

WHAT WE DO – OUR PROJECTS

International Sport Coaching Framework (ISCF) and European Sport Coaching Framework (ESCF)

Created in conjunction with the Association of Summer Olympic International Federations (ASOIF), and Leeds Beckett University (LBU), the ISCF represents a significant step toward understanding and establishing consensus on key coach education, development and employment areas. It is intended to serve as a common reference point for establishing a common language and set of principles about coaching and coach education that can be adapted and applied across all nations and sporting contexts. European members of ICCE analysed the current status and needs of coaching in Europe and developed a European Sport Coaching Framework to enhance coaches' learning, mobility and employment. A suite of guidance and development tools to support European countries and sport federations build their coaching systems and qualifications also became available as a result.

Global Coach Conference

Every two years the International Council for Coaching Excellence (ICCE) Global Coach Conference brings together coaches, coach educators, researchers, sport scientists, technical directors and sport administrators to address issues in coaching, to learn about new coaching research and examples of good practice, and to share experiences with the top coaching development experts in the world.

Global Coaches House

Global Coaches House (GCH) is a unique opportunity for coaches who aspire to be a future Olympic or Paralympic coach to participate in a professional development and networking program during a major Games. Global Coaches Houses have been held at the London 2012 and Rio 2016 Games and the Glasgow 2014 and Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games.

ICCE Coach Developer Programme

Building on the foundation provided by the publication of the ICCE International Coach Developer Framework (ICDF) in 2014, the ICCE Coach Developer Programme provides manuals, e-learning modules and courses in two key areas: Facilitation Skills for Coach Developers, and Supporting Coaches in Practice. Through its partnership with Nippon Sport Science University in the NSSU Coach Developer Academy, a global network of Coach Developers is now providing global leadership in this important area.

Innovation Group of Leading Agencies

The ICCE also has an Innovation Group of Leading Agencies, bringing together a number of world-class coaching organisations from across the globe. The purpose of this group is to advance coach education and development on a number of key priority areas. Recent projects of the IGLA include the Serial Winning Coaches research study and the development of the International Coach Developer Framework and the Quality in Coaching self-assessment tool.

iCoachKids

iCoachKids (iCK) started its life as a European Commission co-funded project to support the development of a specialist workforce of youth sport coaches. Since starting in 2016, iCK has developed the iCK Website containing hundreds of resources for coaches, the European Coaching Children Curriculum, the iCoachKids Pledge (10 Golden Rules for Positive Experiences in Sport) and the widely acclaimed iCK suite of Massive Open Online Courses. iCK however, is much more than a "project". Over the last three years, and thanks to partnerships with key players in the youth sport landscape such as UEFA, FIBA, World Rugby, the US Centre for Coaching Excellence and Special Olympics, as well as scores of individual clubs and coaches across the world, iCK has evolved into a Global Movement which is transforming the goals adults have for youth sport and the way youth coaches are developed. The success of iCK has not gone unnoticed to the European Commission who awarded a new Erasmus+ grant for the period of 2020 to 2022 to expand the work of iCK, initially focused on 5 to 12 year olds, to a better understanding of what youth sport should look like for participants aged 12 to 18. Watch this space!

The Voice of the Coach

The recognition and representation of coaches has always been a top priority for ICCE. In this respect, The Voice of the Coach, that is, how coaches are represented in the decision-making processes that concern their education, development and employment has been the subject of intense work and debate. In 2013 our Project CoachNet conducted an audit of the status of Coaches' Associations in the EU finding that overall coaches are underrepresented across sport organisations and policy making bodies. In 2019 thanks to a European Commission grant, ICCE embarked on a new project: CoachForce21. This work will explore policy and practice related to the professionalisation of coaching, update the audit of Coaches' Associations conducted in 2013, and most importantly develop a series of practical tools to support the development and growth of coaches associations and thus enhance The Voice of the Coach.

Parasport and Disability Coaching

ICCE has extended its commitment to support the development of coaching at all levels within the Para/disability sport context. Doing so, recognises that coaches play a pivotal role in ensuring the social inclusion of disabled people within sport and physical activity. Hence the ICCE are key partners in the ParaCoach project which seeks to support the learning, development and mobility of Para coaches through the creation of a Coaching Framework, E-learning Course and online community of shared practices. Supporting the global development of ParaCoaching, the ICCE has also recently established an international working group. The aim being to create a strategy ensuring this under developed, under researched and under resourced coaching context receives greater attention and support.

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

- The **ICCE Research Committee** is comprised of world-leading researchers in the field of sport coaching, from a broad global spectrum.
- Coaching Researchers, coaches, performance directors and coach developers meet biannually at the **ICCE Research Fair** to learn about latest coaching-related research and discuss implications to coaching practice.
- ICCE has formed a partnership with **Human Kinetics** (HK) to develop a suite of resources for coaches and researchers.
- The **International Sport Coaching Journal** disseminates cutting edge research, best practice and insight articles from around the world of coaching.



SUPPORT SERVICES

ICCE and its partners have a wealth of experience and expertise in providing tailored support to international and national agencies, federations and educational institutions at various levels:

ICCE has been actively involved in projects in many countries internationally, including: USA, UK, South Africa, Zambia, Japan, Portugal, Poland, Germany, Canada, India, Malaysia, Singapore and the Philippines.

- Development of country and sport specific coaching systems, frameworks and qualifications
- Quality Assurance: review and evaluation of coaching systems, frameworks and qualifications.
- ICCE Coach Developer Programme
- Delivery of coaching research projects
- Organisation and delivery of coaching conferences

OUR GLOBAL PARTNERS

ICCE works in partnership with a number of highly influential international agencies to mutually support each other's objectives, such as the European Commission; International Olympic Committee; Association of Summer Olympic International Federations; World Anti-Doping Agency; International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education; European Network of Sport Education and EuropeActive.



The ICCE's Global Coaching Office is based at Leeds Beckett University in the UK, a leading university in the field of sport coaching.

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