Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

the DTV (Deutscher Tanzsportverband) has decided to change from the currently paper based Certification book of competition results to an online system and to manage major parts of the communication through this system. To realise this the internet platform **ev.tanzsport-portal.de** was set up with a newly created database named ESV, which will host all results of the DTV competitions. Athletes of the DTV get an ID card with an ID number and a picture to identify the individual.

Beginning on July 1st 2015 Registrations for DTV competitions can only be done through this portal. This implies changes for the couples in your federation too. All couples who want to participate in DTV competitions, and who in the past could register just by phone, email or mail, have now to register online.

Therefore we will provide functions for couples to set up ESV accounts and to register for DTV competitions in the portal so that they still can participate in the "cross-border-dance-agreement". According to our current plans these functions will be available beginning May 21st 2015.

By giving following data on **ev.tanzsport-portal.de** it will be possible to get a log-in and ID numbers:

- Name
- Birthdate
- E-Mailadress
- Electronical picture (optional)
- Country
- Club (optional)
- Grade und group of performance level

After that the couples can register for DTV competitions. Later on we will provide functions for splitting and rearranging of couples.

For the adjudicators of your federation which are invited to judge at DTV competitions, there are no changes.

We intend to provide online help for the athletes at the portal. Additionally members of your federation can contact our support under esv-support@tanzsport.de.

On the other side the DTV couples participating at competitions of your federation will no longer show their Certification book. Instead of they will present their ID cards and a printout from the portal showing the German age group, the grade and their birth dates.

Please give this information to the couples and officials being interested in DTV competitions immediately.

We would be pleased if the couples of your association would participate at the DTV competitions further on.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen

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