"Big Data and analytics is now firmly embedded across most major sports. Athletes and coaches are in step with the idea that the more they can measure and analyse, the more they can improve performance."

Monday 26th
& Tuesday 27th
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University of Physical Education
(New Conference Centre)
Budapest, Hungary
ABOUT THE EVENT

The 5th edition of the international series Sportdata & Performance Forum will again bring together the sports analytics and technology community as well as leading business executives and senior representatives from the research and development sector in sports.

On the agenda will be topical discussions on how analytics improves their performance on the field to enable organisations achieve sporting success, and performance enhancement off the field! The 2018 conference will present to industry practitioners how to deal with the challenges of an analytics world with increasingly more data, yet not always the bandwidth or intel to make the best usage of the information gleaned.

Big Data, Artificial Intelligence, Virtual Reality, Integrating Data Sources, Computer Vision, Communicating Data Analysis Effectively, Industry Collaboration, Data Impact on Fan Experience, Analysis for Scouting – all this and more will be discussed at 5th edition Sportdata & Performance Forum with best-in-class speakers from diverse backgrounds to ensure a valuable experience for attendees in 2018.
2018 FORUM SPEAKERS

Dr Tamás Sterbenz  
Vice-Rector, University of Physical Education, Budapest (Testnevelési Egyetem)

Filip Verherstraeten  
Expert, High Performance Sports, Sport Flanders

Brian Cunniffe  
Performance Lead, English Institute of Sport

Kevin Vermeulen  
Projects & Development Manager, RSC Anderlecht

Darren O’Shaughnessy  
Analytics Consultant, Hawthorn Football Club

Mike Aughey  
Performance Analyst, Rugby League Ireland

Simon Gleave  
Head of Analysis, Gracenote Sports

Gerard Dunne  
Head Performance Analyst, Football Association of Ireland (FAI)

Manuel Junco  
Former Sporting Director, Wisla Krakow

Dr Kristof De Mey  
Sports Technology, Innovation & Business Developer, Ghent University – Victoris

Prof Ulf Brefeld  
Professor of Machine Learning, Leuphana Universität Lüneburg

Jakob Morkeberg  
Scientific Consultant, Anti Doping Danmark (ADD)

Matthias Felix Gilgien  
Associate Professor, Department of Physical Performance, Norwegian School of Sports Sciences

Dr Garry Gelade  
Consultant in Sports Analytics and Research, Business Analytic

Keith Power  
CEO, KPA Elite Performance (former High Performance Director for University of California, Berkeley and Malaysia)

Jan Morkes  
Data Analyst, Bílí Tygři Liberec / The Hockey Ninja
2018 FORUM SPEAKERS

Jan Van Haaren
Head of Data & Analytics, SciSports

Yauheni Kaziak
CEO, Stone Labs.

Gábor Karpjuk
Performance Analyst, Hungarian Football Federation

Joost Kok
Dean of the Faculty of Electrical Engineering, Mathematics and Computer Science (EEMCS), University of Twente

Prof Johan Pion
Expert, Talent Identification and Development in Sports, HAN University of Applied Science

Daniel Linke
Project Manager & Lead Scientist, Technical University Munich

George Chatzipirpiridis
CTO, Magnes Sport

Bence Márk Kovács
Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach - Ferencvarosi Torna Club

Frank Persyn
CEO, Team Persyn Sports Consulting

Abel Lorincz
Video Analyst, Budapest Honved

István Beregi
Match Analyst, MTK Budapest

Philip Shemella
Co-Founder & CTO, Skunk Sports AG

Prof Steve Haake
Professor of Sports Engineering, Sheffield Hallam University, Founding director of the Centre for Sports Engineering Research, & Founding President, International Sports Engineering Association

Dr Hendrik Enders
FUTURE Team, adidas
26TH NOVEMBER 2018

08.00  Registration

09.00  Opening Remarks

Chairperson: Dr Kristof De Mey, Sports Technology, Innovation & Business Developer, Ghent University – Victoris

09.10 OPENING ADDRESS: Understanding the Key elements of Achieving Success in and Developing High-Performance Sport in the 21st Century

