

**MISSION:**

To provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with an intellectual disability, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in the sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

HISTORY:

Founded in 2007

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2015 census):

Registered athletes and participants:	194
Coaches:	20
Competitions:	6

GOAL:

Special Olympics Kosovo aims to offer competition and training opportunities to at least 200 persons with intellectual disabilities by 2016

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 4 athletes competed in the 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Shanghai, China
- 4 athletes competed in the 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Athens, Greece
- 2 athletes competed in the 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games in PyeongChang, South Korea
- 2 athletes competed in the 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Los Angeles, USA
- 2 athletes will compete in the 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Graz/Schladming, Austria

8 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Aquatics	Athletics	Basketball	Bowling
Football (Soccer)	Gymnastics (Rhythmic)	Alpine Skiing	Bocce

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership, Unified Sports

EXECUTIVE STAFF:

Ms. Igballe Potera, President

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