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A FULL-TIME PROGRAMME IN THE OLYMPIC CAPITAL

Organised by the International Academy of Sport Science and Technology (AISTS), the AISTS MAS in Sport Management and Technology degree is a unique master's programme in sports management held annually in Lausanne, the Olympic Capital. Over the course of 15 months, participants are trained by experts in sports management and academics, in the following multi-disciplinary fields applied directly to sport:

- Management and Business of Sport
- Sport Technology
- Sport Law
- Sport Medicine
- Sport Sociology
- Leadership and Career Development
- Client Team Project
- Work Experience

THE NO.1 RANKED PROGRAMME IN SPORTS MANAGEMENT WORLDWIDE

The AISTS Master of Advanced Studies in Sport Management and Technology is ranked number 1 in the global Eduniversal rankings and is co-signed by some of the best academic and technology institutions of Switzerland; EPFL, University of Lausanne, and University of Geneva.

The AISTS MAS in Sport Management and Technology is designed for sports-minded professionals wishing to achieve a stronger skill set for their existing or desired career in the sports industry, or wish to pivot their career toward the sport industry.

Participants are fluent in English, have a master's degree or a bachelor's degree and work experience, and are interested in developing or strengthening a career in sports management. In addition, they come from a wide range of nationalities and professions, but all have the same goal of becoming a future leader in sport.

AISTS MAS WORK EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

To graduate with a the Master from AISTS, participants must succeed in all academic parts of the course and must also complete at least eight weeks of full-time work in the sport industry. Past participants have completed these requirements in the form of short-term work experience or by securing full-time jobs with organisations such as the International Olympic Committee, International Federations, sport organisations, organising committees and corporate agencies.

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ABOUT THE AISTS

The AISTS was founded in 2000 by the International Olympic Committee (IOC), EPFL, University of Lausanne, University of Geneva, IMD Business School, Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne (EHL), the City of Lausanne and the Canton of Vaud. The AISTS responds to the needs of the sport industry by focusing its activity on three key pillars:



EDUCATION

Education leaders in sport management through adapted education programmes.



APPLIED RESEARCH

Providing knowledge and expertise in relevant fields applied to the sport environment.



CONNECTIONS

Acting as a strategic connector in the world of sport.

AISTS MISSION

The mission of the International Academy of Sport Science and Technology (AISTS) is to bring a positive contribution to the management of sport through post-graduate and executive education, as well as applied research, consulting and services by developing, integrating and delivering multidisciplinary knowledge from human sciences, life sciences and engineering sciences.

FROM THE FIELD

The class of 2023 will graduate in what are challenging and turbulent times. But you will be entering sport at a time when its deeply rooted values matter probably more than ever.

When divisions are profound, sport can truly unite; when life together is hard, competing on a level playing field can epitomise respect. Sport, the Olympic Games in particular, hold up a mirror to society. Because of the attention and exposure, they are actually a magnifying mirror.

The expectations placed on us are generally and understandably higher than other parties in civil society. Some of the trends must be fully embraced and embedded to maintain our long-term appeal and relevance. For us, at the IOC, this means working with organisers and our partners in the Olympic Movement to ensure that, when we are exposed, we can showcase.

In Paris, the Games will be “wide open”, as per their motto. In a time where two economic models coexist, Paris 2024 will maintain some principles of exclusivity, while simultaneously adopting the concept of the sharing economy. Fields of play will not only see the best athletes competing, but also host mass events and kids’ activities; the grand spectacle of the Opening Ceremony will not be reserved for ticket-holders, but will take place along the River Seine and in its magnificent surroundings; the sports programme and participation will be fully gender balanced; our media partners will ensure a perfectly balanced portrayal between both genders. More than ever, there will be a mix of physical presence and digital experience. In other words, phygital consumption.

Milano Cortina 2026 is getting closer. These Games will be deeply local in nature. Conducting operations locally and consuming local are without doubt needed to increase sustainability. Experts who on a yearly basis deliver World Cups, Championships, etc. in Bormio, Anterselva and Livigno will be fully mobilised. Small resort towns will host the world. In all recent and future editions, sport has been and will be displayed where people are located, i.e. more and more in urban settings. Big air in front of a cooling tower was certainly a key feature of the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022. More of this in the future!

Sports organisations have also now fully embraced esports in their various shapes and forms. The potential for growth represents an immense opportunity. The class of 2023 is faced with a fascinating, evolving, ever-stimulating landscape that is constantly being reshaped. Sport is becoming more appealing and sophisticated. You have embarked on the right pathway.

Best of luck!



International
Olympic
Committee

Christophe Dubi
Olympic Games Executive Director



FROM THE FIELD

Twenty years ago, the AISTS launched the very first edition of the MAS.

Over 750 participants have since graduated from the programme and more than one hundred nationalities from all five continents are represented within our alumni. All have shared unique moments in the Olympic Capital during an intense year of growth and development. The friendships that were forged within the classroom, through teamwork, during exam preparation and in the joint practice of sport itself shape the most precious heritage of the programme: lifelong friendships.

Sport makes us better people; it undeniably lays a foundation for the well-being of humankind and society. Sport in the form of physical education, or competitive sports, is health-enhancing, job-creating, and a catalyst for social integration and economic development.

Playing with a ball, riding down a hill, swimming in fulfillment, climbing to the highest point, running faster than peers are at the source of passion for sport, may it be in the professional, amateur, production or consumer form.

The evolution of society and technology have strong impacts on sport and its business. In the past twenty years, I have witnessed fundamental changes in digitalisation, ethics, entrepreneurship, sustainability –to name a few– in sport organisations and our alumni's employers.

The MAS has also evolved to address new needs and anticipate future needs through a thorough re-design. We are extremely proud to have implemented these important changes in the curriculum for the 2023 edition, providing our participants with the knowledge, tools and know-how to navigate and anticipate the increasingly fast changes in our environment.

Our mission to bring a positive contribution to the management of sport through post-graduate and executive education is also a passion. This passion is shared by all the speakers and partners of the programme. We are grateful to have the chance to carry out this mission as our profession.

On behalf of the professors and sport partners of the programme and the staff, I wish the twenty-first class a productive and above all happy year of broadened horizons, filled with friendship.



