



Dr. Tatiana Ryba

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For: Vice President

Personal Statement

I am a Senior Researcher in the Department of Psychology and an Adjunct Professor in the Faculty of Sport and Health Sciences at the University of Jyväskylä, Finland. My research and publications explore the sociocultural and psychological dimensions of athletes' career development, particularly dual career and transnational career; cultural transitions, adaptability, and wellbeing; gendered mobile identity; and life design. As Member of the ISSP Managing Council (2009-present), as well as Chair of the International Relations Committee (2006-2010) and Fellow (ongoing) of the Association for Applied Sport Psychology (AASP), I advocate cultural studies within sport psychology, encouraging greater sensitivity for cultural and minority group issues. During my tenure as Chair of the ISSP Cultural Committee (2011-present), I led two position papers to promote the development of cultural competence in research and practice (Ryba, Stambulova, Si & Schinke, 2013) and to facilitate greater understanding of issues pertinent to cultural transitions, acculturation and social integration of transnational migrants in and through sport (Ryba, Schinke, Stambulova & Elbe, 2017). I also serve on the ISSP Developmental Policy and Young Generation Committee and have contributed to the advancement of our field as an editorial board member (e.g., *International Journal of Sport and Exercise Psychology*; *Sport, Exercise, and Performance Psychology*) and reviewer of major international journals. I would be honoured to continue working on issues of particular interest to students and early career scholars while advancing issues of diversity, inclusivity, and representation in the international scientific community as your Vice President.