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25th Anniversary of the National Research University Higher School of Economics

Dear Mr Kuzminov,

The International Centre for Sport Studies (CIES) and the members of the FIFA/CIES International University Network wish to congratulate the National Research University Higher School of Economics (HSE) on the 25th Anniversary of your foundation.

Within two and half decades, HSE has become a leading academic institution not only in Russia, but also the world. It has enabled many students to gather the necessary educational tools to be successful professionals and entrepreneurs in what is now a complex and challenging working environment. What an achievement!

We are proud to have been associated with HSE since 2014 in the organisation of the FIFA/CIES Executive Programme in Sports Management. Our joint commitment and efforts to educate new managers have been fruitful. Indeed, the profiles of our students have been excellent and success stories abound. There is no doubt that our partnership will continue to bring numerous positive outcomes in the near future.

In particular, we will have the pleasure and honour to cooperate with HSE in the organisation of a special Conference which will gather students, alumni and university partners from both the FIFA Master course and also the wider network of the FIFA/CIES Executive Programme in Sports Management. The Conference will bring together people from many different countries in the world to discuss essential issues related to modern sport. The event will take place in Moscow in June 2018 during the 2018 FIFA World Cup in Russia.

We wish to congratulate HSE again for its important anniversary and we would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your team for the results achieved within the framework of our partnership.

Yours sincerely,



Vincent Schatzmann
General Secretary