



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 1991

PARTICIPANTS (per the 2013 census):

Registered athletes and participants:	3,792
Coaches:	598
Competitions:	60

GOAL:

To reach 4,763 athletes and participants by the end of 2016

SUPPORT:

Handicap International and Coca-Cola

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 6 athletes competed in the 1995 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Connecticut, USA
- 17 athletes competed in the 1999 Special Olympics World Summer Games in North Carolina, USA
- 8 athletes competed in the 2003 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Dublin, Ireland
- 6 delegates competed in 2007 Special Olympics World Summer Games in Shanghai, China
- Participated in the 2010 Special Olympics Global Congress in Marrakech, Morocco

5 OFFICIAL SPORTS:

Athletics	Basketball	Football	Team Handball
Badminton	Young Athletes Program (YAP)		

OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS:

Athlete Leadership (ALPs)

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES:

French with other languages: Ewe, Kabia, Mina, etc.

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