Claude Stricker
AISTS Executive Director



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CLASS OF 2023

PROFILES



19

MEN

6

WOMEN

31.5

AVERAGE AGE

AISTS MAS

CLASS OF 2023

NATIONALITIES



14

LANGUAGES

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AVG. YEARS OF
EXPERIENCE

PARTICIPANTS PROFILES

2023

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Abilash RATHNAKARAN

Sports Administrator & Educator with 10+ years of International experience in grassroots development, Operations and Mega Sports Events, collaborating with NFs, IFs and NOC. Passionate contributor to athlete development & safeguarding.



LANGUAGES

English, Tamil, Malayalam, French (basic)

EDUCATION

Master of Engineering in Instrumentation Engineering, *St. Peters University, India*

Bachelor of Engineering in Electronics and Communication Engineering, *Anna University, India*

SPORTS

Football, Volleyball, Cricket, Kabaddi



WORK EXPERIENCE

Director of Sports, Vels University & Jeppiaar Group of Institutions, Chennai, India

- Developed several National and International athletes including producing a Male Olympian in Sailing at the Tokyo Olympics 2020 and currently preparing a Female Athlete for Paris 2024
- Event Director for The 65th Senior National Volleyball Championship 2016, The Asian Body Building Championship 2017, & Para National Games 2019 in Chennai
- Organised more than 250 sports and non-sporting events including

Founder, Nakshatra Foundation, Chennai, India

- Recognised in the industry for scouting and educating 1500+ underprivileged kids and transforming them into National and International Champions
- Facilitated the placement of many sportsmen in government jobs and professional sports clubs through their sporting talent

- Met with The Honourable President of India at his residence for being selected as The 100 Most Powerful Youth of India in 2018

Indian Team Manager, Indian Kickboxing Federation, New Delhi, India

- Represented India as the team manager for the World Kickboxing Championship, held at Venice, Italy in 2021
- Event director for The Kickboxing Indian League (KIL) at West Bengal in

Special Sports Correspondent, Asian Herald, Sharjah, UAE

- Invited by a senior executive from Asian Herald to cover the Tokyo Olympics 2020 after she followed my social media posts & wrote several sports articles of different sporting events as well

Alessia CIRILLO

More than two years of experience in the human rights field for international organisations such as UNESCO, ICRC, OHCHR. Recognised as a willing, organised, determined and cooperative person.



LANGUAGES

English, Italian, French, German (basic)

EDUCATION

Master of Transitional Justice, Human Rights and The Rule of Law, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, *University of Geneva, Switzerland*

Bachelor in International Relations, *Geneva School of Diplomacy and international relations, Switzerland*

SPORTS

Tennis, Swimming, Skiing



WORK EXPERIENCE

Internship, UNESCO-IBE, Geneva, Switzerland

- Worked for six months at UNESCO-IBE on a sport project
- Contributed to find partnerships
- Helped in fundraising

Internship, OHCHR-CEDAW, Geneva, Switzerland

- Compiled information on the women's rights situation in diverse countries in the context of the review of the ninth periodic report
- Performed research and prepared notes on the situation of women human rights defenders in Afghanistan, the link between climate change and gender-based violence against women, as well as on allegations of gender-based discrimination during the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo
- Drafted formal reminders to six States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination and prepared diverse translations from

English to French and vice versa of a CEDAW questionnaire to FIFA on women's participation in decision-making on football.

Internship, ICRC, Geneva, Switzerland

- Supported the revision of the Commentary to the Fourth Geneva Convention
- Researched some sources referring to the gender to update the bibliography of the Commentary to the Fourth Geneva Convention
- Analysed state practices in Ukraine and Nagorno Karabakh related to the Fourth Geneva Convention

Internship, Permanent Mission of Afghanistan to the WTO, Geneva, Switzerland

- Provided administrative support according to the Mission's needs
- Attended sessions at the WTO during the Public Forum

Andrew HURWITZ

Multilingual corporate lawyer with seven years of international experience working for Cleary Gottlieb and Skadden. Expertise in debt and equity capital markets transactions. Recently represented Great Britain tennis at the Maccabiah Games in Israel.



LANGUAGES

English, French, Italian, Russian, Spanish

EDUCATION

Postgraduate Certificate in Sports Law,
De Monfort University, United Kingdom

Graduate Diploma in Law,
University of Law, United Kingdom

Bachelor in Spanish and Russian,
University of Bristol, United Kingdom

SPORTS

Tennis, Football, Skiing



WORK EXPERIENCE

Capital Markets Associate, Cleary Gottlieb, London, England

- Represented CMA CGM S.A., an international shipping company, in its €525 million debt offering
- Represented Cablevisión Holding S.A. on the listing of its securities on the London Stock Exchange
- Represented the sovereign government of Argentina in several debt capital markets transactions

Capital Markets Associate, Skadden, London, England

- Represented the underwriters in the establishment of a global medium term note programme for the State of Qatar
- Set up a Jersey-based fintech investment vehicle. Drafted all requisite corporate documentation and worked closely with local counsel in Jersey

- Carried out London listing eligibility assessment for Chinese company exploring the possibility of a London listing

Analyst, IBM, London, England

- Collected live on-court data at the Wimbledon Championships
- Analysed tennis data and worked together with BBC producers and commentators as part of the IBM graphics team

Volunteer, Uniendo Caminos, Buenos Aires, Argentina

- Taught English and Maths to underprivileged children living in slums in Buenos Aires

Anna SEROVA

Trilingual communications & event manager with 10 years of experience at international events promoting inclusion & sustainability: FIFA World Cups, Trophy Tours, Special Olympics, from agency and sponsor sides. Experience in promoting inclusion and sustainability. Former fencer known for positivity, courage and reliability.



