

DUAL CARER - SLOVENIA

- 1. athletes commission elected in Oct. 2006
- after meeting in Stuttgart 2007 start working/discussing on dual career agenda
- 2008 - presenting the problem to the public, looking for solutions within Athletes commission and NOC
- May/ June 2009 - creating possible "athletes friendly" system with Ministry of education and sport. Unfortunately more negotiations than cooperation or dialogue.

Our suggestions:

- free qualifying course for further work in sport (coaching or other work in club) for all athletes
- + financing tuition fee for international class athletes (approx. 6 - 30th (1/3) place on the worlds)
- + 2 year scholarship for world class athletes (1 - 6 place on worlds/Olympics), 4 years for world champs. Medallists
- + employment payed by government for further work in your sport (Olympic medalists)
- (average 0,6 employment/ year if all slovenian olympic medalist from 1992 would take this chance)

Negative response from acting director of Sport directorate at Ministry of education and sport Mr. Marko Rajšter. Finally accepting suggestions, but reducing it (without our knowledge) and fwd it to the Minister of education and sport.

Solution, waiting to be accepted by our government (on hold for 13 months):

- free qualifying course for further work in sport (coaching or other work in club) for all athletes
- co-financing tuition fee
- extending quality level athlete status for another 2 years, which enables athlete to keep job at police or armed forces and extend social security for another 2 years.

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- free capability tests
- CV and job application writing training

- job interview training
- salary negotiating training

Plans for the future:

- helping athletes with studying (tutors, flexible exams schedule, ...) (facing problems with conservative studying system and professors)
- enable occasional work at future employer (and co-financing basic salary)
- aware employers of (average) higher working potential of world class athletes
- better technical support for Athletes commission by the NOC

Major problems creating the system (beside governments ignorance supposedly due to economy crises)

- unawareness of the problem by the athletes
- poor education
- no working experiences