



## “SUOMI MEETS NORJA”

- Disability sport, from integration to inclusion 15.-16.3.2011

### The purpose of the seminar:

To share, learn and reflect from each other's experiences, to address problems and find solutions & to find ideas to develop integration processes.

### Target groups:

Officers, volunteers and administrative personnel in voluntary sector of sport, who work with integration issues, for instance mainstream sport organisations, disability sport organisations and other governing bodies in sport.

### Location:

Finnish Sports Federation HQ, Radiokatu 20, 2.floor, Helsinki Finland (20min from the airport)

## PROGRAM 15.-16.3.2011

### Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> of March

Theme: "Disability sports integration: Why, how?" Norwegian, Finnish & Dutch perspectives.

**09.00 Welcome** *Pekka Hättinen & Petri Pohjonen*

**09.15 Norwegian experiences** *Arnfinn Vik, Mads Andreassen & Cato Zahl Pedersen*

- Norwegian disability sports integration, lessons learned (history, organization etc)
- Elite & olympiatoppen perspectives
- Future challenges from Norwegian perspective

**12.00 Lunch**

**13.00 Dutch models in integration** *Rita van Driel*

**14.30 Coffee (& reflection in small groups)**

**15.00 Finnish integration and inclusion: two perspectives** *K. Mustonen & R. Juntunen*

**16.00 IPC perspective for the future** *Rita van Driel*

### Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> of March

Theme: "From integration to inclusion. Addressing challenges & finding solutions."

**08.30 Recruitment**

Introduction Norway

Two models from Finland (Sporttiklubi, Tie Tähtiin)

- Discussion: Where are the future athletes?

**10.00 Sport for all**

Introduction Norway

Recent and future challenges in disability sport services *Riikka Juntunen*

- Discussion: Who are the excluded ones? What are the biggest hindrances for sports participation?

**11.00 Lunch**

**12.00 Competence and consultation**

Role of disability sport consultants in Norway *Arnfinn Vik, Mads Andreassen*

What works? Analysis of Finnish sports integration process *Hannele Pöysti*

- Discussion: Changing role of disability sport experts

**13.30 Evaluation**

How do we monitor integration and inclusion?

- Norwegian perspective *Arnfinn Vik*
- Dutch perspective *Rita van Driel*
- Finnish perspectives
- Research on paralympic sports *Kaisu Mononen*
- Organizational level processes *Aija Saari*

**15.00 Coffee & conclusion**

- Final words *Hannu Tolonen*



### **Speakers**

Arnfinn Vik, Mads Andreassen & Cato Zahl Pedersen (Norwegian Olympic and Paralympic Committee and Confederation of Sports)

Rita van Driel (Secretary General of the NPC of the Netherlands/NOC programme manager disabled sports/ IPC Governing Board Member)

Kimmo Mustonen, Petri Pohjonen (Finnish Paralympic Committee)

Riikka Juntunen, Pekka Hättinen, Hannele Pöysti & Aija Saari (Finnish Sport Association of Persons with Disabilities)

Kaisu Mononen (KIHU – Research Institute for Olympic Sports)

Hannu Tolonen (Ministry of Education and Culture)

### **Language**

Seminar language is English, but there are plenty of opportunities for reflection in small groups.

### **Registration**

Free entry, coffee included. For more information & registration (by 7<sup>th</sup> March 2011):

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### **Hotel recommendation**

Sokos Hotel Pasila is 5 min walk from the sports house, see:

<http://www.sokshotels.fi/en/hotels/helsinki/pasila/>

### **Organizers**

The seminar is organized by the Finnish Sport Association of Persons with Disabilities & Finnish Paralympic Committee.