LANGUAGES

English, French, Russian, Dutch (basic)

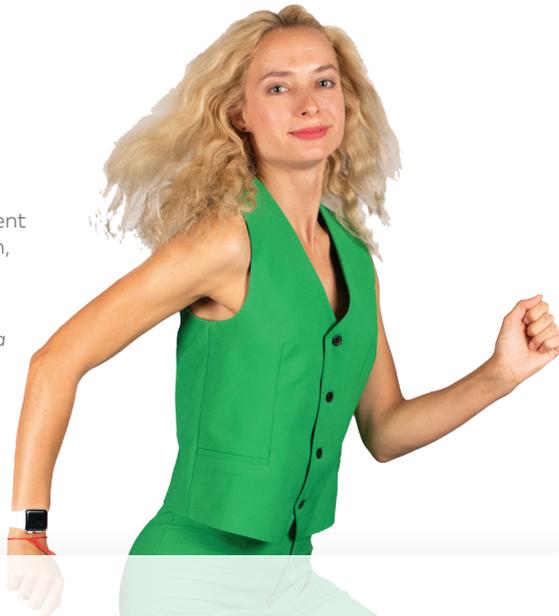
EDUCATION

Master in Law, Economics and Management with a focus on Cultural event organisation, *University Toulouse I Capitole, France*

Master in Public Relations, *Moscow State Linguistic University, Russia*

SPORTS

Football, Fencing, Volleyball, Athletics



WORK EXPERIENCE

External & Internal Communications manager, The Coca-Cola Company, Europe

- Managed central communications for 2022 FIFA World Cup Trophy Tour in Europe to get almost 100% positive coverage
- Organised a press-conference on partnership with Torch Relay and social & environmental projects for Paris 2024
- Supported key social and sustainability projects in Russia, including Special Olympics and World Without Waste

Senior Communications Manager, Rusatom International Network, Moscow, Russia

- Led communications and coordinated agencies in 4 markets: South and Central Asia, South Africa, Central Europe
- Conducted anti-crisis communications and risk mitigation plans
- Conducted reputational risk assessment and realised a project for saving rhinos from poaching in South Africa

Senior Project Manager, Ketchum Communications, Moscow, Russia

- Led communications for the Trophy Tour by Coca-Cola in Russia and Hospitality program for the 2018 FIFA World Cup
- Organised 2 first UFC Fight Nights in Russia and led a communications campaign for UFC entering the new market
- Attracted more than 100 Russian startups to EXPO DUBAI 2020 through social media and stakeholders engagement

Senior PR and Event Manager, Eventica Communications, Moscow, Russia & Milan, Italy

- Led communications campaign for the Russian Pavilion at EXPO MILANO 2015 recognised as the best at EXPO
- Ensured media support and partnerships for the House of Russia in Rio at the 2014 FIFA World Cup
- Realised projects for Local Organising Committee of 2018 FWC: 1000 days to go ceremony, Preliminary Draw



Sport & Commercial manager with 7 years' international experience driving sport participation, inclusion and gender equity through innovative grassroots programs and partnership building. Demonstrated success in problem solving and crisis management.

LANGUAGES

English

EDUCATION

Bachelor in Science in Geography,
University of Sussex, United Kingdom

SPORTS

Tennis, Netball, Skiing



WORK EXPERIENCE

Venue Manager, Victorian Tennis Academy, Melbourne, Australia

- Driving female participation through the design and implementation of new tennis programmes
- Re-branded the company and developed a social media presence reaching up to 2700 followers
- Produced a business tender document for the acquisition of two commercial venues

Senior Manager, Victorian Tennis Academy, Melbourne, Australia

- Restructured the company at various levels to successfully overcome operational challenges
- Researched and gained new venues and commercial opportunities following a successful tender application
- Expanded our business with development and delivery of four international coaching programs in Malaysia

Executive team member - Fawkner Park Tennis Centre, Victorian Tennis Academy, Melbourne, Australia

- Built a successful community focused venue that was awarded Most Outstanding Tennis venue in Australia (out of 4000 venues), within our first two years of a start up
- Developed and implemented new inclusion programmes including Deaf tennis and tennis for Mental Health
- Retained and supported 100% of staff through five lockdowns due to COVID-19

National Programs Manager & Victoria Team Leader, RALLY4EVER Foundation, Australia

- Promoted and delivered the first ever free tennis programmes for Mental Health for refugees released from detention after eight years
- Presented the RALLY4EVER programme at a National conference for Tennis
- Engaged governing body stakeholders to support the foundation and work with other tennis clubs to promote

Daniel GOLDING

Bilingual professional with 10+ years of international consulting experience gained at Big 4 companies servicing multinational companies in the US, Europe and LATAM. Skilled project manager focused on transformation & valuation.



LANGUAGES

English, Spanish, German, French (basic)

EDUCATION

Master of Business Administration - MBA,
IE Business School, Spain

International Executive Diploma in Sports
Management, *FIFA CIES, Chile*

Bachelor of Business Administration,
*Universidad Católica Andrés Bello,
Venezuela*

SPORTS

Basketball, American Football, Football



WORK EXPERIENCE

Head of New Business & Strategy, Ionix, Santiago, Chile

- Lead a comprehensive review of the portfolio of current mobile applications in order to improve current functionality as well as carry out exhaustive research to propose new products that will be developed internally to offer to the market
- Planned and designed the company's long-term strategy to ensure sustainable growth in the medium term. At the same time, detected enhancing solutions for the short term
- Conducted market research to open related entities in Colombia and Mexico

Senior Manager, Deloitte, Santiago, Chile

- Executed global project management services for multinational companies using scrum methodology. Among clients it can be mentioned Zurich Insurance Group, Grünenthal Group, Metlife and Santander Bank

- Developed new business and transformation strategies for a variety of clients which led to revenue increase or cost savings, at local and global level
- Performed valuation analysis and financial modeling for multinational companies using databases and excel, while delivering visual presentations for clients, using Powerpoint, Power BI and Canva

Senior Consultant, EY, Barcelona, Spain

- Evaluated local and cross border transactions for Spanish and European entities
- Created business proposals and presentations for clients, using Powerpoint



Swiss-qualified Attorney-at-law with a Master degree in Sports Law. Worked for FIFA's Disciplinary department, which involved representation before the CAS. Multicultural awareness gained through summer schools in the US and Germany. Tennis player and coach.

LANGUAGES

English, French, German (basic)

EDUCATION

Certificate of Advanced Studies in Legal Professions, *University of Geneva, Switzerland*

Bar Exam, *University of Geneva, Switzerland*

Master of Law, *University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland*

Bachelor of Law, *University of Geneva, Switzerland*

SPORTS

Tennis, Football, Basketball



WORK EXPERIENCE

Associate / Attorney at law, AAA Avocats Ltd, Geneva, Switzerland

- Advised and managed personal clients and the firm's clients on civil, criminal and administrative cases
- Represented personal clients and the firm's clients in front of several Courts and administrative Authorities
- Supervised and trained the trainee lawyers of the firm

Legal intern, Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) / Disciplinary Department, Zurich, Switzerland

- Represented FIFA before the Court of Arbitration for Sport
- Handled up to fourty active disciplinary cases in parallel
- Handled the day-to-day contact with the parties involved in disciplinary proceedings

Trainee lawyer, MLL Meyerlustenberger Lachenal Froriep Ltd, Geneva, Switzerland

- Assisted lawyers writting their legal submissions and in their legal researches
- Advised and managed the firm's clients on civil, criminal and administrative cases
- Prepared and delivered several internal presentations on various legal topics for knowledge sharing purposes

Legal intern, Schellenberg Wittmer Ltd, Geneva, Switzerland

- Assisted lawyers in their legal researches
- Prepared several presentations on various legal topics for internal and external use

Harsh RAMAN



National tennis and E-sports (FIFA) player with 5+ years of experience in international corporates, American Express and Airbnb. Proven and tested analytical, sales and marketing skills. Organised and volunteered in domestic e-sports, tennis & football tournaments.

