

# PROCLAMATION

## BETWEEN

### Special Olympics Europe – Eurasia and European Athletics

- WHEREAS, European Athletics is the governing body of athletics in Europe; and
- WHEREAS, European Athletics' mission is to lead, inspire and equip the highest number of Europeans to enable them to form a loyal relationship with athletics for life; and
- WHEREAS, European Athletics is committed to run the highest level events together with thought and ethical leadership services for Europe's elite athletes to provide inspiration for the wider European society-especially youth; and
- WHEREAS, European Athletics is committed to deliver world-leading programmes that use athletics as a basic for increased sports participation leading to improved health, well-being, social cohesion and harmony across European society.
- NOW, therefore, European Athletics hereby proclaims our unanimous support and affinity for Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia and all its Athletics athletes whose extraordinary courage represent the true spirit of sportsmanship.
- WHEREAS, the mission of Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia is to provide year-round sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities; and
- WHEREAS, in countries, throughout the region Special Olympics athletes offer inspiration to all citizens through their accomplishments and dedication; and
- WHEREAS, the spirit of Special Olympics - skills, courage, acceptance and joy- transcends boundaries of geography, nationality, political, philosophy, gender, age, race or religion;
- NOW, therefore, Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia obtains the unanimous support of EA and conveys this to all our athletes and supporters with the purpose of enhancing the sport of Athletics.

“LET ME WIN. BUT IF I CAN NOT WIN, LET ME BE BRAVE IN THE ATTEMPT”  
SPECIAL OLYMPICS OATH

“EUROPEAN ATHLETICS, YOUR SPORT FOR LIFE”  
EUROPEAN ATHLETICS OATH

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TENTH OF MARCH, TWO THOUSAND AND ELEVEN, LAUSANNE