VISION

To launch a movement that inspires every organization and participant in sport to live, think and act in accordance with the “Sport at the Service of Humanity Declaration of Principles”.

MISSION

To validate and endorse the “Sport at the Service of Humanity Declaration of Principles” – a set of guiding values that articulates how sport and faith can harness their combined influence to serve the greater good – and to develop partnerships to put the principles into action.

DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

PREAMBLE

We believe that:

- sport has the power to celebrate our common humanity, regardless of faith, race, culture, beliefs, gender and ability;
- sport can bring us together – to meet one another across borders and boundaries, to learn to compete as friends, to respect and trust one another even in opposition;
- sport has the power to teach positive values and enrich lives. Every one of us, who plays, organizes and supports sport, has the opportunity to be transformed by it and to transform others;
- sport challenges us to stretch ourselves further than we thought possible.
- sport can be distorted if we lose sight of the sheer joy it brings us.
- while we strive for excellence in sport, it is more important to aim for excellence as human beings.
- many people are deprived of sport through lack of opportunity, prejudice, or vested interest.
- we have a responsibility to help and share its benefits.
Therefore, guided by our common values, we jointly pledge to be inspired by and aspire to the following principles:

**Compassion**
Use the power of sport to help others.
Share the benefits of sport to empower those who are poor and disadvantaged.

**Respect**
Use sport to build trust and understanding.
Respect your opponents. Through sport understand them and their culture more deeply.
Condemn violence in sport – on and off the field of play.

**Love**
Sport is for all.
Do all you can to help everyone take part in sport.
Do all you can to enable everyone to compete on equal terms.

**Enlightenment**
Sport has the power to transform lives and build character.
Learn graciousness in victory and perspective in defeat.
Apply the values you learn in sport to help you excel in life.

**Balance**
Sport has the power to help us make the most of ourselves.
So play it in the knowledge that it can revitalize you physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually.
At every stage of life, play for fun, for health, for friendship.

**Joy**
Sport, above all, is about enjoyment.
So enjoy it! And remember, there is more to sport than winning, but when you compete, be and do the best you can, always.

“I ask that you live your sport as a gift from God, an opportunity not only to bring your talents to fruition, but also as a responsibility.”
*POPE FRANCIS*