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Saur becomes an Official Partner of Special Olympics Paris 2026 and continues its momentum towards inclusion

Saur has become an Official Partner of the Special Olympics Paris 2026 Unified Football World Cup, which will take place from 5 to 11 July 2026 at the Charléty Stadium in Paris. Through this partnership, the Group reaffirms its commitment to diversity, inclusion and the preservation of water resources.

The partnership was presented at the press conference organized on February 19, 2026 by the City of Paris and Special Olympics France, in the presence of the unified teams involved in the men's and women's tournaments.

An international event for inclusion through sport

The Special Olympics Paris 2026 Unified Football World Cup will bring together teams from around the world to promote social inclusion through sport. Unified football brings together athletes with and without intellectual disabilities in a spirit of respect, solidarity and sharing.

By becoming an Official Partner of the event, Saur affirms its commitment to diversity and inclusion, values that its 15,000 employees carry on a daily basis and are deployed in the regions alongside its customers and partners.

Raising awareness of the preservation of water resources

Beyond supporting inclusion through sport, this partnership is also based on a strong objective of raising awareness of water-related issues. Throughout the competition, Saur will deploy educational activities with athletes, spectators and partners to promote responsible water consumption and everyday eco-gestures, in line with its mission as an essential service and its expertise as a world leader in water management.



For Saur, there is no sustainable performance without inclusion

At Saur, inclusion is based on a structured and managed system. In 2025, the Group signed an agreement with Agefiph to strengthen its actions in terms of recruitment, job retention and awareness.

Among the measures deployed:

- 100% of recruiters trained in the theme of disability;
- 100% of candidates mentioning an RQTH received an interview;
- individualised workstation adaptations (ergonomic equipment, accessibility tools, vehicle adaptations).

In 2024, the employment rate of people with disabilities increased by 11% compared to 2023 to reach 3.3%.

This dynamic reflects a growing mobilization of teams and a desire to anchor inclusion in managerial practices in the long term.

Patrick Blethon, Executive Chairman of the Saur Group, said: *"Becoming an Official Partner of the Special Olympics Paris 2026 Unified Football World Cup is not just a sponsorship choice, it is obvious. Unified football brings together different talents, creates links and overcomes barriers. This is exactly the vision we have at Saur. In our water business, responsibility and sustainability take on their full meaning when they are accompanied by inclusion. Supporting this event means affirming that diversity is a strength and that sustainable performance is above all collective."*

About Saur:

In 2024, Saur became the first water company to issue blue bonds, combining environmental responsibility with financial innovation to drive sustainable transformation in water management.

Operating in over 25 countries, the Group serves 20 million consumers and partners with 9,200 local authorities and industrial clients. It delivers high-quality services in drinking water distribution, wastewater treatment, and smart water management—supporting small towns and major cities alike.

Guided by its purpose — “advocating to restore water to its true value” — Saur is a committed player in the ecological transition. In 2024, the Group generated over €2.3 billion in revenue and employed 12,000 people worldwide, with operations in Cyprus, Finland, France, Italy, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Saudi Arabia, Spain, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

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