SPEAKER: Dr Tamás Sterbenz, Vice-Rector, University of Physical Education, Budapest (Testnevelési Egyetem)

09.40 “What it takes to win” – Maximising the Impact of Service Provision within High Performance Sport

SPEAKER: Brian Cunniffe, Performance Lead, English Institute of Sport

10.10 Converting Big Data into “Smart” Data in Sports

SPEAKER: Darren O’Shaughnessy, Analytics Consultant, Hawthorn Football Club

10.40 Morning Networking Break

11.10 Sports Performance Technology Innovations

SPEAKER: Dr Hendrik Enders, FUTURE Team, adidas

11.40 Tracking Performance through Olympic Sport Analysis Tools: Identifying Who is on Track for Medals in 2020

SPEAKER: Simon Gleave, Head of Analysis, Gracenote Sports

12.10 INTERACTIVE PANEL: Evolution from “Gut Feel” to Data Science in Sports

PANELLIST: Bence Márk Kovács - Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach - Ferencvarosi Torna Club

PANELLIST: Dr Garry Gelade, Consultant in Sports Analytics and Research, Business Analytic

PANELLIST: Keith Power, CEO, KPA Elite Performance (former High Performance Director for University of California, Berkeley and Malaysia)

12.40 Networking Lunch

13.40 Data Analysis for Performance in Olympic Sport
SPEAKER: Filip Verherstraeten, Expert, High Performance Sports, Sport Flandres

14.10 Improving the Performance of Athletes and Sporting Teams through Data-driven Technology Platforms

SPEAKER: Bence Márk Kovács - Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach - Ferencvarosi Torna Club

14.40 Football Data Analytics – How Big Data is Changing the World of Football

SPEAKER: Kevin Vermeulen, Projects & Development Manager, RSC Anderlecht

15.10 Accuracy Validation of Athlete Tracking Systems in Elite Sport

SPEAKER: Daniel Linke, Project Manager & Lead Scientist, Technical University Munich

15.40 Day One Afternoon Networking Break

16.10 Data & Performance Analysis - A Rugby Perspective

SPEAKER: Mike Aughey, Performance Analyst, Rugby League Ireland

16.40 Realize the Power of Performance and Video Analysis to Gain Genuine Competitive Advantage in Sports

SPEAKER: Gerard Dunne, Head Performance Analyst, Football Association of Ireland (FAI)

17.10 Data Analysis - Improving Athlete Performance and Injury Prevention

SPEAKER: Dr Kristof De Mey, Sports Technology, Innovation & Business Developer, Ghent University - Victoris

17.40 Closing Remarks & End of Day One

17.45 Networking Reception
27TH NOVEMBER 2018

08.00  Registration

09.00  Opening Remarks

Chairperson: Frank Persyn, CEO, Team Persyn Sports Consulting

MORNING PLENARY SESSIONS

09.10  OPENING ADDRESS: Design Engineering in 21st Century Elite Sport to Optimise Performance & Athlete Safety

SPEAKER: Prof Steve Haake, Professor of Sports Engineering, Sheffield Hallam University, Founding Director of the Centre for Sports Engineering Research, & Founding President, International Sports Engineering Association

09.40  Performance Profiling for Anti-Doping in Sport

SPEAKER: Jakob Morkeberg, Scientific Consultant, Anti Doping Danmark (ADD)

10.10  INTERACTIVE PANEL: Co-innovation: Industry Collaboration and R&D in the Performance Analysis and Analytics Arena in Sports

PANELIST: Dr Kristof De Mey, Sports Technology, Innovation & Business Developer, Ghent University - Victoris

