



NOC NEWS

HELLENIC NOC HONOURS ATHLETES AND ORGANISATIONS



The Hellenic NOC recently presented prizes to athletes, sports personalities, organisations and institutions for their contribution to sport and Olympism. Participation pins for the 2014 Olympic Winter Games in Sochi were presented to the athletes.

The IOC Women and Sport Diploma was awarded to Fani Palli-Petralia, while the 2014 IOC Sport and Art Trophy was awarded to Mina Papatheodorou-Valyraki. Yiannis Exarchos, the CEO of Olympic Broadcasting Services (OBS), received an NOC award for his contribution to promoting Olympic values.

A prize was also presented to the A.G. Leventis Foundation for its support to athletes with Olympic Preparation Subsidies, and to the Olympic Academy for its entry in the *Guinness Book of Records*, following the celebration of Olympic Day in 2014 by some 45,000 schoolchildren.

FOUR NEW MEMBERS ELECTED TO BOA ATHLETES' COMMISSION

The British Olympic Association (BOA) has announced the results of its Athletes' Commission elections.

Eric Boateng (basketball), Jon Eley (short track speed skating), Claire Hamilton (curling) and Nathan Robertson (badminton) (pictured clockwise from top right) join the other Commission members for the first time. Fellow members Sarah Gosling (sailing) and Goldie Sayers (athletics) were both re-elected. Chaired by Ben Hawes (hockey), the Commission has 14 members in total, including Adam Pengilly (skeleton), an IOC Member and a member of the IOC Athletes' Commission.



MALIAN NOC HONOURS SPORTING MERIT WINNERS IN BAMAKO

The fifth edition of Mali's "Sporting Merit Night", on the theme of fair play, was held in December in Bamako (right). This initiative by the NOC of Mali was held in the presence of the First Lady of Mali, Keita Aminata Maïga (who is President of the National Olympic Academy), the President of the National Assembly, Issaka Sidibe, Sports Minister Housseini Amion Guindo, and NOC President Habib

Sissoko, as well as distinguished guest Mustapha Berraf, the Algerian NOC President and Vice-President of the Association of National Olympic Committees of Africa (ANOCA).

The best sports leader prize was awarded to Wahab Zorome, President of the Mali Fencing Federation, while the fair play prize went to the former Chair of the Equestrian Standardisation

Committee, former minister Adama Kone, and the best athlete award to basketball player Djeneba N'Diaye, winner of the under-18s Afrobasket with Mali.



SPOTLIGHT ON...

NOCS REWARD ARTISTIC EXPRESSION WITH 2014 IOC TROPHY

AWARD RECOGNISES ARTISTS WHO HAVE PROMOTED OLYMPISM



Above Mojmír Vychodil won the Slovak Olympic Committee's 2014 IOC Trophy for designing its National Olympians Memorial

National Olympic Committees around the world have been awarding the 2014 IOC Trophy under the theme of sport and art. Since 1985, the IOC has awarded an IOC trophy each year with a different topical theme, chosen by the IOC President. This trophy is made available to each NOC, which is responsible for identifying and selecting the trophy recipient in its own country. This year, the IOC chose to reward artistic expression. A total of 41 NOCs have recognised artists and creators who have promoted Olympism and left a legacy through art. Previous themes have included sport and sustainable development, sport and social responsibility and sport and the fight against doping.