

17 – 19 November 2006 in Vienna, Austria

## EHF YOUTH HANDBALL FORUM

As a highlight within the 2006 EHF Youth Convention the EHF organises the "EHF Youth Handball Forum – A Place to Meet", a get-together of youth handball protagonists from all over Europe. By offering this forum the EHF wants young male and female players, coaches and referees aged 18 – 24 from different countries to meet, to get know and understand each other in order to contribute and to be enriched by the various aspects of their diversity and different views of handball.

EHF Youth Handball Forum - Participants

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GER Marco RATHSCHLAG Young C	oach
SLO Gregor PECOVNIK Young C	oach
SRB Milan PETRONIJEVIC Young C	oach
AUT Radojko BRKIC Referee	
CRO Helena CRNOJEVIC Referee	
POR Roberto ACCOTO Referee	
ROM Cristina NASTASE Referee	
SWE Natasha ENGBERG Referee	
DEN Erik LARSEN Guest	
CZE Petra VOZOBULOVÁ Player	
SVK Andrej PETRO Player	

Following the idea of Allan Lund / DEN / EHF Methods Commission the aim of the Youth Handball Forum should be focused on new ideas and innovative inputs by the youngsters. Due to the fact that this group shall be self-governed in their discussions and working strategies, Allan Lund only guided the group.

Prior to the meeting the group participants have been asked to submit some discussion topics – see 3.1.2.

Furthermore Allan Lund gave them some "homework" in order to have a common starting point for their discussion:

- 1. Bring along with you following information:
  - a) Which position has handball in your country among female youngsters aged 14 20 years?
  - b) Which position has handball in your country among male youngsters aged 14 20 years?
  - c) How many handball players do have in your country between 14 20 years?
  - d) How is the percentage of female and male youngsters between 14 20 years does not play handball?
- 2. If you were the president of your national handball federations, and you had "free hands" and the necessary resources, which 5 areas within the sport of handball would you focus on and develop?

The results of the discussions are listed in the documentation (see 3.1.3. - 3.1.5.).

All participants worded their ideas and their plans for the future in "Visions, Goals, Tools"; of course questions remained that are listed in "Open Questions" in the field of refereeing and coaching.

The EHF would like to thank the participants of the EHF Youth Handball Forum for both their fantastic work and their incredible ambitions during the 2006 EHF Youth Handball Convention !