10.40  Networking Break

STREAM A: FOOTBALL & TEAM SPORTS DATA ANALYTICS

11.10  Taking Guessing Out of Talent Spotting - Using Science and Big Data Analysis in Football

SPEAKER: Jan Van Haaren, Head of Data & Analytics, SciSports

11.40  INTERACTIVE PANEL: Challenges of the Different Type of Competitions - from an Analyst's Viewpoint

PANELIST: Gábor Karpjuk, Performance Analyst, Hungarian Football Federation

PANELIST: Abel Lorincz, Video Analyst, Budapest Honved

PANELIST: István Beregi, Match Analyst, MTK Budapest

12.10  An Insight into how Analytics enables “Medium Sized Clubs” Achieve their Objectives / Sport Video Analytics

SPEAKER: Manuel Junco, Former Sporting Director, Wisla Krakow

12.40  Networking Lunch
13.40  To Be Confirmed

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14.10  Innovation through Data Science

SPEAKER: Philip Shemella, Co-Founder & CTO, Skunk Sports AG

14.40  Data Analytics & its Impact in Hockey

SPEAKER: Jan Morkes, Data Analyst, Bílí Tygři Liberec / The Hockey Ninja

15.10  Afternoon Networking Break

STREAM B: ELITE SPORTS DATA ANALYTICS

11.10  The Role of Data Science in Elite Sports

SPEAKER: Joost Kok, Dean of the Faculty of Electrical Engineering, Mathematics and Computer Science (EEMCS), University of Twente

11.40  Accuracy of Global Navigation Satellite Systems in Sport Applications

SPEAKER: Matthias Felix Gilgien, Associate Professor, Department of Physical Performance, Norwegian School of Sports Sciences

12.10  Predicting Sporting Elite and Minimising Talent Loss in Gymnastics with Data Analytics

SPEAKER: Prof Johan Pion, Expert, Talent Identification and Development in Sports, HAN University of Applied Science

12.40  Networking Lunch

13.40  How Magnetic Sensing Technology in Combination with AI Improves Data Analytics in Sport

SPEAKER: George Chatzipirpiridis, CTO, Magnes Sport

14.10  High Performance, Culture and Change in Elite Sport: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly!

SPEAKER: Keith Power, CEO, KPA Elite Performance (former High Performance Director for University of California, Berkeley and Malaysia)

14.40  INTERACTIVE PANEL: High Performance Leadership & Knowledge Transfer to Achieve Athlete Optimal Performance

15.10  Afternoon Networking Break
15.40 Data-driven System for Quidditch: Practical Case of Developing a Training System without any Magic

**SPEAKER:** Yauheni Kaziak, CEO, Stone Labs

16.10 Frontiers in Big Data: Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence in Elite Sports

**SPEAKER:** Prof Ulf Brefeld, Professor of Machine Learning, Leuphana Universität Lüneburg

16.40 Close of 5th Annual Sportdata & Performance Forum 2018
Catapult exists to build and improve the performance of athletes and teams. With precision engineering at the intersection of sports science and analytics, Catapult products are designed to optimise performance, mitigate the risk of injury and support return to competition.

Over the past ten years, Catapult has provided performance analytics to the world’s leading sports organisations. Chelsea, Bayern Munich, the New York Giants, Houston Rockets, English Cricket Board, Scottish Rugby Union, AFL and Australia Rugby Union have all benefited from Catapult insights.

Today, Catapult has over 300 staff based across 24 locations worldwide, working with over 1,500 elite teams from 35 different sports globally.
WHO WILL ATTEND?

The aim of 5th annual Sportdata & Performance Forum 2018 is to provide a platform for industry practitioners, leading researchers, regulators and associations as well as businesses active in the sports performance arena to discuss the increasing role of analytics and big data in the global sports industry.

This conference will attract delegates from data analysis, performance monitoring, coaching and medical departments of these organisations. It will also attract the strategy and business managers responsible for making decisions on investment in analytics and performance solutions. Senior representatives from football, athletics, rugby, basketball, cycling, swimming, Olympic sports as well as college and university sports will attend with responsibilities such as:

- Head of Performance
- Performance Analysis Director
- Head of Analytics
- Director of Science and Technology
- Head of Sports Science
- Head Coach
- Director of Youth and Training
- Technical Director
- Director of Sports
- Chief Match Analyst
- Opposition Analyst
- Scouting
- Athletic Performance Manager
- Head of Strategic Performance
- Performance Monitoring Manger
- Business Manager

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