

EVALUATION INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON ELITE SPORT

Thank you for taking the time to answer this short evaluation of the Forum.

For the following questions, please indicate your impressions according to the scale : 1 – totally unsatisfied ... 5 - totally satisfied If necessary, explain your answers on the back of this page.

	1	2	3	4	5
ORGANISATION					
1. In general, are you satisfied with the organisation of the Forum?	-	2	1	21	17
2. Was the duration					
a) too long (1) b) good (37) c) too short (2)	(2) did not answer				
3. Was the period chosen to organise the event good for you? (3) did not answer YES (39) NO (0)					
If not, which period during the year would be best for you?					
Period : September (3) October					
4. Were the meeting rooms appropriate	1	-	3	14	22
5. Are you satisfied with the hotel chosen and their services?	-	-	1	13	25
6. What is your degree of satisfaction with the food services?	1	-	3	12	25
7. Was the registration procedures user friendly?	-	1	1	10	28
8. Was it easy to get information or help during the Forum?	-	-	1	19	20
9. Were the documents helpful?	-	1	6	17	16
GROUP DISCUSSION					
10. How did you appreciate having the opportunity to express yourself	-	-	3	19	18
on different subjects?					
11. Did the leader facilitate the discussion with their intervention?	-	-	3	14	23
12. Did the format of these sessions facilitate the discussions?	-	1	9	13	16

Please give us a postal address so we can send you the documents from the IV International Forum on Elite Sport.

Thank you for your collaboration and your participation! <u>carolineb@multisport.qc.ca</u>



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Positive comments:

- All timely and well organised. Food and hotel very good.
- Concept fantastic.
- The opportunity to meet the delegates from the different regions was extremely worthwhile
- The organisation of Jean-Pierre and Caroline was excellent. All email questions were answered promptly and in a very helpful manner.
- Mister Pound's presentation was "first class".
- Really enjoyed the event. Hospitality was excellent.
- Particularly enjoyed the breakout sessions/discussions and would definitely recommend more of these..
- Les temps conviviaux ont été appréciés pour la discussion. J'ai eu du temps pour voir et parler avec la plupart des congressistes. Très bon tempo.
- The Forum was well organised and provided opportunities to understand best practices of participating countries on high performances matters.
- The organisation was excellent, topics covered interesting and informative. Evening functions and Cirque du Soleil was particularly interesting.
- Networking and poster session gave added value.
- Great for us to have an opportunity to meet others from around the world and discuss issues. The development of the website will also be a great step forward. We look forward to continuing to develop these links.
- An extremely beneficial two and a half days.
- I really appreciated the sense of friendship, cooperation and collaboration that exists within the group. Will actively participate via all opportunities in the future.
- Great idea to host the Forum at the same time as a significant event (FINA).
- Session "Poster Session" très bien.
- Hotel and organisation were excellent.
- Like the idea of continental meetings, I hope Europe can achieve this soon.
- Adequate time was provided for informal discussion.
- Timing very good to coincide with major sport event.
- Some very good presentation, including Cirque du Soleil Tour.
- Very good networking opportunities.
- Very well organised.
- The organisers were very friendly and accommodating and the social atmosphere generated at functions enabled positive interactions throughout the network.
- Food was excellent
- Je ne peux laisser l'occasion passer sans exprimer ma satisfaction totale quant à la bonne réussite du Forum et les rencontres concluantes avec tous les participants. Tout le plaisir est pour moi d'appartenir à l'AHPSTC et l'espoir d'œuvrer et de collaborer au sein de cet organisme et de maintenir le pont entre les centres du monde et ceux de l'Afrique.
- Many new centres will benefit from having opportunity to understand/review the profiles and operations of established centres.
- The evaluation section was quite good.
- Overall a very good meeting/Forum. Always valuable to meet with colleagues.

Things to do better next time:

- Content of session was not as good as hoped.
- Need information earlier.
- More workshops on program.
- Suggest roundtable set-up instead of classroom style to facilitate interaction.
- Need to work on quality of presentations.
- First day was far too focused on athletes with disabilities.
- Information from host city should have been distributed one year from forum.
- Some presentations were not pitched at high enough level.
- Much more need for quality control.
- The majority of the people who attended the forum did so for the networking, not because the program was attractive.
- More time for discussions should be added, this gave tremendous value to the forum.
- Poster session: good, but not many people attended.
- Il aurait été bon d'avoir la nomenclature des services offerts à tous les centres.
- Il aurait été intéressant d'avoir des statistiques sur les services des centres, comme celles fournies par les Etats-Unis.
- Would have liked group discussion to look at common areas relating to servicing athletes and discuss what the centres do: performance profiling, career transition / lifestyle, athlete selection / criteria, communication / relationships between institutes across large continents.
- Just think that the presentations on Tuesday afternoon (disabilities) were disappointing. I
 suggest two presentations and then discussions or how we are attempting to work in this area.
- Auditorium will be suitable for this kind of the conference and tables to enable delegates to write notes during the conference are recommended.
- More discussion time in small groups on specific topics.
- More choices in sessions.
- More exchange opportunities on centre operations.
- Would have preferred more group discussion of issues raised in presentations.
- We should see and read examples of good practice, to be the focus of the conference sessions.
- The Forum may have benefited from some small group work, earlier in the program to break the ice.
- Some sessions could be improved by having better presenters (e.g. athletes with a disability integration).
- Could have better planned interaction (e.g. workshops that report back to bigger group).
- Notification of program content (topics and speakers) should be given at least 12 months ahead, including poster session and trade display.
- Greater opportunity provided for small group discussions on specific topic areas.
- Poster/Displays to be incorporated into the program to drive more traffic to booths.
- Some sessions in the afternoon of day 1 were not sufficiently performance focused.
- More group discussions would have been good with records.
- Would like to find a way for some of our staff to meet and talk. This might be best achieve at the continental level.
- The challenge is to provide high quality leading edge presentations of best practice and interest.
- The quality of presentation topics/speakers will need to be elevated to maintain the standard of the conference and to encourage attendance.

Cirque:

- Cirque Excellent.
- The visit to Cirque du Soleil Headquarters was a highlight. This organisation has a reputation for excellence and I found it to be informative.
- Very good experience, well organised and a very interesting visit.
- La visite au siège social du Cirque du Soleil était excellente.
- La visite et les échanges avec les membres du Cirque du Soleil ont été très appréciés pour ma part.
- The visit to Cirque was a highlight.
- Cirque visit was excellent.
- Cirque connection was great.
- Cirque visit and presentation was excellent.

Others:

- Use the opportunity to promote & learn about other international conference (eg conference in Limerick).
- I would like to have translation of Spanish.

Suggestions for future topics:

- Sport nutrition.
- Event organisation.
- Sport medicine.
- I would like to hear the scientific research in addition to the management of sport science centres.
- Moving forward I would like to see content related to system, processes, management tools and execution.
- Planning for Major Games: finance and facilities.
- Hear from athletes.
- Paralympic sports to progress to topics such as: performance athlete first disabled athlete second, sport science and research in disability sport – role of HPC's.
- Invite a prominent keynote speaker to address the group about the value or training centres and the services provided of relevant topics (e.g. a former elite athlete or coach or a key figure in international sport
- Emerging trends in elite sport.
- Analysis/Evaluation of programs and input on programs.
- Profile presentations could be presented at a breakfast meeting (e.g. 5 minutes per centre).
 This could complement the web page profiles.