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International Association for
Sports and Leisure Facilities



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The International Association for Sports and Leisure Facilities (IAKS) was founded in Cologne in 1965. It is the only non-profit organization concerned globally with the subject of sports and leisure facility development and has been awarded the status of a Recognized Organization by the IOC.

The IAKS is a meeting place for architects, engineers, clients, designers, local authorities, technical and operative management, sports federations and clubs.

All members are united by their interest in supporting the IAKS in the creation of high-grade functional and sustainable sports facilities worldwide.

Network

The IAKS members make up a global network of first-hand expertise and cover a broad range of activities and services concerned with sports and leisure facilities worldwide:

- Architects, landscape architects, engineers, consultants
- Commercial operators, industrial companies
- Public operators and departments, scientific institutions, sports organizations

EVENTS

The IAKS regularly holds specialized conferences and educational seminars:

- Outdoor sports facilities
- Synthetic turf and synthetic sports surfaces
- Ice rink management and ice maker training
- Refrigeration plant seminars
- Pools

CONGRESS

The IAKS Congress for the Design, Construction, Modernization and Management of Sports and Leisure Facilities is the longest-standing international forum for experts in sports and leisure facilities.

For many years it has been receiving top-level support from the International Olympic Committee, the International Paralympic Committee, Sportaccord, and Germany's Ministry of the Interior.

At the same time as the Congress, Koelnmesse and the IAKS together stage FSB – International Trade Fair for Amenity Areas, Sports and Pool Facilities – the world's biggest showcase for the industry's products and services.

AWARDS

Every two years, the IOC, the IPC and the IAKS award their international architectural prizes.

The IOC/IAKS Award commends sports and leisure facilities of exemplary design and function.

The IPC/IAKS Distinction for accessibility is awarded for sports and leisure facilities suitable for persons with a disability.

In addition, the IOC, IPC and IAKS present the Architecture and Design Award for Students and Young Professionals for innovative designs and strategies for sports, leisure and recreational facilities.

sb Magazine

Since 1967, IAKS has been publishing "sb", the world's foremost specialist magazine for sports architecture and the construction, modernization and management of sports and leisure facilities.

"sb" examines the design principles and functional requirements of modern sports and leisure facilities. It presents industry trends in international sports facility development and the latest technologies and product developments.

