Results of the FIFA Diversity Award 2017

Winner: Soccer Without Borders
Finalist: Moving the Goalposts
Tied for 3rd place: Uni Papua Football Community and Discover Football

Jury of the FIFA Diversity Award 2017

Maria Sol Muñoz  Member of FIFA Council, Ecuador
Constant Omari  Member of FIFA Council, Congo DR
Tokyo Sexwale  South African anti-apartheid activist
Abby Wambach  FIFA Women's World Cup™ winner, former USA international
Jaiyah Saelua  American Samoa international
Clarence Seedorf  FIFA Legend and former Dutch international
Thomas Hitzlsperger  Former German international
Jefinho  Brazilian international of blind football, 5-a-side
Alexandra Haas Paciuc  President of CONAPRED, Mexico
Khalida Popal  Former Afghan player, activist for gender equality
Abhijeet Barse  Executive Director of Slum Soccer, winner of the FIFA Diversity Award 2016, India

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Winner (2016): Slum Soccer (India; slumsoccer.org)
Finalist (2016): International Gay & Lesbian Football Association (international; iglfa.org)
Finalist (2016): Kick it out (England; kickitout.org)
Nominees of the FIFA Diversity Award 2017

Uni Papua Football Community (Indonesia)

Established in 2013, Uni Papua FC transformed from a football club into a social foundation in order to tackle pervasive social issues in Indonesia. It operates in 16 different communities in several Indonesian provinces (especially in West Papua) with more than 300 ethnic groups of different cultures and languages. The organisation runs a comprehensive and integrated educational campaign that uses football as a mediator to reach out to children, to instil in them the values of humanity at an early age, to strengthen equality, to build character and promote peace, to empower the community to avoid and tackle social problems such as drug and alcohol addiction, issues stemming from poverty, and ethnic conflicts.

unipapua.net

Discover Football (International/Germany)

Discover Football provides a platform for the international empowerment of girls and women. Involving partners in Africa, Asia, Europe and Latin America, Discover Football is the world’s leading network of football players and project leaders who use football as a tool to advocate for a world in which girls and women can do sports without being discriminated against for any reason. The network was founded in 2009 and organises international exchanges, conferences and tournaments where women and girls build skills and share knowledge that will help them gain autonomy, mobility and power. Discover Football challenges gender roles by increasing diverse images of strong women in the media and enabling intercultural exchange through international football tournaments.

www.discoverfootball.de

Moving the Goalposts (Kenya)

Moving the Goalposts (MTG) aims to create a fair, just and inclusive environment where disadvantaged girls and young women’s rights are acknowledged, respected and realised. MTG’s mission is to positively influence communities by working with them to provide skills and opportunities for girls and young women to achieve their full potential through football in Kenya. Since 2012, MTG has been operating in the coastal counties of Kilifi and Kwale where girls and young women face many challenges, such as high poverty, illiteracy and a high rate of school drop-out due to transactional sex relations, pregnancy and early marriages. Additionally, MTG advocates for young women’s rights on a national level.

mtgk.org

World Amputee Football Federation (International)

World Amputee Football Federation (WAFF) has been the global governing body for amputee football since 2005, and comprises 30 national associations on five continents, from Angola and Ghana to Uzbekistan and Japan. As such, WAFF organises its own world cup tournament. The goal of the WAFF community is to make amputee football a worldwide sport and an official event at the Paralympic Games. The organisation is a role model for social inclusion because it promotes equal opportunities and social interaction, boosts self-esteem and self-confidence among adult men and women, and especially among veterans, as well as new and young
amputees, through recreational and competitive amputee football programmes. Furthermore, WAFF helps its member associations to develop their programmes, to educate their local public on disability issues through sport, and to train their athletes for representation in elite international and world competitions.

www.worldamputeefootball.com

Football v Homophobia (England/Wales/Europe)

In existence since 2012, Football v Homophobia (FvH) is an initiative that challenges discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, mainly reaching out to professional and grassroots football in England and Wales, but also to European football. Endorsed by The FA, FvH contributes to football taking a clear stand against homophobia and transphobia so that everyone can enjoy the beautiful game and so that football can lead the way in removing discrimination and prejudice based on sexual orientation and gender identity. FvH organises conferences involving fan groups and a social media platform for the promotion of LGBT activities in football. Apart from campaigns, the organisation also offers practical advice to football’s stakeholders, public institutions and spectators.

www.footballvhomophobia.com

Soccer without Borders (USA/Nicaragua/Uganda)

Soccer without Borders (SWB) uses football as a vehicle for positive change, providing disadvantaged young people with a toolkit to overcome obstacles to growth, inclusion and personal success. In the USA, SWB focuses on the empowerment of girls as well as working with refugees providing programmes specialising in tutoring, learning English and building the confidence of young refugees. In Nicaragua, the programme gives girls in the city of Granada the social, educational and economic support they need to overcome obstacles to success and to develop and achieve their personal goals. In Uganda, SWB creates a space for urban refugees from the Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Burundi, Sudan and Somalia to integrate with their Ugandan peers. Over the last nine years, SWB has built an adaptable programme framework that specifically addresses the most pressing needs of young people in ten different countries while leaving space for authentic local adaptation. SWB puts an emphasis on dialogue, understanding and friendship across cultures through purposeful activities.

www.soccerwithoutborders.org