WFDF Board of Directors Elections (2014-2015 term)
Curriculum Vitae Thomas Griesbaum

Disc Sports

I took up disc sports in 1981, at first playing individual disciplines such as Flying Disc Freestyle, Disc Golf and Field Events. In 1982 I founded the Karlsruhe Ultimate team at the local university and have concentrated mainly on Ultimate since 1985. In 1985 I was on the team which won the German national Ultimate Championships (and won this title once again in 1992). I have participated in several European and World Ultimate Championships in Europe, U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Australia, the latest ones being the World Championships of Beach Ultimate 2011 in Lignano, Italy, and the European Championships of Beach Ultimate 2013 in Calafell, Spain (both times in the Grand Masters division).

Disc Sports Administration

In 1981 I connected with the “International Frisbee-disc Association – Germany” and became a regional coordinator for disc sports in Germany. In Fall 1983 the Deutscher Frisbee-Flugscheiben-Verband was founded in my home town. Some years later I was elected head of the DFFV and then helped to found the Deutscher Frisbeesport-Verband in 1989, the first legally accepted disc sports association in Germany. I became President of the DFV and held that position until 2000.
In 1989 I organized a half-day flying disc exhibition event at the 3rd World Games in Karlsruhe, Germany, with hundreds of spectators and TV coverage.
In 1990 I was elected President of the European Flying Disc Federation.
In the early Nineties I became a member of the WFDF Ultimate Committee and from 2001 until 2006 I was a member of the WFDF Board.
In 2005 I was Technical Delegate for Flying Disc sports at the 7th World Games in Duisburg, Germany.
In 2012 and 2013 I served as WFDF Secretary. In that position I attended and helped support the local organizing committees of the 2012 World Junior Ultimate Championships in Dublin, Ireland, the 2013 World Under-23 Ultimate Championships in Toronto, Canada and The World Games 2013 in Cali, Colombia.

Personal

Born in 1959 in Karlsruhe, Germany. As a child I lived for almost eight years in the U.S.A. and am now living in Karlsruhe, Germany. I studied electrical engineering at the University of Karlsruhe and have a Diploma degree (Dipl.-Ing.).
I am a staff member of the Faculty of Informatics at the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (formerly University of Karlsruhe) where I am involved in various aspects of Office Automation Systems.