The think tank Sport and Citizenship takes a stand on sport for people with disabilities.

The think tank Sport and Citizenship speaks in today at the European Parliament for the conference “Sport and handicap”. Matthias Gutt, President of the Think Tank the European Network of Sport and Disability, and founder of SPIN Sport Innovation, is invited to talk about the issue of accessibility of sport and actions to implement for people with disability.

The "European Disability Strategy 2010-2020" is an opportunity for all actors involved in this field. The Think Tank Sport and Citizenship is one supporter of the strategy. The EU action should be included as part of a proactive sport for all policy and adequately in line with public infrastructure, in order to remove all barriers encountered (specialized coaching deficit, inaccessible infrastructure, discrimination, under-media coverage of the sports supply, etc.).

An unprecedented conference initiated by the European Parliament
Matthias Gutt will intervene on the need to initiate a pragmatic approach in order to transform public policy into sustainable practices.
The training of supervisory staff, the development of knowledge as well as the establishment of a better-adapted sports supply.

Aware of this challenge, the Think Tank Sport and Citizenship wants to emphasize on the training of supervisory staff in order to improve sports supply and thus confront the whole society with the question of integration and living-better together.
The added value that the EU could bring here is priceless.

Meanwhile, national initiatives, such as « Les Débats du Sport Solidaire », could introduce an innovative momentum, the euro citizen initiative.

A new citizen rendezvous accompanied by an exclusive study on sport and disability
The objective of this new appointment follows to the desire of the FDJ Foundation and the Think Tank Sport and Citizenship to create a permanent exchange and a debate on sport and the role of sport on society. The aim is to facilitate and democratize sport values of solidarity, equality, respect, diversity and integrity in order to encourage participation for all.

The conference brings together representatives from the sports movement, academics and sports figures in order for the greater public to benefit from return of experiences, knowledge and best practices. It will also unveil an exclusive survey conducted by TNS Sofres on sport for people with disabilities.

« Les Débats du Sport Solidaire »: sport for people with disabilities: challenges and perspectives?
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About the think tank Sport and Citizenship
Sport and Citizenship is the 1st-ever Think Tank dedicated to sport. Group of reflection and networking among governments, the business sector and civil society actors, it promotes the values of sport and advocate for their best location in our society.
Think Tank through its Scientific Committee, it also uses sport as a tool of general interest for creation of a European identity. As a vector of social ties, sport must be one of the answers to the challenges society faces as a whole and must encourage the establishment of real action so that sport and its values occupy their right place in our society.

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