Keynote speakers for ISHPES Sapporo 2020

Bruce Kidd is a Professor in the Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education, University of Toronto, and the founding dean of that faculty. He has also served the University of Toronto as vice president and principal of the University of Toronto Scarborough. Bruce’s scholarship focuses upon the history and political economy of Canadian and Olympic sport and includes 12 books and many articles. He has been involved in the Olympic Movement throughout his life participating as an athlete (track and field, 1964), journalist (1976), contributor to the arts and culture programs (1976 and 1988) and accredited social scientist (1988 and 2000). He was founding chair of the Olympic Academy of Canada (1983-1993), served on the board for Toronto’s 1996 and 2008 Olympic bids. He is an honorary member of the Canadian Olympic Committee. As an athlete, Bruce was Commonwealth champion in the 6 miles at the 1962 Games in Perth, Australia. Twice elected Canada’s Male Athlete of the Year (1961 and 1962), he is a member of the Athletics Canada Sport Hall of Fame, Canada’s Sports Hall of Fame and the Canadian Olympic Hall of Fame. In 2004, he became an Officer of the Order of Canada and a year later was awarded the Canadian Olympic Order. Bruce has been a lifelong advocate of human rights and athletes’ rights contributing, among many other important causes, to Canada’s International Development through Sport Program. (ISHPES 2020 AWARD WINNER)

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Martin Polley is a Professor of History and the Director of the International Centre for Sports History and Culture at De Montfort University, Leicester, UK. He previously taught in History and Sports Studies departments at the University of Winchester and the University of Southampton. His research ranges across the political, social, cultural, and local histories of sport. His publications include Moving the Goalposts: a history of sport and society since 1945, Sports History: a practical guide, and, for as part of English Heritage’s Played in Britain series, The British Olympics: Britain’s Olympic heritage 1612-2012. He has published journal articles and book chapters on a wide range of topics, including sport and diplomacy, professionalism, Olympic history, and local sports history. Professor Polley is a former Chair of the British Society of Sports History, and has served as editor of Sport in History. He is the editor of the book series Palgrave Studies in Sport and Politics. His current research is on the long history of the Cotswold Olympicks, a microhistory of the links between sport and community over four centuries.