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Themed Session Call for Papers

Sport and Development: Past, Present and Future

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Theme focus: Using sport as a social development tool has gained some prominence in academic literature across the past decade. A number of studies have explored and examined the efficacy of sport as a social development tool, with mixed results. The focus of this session theme is to continue the debate regarding the ways in which sport is used in the development framework. This panel stream is seeking papers that explore the contestations and collaborations that have emerged between the various actors involved in the field of sport and development and that can further develop an international and inter-disciplinary perspective concerning sport as a development tool. The session is interested in presentations from in a multiplicity of perspectives, be they innovative research projects through to theoretical propositions.

Topics addressed in this theme may cover areas such as:

- How do those involved in sport for development programs ensure sustainability in times of financial austerity?
- Models of effective and/or efficient sport for development practices that favour sustained or increased community participation
- Case studies of sport for development initiatives/programs.
- Innovative research methods and techniques focusing on sport for development programs/initiatives,
- Social outcomes of sport for development programs/initiatives.

Session format: We are seeking papers, research presentations and case-studies from a variety of presenters focusing on a specific topic, question and/or methodology.

Abstracts should be 250-350 words clearly indicating the following information:

- Author name(s) indicating position and affiliation as well as full details of correspondence author.
- Full paper title as it will appear in the conference programme.
- Abstract including Background (outline of the context/literature informing the study or issue), Approach/methodology (indication of the broad theoretical orientation and/or methodological approach) and Significance/Key learnings (description/application of findings or key learnings).
- Full references for any research cited in the abstract (no tables, figures or footnotes).

Abstracts using Word format are to be submitted to Dr Edoardo Rosso (Edoardo.rosso@unisa.edu.au)

Deadline for abstracts is Friday 29th May 2015