



ALUMNI PROFILE

WHO IS LOUIS MOUSTAKAS?

CGC SportWORKS Officer (2013 Capacity Support Program) Sport and International Development Professional

Originally from Quebec City and educated at Laval University, Louis Moustakas joined the CGC SportWORKS program in 2013, where he was a Capacity Support Officer working with the Botswana National Olympic Committee (BNOC). The Capacity Support Program was a joint initiative of CGC, the Commonwealth Games Federation, and Olympic Solidarity, designed to develop and strengthen the capacities of Commonwealth Games Associations and National Olympic Committees around the world.

During his time in Botswana, Louis was responsible for implementing an Athlete Data Management System for the BNOC. He also developed a new Code of Conduct and Communications Policy in collaboration with that organization's internal and external stakeholders. Louis' contribution to the BNOC was significant and would continue to benefit them after he left.

At the end of his term as a SportWORKS Officer, Louis stayed in Botswana to work as Games Services Manager of the Gaborone 2014 African Youth Games. In that role, he managed relations with all 54 of the African National Olympic Committees who sent athletes to the Games. He also processed 8000 accreditations and facilitated 1500 Entry Visas for Games participants.

One of the objectives of CGC's SportWORKS program is to give valuable hands-on experience to our SportWORKS Officers so they can go on to make a difference within the Canadian sport system - or in Louis' case, with other international organizations. Louis has shown a continued commitment to Sport Development following his experience in Botswana.

In January 2015, Louis became a Research Assistant at the Institute for European Sport Development and Leisure Studies. During his two years there, he supported and monitored sport-for-development projects in sub-Saharan Africa and conducted research relating to the Terre des Hommes' Children Win Campaign. The Terre des Hommes International Federation is a network of national organisations working for the rights of children and promoting equitable development without racial, religious, political, cultural or gender-based discrimination.

Louis began working for the European Network of Sport Education (ENSE) in February 2017. ENSE is an international non-profit organisation that focuses on projects aimed at developing and promoting sport and sport sciences, especially as they relate to physical education, coaching, management, and health & physical activity. His first role at ENSE was Communications and Project Manager, where he created and maintained the ENSE website. He also managed communications with all network members and lead participation in European-wide, collaborative sport education projects.

Louis went on to become Executive Director of ENSE in January 2019 and became Secretary General in September 2019.

Louis continues to work as a Researcher and Lecturer at the Institute for European Sport

Development and Leisure Studies. There he manages research on the implementation of projects related to coaching, intercultural education, social inclusion and development. He also lectures in the Master of International Sport Politics and Development Programme. Louis also develops monitoring and evaluation tools for sport for development projects focusing on social inclusion and structural development.

Louis Moustakas currently lives in Germany, speaks three languages, and is putting together his second Masters Thesis on the role of NGO's in Botswana's development.

