu še veliko neznank, ker nobena panožna v Sloveniji še ni prišla tako daleč. Se pa bodo s tem srečale v prihodnosti...
- Pripraviti bi bilo potrebno skupni program dela za 2010.

**Ad 4:**

- Odbor za invalide prosi za posebno točko IO NTZS, ki bo obravnaval to tematiko.
- Predsednik NTZS naj se pogovori z Matejo Pintar.

**Opomba:**

**Združevanje oziroma vključevanje invalidov v panožno zvezo je v Slovenije novost. Tukaj nimamo primera, ki bi nam lahko bil za oporo. Zato bo potrebno kar nekaj usklajevanj, tako na državnem in lokalnem nivoju, kot med različnimi zvezami, da bomo prišli do primernega načina dela. Pričakujemo, da bo namizni tenis zgled za vse ostale...**

Konec sestanka: 12.30

Ljubljana, 4.10.2009

Zapisal:  
Branko Mihorko



Prilogi – Dopisa IITF-a o združevanju



**TO:** all ITTF national members and national Paralympic committees

Dear Colleagues

On 1 July 2007, the IPC formally transferred the governance and responsibility for the sport of table tennis to the ITTF. 20 months later, it is an opportune time to take stock of the process as it remains a joint responsibility to ensure the growth of table tennis with a focus on athletes with a disability. Indeed, the agreement signed between the ITTF and IPC specifies:

*The ITTF and the IPC agree to monitor the transfer of governance processes of table tennis for athletes with a disability from the National Paralympic Committees (NPC), or other national governing body structures for table tennis for athletes with a disability, to that of the respective ITTF National Member and to work together to enforce this governance structure in order to:*

- a) Commit to the principles of mainstreaming;*
- b) Initiate and enhance development opportunities for table tennis athletes with a disability at the grassroots to elite level;*
- c) Provide opportunities for the participation of table tennis athletes with a disability in ITTF recognised events, Championships and the Paralympic Games; and*
- d) Include targeted table tennis events for athletes with a disability at major National events and Championships.*

This position is reinforced in many national government constitutions but it is also emphasised by Article 30 of the UN Convention on the Rights of Disabled Persons dealing with "Participation in cultural life, recreation, leisure and sport" which states:

*"... With a view to enabling persons with disabilities to participate on an equal basis with others in recreational, leisure and sporting activities, States Parties shall take appropriate measures ... to encourage and promote the participation, to the fullest extent possible, of persons with disabilities in mainstream sporting activities at all levels ...".*

We had a very successful table tennis competition during the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games which has now built a solid foundation in the ITTF for Para Table Tennis and further accentuates the great collaboration that exists between the ITTF and the IPC.

Through the transfer of governance process, the national integration process has commenced. As many of you know, a significant number of athletes with a disability already participate regularly in traditionally able-bodied leagues that are under the auspices of the ITTF national members. It is our collective aim to extend these

mainstreaming opportunities across all countries/territories in which table tennis is widely and regularly practised.

When the IPC began promoting the self sustainability and self governance of IPC Sports in 2001, the following benefits were already recognised for the concerned sports:

- Improved or enhanced services to a broader constituency
- Growth and strengthening of the sport
- Freedom to negotiate external relationships including organisational partnerships and fund development
- Sport specialisation
- Access to new resources including, but not limited, to technical expertise, research, promotion and awareness
- Ability to determine future direction in a sport-specific context
- Higher quality competitive opportunities for athletes

These benefits apply equally to the ITTF in being able to realise its “one family” approach to table tennis and to develop a value added concept to both internal and external stakeholders.