LANGUAGES

English, Hindi, French (basic)

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Business Administration,
*Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University,
India*

SPORTS

Football, E-Sports, Tennis



WORK EXPERIENCE

Quality Insight Analyst, Airbnb, Gurgaon, India

- Created quality framework for two processes (Payments & Appeals) which have been adopted as global standards at Airbnb
- Supported in defining and streamlining quality control day to day
- Identified knowledge gaps and provided recommendations to operation managers for process updates and additional training

Marketing Intern, Diode Gaming Solutions, Gurgaon, India

- Handled social media marketing and developed strategies to increase customer acquisition both online and offline
- Interacted with affiliates and created strategies to increase the number of affiliates via cross functional promotions
- Created content for the company's blog raising brand awareness and improving the rankings of our company's website/product

Sales Intern, Redcliffe Capital, Gurgaon, India

- Launched "DEYOR ROOMS" a hotel and camps aggregator by being a part of the core team of Venture Capitalist's (VC)
- Acquired and negotiated with multiple hoteliers to partner our services
- Part of the core team in planning and organising a launch for the "Soulier Carte" footwear brand

Customer Care Professional, American Express, Gurgaon, India

- Dealt day to day with corporate card members, navigating with a complex network between the corporates, card members and program administrators
- Promoted to a role of Subject matter expert (SME) and assisted the trainer to onboard multiple new hires of employees with the process
- Selected for the core team in relation to process excellence for employee engagement, quality control & day to day reporting

Hélder FRREIRA



Former professional road cyclist with 5 years' experience working in a national federation, planning and organising major sports events and developing educational sports programs. Operated an international training centre.



LANGUAGES

English, Portuguese, French (basic)

EDUCATION

Master in High Performance Training,
University of Porto, Portugal

Bachelor in Sports Science,
*University of Trás-os-Montes
and Alto Douro, Portugal*

SPORTS

Cycling, Football, Athletics

WORK EXPERIENCE

General Secretary, 2022 European Cycling Championships (Jun. and U-23), Anadia, Portugal

- Led the Local Organising Committee, liaising communications with the continental federation to coordinate the event
- Planned and managed the transfers and accommodations for organisations' (UEC, FPC, etc) members during the competitions (road, mountain bike and track)
- Organised and provided logistical support to foreign national teams

Operations Manager, UCI Satellite World Cycling Centre, Anadia, Portugal

- Co-led international training camps in partnership with international federations and supported laboratory physical evaluations of athletes
- Created activities and educational content for teaching cycling in schools
- Assisted the organisation of national and international competitions in the UCI Satellite World Cycling Centre

Operations Manager, Portuguese National Cycling Team, Anadia, Portugal

- Supported national coaches to organise training camps and to participate in competitions
- Liaised between athletes, medical department, national coaches and staff to optimise the athletes' performance
- Led the preparation and participation of the national team in the UCI Cycling Esports World Championships

Board Member, Youth Association Rio Neiva FC, Barcelos, Portugal

- Co-organised sports activities for the local community
- Collaborated in educative and recreational workshops aimed at youth of local community
- Supported children with their studies during the academic year

Keijiro SANADA

Seven years of business and healthcare consulting experience transforming community healthcare in Japan. Experience as chairman of a University Football League in Japan.



LANGUAGES

English, Japanese

EDUCATION

Bachelor in Sport Science,
Waseda University, Japan

SPORTS

Football, Futsal



WORK EXPERIENCE

Assistant Manager, J&J Ethicon Sales Department, Hamamatsu, Japan

- Developed online role-playing training system for young employees hired during pandemic
- Shared above training system with client hospitals to train their young doctors
- Created and implemented pandemic sales method, when sales staff were not allowed to visit hospitals

Senior Consultant/Project Leader, J&J Ethicon Sales Department, Kanagawa, Japan

- Developed team-building seminars to create a support system for operating teams of client hospitals
- Established "Kanagawa Young Doctors Association" for young doctors to network
- Increased sales results by \$0.5M and then 10% in each quarter in 2019 from the activities above

Junior Consultant/ Sales Associate Ethicon Sales Department, Yamanashi, Japan

- Established a surgery association to educate rural doctors in surgical skills in cutting-edge surgical skills
- Arranged field tours in operating rooms at other hospitals for doctors to show the ideal form and promote devices
- Recorded highest sales growth rate for laparoscopic medical devices among all offices

Chairman of "Tokyo College Football League Association"

- Modified rules for all teams to ensure sufficient available players for optimal presence at games
- Initiated communications among all college teams through facilitating regular meetings

Leonidas CHRISTOFIDES



Former national tennis champion, international player and most recently elite and pro level athlete coach. Also bringing customer support & analyst experience gained in the FX trading sector in the US and Australia.

LANGUAGES

English, Greek

EDUCATION

Certified Financial Planner
Graduate Certificate Program,
Rice University, Texas, USA

Master of Business Administration,
*Coastal Carolina University,
South Carolina, USA*

Bachelor of Science in Business
Administration, *Coastal Carolina
University, South Carolina, USA*

SPORTS

Tennis, Football



WORK EXPERIENCE

Coach, Masters Tennis Academy, Nicosia, Cyprus

- Coached a top 200 ranked WTA player and a top 100 junior player
- Coached multiple national u16 and u14 champions in singles and doubles as well as a top European junior
- Successfully helped organise, run and supervise international, European and local tournaments

Customer Support Executive & Trade Query Analyst, IC Markets, Sydney, Australia

- Established a new sub-department within the company to better assist clients with issues relating to trades and technical analysis tools
- Created a weekly educational training program to expand the knowledge and ability of the team in the fundamentals of FX trading

Client Support & Accounting, FX Pro, Limassol, Cyprus

- Organised and challenged company's chargeback cases from clients against banks
- Prepared and submitted daily transaction reports to the relevant regulatory body in accordance with EU legal act - MiFID
- Arranged reconciliation of client accounts across multiple available payment platforms

Lorenzo TARENGHI

Natural project manager passionate and educated in international relations. Previous experience in sports events and youth athlete development. Life-long swimmer and strong believer in the positive impact of sport.



