



2006 EHF Youth Handball Convention + EHF 15th Anniversary "Wheelchair Handball" – Demonstration match

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Dear Handball Friends,

Handball is constantly growing thanks to all people who love this sport and who want to share their knowledge, time and patience! People like us! Thanks to this interest and hard work from all parties involved we have achieved a lot by working on various facets of Handball, not only in top level handball but also in Mini-, Youth, Senior and Beach Handball.

We – the European Handball Family - heartily welcome all people interested in handball and we are eager to establish the best conditions to meet their needs.

Now it is time to welcome a new member to our family and to open up handball for disabled people sharing our handball philosophy.

We have to be aware of our responsibility to sportsmen, and women, who are not able to play handball in the traditional manner we know.

Handball should not be limited to age, gender or physical condition! Handball is a sport for all with no borders!"

Therefore we would like to use the opportunity to show you not only on paper but in practice how "Wheelchair Handball" could be played!

Please have a look at the first EHF "Wheelchair Handball" demonstration game! Be inspired!

Get in contact with your national authorities!

Try to implement "Wheelchair Handball" in your programme!

We might not be able to organise "Wheelchair Handball" competitions in due time but we – at least – shall start getting in contact with this new way of playing Handball!

Enjoy the game! Thank you!