

Sports sciences

The IOC President's Prize for Sports Sciences was jointly awarded to Allan Guttmann of Amherst College (Massachusetts, United States of America) and James Skinner of the University of Indiana (United States of America) during an

official ceremony held last April at the IOC headquarters, in the presence of the IOC President, Gudrun Doll-Teppe, President of the International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE) and Sandra Baldwin, president

of the United States Olympic Committee. Author of the biography of former IOC President Avery Brundage and the president of the North American Society of Sport History (NASSH), Allan Guttmann published a history of the

Modern Olympic Summer Games in 1992, carrying out a political, social, economic and cultural study of the phenomenon of the Games. James Skinner, for his part, is a member of the Heritage Family Study Consortium (Heritage stands for: Health, Risk Factors, Exercise Training and Genetics), which will shortly carry out a study of DNA and the long-term monitoring of subjects already studied during previous programmes. Skinner has also contributed to the development of study programmes on the influence of exercise on a cross-section of a sedentary population. The IOC President's Prize for Sports Sciences was created at the end of the seventies and each year rewards studies in the field of sports and physical education sciences.



(From left to right) Gudrun Doll-Teppe, James Skinner, Allan Guttmann and the IOC President.

Donation of a minibus to Belarus

For its tenth anniversary, the NOC of Belarus received a Mercedes-Benz minibus donated by the IOC, Olympic Solidarity and Daimler-Benz. The minibus will facilitate travel for athletes to train or participate in various sports competitions, and will also be a means of promoting the Olympic Movement throughout the country. The ceremony for

the handing over of the keys took place in the presence of Irena Szewinska, IOC member in Poland, representing the IOC on this occasion; Herbert Muller, Director General of Daimler-Benz; and, representing the NOC, vice-presidents Alexander Medved and Guennadi Alexeenko, and secretary general Anatoli Ivanov.



(From left to right) Alexander Medved, Irena Szewinska, Anatoli Ivanov, Guennadi Alexeenko and Herbert Muller.