

Message from Michel Favre to the organisers and participants of the WTC 2019

First of all, I would like to express my special thanks to the organisers for having organised this international meeting and I congratulate you on this important work.

I think I can say that we are on the right track in terms of developing our sport, **a vector of peace and ethics.**

Tchoukball was designed with the intention of defending, protecting and developing the primary and fundamental values of sport. Thanks to its global design, it offers a tool of definite effectiveness on the physiological, psychological, pedagogical and sociological levels

In our sport there is no obstruction that allows players to manage themselves.

In today's fairly disrupted society, I am convinced that our sport has a positive effect on the desire and need to seek satisfaction in the relational field.

In this sense, Tchoukball practice supports the relational dimension and promotes interpersonal exchanges and mutual respect.

This sport fosters meeting with the idea of going to play **with other teams:**

It is therefore a refreshing source rather than a confrontation.

Tournaments and matches must be celebrations that not only leave the necessary space for each sporting achievement, but also encourage encounters in the broadest sense, with all their relational universe.

“A player's sporting achievement should be experienced by others as a sign of personal achievement in which everyone can feel involved.” - **Hermann Brandt**

My best wishes are that you, the leaders, players, will always promote the development of this sport in the spirit of our **Charter.**

And that you know when you lose a point and the referee doesn't see it: so say: **referee, I lost the point**

Thank you again to the organisers and also to all those who supported you in setting up such an organisation.

Please receive my respectful and sporting greetings.

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