

ACADEMY

## PREAMBLE

**RIESPO** - INTERNATIONAL SOCCER ACADEMY



### **GOALS AND VISIONS**

Our philosophy is to prepare aspiring soccer players for their **best possible future in soccer,** under the guidance of experienced and highly trained soccer coaches.

To promote the best possible development, our facilities ensure that the soccer players receive the right soccer building blocks, according to their age and level. For this reason, the facility's methodologies and practices are consistently aligned with the **most advanced**training methods.

### DEVELOPMENT PLAN EDUCATION & SPORTS

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The **RIESPO International Soccer Academy** strives to create optimal conditions so that talented soccer players, regardless of their origin and financial background, can grow **athletically, academically, and professionally**, in order to allow them to mature into unique personalities both on and off the field.

Building on professional training, discipline, and talent, while also taking health aspects into account, we work together with the players to achieve this goal. By combining coordinated training content, daily learning modules, and sufficient practice time, we aim to ensure that players can reach their personal best in soccer and receive support during their supplementary studies.

"Admission to the International Soccer Academy is based on your performance in soccer, your commitment to training, as well as your academic achievements." – **Gerhard Riedl** 



# IMPLEMENTATION OF CONCEPT

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The project is implemented by **RIESPO Education & Sportbetriebs GmbH**, Bahnhofstraße 65/2, 4810 Gmunden – CAMPUS, Bahnhofstraße 13, 4655 Vorchdorf, in cooperation with universities and technical colleges in Austria, local soccer clubs and local companies.

#### **ADMISSION CRITERIA**

- → Minimum age of 15 years old
- → Achievement of soccer specific criteria
- → Registration with an Austrian soccer club
- → RIESPO premium member
- → Completed school education: higher education entrance qualification (e. g. Matura/Abitur, university entrance qualification, or vocational qualification). For international applicants, certified and translated copies must be provided.
- → Medical certificate for competitive sports
- → Language skills: German or English
- → No legally valid contracts with managers
- → Free transfer possible
- → Application including CV and athletic resume
- → Criminal record check

#### ADMISSION PROCEDURE

Successful admission will be based on a positive screening through athletic assessment, as well as educational and professional potential. The decision is made by a panel of experts.

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#### NUMBER OF PLAYERS PER ACADEMY

... up to ten players per site

# THE SUPPORTING ASSOCIATION IS SV GMUNDNER MILCH, PARTNER ASSOCIATIONS

... are selected according to geographical location and performance class

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

... daily commute, apartment or room rental





### CATCHMENT AREA

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# AREA LOCAL CLUBS UP TO AN HOUR'S DRIVE FROM GMUNDEN

**1st League** Red Bull Salzburg

LASK Linz

SV Guntamatic Ried im Innkreis

2nd League FC Liefering

FC Blau-Weiß Linz SK Vorwärts Steyr

**3rd League** Gurten

WSC Hertha Wels

Junge Wickinger Ried im Innkreis

Vöcklamarkt

LASK Amateure OÖ

as well as top clubs of the 4th and 5th division



### INFRASTRUCTURE

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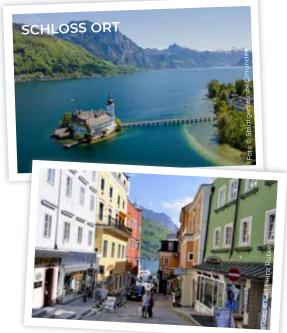


- **1.** Main pitch (artificial turf)
- 2. Auxiliary pitch (natural grass)
- **3.** Changing rooms & restaurant
- 4. Stands
- 5. Children's soccer field

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE**

- **3** grass pitches
- 1 artificial grass pitch
- 9 changing rooms
- 4 double rooms on the Vorchdorf campus
- 1 weight room and athletics room
- 3 washing machines
- 1 multi function hall
- 1 recovery area
- 1 medical department

#### **GMUNDEN**





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- 1. Ice rink (indoor)
- **2.** Tennis court (indoor)
- **3.** Basketball court, soccer hall and fitness center (indoor)
- 4. Soccer pitch
- 5. Parking lot



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#### TRAINING LOCATIONS

#### **MORNING TRAINING**

Grounds of the SV Gmundner Milch Stadium

Training grounds Fliegerschule

District sports hall Fliegerschule

Weight room or athletics room

#### **AFTERNOON TRAINING**

Grounds of the SV Gmundner Milch Stadium

Training grounds Fliegerschule

District sports hall Fliegerschule

optionally, the players may complete their afternoon units at their respective soccer clubs



#### **ORGANIZATION**

The staff of RIESPO Education & Sportbetriebs GmbH is on hand for the daily processes.

Depending on the schedule, they are supervised by the sports director, athletics coach, or educational institute staff.



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#### TRAINER QUALIFICATION

**Academy Director:** minimum UEFA PRO DIPLOM **Coach:** minimum UEFA A License

Goalkeeper coach: minimum ÖFB Goalkeeper Coach License

#### SPORTS MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

Sports medical examinations/medical care take place regularly and per the required steps.

