



MANIFESTO FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORTS

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This manifesto elaboration was dictated by the necessity of rendering aware and consolidating, among the people and the decision bodies, the role of physical education and sports in the modern Romanian society, as a health, education and social integration factor. The formative-educative motor activities are confronted with newly-issued dangers and challenges that have imposed this approach:- the statistics about the population's health state, particularly among the young people, emphasize alarming increases of the morbidity ratio, sedentariness and obesity being the main factors responsible for the onset of different physical and psychological disorders;- the perspective of a population with a precarious health and the diminution of people's motor capacity jeopardize the durable economic development and the national security;- the diminution of people's perception upon the formative role played by physical education and sports, which is reflected by the reduced number of physical education lessons in the core curriculum, for certain categories of pupils, as well as by the reduced time allotted to sports practicing;- the alarming reduced number of children and young people who practice sports, under different forms;- the diminution of the Romanian sports performances at the international level, especially when competing in major contests - Olympic Games, World Championships and European Championships;- the lack of consistency when applying the legislation in force, in relation with physical education and sports, as well as the disharmonic points of view expressed by the decision factors (ministries, agencies etc.);- the alarming increased number of violence and corruption acts on the sports arenas and outside them, the young athletes' exploitation, doping, racism, facts that are detrimental to the sports phenomenon very essence. This document aims at stimulating the elaboration of some social policies and developmental strategies at the national and local levels, meant to encourage and support the different forms of physical education and sports practicing.

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