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Competitions



The U18 World Championship and Women's European Championship lands in Reiden – SUI

During the days of 23-26 July more than 275 athletes competed for the U18 Men's & Women's World Championship titles and the Women's European Championship. Organized in partnership Turnverein STV Vordemwald, EFA and IFA more than 300 volunteers and officials were responsible for running the event's 67 matches. In the U18 Men's competition Germany defended its title, with Austria taking silver and Brazil taking bronze. The rest of the field: Switzerland, Chile, Namibia and New Zealand. -The final standings of the U18 Women's competition: Austria (Gold), Germany (Silver), Switzerland (Bronze), Brazil, Chile, Italy, Czechia, Denmark.

The head of the local organizing committee, Luca Flückiger, emphasized the importance of an international event for strengthening and growing local fistball. "We are convinced that this type of event always serves as the initial motivation for the growth of the local fistball community, especially among children."

By IFA President – Gastão Englert

News



The IFA organizes "Ask The President" for the first time. The event aimed to give members a voice and bring them closer to shaping future initiatives

As one of the initiatives of the U18 World Championship, the "Ask the President" session took place during the training day. The meeting was coordinated by IFA President Gastão Englert, along with other members of the IFA board. According to Englert, the event achieved 100% of its proposed goals. "We want to be close to our members. We are not the 'owners' of fistball! We currently have the honor of leading the institution and finding the best paths ahead. We know our responsibility, and we want our members and partners with us."

The meeting approached the following topics: Create spaces for listening and closeness with members, Give members a voice: the IFA is ours! Share results, Share upcoming goals and Q&A.

By Office Manager– Sönke Spille

The IFA launches its Newsletter. The idea is systematic and simple communication, but Especially, one built by the IFA's own committees.



The IFA Newsletter will be a one-page publication, divided into the following sections: Competition, News, Youth, World Tour, Athletes, and Calendar. The sections will be produced by the committees involved and aim to simply connect the most recent developments to the fistball community around the world.

The Newsletter will always be published in the end of each month through the following IFA channels like WhatsApp Channel, Facebook, and the main working groups and committees. It's worth noting that this first newsletter was produced during the U18 World Championship in Reiden.

By IFA Office Manager– Sönke Spille

Youth



IFA Youth Festival Brings Together Young Athletes in Reiden

As part of the IFA U18 Fistball World Championships in Reiden (SUI), the IFA Youth Festival brought together a large number of young athletes for an evening of exchange, fun and international friendship. With a quiz, interactive activities and plenty of opportunities to connect, the event created a great atmosphere and was very well attended.

During the festival, Reuben McKeown (NZL) and Lia Monteiro (BRA) were introduced as the new U18 Athlete Representatives for the upcoming term. They will represent the voices of young athletes within the IFA Youth Commission.

By IFA Youth Commission – Emma Dallinger

ATHLETES



Welcome to the Athletes Commission

As the Chair of the IFA Athletes Commission, I'm excited to welcome you to our very first contribution to this newsletter. Each month, we'll use this space to share updates and topics relevant to you as players.

Most importantly, this commission exists for you. Whatever concerns, questions, or ideas you have, please don't hesitate to reach out. We're always happy to listen, and you're welcome to contact me anytime, including a quick message on WhatsApp: +43 676 3034727

Looking forward to hearing from you!

By IFA Athletes Commission – Antonia Woitsch

Calendar



Year	Institution	Event	date	Place	Country	Obs
week 30	IFA	U18 World Championship	23 JUL - 26 JUL	Reiden	SUI	Nations - Girls and Boys
week 44	IFA	IFA Club World Cup	29 OCT - 01 NOV	Llanquihue	CHI	Clubs - Women and men