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FURTHER GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT OF PADEL CONFIRMATION INTO THE EUROPEAN GAMES 2023

Dear Members, Dear Friends

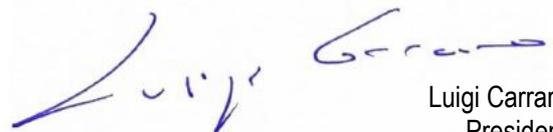
On behalf of the International Padel Federation, I am delighted to pass on some further fantastic news about our beloved sport. This week, the **Host City Agreement** for the European Games 2023 has been signed by The European Olympic Committees (EOC) the City of Krakow, the Malopolska Region, the Polish Olympic Committee, and the local Organising Committee and Padel has been confirmed as a competing sport.

As you know, the European Games 2023 will take place in Kraków and Małopolska in Poland from 21st June to 2nd July next year, where Padel will be joining 26 other international sports on the highest European sporting stage. This fantastic news further demonstrates the enormous positive strides Padel is taking – under the governance of the International Padel Federation with support of all our national federations – to develop both professionally and at the amateur level in all four corners of the world. Padel's participation in the European Games 2023 complements the other recent news that the Olympic Council of Asia has started the process for accepting Padel into the Asian Games.

These major events – and the platforms, profile and professionalism they bring to our sport and for the benefit of our wonderful players – are exceptional. The work we are doing day-and-night at FIP, thanks to you our local federations, is building a lasting legacy for generations to come – and we were particularly proud at our recent General Assembly to welcome 14 new federations and 19 prospective federations into the FIP membership to enhance all our work and our impact globally.

Please join me in celebrating this wonderful news and – on behalf of the International Padel Federation – thank you all for your continued support and let me address a special sign of gratitude to the Polish Padel Federation and its President Marcin Potrzebowski for the outstanding contribution they have given us with this matter.

Yours sincerely,



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