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**RE: Call for submissions, IPC 2005 Research Initiative**

Dear Paralympic Friends,

As you may know, 2005 has been declared by the United Nations (UN) General Assembly as the International Year of Sport and Physical Education. In celebration of the Year, the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) would like to take the opportunity to encourage and promote research on a number of topics concerned with sport for people with a disability and the Paralympic Movement.

As such, the IPC is calling for article submissions from academic and scientific institutions that discuss research conducted on these topics. All work submitted will be reviewed with several articles selected for publication in a special edition of the ICSSPE 'Perspectives' series – The Multidisciplinary Series of Physical Education and Sport Science. For more information about Perspectives, please visit [www.icsspe.org](http://www.icsspe.org). This edition will be focused on the contribution of sport for people with a disability to highlight the work done in this field. This edition will also celebrate the International Year of Sport and Physical Education (IYSPE 2005). Those articles not selected for the Perspectives publication may have an opportunity to appear in a Special Feature of the ICSSPE Bulletin.

Due to an ongoing co-operative agreement between the IPC and the UN, this project is fully endorsed by the UN Office of the Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Sport for Development and Peace, Adolf Ogi. To highlight the collaborative work done in this field the publication will include a foreword by Mr. Ogi, ICSSPE President Prof. Dr. Gudrun Doll-Teppe and an introduction by IPC President Phil Craven, MBE.

This initiative aims to include work covering all areas of the social and medical sciences and to provide a fair overview of the issues facing different disability groups, levels (from participation to elite competition), issues of stigma and

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discrimination (gender, race, etc), sports and regions. The IPC also asks that all articles submitted for consideration place a special emphasis on the practical applications of the research.

All articles submitted for consideration should be sent to:

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The due date for submission of articles is **15 April 2005**.

The panel charged with review of articles will include experts in the field, representatives of the IPC, ICSSPE and the UN. The volume will be published at the end of 2005, and will include 9 articles selected from those submitted. We ask that all submissions be made in the following basic format: abstract, introduction, methodology, results, discussion and an additional chapter entitled 'practical implications'. The total length of the article should be no longer than 6,000 words. Queries can be directed to Ms. Tamara Devine, ICSSPE Scientific Affairs and Publications Manager by telephone +49-30-36418850 or e-mail [tdevine@icsspe.org](mailto:tdevine@icsspe.org).

As we venture toward 2005, we would like to encourage your institution to participate in our efforts to expand the knowledge in this interesting and as yet, underdeveloped field of study. We look forward to working with you further.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Parkinson', is positioned below the text 'Kind regards,'.

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