Brief Introductions

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Context & Purpose

**Sport-for-Development (SFD)**
Sport is used as a vehicle to design, communicate, implement, and achieve non-sport development goals

**Purpose**
Reflections of recent SFD work, including Integrative Lit Review and empirical / conceptual studies
**SFD Research Snapshot**

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Thematic Focus Areas

- Social Cohesion: 25%
- Multi-disciplinary (more than one thematic area): 20%
- Education: 21%
- Gender: 3%
- Health: 13%
- Livelihoods: 5%
- Peace: 8%
- Disability: 5%
Researcher Location / Location of Research

- North America: 36%
- South and Central America: 1%
- Oceania (incl. Australia & NZ): 19%
- Asia (inc. Middle East and Sub-Continent): 2%
- Europe: 37%
- Africa: 5%
- Asia (inc. Middle East and Sub-Continent): 9%
- Oceania (incl. Australia & NZ): 18%
- South and Central America: 3%
- Africa: 9%
- International: 5%
- North America: 39%
- Europe: 17%
Reflections: 3 Key Managerial Issues

1. Research-Assisted Program Design
   - Strategic Programming for Positive Impacts, Outcomes, Legacies
   - Key Program Elements (e.g. Cultural Exchanges, Events etc.)
   - Key Program People (e.g. ‘Pracademics’)

2. Inclusive SFD Management
   - Combining Cultural Knowledge and Technical Mgt Expertise
   - Relevant, Meaningful, Professional

3. Strategic SFD Leverage
   - Partnerships Essential to Sustain and Grow Programs
   - Social, Cultural, Educational, Economic, Health-Related Leverage
Summary of Evidence – Towards Policymaking

**Status Quo – Research**
- SFD a growing research space
- Majority of SFD projects in LMICs, but lack of local research input
- Certain topics and sports under-researched

**Lessons Learnt – Practice**
- Meaningful combination of local and external forces
- Partnerships key to sustainable development
- Research and practice should go hand in hand

*When designed and managed strategically, sport has a key role to play in contributing to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.*
Sport and Sustainable Development

Designing, Managing and Leveraging Opportunities

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