#### COMMUNICATION

Regular communication between the responsible parties at the *International Soccer Academy*, the coaching team at the respective soccer club, and the parents is considered foundational for the best possible athletic and academic success.

#### PERSONNEL OVERVIEW

**Sports Director:** Coaches with education level at least UEFA PRO-DIPLOM

Athletics Director: qualified athletics coach with at least 5 years of professional experience

Marketing Director: at least a degree in marketing from a recognized university

or technical college

Director of Studies: at least a degree from a recognized university or technical college

### PEDAGOGICAL CONCEPT

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The **RIESPO – International Soccer Academy** is run as a full-time institution in the dual education system. The players to be trained are provided with trainers and educators with years of experience for their training sessions and education.

The dual education in the RIESPO Soccer Academy combines training sessions, study periods and professional practice in the company of RIESPO Education & Sportbetriebs GmbH or one of its partners, and forms the basis for a successful international career.



# FUNDING

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#### **FUNDING CONCEPT**

**RIESPO Education & Sportbetriebs GmbH** is financially endowed by the company founder and shareholder. As an employee of RIESPO you will receive a performance-related salary.

In the event of a successful graduation, the course of study, at a chosen technical college/university, will be paid for by the company RIESPO. The course of study will be decided upon together with you.

#### **GERHARD RIEDL**

#### **OWNER & CEO**



"Football is simply my passion. It has been following me ever since I can remember. That's why it's important to me to offer young people the opportunity to promote them accordingly if they really have the one hundred percent desire, dream and vision to achieve their goal. That's why I have now created this support institution."

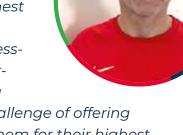


### GERHARD SCHWEITZER





"I have been in soccer for 50 years, 25 of them in the highest level of professional soccer. I have done everything from professional coach, scouting, co-coach of the most successful U-20 national team to the Red Bull Academy. Furthermore, I have been involved in coach education in Austria for over 20 years. Now I'm looking forward to the new challer



for over 20 years. Now I'm looking forward to the new challenge of offering talented players at RIESPO the opportunity to prepare them for their highest possible soccer future, within a dual education system."

# MARKUS KRAETSCHMER DIRECTOR MANAGEMENT



"In my almost 24 years in leading positions at FK Austria Wien, in the ÖFB, in the ÖFBL and in the ECA, it has always been a great concern of mine to promote the necessary educational & athletic training of young, talented players: in the best possible way. Among other things, I was able to



play a decisive role in the founding of the first Vienna Ball Sports High School (EWBA). Given all of this, it was a clear decision for me so I gladly accepted the offer of founder Gerhard Riedl. I would definitely like to support the development of the RIESPO support facility in my new function as an independent business consultant."



#### CHRISTOPH KONTOPIRAKIS

#### **ATHLETICS COACH**



"Sports have always been at the center of my life. I grew up in South Africa and was exposed to a wide variety of sports there during my childhood such as rugby, cricket, tennis, soccer, etc. Today, I see it as my vocation to prepare athletes in a wide variety of sports for competitions in the best possible way with appropriate fitness training."



## FLORIAN MAIER DIRECTOR OF MARKETING



"When I heard about the RIESPO support facility, I was immediately enthusiastic. It reminded me of myself. Great soccer training, junior national teams, first professional contract, and then an injury that prevented me from further athletic development in professional soccer. However, because of my completed studies, I have a great job and now I'm happy to continue helping young players."



# YOSHIFUMI MATSUO INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT



"I've been working in professional soccer since I graduated in sports science in 2015, and I've been managing players in Germany and Austria and all the way to Japan, through my international network. It's a pleasure for me that I can now also work at the RIESPO development facility and contribute my management experience and contacts to provide a global network for the young footballers."



#### MANFRED WALDL

#### **MENTAL COACH**



"Sport is a valuable school of life - I have been able to experience this since my youth as an active footballer, later as a soccer coach and in soccer management. I have learned how important it is that performance and personality are developed, promoted and accompanied in unison. My clients include well-known companies, private individuals



and professional athletes, of course also from the field of soccer. My way of working is practice-oriented, keeping things simple and can therefore be implemented quickly and efficiently for the individual person or the team. I am pleased to now also be able to look after the talents of the RIESPO development facility."

#### **URSULA BURGHARDT** MANAGING DIRECTOR, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT



"Watching people grow, being able to accompany them on their life's journey, fulfills me and my workday. For me, that is the meaning of my work. In my role as Managing Director, Education Department, we have been teaching English, the world's No. 1 language of commerce, very suc-

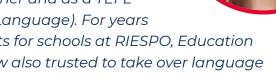


cessfully for years. It fills me with pride to now also be able to provide language support to young soccer players. We are aware of the significance and importance of the English language. Another important building block for a successful soccer career!"

#### JOANNA BINGHAM **DIRECTOR OF STUDIES**



"I come from a small town in Northern Ireland. I have already gained experience as a summer and sports camp director in various European countries. Additionally, I have taught in eight different countries: both as a teacher and as a TEFL trainer (Teaching English as a Foreign Language). For years



I have been developing learning projects for schools at RIESPO, Education Department. I am thrilled that I am now also trusted to take over language education in the Department of Sport."





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