LANGUAGES

English, Italian,
French (basic), Spanish (basic)

EDUCATION

Specialisation course in
Sports Law and Sports Justice,
University of Milan, Italy

First Class Honours Bachelor in Political
Sciences and International Relations,
University of Milan, Italy

SPORTS

Swimming, Tennis, Football



WORK EXPERIENCE

Manager, Seven Infinity Sports Centre, Milan, Italy

- Managed a range of sports facilities (pools, football pitches, tennis courts etc.), in a complex with a turnover of 4 million Euros
- Created an accurate reporting system to track the performance and improve management control
- Supported over 5000 weekly customers, ensuring their safety and responding to their needs

Events manager, Seven Infinity Sports Centre, Milan, Italy

- Played a key role in the development of the Events sector, designing and implementing team building activities for multinationals such as Decathlon, Bosch Rexroth and Leroy Merlin
- Organised competitive sporting events, like the annual 'Swim Challenge Trophy' with more than 500 athletes, managing their budgets and logistics

- Planned, developed and implemented educational workshops and promotional events, handling their branding and communication

Swimming Coach, ProSportAcqua, Milan, Italy

- Led the U13 team to victory in Italian Trophy of the Regions and won medals in regional championships for the first time in the history of the Club
- Enabled athletes to achieve their fullest potential through effective training programs and creating a cohesive group
- Encouraged young swimmers on their growth path, maintaining motivation and sense of belonging during the pandemic

Swimming Instructor, 'Aiutiamoli a vivere' Foundation - NGO, Milan, Italy

- Supported and promoted water safety for Belarusian children
- Created a welcoming and fun environment to overcome the language barrier and to help children fit into a world that was completely new to them

Ludovic CORNU

Multilingual sport passionate and ex-international athlete with 3 years controlling experience in international business. Various experiences in sport clubs and associations' committees. Always striving to improve myself and keep learning.



LANGUAGES

English, French, German, Italian

EDUCATION

Bachelor degree in Management,
*HEC Lausanne, University of
Lausanne, Switzerland*

SPORTS

Rowing, Ice Hockey, Football



WORK EXPERIENCE

Business Co-Pilot, Nestlé, Vevey, Switzerland

- Developed automated dashboards to optimise day-to-day tracking of business performance
- Supervised P&L evolution to ensure targets achievements
- Reviewed end-to-end process for direct to consumer sales in more than 50 countries for multiple brands and categories

Intern, Nestlé, Vevey, Switzerland

- Automated pricing estimations for exports all over the world
- Created analysis tools for CAPEX post evaluations at group level

President, Club de l'Aviron de Vevey, Vevey, Switzerland

- Established 7 years financing plan to completely renew the boat fleet, club busses and training room
- Organised several regional and national competitions as well as support events
- Managed operations for the club's bar at the "2019 Fête des vigneron" (Food and Beverages)

Company Commander, Swiss Army, Switzerland

- Planned and executed repetition courses for 150 men

Paul MUNOZ

Passionate sports fan who has recently graduated with a master's in Corporate Finance. Diverse experiences in Event Organisation, including university golf events and volunteer section head at Lausanne triathlon 2022.



LANGUAGES

English, French

EDUCATION

Master of Science in Finance -
Corporate Finance orientation,
University of Lausanne, Switzerland

Bachelor of Science in Management,
University of Lausanne, Switzerland

SPORTS

Skiing, Golf, Tennis



WORK EXPERIENCE

Event Manager, EPFL-UNIL Golf Association, Lausanne, Switzerland

- Participated in the democratisation of golf at the University of Lausanne and EPFL
- Coordinated campus events with all the logistics tasks and securities
- In charge of the partnership regarding the main event of the association

Logistics Specialist Substitute, Soupe Populaire, Lausanne, Switzerland

- Organised the transport of goods and materials
- Looked after volunteers who help in the recovery process of the merchandise
- Managed the stock of all the goods and materials

Investment Solutions Intern, Indosuez Wealth Management, Geneva, Switzerland

- Worked as analyst in the Investment Solutions department among experienced bankers, investment advisors and portfolio managers
- Prepared investment propositions for existing clients and prospects
- Was in charge of the products reviews in the Indosuez Weekly Publication

Head of Logistics, Forum EPFL, Lausanne, Switzerland

- Organised the stands set up respecting safety measures and companies demands
- Coordinated 30 staffs, suppliers and 250 stand assemblers
- Cut expenses through negotiation and consolidation of supplier

Richard ZHANG



17+ years of experience in bringing innovation to the Olympic Games and other major sport events, as organizing committee, host broadcaster and TOP sponsor. Skilled in business development, consulting and project management.

LANGUAGES

English, Chinese, French (basic)

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science,
*Beijing University of Posts and
Telecommunications, China*

SPORTS

Triathlon



WORK EXPERIENCE

Innovation Solution Architect, Alibaba Cloud, Beijing, China

- Established and led the architect team to deliver first-ever innovation projects for the Olympics and Asian Games
- Led the Broadcasting & Media Industry Solutions practice and enabled business development in global markets
- Now bringing innovative and new idea to future Olympic Games as advisor

Director of Athlete Development, Wanda Sports, Beijing, China

- Established IRONMAN Coach structures, developing the first batch of Coaches in China market
- Established the China 120+ TriClubs communication policies and organised athletes' training program with TriClubs
- Delivered the first 5 IRONMAN competitions in China market and reached the targeted registration quantity of athletes

Director of Sales and Project Management, CETC, Beijing, China

- Led the business development and project management team to develop ICT project opportunities and deliver in Africa, South east Asia
- Delivered the first ever oversea project in Africa market for the company
- Established the structure of oversea project delivery and resources management

Consultant, Organising Committee for Youth Olympic Games, Singapore

- Planned the technology operation of Main Media Centre
- Delivered the technology services for first Youth Olympic Games
- Consultant and knowledge transfer on technology planning for the YOG organising committee

Ruben COHEN

Ice Hockey player, coach and administrator with 3+ years of experience in sport league operations, driving process improvement and creating a safe environment for athletes.



