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JANUARY 30 - 1 FEBRUARY 2024

SCHEDULE

JANUARY 30TH OPENING CEREMONY

7:15pm

Tribute to Honor Former Players Commitment to Confront Racism

Eniola Aluko, Lilian Thuram, Viv Anderson, Robert Pires, Olivier Dacourt, Christian Karembeu, Paul Elliott, Gareth Farrelly, Wes Morgan, José Marcelo Ferreira, Gilles Grimandi, Heidi Beha

JANUARY 31: FIGHTING RACISM, EMPOWERING PLAYERS AND FANS

8:50am

Introduction

Dr. Stephen Ortega, Global Sports Initiative, Harvard University, Emeritus, Simmons University, History Department

9am

Assessing the State of the Problem: Understanding the Range of Issues Involved

Moderator:

Dr. Daren Graves, Professor of Education, Simmons University and Harvard University

Panelists:

Friso Roscam-Abbing, Adviser on Communication & Spokesperson at European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights

Presilia Mpanu-Mpanu, UEFA, Social and Environmental Sustainability Expert

Dr. Paul Ian Campbell, Associate Professor of Sociology, Inaugural Director of the Leicester Institute for Inclusivity in HE, University of Leicester

Professor James Esson, Professor of Geography, Queen Mary, University of London

Danny Mills, Current Player, EDI Director Dulwich Hamlet



10:30am

Athlete Activism and Fighting Racism: A Workshop for Former Players

Moderator:

Dr. David Harris, Emeritus Director Charles Hamilton Houston Institute for Race and Justice

Panelists:

Kyndra Kennedy, Hollywood Documentary Filmmaker

Dr. Hasan Kwame Jeffries, Associate Professor of History, Ohio State University,

Dr. Jeffrey Gonda, Associate Professor of History, Syracuse University

Dr. Carl Suddler, Associate Professor of History, Emory University

Justin Morrow, Founder Black Players for Change, USC Equity Director

Lilian Thuram, Author, activist and former player - On his foundation work and what needs to be done

Players to join:

Lilian Thuram, Eniola Aluko, Thierry Henry, Olivier Dacourt, Christian Karembeu, Robert

Pires, Paul Elliott, Gareth Farrelly, Viv Anderson, Wes Morgan, Gilles Grimandi, José Marcelo

Ferreira, Anthony Elanga

**12:30
- 1:45pm**

Lunch

2pm

Supporters Groups and Their Role in Challenging Racism

Moderator: Dr. David Murphy, Humanities Department, Strathclyde University

Roundtable Group:

Dr. Mark Doidge, Reader in the School of Sport, Exercise and Health Sciences, Loughborough University

Anika Leslie Walker, Senior Lecturer in Sociology of Sport, Nottingham-Trent University

Nilesh Chauhan, Campaign Manager, Fans for Diversity

Daniel Regev, Researcher, Tel Aviv University

3:30pm

Wrap Up Big Picture

Moderator: Dr. Stephen Ortega, Global Sports Initiative, Harvard University, Emeritus, Simmons University, History Department

Roundtable Group:

Michele Uva, UEFA Director of Sustainability

Lorna Lennon, Marketing Executive, Paris France,

Dr. Paul Ian Campbell, Associate Professor of Sociology, Inaugural Director of the Leicester Institute for Inclusivity in HE, University of Leicester

Ruma Bose, Best Selling Author, Advisor and Board Member to a Variety of Global Organizations

Dr. Richard Giulianotti, UNESCO Chair in Sociology, Loughborough University,

4:15pm

Film Session with Players:

What Racism Did to Me. Kyndra Kennedy, Hollywood Filmmaker

7pm

Keynote Dinner:

Speaker: Dr. Laura McAllister, Professor of Public Policy, Cardiff University, Deputy Chair, Women's Football Governing Committee, UEFA

FEBRUARY 1: LOOKING FOR GENDER EQUALITY: UNDERSTANDING THE WOMEN'S GAME

9am State of the Women's Game

Moderator:

Dr. Tamar Rapoport, Social of Social Work and Social Welfare, Hebrew University

Panelists:

Nathán Goldberg & Saara Hassoun, FC Gotham, Global Sports Initiative Fellows

Anika Leslie-Walker Senior Lecturer in Sociology of Sport, Nottingham Trent University

Kat Craig, Lawyer, Sports, Human Rights, Gender Equity

Dr. Martha Saavedra, Associate Director Center for African Studies, University of California, Berkeley

10:30am Professional Group on Elevating Women's Football

Moderator: Dr. Martha Saavedra, Associate Director Center for African Studies, University of California Berkeley

Roundtable Group:

Sabrina Carrozza, PR Consultant, FC Barcelona, Bayern Munich, Serie A

Cristian Martin Vidal, Representative (Aitana Bonmati and other top footballers)

Amber Wildgust, General Manager, Nottingham Forest Women's Team

Heidi Beha, Team Lead Development Programs, Member Associations, FIFA

Bex Smith, Founder, CEO Crux Sports, Former player

Elisabet Spiza, Head of Women's Football, AC Milan

12:30
- 1:45pm

Lunch

2pm

Women's Fan Groups: What Do Fans Think Needs to be Done?

Moderator: Dr. Mark Doidge, Reader in the School of Sport, Exercise and Health Sciences, Loughborough University

Roundtable Group:

Anika Leslie Walker, Senior Lecturer in Sociology of Sport, Nottingham-Trent University

Debs Dilsworth, Fan Supporters Association

Ellie Molloson, Founder Garibaldi Girls, Her Game Too, Ambassador

3:30pm

Wrap-up, Big Picture:

Moderator: Simon Foster, Commercial Sales Manager, Avid Women's Football Supporter, Nottingham Forest

Roundtable Group:

Alison Carney, Gender Equity Consultant,

Donna Newberry, Coach and Video and Data Analysis,

Ruma Bose, Best Selling Author, Advisor and Board Member to a Variety of Global Organizations

Dr. Tamar Rapoport, Social of Social Work and Social Welfare, Hebrew University

Heidi Beha, Team Lead Development Programs, Member Associations, FIFA

Parting Goodbye: Stephen Ortega, Global Sports Initiative, Harvard University