# DR. Stacey R. JOHNSON

### Dr. Stacey R. Johnson, Chair of the FIE Women & Fencing Council

Dr. Stacey R. Johnson brings more than 30 years of experience in higher education and approximately 20 years of direct instructional administrative experience to Valencia College in Orlando, FL., where she was named Campus President for East & Winter Park campuses in August of 2012. Valencia College East Campus, known as Valencia's Arts & Entertainment Campus, serves approximately 20,000 students each semester and Winter Park serves approximately 3,400 students. Her doctorate is from the University of Texas at Austin in Educational Administration (2007) and her dissertation, "*What Works:* Factors Influencing Hispanic Female Academic Achievement and Persistence to Graduation," focuses on enhancing Hispanic student success. She holds a Masters of Arts in Communication from Incarnate Word University, additional graduate hours in English Language and Literature and a Bachelor's degree in Journalism/Public Relations from San Jose State University.

Stacey is a U.S. 1980 Olympian in the sport of fencing. She served on the U.S. Olympic Committee's Executive Committee in the 2000-2004 quadrennial. She was the first women in U.S. Fencing's 125-year history to hold a four-year term as President. Stacey worked vigorously internationally to bring equity to women in fencing and this was achieved when women fencers were allowed for the first time to compete in all the same disciplines as men by the inclusion of the Women's Saber event in the Athens Olympic Games in 2004. As an athlete, she competed on two World University Games Teams 1977 and 1979, was a member of three Jr. World Teams 1973-1975, was a five-time U.S. National Team Championship individual finalist 1974, 1977-79, 1982 and was a three-time U.S. National Team Champion 1974, 1976-1977. She has been inducted in the U.S. Fencing Hall of Fame (2011), in the San Antonio Sports Hall of Fame (2005), in the San Jose State University Hall of Fame (2003), and in the San Antonio Women's Hall of Fame (1997).

# Helen SMITH (MH)

#### Smith Helen sporting Qualifications:

- Australian Fencing Federation President in 2000-2009.
- Oceania Fencing Confederation President & Commonwealth Fencing Federation President from 2002 to present day.
- Member of FIE Executive Commission since 2002 in my role as Oceania Confederation President.
- Elected to FIE Rules Commission in 2000 and re-elected in 2004.
- Member of FIE Special Commission for the Rules for Olympic Games & World Championships from 2000 to 2008.
- Inaugural member of FIE Women and Fencing Ad Hoc Commission 2006.
- Advisor on Women's Affairs to the Fencing Confederation of Asia.
- Triple Olympian at Games in Montreal 1976, Moscow 1980 & Los Angeles 1984.
- 10 times Australian Champion, Oceania Champion a few times, twice Commonwealth Champion (once individual, once by team).
- International Referee in foil & epée for many years.
- Qualified Maître d'Armes d'Escrime and Level III Coach (National Coaching Accreditation Scheme).

#### Awards

- Membre d'Honneur of the FIE 2005
- Australian Sports Medal 2000
- Australian Centenary Medal 2003
- Victorian Women's Honour Roll 2010.

#### Academic Qualifications:

• Bachelor Of Arts (Honours) – University of Melbourne

• Diploma in Education

# Shirly DRAI-LAST -

### Activities related to fencing:

Member of the FIE's women and fencing council. Certified referee in epee and foil Board member of the IFC (Israeli fencing association) Head of the IFC refereeing committee Board member of the Ashkelon sport association (including the fencing club) Has fencing coaching diploma

Former fencer (epee 1987-2005 and foil 1977-87) Former national champion of Israel team & individuals Youth delegate Olympic Games Barcelona

### **Occupation & Education:**

Shirly works for the Israeli Ministry of Health as the head of food control administration at the Ashkelon district which supervises on food manufacturing and imported foods. Shirly has BSc in Biotechnology and food science from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and MBA in business management from the Ben Gurion University.