LANGUAGES

English, French (basic), Hebrew (basic)

EDUCATION

Bachelor in Recreational Management,
Dalhousie University, Canada

SPORTS

Hockey, Canoe/Kayak,
Basketball, Rugby, Golf



WORK EXPERIENCE

Coordinator of Hockey Operations, Ontario Junior Hockey League, Toronto, Canada

- Assumed administrative control over bench personnel registration for 100+ Staff to ensure every staff member received the necessary qualifications prior to beginning of the season
- Educated myself on accounting / financial responsibilities for a sports league to undertake the management of finances
- Created and managed implementation of brand new Social Media strategy to grow the reach to 1M+ followers

Section Head, Camp Arowhon, Toronto, Canada

- Managed largest staff in organization with 17 staff members and 70+ campers
- Created inclusive and safe spaces for all participants in my section by hosting constant "check-ins" with individuals and the group
- Generated personal and professional goals for each staff member and then tracked / provided multiple rounds of feedback to each individual

Chairman, Dalhousie Recreation Orientation, Halifax, Canada

- Created an inclusive orientation for a new student who identified as part of the Transgender community
- Led a team of eight students to the creation and execution of a reimagined orientation for 80+ students throughout the two-day event
- Influenced six new students to assume the vacant responsibilities for the upcoming committee

President, Kayaking Association, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada

- Organised a record amount of trips within the organisation and updated inventory by 10%. Achieved through new partners, and new funding opportunities
- Administered weekly sessions for new comers to the club and monthly meetings with the executive committee
- Was lead instructor in safety and skills for high level kayakers at Dalhousie

Samin ABEDKHOJASTEH



International badminton player and coach with multiple participation to Asian and World Championships. Combining extensive experience in sports and psychology to the benefit of athlete empowerment and gender equality.



LANGUAGES

English, Farsi, Indonesian,
French (basic)

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Psychology,
*Payame Nour Univeristy of Teheran,
Iran*

SPORTS

Badminton, Running,
Physical and Functional Trainings

WORK EXPERIENCE

Professional athlete, All around the world

- Single-handedly programmed all trainings and tournaments
- Was Iran national champion for 8 years and became first Iranian girl that played in World Junior Championships
- Planned and budgeted at lowest cost all the training and travelling by myself for the participation to 30+ international tournaments all over the world, including World Championship and Asian Championship

Badminton, Mental and Personal Coach, Several badminton clubs and athletes, Italy, Iran, Indonesia

- Invited by Italian badminton club to coach local talented players and organise all parts of their tournaments and travelling to competitions; recognised as one of the best coach they had, and got invited by other European clubs
- Improved performance, including emotional stability, and increased interest for the sport

- Contributed to several national selection and medal winning through mental coaching and athlete experience sharing

Founder, AeroSam Badminton, Tehran, Iran

- Set up a badminton academy as well as a socially responsible apparel brand
- Produced and edited all social media content on Instagram
- Created marketing collateral as a sports' league tournament

Psychologist and Speaker, Peivande Gole Narges, Iran

- Asked to be the representative at international meetings for this NGO which collaborates with the United Nations
- Managed the Instagram Live account to educate and empower self-sufficient girls and women; increased NGO's visibility by also leveraging on personal 10 k followers
- Moderated online group discussions to help these girls and women identify their strengths and skills

Shalabh NIGAM



LANGUAGES

English, Hindi

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Technology in Electrical Engineering. *Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Kanpur, India*

SPORTS

Golf, Tennis, Badminton

CTO with solid experience in managing technology and engineering for multiple businesses, across different geographies. Expertise includes data analysis, app development and machine learning. Hands-on reflective leader enjoying innovation.



WORK EXPERIENCE

Executive Vice President (New Projects) and earlier as CTO, Infoedge India Limited, Noida, India

- Introduced new technologies such as machine learning and voice analytics to improve user engagement, image recognition and customer satisfaction
- Scaled the technology teams from 20 to 200, ensuring that culture is maintained
- Evangelised the methodologies around agile development in the company and then spearheaded the effort across departments to increase the speed of execution for product development

Various Senior Engineering Manager and Project Manager roles like BayPackets Technologies/Solutions Inc, Various locations

- Demonstrated fast learning ability to pick a completely new domain of Telecom and VoIP and was instrumental in bagging important projects for the company

- Maintained a delicate balance of client needs and innovation in a product startup. Handled all communication with clients for projects executed out of India and acted as single point of contact for multiple US software projects
- Kept teams aligned to the vision in uncertain and difficult times and ensured smooth software delivery across US and India with limited resources and tight deadlines

System Analyst, World Health Organization, Delhi, India, and Geneva, Switzerland, and among others

- Led the development, installation, training and customization of software for different WHO country offices
- Enabled the smooth transition of country offices to the new software, travelled onsite to over 6 countries and taking full ownership of local operations

Sherry PAYNE



Former NCAA student athlete in rowing with decade of experience in personal training & performance coaching in the US and Saudia Arabia, with a passion for competitive as well community sports.

LANGUAGES

English

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science
in Biological Science,
*California State University,
Sacramento, USA*

SPORTS

Rowing, Football, Marathon



WORK EXPERIENCE

Master Trainer, 24 Hour Fitness Gyms, San Diego, USA

- Designed customized fitness training programs resulting in high client retention. Trained over 10K sessions Organised and ran Marathon Training Club for individuals transitioning from other sports Conducted onboarding and development coaching of new personal trainers

2022 Maccabi Games Comissioner, Jewish Community Center, San Diego, USA

- Managed implementation of the new addition of 3x3 Basketball
- Assisted Site Director in operations during Games involving 1,500+ youth althetes from 50+ cities across USA, competing in over a dozen sports
- Present during play to address coach & delegation concerns while officiating refereeing & scorekeeping

Former Collegiate Rower, California State University, Sacramento, USA

- National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I Women's Rowing
- Four Year (Freshman, Sophmore, Junior & Senior) Student Athlete
- Scholarship Athlete

Shinsaku NISHIHARA



Media operation and marketing professional with 4+ years' experience in a football club and 5+ years in broadcasting solutions. Involved in Tokyo 2020 as Venue Ticketing deputy manager. Looking to further contribute to joy and sustainability through sports.

