World Play Day Report 2016

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Wow! What a great World Play Day! I hope you all had a great time celebrating 'Play for all ages' with your local communities. It's been so exciting to hear what was happening in your country. Here's a sample of world play day events...

Brazil

ABBri in association with its partner in the First Childhood National Web held a cultural event at the Brazilian Museum of Sculpture with play activities offered to the public in and around the museum.
Canada

Close to 9,000 people attended the free World Play Day event organised by la Ludotheque de Sainte-Foy in the Centre Sportif de Sainte-Foy.

Italy

In a street festival in Latina, in the IAF pavilion, the BG Storico club hosted Wings of Glory games where families and kids played together with the game designer Andrea Angiolino.
Mexico
Mexico Juega and ITLA partnered with the Coyoacan District and Nickelodeon for a huge public event in Frida Kahlo Plaza attended by over 700 people of all ages.

South Africa
Cotlands Cape Town Toy Library hosted 233 children and 50 adults, including volunteers, staff and donors at the Macassar Sports Field.

New Zealand
In New Zealand it was also Toy Library Awareness week and many toy libraries held open days and welcomed new families to visit their toy libraries.
Nepal

In Manma, Nepal, on the Karnali Highway, a futsal tournament was organised to celebrate World Play Day. Teams from six different schools competed and a friendship match was organised between members of a youth network, government and non-government organisations.
Tell us about your World Play Day event
We know of 47 countries that celebrated World Play Day, but we're sure there's many more. If your country isn't listed but you celebrated World Play Day, please let us know.

- Europe: Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey
- Americas: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Ecuador, Honduras, Mexico, Peru, United States
- Asia: Brunei, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Nepal, Philippines, Taiwan