# Zhao Rong LOO

**Loo Zhao Rong** is a former national fencer and has been an active official in the local and international fencing scene for about 20 years. She is experienced in managing sports events such as competitions, youth development programmes, workshops and training/competition trips, having worked as Operations Manager in Fencing Singapore from 2002 to 2004, and General Manager from 2006 to 2010.

In 2009, she was appointed by the FIE as the Sports Competition Manager for Fencing for the inaugural 2010 Singapore Youth Olympic Games and successfully delivered the YOG Fencing competition. She has been a member of the Directoire Technique at various World Championships as well as Major Games over the past five years.

She graduated in Business Administration (Honours) from the National University of Singapore. She has an extensive background in budgeting, administration, sports and events management for various entities, from government bodies to corporations and non-profit organisations. She is currently working in the Singapore Sports School as the General .Manager of the Fencing Academy

# Maria Leonor ESTAMPADOR

An Event Organizer by profession who has a passion for fencing. Former national team member of the Philippine Women's Foil Fencing Team from 1988-1995 and has since been a member of the coaching staff till the present. Also acts as the Executive Director of the Philippine Fencing Association. Current Administrative Manager of the Fencing Confederation of Asia (FCA) and is a member of the Technical Commission of the Confederation. Has an FIE Referee license in both Foil and Epee and has refereed in numerous FIE competitions but in recent years has been assigned more as DT in both Regional and FIE competitions

# **Georgina USHER**

Georgina Usher holds a BA Hons from Cambridge University, 1991-1994, Computer Science BA Hons from The Edinburgh Academy, Edinburgh, 1998-1990. Georgina's professional career includes work as a management consultant (Accenture), IT project/change manager and most recently, operations director of small professional services firm based in London.

Georgina's Fencing background includes both administrative and competitive experience including serving on the British Fencing Association Board of Directors member 2012 – to the present; serving as the Scottish Fencing Performance Manager 2000-2002; working as the Fencing Coach Wimbledon High School for Girls: and earning a British Fencing, Epee Coach Level 2 (2012).

As a competitor Georgina has been on the British team at 11 World Championships (91, 93, 94, 95, 97, 98, 99, 01, 02, 03, 11); was FIE World Cup medalist, Commonwealth Championships medalist British Women's Epée Champion 10 times.

### Veena GUNPUT (MRI)

Of Mauritian origin, Veena became involved in fencing when her son picked up an épée some 10 years ago. Since then, her connection with the sport has progressed from attending competitions to organising training. She played a key role in promoting the establishment of a fencing federation in Mauritius, a country which previously had no history in this sport. Having the benefit of a non traditional vantage point of the sport, she is committed to the progression of women in fencing throughout the world. In addition, with her African roots, she feels very strongly about contributing to the growth of fencing across the African continent. Holding a Masters in Geography (Bristol, UK), Veena works as a contract manager for a pan European company

### Katalin TUSCHÁK

#### **Experience in fencing**

years of fencing – 15 year membership of the Hungarian National Foil Fencing Team 20 (junior and senior)

#### Some of the achievements:

Olympic bronze medallist in Seoul as a member of the Hungarian Foil Fencing Team (1988) World champion in Lausanne as a member of the Hungarian Foil Fencing Team (1987) Eight times Hungarian champion as a member of the MTK Foil Fencing Team (honourable member of the MTK Club)

#### Individual achievements:

Finalist in World Cup Competitions category A (Grand Prix ) Silver and bronze medal in the Hungarian National Championship Winner of international competitions category 'B' Head of the Supervisory Board of the Hungarian Fencing Federation (2008-2012) - Member of the the FIE's Women and Fencing Council 2012 Member of the EFC's Women and Sports Council 2014

### **Occupation & Education**

KT is the head of Sales and Marketing at an international engineering service company dealing with quality and safety.

University degree (electrical engineer MSc-Technical University of Budapest)