LANGUAGES

English, Japanese

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts in Pedagogy,
Tokyo Metropolitan University, Japan

SPORTS

Football, Running, Snowboarding



WORK EXPERIENCE

Media Officer, Yokohama F.Marinos, Yokohama, Japan

- Managed all media activities in the competition, experienced many international matches managing over 300 media
- Contributed to establish a league's attendance record of 63,854 by ticket promotion through media communication
- Devised an action plan for the club to be more sustainable

Venue Ticketing Deputy Manager, The Tokyo Organising Committee of The Olympic and Paralympic Games, Tokyo, Japan

- Managed seating plan for competitions taking place at the venue, including reseating of attendees and troubleshooting of other seating-related issues
- Provided overall support to general operations at the venue

Global Sales Executive, NEC Corporation, Tokyo, Japan

- Marketed broadcast solutions to customers in Latin America and South Africa; responsible for proposal development, presentations and sales negotiation
- Completed US\$8M acquisition of a nationwide network project in Colombia, NEC's first-ever broadcasting business in the country
- Managed NEC's presence at exhibitions in Las Vegas and Amsterdam 6 times, liaising with organisers, logistics partners, and design company

Simona CASTRO LAZO



3-time Olympian and bilingual manager with international experience in diverse fields. Desire to develop experience in the sports and events management fields. Strong work ethic, problem solving and project management skills. More than 25 years involved in sports and seeking to collaborate and contribute back to sports development.

LANGUAGES

English, Spanish, French (basic)

EDUCATION

Postgraduate Certificate in International Sports Management (Online),
University of London, United Kingdom

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration,
University of Denver, Colorado, USA

SPORTS

Artistic Gymnastics, Cycling, Ice skating



WORK EXPERIENCE

Vice President, National Olympians Association, Chile

- Addressed Olympians needs post-athletic career
- Built new strategic alliances and provided resources

Director, National Athletes Commission, Santiago, Chile

- Managed athletes concerns and insurance
- Developed knowledge on athlete 365
- Provided feedback and support for National Sport Ministry

Coach, Bay Island Gymnastics, Oakland, USA

- Coached all levels
- Provided support in development programmes
- Provided support and improvement ideas in management and business areas

Gymnastics Clinic series, Chile

- Helped coaches develop technical skills
- Delivered motivational talks and training for young athletes
- Helped small organisations to connect with local governments to help improve training conditions and the development of the sport in the region

Project manager with five years of experience in organising committees of Olympic & Paralympic Winter Games and FISU World Cup. Skilled in accreditation, event service and venue management.



LANGUAGES

English, French (basic)

EDUCATION

Master in Education in
Sports Humanity and Sociology,
Beijing Sport University, China

Bachelor of Arts in
Foreign Languages and Literatures,
Tianjin University of Sport, China

SPORTS

Running, Table Tennis, Skiing



WORK EXPERIENCE

Project Manager, Beijing Organising Committee for the 2022 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games, Beijing, China

- Appointed Accreditation Manager in Capital Indoor Stadium, providing accreditation service for more than 10,000 venue operation team and Olympic family members
- Took charge of the venue accreditation work involving venue operations design, accreditation zoning and policy-making.
- Formulated and implemented the accreditation test work (including the ATOS accreditation system testing) for ten international test events and introduced the service and policy to the International Federations

Project Assistant, Organising Committee for FISU University, World Cup Football, Jinjiang, China

- Worked as a liaison interpreter for the pre-competition technical conferences and foreign affair activities
- Took charge of competition equipment and materials purchase as well as its distribution, management, and recycling

- Established the operation team for competition venues and engaged in project operations in the early stage

Project Assistant, China Athletics Association, Beijing, China

- Supervised and assisted in national marathon competitions' application approval, registration, agreement examination
- Assisted the Chinese athletics team with competition registration, passport management, and competition booklet, rules and regulations translation

Project Assistant, United Nations Development Programme, Beijing, China

- Assisted project design and implementation for the Olympic Cities Collaboration Network for Volunteer Service and Sustainability
- Assisted the Project Management Office with results-oriented liaison and communications affairs
- Facilitated the logistics and management of international conference to support multilateral knowledge exchanges and experience sharing

Vadym PIKINER



Multiple-time world kickboxing champion and graduate of the Master's programme in Olympic Sport and Education. Solid research and analytical skills gained through 15+ years of experience in crime investigation. Co-founder of the world kickboxing council to promote sport on all continents.

LANGUAGES

Ukrainian, Russian, English, French (basic)

EDUCATION

Master in Physical Culture and Sport with Specialisation "Olympic Sport & Education", National University of Physical Education and Sport of Ukraine, Ukraine

Master in Economics and Entrepreneurship, National Academy of the State Tax Service of Ukraine, Ukraine

Specialist's Diploma in Legal Sciences, Yaroslav Mudryi National Law Academy, Ukraine

SPORTS

Kickboxing, Boxing, Football



WORK EXPERIENCE

CEO, World Kickboxing Organisation, Lausanne, Switzerland

- Prepared and defended a research paper on "Problems and prospects of introducing kickboxing to the Olympic Games program"
- Developed close cooperation between national and international kickboxing federations, World and European champions to consolidate efforts in maximizing the promotion of kickboxing on all continents
- Co-established the World Kickboxing council in the US and now planning the registration of the council in Lausanne to reinforce the collaboration with IOC

CEO, Charitable Foundation "Promoting the development of professional and amateur sports", Ukraine

- Planned and organised sports (boxing, kickboxing, jiu-jitsu, pankration, football, basketball and volleyball) tournaments and cultural events dedicated to the memory of the sport heroes of Ukraine

First Deputy Chairman, Union of Prosecutors of Ukraine, Kiev, Ukraine

- Consolidated members' efforts in crime analysis, proposing solutions to the Prosecutor General's Office of Ukraine to improve the sector
- Handled media relations
- Organised roundtables around anti-corruption topics

Coach, Boxing & Kickboxing teacher Sports club GPU, Kiev, Ukraine

- Prepared a number of youth athletes of the Masters of Sports in kickboxing and supported the training of highly qualified coaches
- Gave motivational speeches and negotiated sponsorship deals
- Leveraged on experience as multiple participant and winner to World and European championships

William SALVI

Multi-skilled collaborator with six years of experience in Switzerland and Australia. Bringing solid risk management and compliance skills gained at E&Y and MNC. Bachelor thesis done with IOC and avid sports volunteer.



