



Dear Olympic Pins Collectors, dear friends!

It is great pleasure for me to give you a gift – this Interactive NOC Olympic Pins Catalogue.

Current national olympic committees pins catalogues are mostly available only in paper format with low resolution and low quality photos. Without a global catalogue and with already thousands of existing pins it is hard for collectors

to maintain the track of pins themselves, not to mention managing their personal collections. One of main aims of our project was to create an electronic version of the catalogue with improved high-quality photos. Having an electronic easily-browsable version will ease the access to catalogue not only for existing collectors, but could be used to draw attention of newcomers to the field. With this app we could bring collecting even closer to everyday life. Naturally, with propagation of olympic pins collecting this would improve general awareness of olympic collectibles and olympics themselves. This catalogue will help with propagation of olympism and the olympic movement.

In the 1st phase we have gathered over 13 000 NOC pins sorted by the country of origin. In the next phase we will replace pins scans with high-quality photos. We will add more functionalities like pin recognition from photo, virtual collections, comparing collections, exchange of virtual pins, gamification, sharing on social networks and much more... we will keep you informed about latest news. I believe that AOPC will become your friend and we all will make it better. Therefore I ask you to send any comments, corrections, new pins or photos of pins we are currently missing, to my email address: delej@sportmed.sk We will update the catalogue approximately two times a year. I am looking forward to hearing from you and welcome all new collectors!

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