## **Renowned speakers at AST-Coach-Clinic**

With the head coach of the Canadian U17-nationalteam Kirby Schepp, the head coach of Luxemburg's Sparta Bartringen Pascal Meurs and head coach of the German Men's team Henrik Rödl (picture), we again have three renowned speakers coming up at this year's Coach Clinic that takes place within the context of the 30<sup>th</sup> Albert Schweitzer Tournament. So all participants can look forward to very interesting talks as well as youth basketball of the highest order from April 16 – April 18. Check-in starts on the 16<sup>th</sup> at 11 o'clock and can be done in no rush. The first lesson of 90 minutes then begins at 13. After a short break, the next lesson is held from 14:45-16:15 before everyone heads over to watch the AST-matchups between Japan and Turkey as well as Germany and Australia together.

The schedule on Friday is similar. Following their own sessions from 9 - 16:15, the participants watch the semifinals together. Finally, on Saturday, the four concluding games of the prestigious U18-event are on the agenda, including the game for  $3^{rd}$  place and of course the final.

The registration fee of 229 Euros includes the AST-tickets for all three Clinic days. Little snacks and drinks will also be served. Friday includes lunch on top of that. The lessons take place in the gym of Alexander-von-Humboldt-School in Viernheim this time around. Cooperation partner is once again FIBA Europe, who we thank for the support on this occasion. As always, the Coach Clinic counts as advanced education for the extension of A-and B-licenses. Additionally, there is also a cooperation with the Basketball Association of Baden-Württemberg for holders of C-licenses. Other State's Associations upon request.

You can sign up for the Coach Clinic under www.dbb-trainer.de.

#### The Speakers of the Coach Clinic at a glance:



### Henrik Rödl

Former player for the German national team and their current head coach, Henrik Rödl, debuted for Germany at age 18. Two of his greatest accomplishments as a player came within the same year: the European Championship with Germany and the US-College Championship with the University of North Carolina Tar Heels in 1993. At the World Cup 2002, he also added a bronze medal to his collection. After 178 games in 15 years, Rödl ended his international career.

In 2014, he took over the A2 men's national team of Germany and won a silver medal at the Universiade in Gwangju, South Korea. In the summer of 2016, Rödl became head coach of

Germany's U20 team and just missed out on a medal at the EC in Finland, finishing fourth. As an assistant coach for the Men's team, he reached the quarterfinals of the EC 2017 and as their head coach, he qualified for the WC 2019.



# **Kirby Schepp**

A graduate of the University of Winnipeg (Kinesiology, Education) and University of Victoria, (Masters in Coaching) Kirby Schepp has coached more than 65 different teams over the past 27 years and has just completed his 11th year as the Head Coach at the University of Manitoba consistently one of the top programs in Western Canada.

Coach Schepp is currently in his third year as the Head Coach of Canada's U17 Men's team and has been a part of the Canadian Men's National Team Program for the past 11 years. In 2009, Schepp was named to the staff of the inaugural Canadian Cadet (17U) National Team and has been involved in the steady rise of Canada's age group national teams each year. He has been a coach of numerous medal-winning teams at FIBA events.

He was an assistant coach with the 2017 U19 team that won the World Championship in Cairo as well as 2010 bronze medal winning team at the U17 World Championship in Hamburg.

In 2018, Schepp was the Head Coach of Canada when they won a historic silver medal at the Commonwealth Games in Gold Coast, Australia. The medal was Canada's first in men's basketball at the games.

Schepp has coached several future NBA players while with Canada Basketball including Andrew Wiggins, Anthony Bennett, Nik Staukas, Dillon Brooks, Shai Gilgeous-Alexander, RJ Barrett and Nickeil Alexander-Walker among them.

Coach Schepp earned his B.A. and B.Ed from the University of Winnipeg and a Masters Degree (Coaching) from the University of Victoria. Schepp has a passion for coach education and is an NCCP Master Learning facilitator and has trained hundreds of coaches and spoke at dozens of clinics over the past 25 years.



#### **Pascal Meurs**

Pascal Meurs is the current headcoach of Luxemburg's Sparta Bartringen, as well as head coach of EuroProBasket International Academy for professional players in Valencia, Spain. As a FIBA Instructor worldwide, he has given countless talks on conveying basketball-specific contents in practice and other topics surrounding the work with the orange ball. He was also an Advanced Statistical Analyst for the Pro Basketball League of Belgium and a TV Analyst for NBA and Liga Endesa coverage of Eleven Sports TV in Belgium.