Dear Friends,

Greetings from the ISSF Athlete Committee!

The ISSF Athletes Committee has been informed that the applications for the 2017 AISTS Master in Sports Administration in Lausanne (SUI) are open.

The Master offers a unique 14-months international postgraduate program, and it’s endorsed by the International Olympic Committee (IOC). The deadline is set on May 15th.

AISTS will offer an Athlete scholarship to current and former elite athletes, with proved experience on an international level, such as world championships or Olympic Games, who are looking for the opportunity to attend the MSA 2017 edition.

The scholarship is now in its fifth year. During the previous editions of the master the scholarship was given to United States’ open water swimmer Christine Jennings, two-time Olympian Enee Udo-Obong of Nigeria and to Germany’s Olympic windsurfer Toni Wilhelm.

As an academy, the AISTS’ mission is to provide high quality education and prepare the future managers of sport, to satisfy the needs and expectations of the sports industry.

To do so, the AISTS blends scientific knowledge with real world understanding, giving the participants of the AISTS educational program a stronger skill set for their existing or desired career in sports.

In Lausanne, participants are trained by experts in sport and academics, in the following multidisciplinary fields applied directly to sport: Management & Economics, Technology, Law, Sociology, and Medicine.

This sports management education program includes 8 months in the classroom with lectures, case studies, activities and field trips; 2 months of work experience in the sports industry, while the rest of the time will be spent on a team project and research paper.

For information about the AISTS, the International Academy of Sports Science and Technology: http://aists.org/about/glance.

For more information about the program of the AISTS MSA: http://aists.org/msa.
For more information about the scholarship: [http://aists.org/scholarships](http://aists.org/scholarships).

For any other FAQ about the MSA: [http://aists.org/faq](http://aists.org/faq).

We believe that this is a great opportunity for all international athletes to improve their education, offered by one of the leading educational institution in the world. We therefore encourage everybody who might be interested in the program to apply, and we ask to all our athletes to share this information with their teammates in their respective countries.

We would also like to take this chance to wish you a great preparation for the upcoming Rio 2016 Olympic Games. The Athlete Committee is always available to receive your suggestions and feedbacks, so please feel free to contact us at athletes@issf-sports.org

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