At a national level, we recognise that some ITTF and IPC members have approached the integration process with open arms while others do so with some trepidation. In order to bring some clarity to the various areas that may be at question when ITTF and IPC members approach integration, please find the following points for your reference:

1. *Funding*: in general, funding follows function. Thus as the responsibility for Para Table Tennis at a national level moves to the ITTF national member, so the funding for that function should be transferred to the ITTF national member. This will affect the funding received from the national or local government. However, with this responsibility comes the obligation of the ITTF national member to ensure that a value added concept of “one table tennis family” is entrenched in any sponsorship negotiations. This should be done through emphasising an increase in membership, a commitment to addressing integration and an increase in the number of competitions at a national level.
2. *Membership fees*: in an integrated model, whether a club is an integrated one or specific to athletes with a disability, the affiliation of the club must be to the ITTF national member in terms of the ITTF national member’s constitution. If a dual membership approach is adopted by a club that is the decision of that club.
3. *Affiliation to NOC and NPC*: where the NOC and NPC are separate entities, the ITTF national member will have to affiliate to both in order to ensure the right to nominate athletes for both the Olympic and Paralympic Games. Where the NOC and NPC are one, the issue is simple.
4. *Selection of national Paralympic table tennis team*: remains the obligation of the NPC, if separate from the NOC, and the NPC will consider the nomination from the ITTF national member for athletes and management to be selected for the Paralympic Games. Again, funding follows function so the participation of this team will be the responsibility of the NPC.
5. *Entries to ITTF Para Table Tennis events*: with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010, only entries submitted by the ITTF national member will be accepted by the ITTF.

6. *Rationalisation*: can contribute to the reduction in costs. This should be addressed through an integrated coaching programme, competition programme, development initiatives and other activities.

It is important for the future of the ITTF and its world-wide membership that development initiatives are implemented to ensure sustainability. This applies equally to athletes, particularly potential athletes, who have and do not have a disability. We recognise the right of all people to play sport and welcome this opportunity to recruit players with and without disabilities into the ITTF.

Should you have any questions on the issues raised above or would like to discuss how to approach national integration, please feel free to contact:

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Yours faithfully,



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22 September 2009

For the attention of the ITTF Associations

Dear Presidents and Secretaries General,

**INTEGRATION PROCESS OF PARA TABLE TENNIS**

On 1 July 2007, the ITTF assumed the responsibility for Para Table Tennis (PTT) and, as you know, the elections held during the ITTF AGM in Yokohama this year included the appointment of members of the Para Table Tennis Division from nominations made by National Associations for the first time. This forms part of the process we are following to consolidate the PTT within the ITTF.

As part of this process, we are working with the International Paralympic Committee to ensure that the integration process takes place at a national level in a similar way to the process followed by the ITTF and IPC. We would like to encourage National Associations to work closely with the organisations nationally which cater for table tennis players with a disability and facilitate the transfer of the responsibility to the National Association from these organisations which are usually coordinated by the National Paralympic Committee. Several countries have already achieved this.

As a guideline, the ITTF signed an agreement with the IPC outlining the transfer of governance responsibility and the PTT committee worked under the jurisdiction of the ITTF from 1 July 2007 within the rules and procedures of the ITTF. Those people who were working in PTT under the IPC simply continued their work under the ITTF. We have, as you know, also integrated rules for wheelchair play into the ITTF rules, umpires exams now cover PTT events and our referees officiate at all ITTF events, including PTT.

We hope that, as soon as the National Association is able, you too will take the responsibility for table tennis players with a disability in line with our motto of "one sport, one family". As part of this process of consolidation, the PTT Division has decided that with effect from 1 January 2010, players, umpires and trainee classifiers must be registered for PTT events through National Associations. We hope that this will add impetus to the transfer of governance to the National Association.

We suggest the following to assist the process:

**Nominate one person within your association who will liaise with PTT in your country**

This person will be the contact person for the ITTF on PTT matters, although the National Association will still be copied, and all information will be sent to him/her. He/she will be responsible to follow up and keep the ITTF informed of PTT activities in the country. He/she may also be directly involved in PTT currently in your country.

Please fill in the attached form and return to the ITTF.

Attached is a **short survey** to establish the situation regarding PTT within the National Associations. We would be grateful if you take the time to answer this questionnaire and send it back to the ITTF by the due date. It will help us to understand the situation nationally and to assist where necessary.

Finally, the ITTF has also appointed Alison Burchell in our office to work with PTT. Should you need any assistance on PTT matters, please contact her on [burchell@ittf.com](mailto:burchell@ittf.com).

Thank you for your cooperation and we remain committed to supporting National Associations during this integration period.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jordi Serra', with a stylized flourish at the end.

**Jordi SERRA**  
*Executive Director*  
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