



FEDERATION DE TENNIS BALLON France

- World Championship Junior 2002
Médaille de Bronze simple-Double-Triple
- World Championship Junior 2004
Médaille de Bronze Double
- World Championship Junior 2008
Vice-Champion du Monde Simple
- European Championship Junior 2009
Médaille de Bronze simple

Marseille, 07th March , 2010

Subject: EUROPEAN FOOTBALLTENNIS ASSOCIATION (EFTA) / FOUNDING MEETING

Dear Presidents, Dear Footballtennis Friends,

For several years, the French Footballtennis Federation has campaigned alongside other nations, for the creation of an European Federation of FootballTennis.

Today, with the development of our SPORT worldwide and the creation of Continental Associations (including America, Asia and Oceania), the time has come for action and create this European Federation as expected. The Footballtennis Federations of the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Switzerland, Catalonia and France have worked for several months in a common desire to give our Sport a new infrastructure useful for its recognition and enabling it to meet the criteria of international bodies such as the IOC.

The result of this joint is **EFTA « EUROPEAN FOOTBALLTENNIS ASSOCIATION»**.

This will work, beyond the organization of European competitions, important development by economical and audiovisual partnerships. The continuing efforts of our friend ALBERTO PASTOR in this area, we hope to leave a significant impact in the very short term.

Also, on behalf of future EFTA-members, I have the honor to invite all European Footballtennis Federations to participate in this new adventure at the **EFTA FOUNDING MEETING**, to be held **in Marseille (France) on April 24th 2010 at 14:00 hours**. The President FIFTA, **Mr. DUBRAVKO A. LIPNJAK**, will be invited to attend this meeting to show that one of our main objectives, is the full cooperation and goodwill of the EFTA to FIFTA, as part of the promotion and development of our Sport.

We are aware that this invitation is late and please excuse us. But it is imperative that the Foundation takes place before the next FIFTA Congress so that, on this occasion, take the measures necessary for the mutual recognition of the entities that unite our International Federation and the new European Continental Federation.

A draft EFTA Statute to be discussed in our Founding Meeting is in preparation. The meeting will also include the designation of the EFTA Permanent Headquarters and his Provisional Board Council. Nations wishing to join EFTA but unable to attend the meeting in Marseille, were obviously able to join us later at the first EFTA General Assembly, which will take place in the next few months (probably in November, taking advantage of the World Cup by Disciplines in Turkey).

We ask you to respond the most fast possible about your presence and your desire to join EFTA **before March 19th, 2010** in this email-address: **alberto.pastor@fifta.org**

This birth brings hope. It must be seen as an additional tool to help us convince the legitimacy and value of our Sport. It will be a guarantee of our ability to collect between Europeans in the common GOAL of developing FOOTBALLTENNIS on our continent.

Hoping that your Federations engage with us in this collective hope, and expectation from you, please believe, Presidents, in expressing our sincere greetings sports.

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On behalf of future EFTA Members