

Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration on Women & Sport

Signatory Pack – May 2019

International Working Group (IWG)
on Women and Sport



The International Working Group (IWG) on Women and Sport

The IWG is the world's largest network dedicated empowering women and girls and advancing sport.

Established in May 1994, it developed and remains guardian of the Brighton Declaration on Women and Sport. Updated in 2014, the Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration now has over 550+ signatories – global organisations demonstrating commitment to actively supporting women and girls in sport and physical activity.

The IWG advocates for gender equity year-round, partnering with agencies including the United Nations and UNESCO, and working with global change-makers including International Olympic and Paralympic Committees.

Every four years it stages the world's largest gathering of experts on gender equity in sport and physical activity, with over 1500+ delegates. The 8th IWG World Conference will take place in Auckland, New Zealand, 5 – 8 May 2022.



Official hand-over from the Botswana Secretariat 2014-2018 to the New Zealand Secretariat 2018-2022

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The Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration: Background

To be a true champion of equity for women and girls in sport and physical activity, is to endorse the Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration on Women and Sport.

Developed and established by the IWG in 1994, the Declaration is a global treaty that has become a road map to support the ongoing development of a more fair and equitable system of sport and physical activity, fully inclusive of women and girls. Its intention is to complement all sporting, local, national and international charters, laws, codes, rules and regulations relating to equity in sport and physical activity, whilst also setting an even higher benchmark related to the full inclusion of women and girls.

In 2014, on the 20th anniversary of its original establishment at the first IWG World Conference, the Brighton Declaration was updated by the IWG to become the Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration, to better reflect a changed landscape, including major developments in international policy, while still holding true to the founding principles.

Major signatories include:



FIFA



The Declaration

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The 10 Principles

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Current Signatories

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The Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration: Principles

Principle 1: Equity and Equality in Society and Sport

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Principle 3: School & Youth Sport

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Principle 5: High Performance Sport

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Principle 7: Education, Training & Development

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Principle 9: Resources

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Principle 6: Leadership in Sport

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Principle 8: Sport Information & Research

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Principle 10: Domestic & International Cooperation

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Signatories to the Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration are committing their organisations to fulfilling the 10 Principles, designed to achieve equity of opportunity for women and girls to participate, compete and build careers in sport and physical activity.



The Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration: Process

Step 1

- The IWG Secretariat will send you the current Signatory Pack and the Brighton Plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration to read through and understand.

It is critical that your whole organisation truly understands and intends to act on the commitment it is making to gender equity in sport and physical activity.

Step 2

- You will contact the IWG Secretariat with any questions and advise how and where you wish to sign the Declaration – ideally at a public event.

Depending on where and when the signing takes place, its possible an IWG Representative can take part; please talk to the IWG Secretariat about this.

Step 3

- You will arrange for an authority from of your organisation to sign the form provided, affirming organisational commitment to the Declaration Principles.

It is advised that this person be the President, Chairperson or CEO, with the authority to commit your organisation to the 10 Principles of the Declaration.

Step 4

- You will share pictures and any announcements/media releases of your signing ceremony with the IWG Secretariat, for use online/in social media.
- IWG will add you to the website, mailing list and will be available to support with advice, insights and research as you roll-out your gender equity strategy.

The IWG remains fully committed to supporting Brighton Signatories to achieve gender equity in sport & physical activity.



The Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration: Appendix

Along with this pack, you should have received the following documents:

- The Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration
(this can also be downloaded from [here](#))
- The Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration Signatory Form
(this can also be downloaded from [here](#))

If you require any support or assistance, please contact:

The International Working Group (IWG) on Women & Sport
New Zealand Secretariat 2018 - 2022

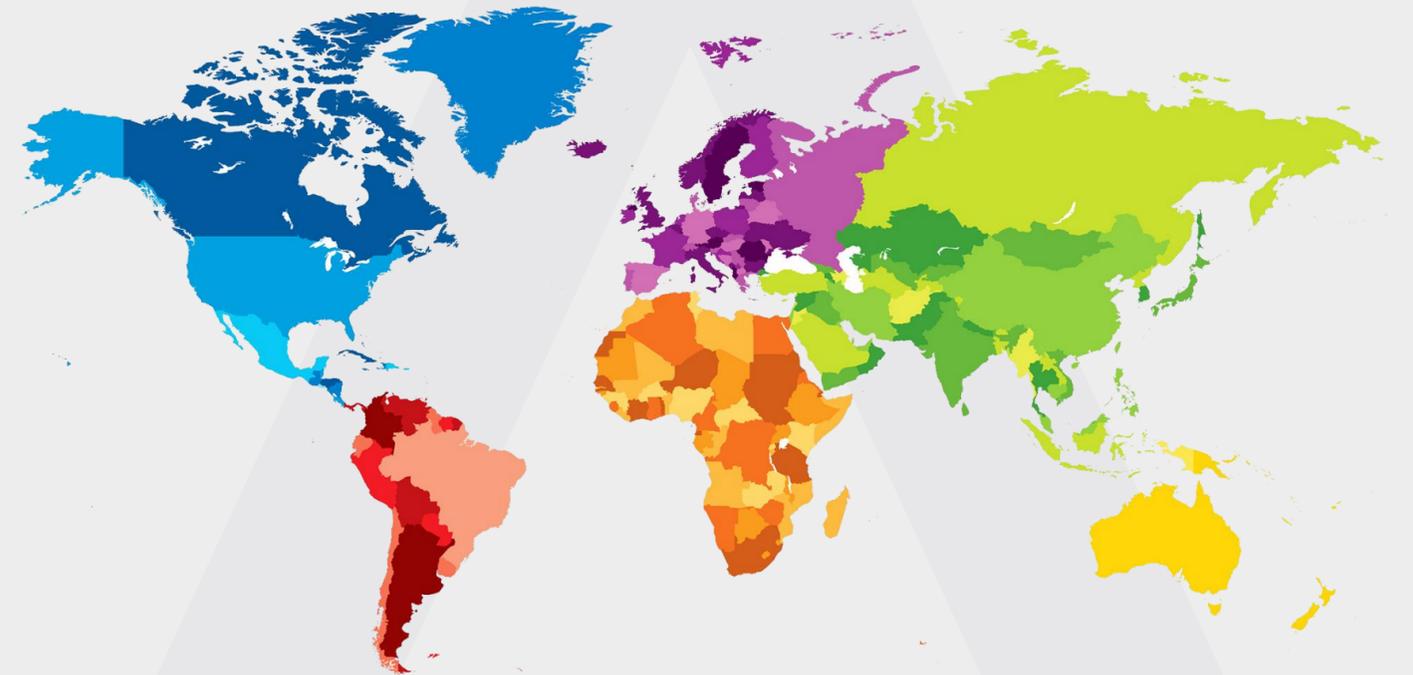
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Invitation:

All Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration Signatories are invited to take part in the 8th IWG World Conference in Auckland, New Zealand, between 5-8 May 2022.

Click [here](#) to read more.



8th IWG World Conference
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