LANGUAGES

English, French, German (basic),
Italian (basic)

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science HES- SO in
International Business Management,
*Haute Ecole de Gestion, Geneva,
Switzerland*

SPORTS

Tennis, Football, Basketball



WORK EXPERIENCE

Global payroll compliance collaborator, Bristol Myers Squibb, Boudry, Switzerland

- Implemented, maintained and improved new internal processes for SOX compliance
- Was the key reference person for external and internal audit teams, for payroll subjects
- Solved different challenges faced in accounting, compliance or data management

Junior assistant audit industries, Ernst & Young, Geneva, Switzerland

- Demonstrated intrapreneurship by co-creating a new team within the company focusing on digital auditing analysis
- Assisted audit teams in performing financial audits for US GAAP companies
- Coped with this demanding audit job and the Bachelor Haute École de Gestion in International Business Management at the same time

Customer service assistant, Sydney's Luna Park, Sydney, Australia

- Created customer experience and guided them to their needs with excellence and always with a great smile
- Brought diversification to the Australian teams
- Improved my English on the go, as a foreigner, in a professional and demanding environment

Bachelor thesis on internal processes for procurement department, IOC, Lausanne, Switzerland

- Created proposals for new structures of the procurement department, which were implemented afterwards
- Digged in the current processes, performed interviews to many stakeholders of procurement
- Delivered a presentation to the IOC's procurement managers and workforce to submit my proposals

Yogesh PANCHETI

Multi-skilled tech enthusiast and sports passionate with both corporate and start-up experience, in tech, commercial and marketing roles. Tennis player and avid F1 follower.



LANGUAGES

English, French (basic)

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Technology in Electrical and Electronics Engineering,
National Institute of Warangal, India

SPORTS

Tennis, Formula 1, Cricket



WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Tech Associate, Bank of America, Hyderabad, India

- Worked on code enhancement and tool development using Python, SQL, and assisted various projects related to post date reconciliations and bank compliances
- Awarded with golden recognition award for successful organising of employee engagement activities, townhalls and corporate sports league
- Headed migration of GRS team for on-boarding with python supported application

Co-Founder, Fio Fit, Hyderabad, India

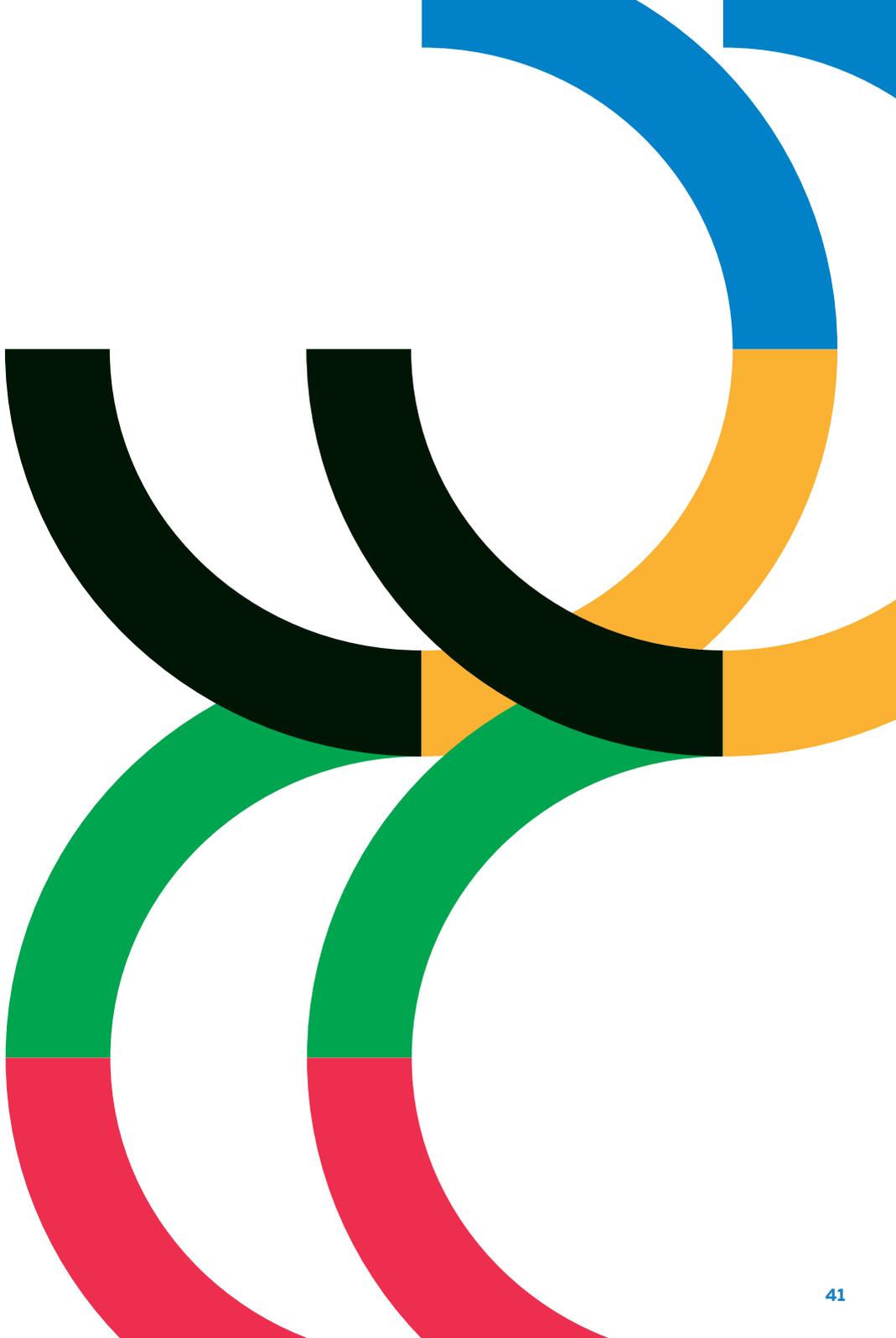
- Founded a mobile/android application with the idea to create a cost effective personal training solution
- Aggregated sports fitness trainers and clients and connected them through app where they can communicate, share schedules and look for workout references
- Pitched the idea to different angel investing companies and validated the idea in different forms

Marketing and Sales Head, Pec Usha Furniture, Visakhapatnam, India

- Secured a national level contract for designing and supplying furniture and accessories to central government institutions across India
- Conducted Tech and machinery upgrade, implemented cost effective logistics solutions and creative marketing techniques to double the net retail and online sales

Sponsorship and PR core member, Technozion Techfest, Warangal, India

- Managed to secure sponsorships from GAIL, SBI and Redbull
- Coordinated with logistics and marketing team for brand promotions and organised workshops as per brand requirement



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