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As well as rewarding its various world champion teams with cups and diplomas, FIFA also presents titles to individuals: the top scorer at every championship receives the Adidas Golden Shoe, the best player (as voted by the media and other experts) receives the Golden Ball, and the Fair Play Trophy goes to the team which best adheres to the laws and the spirit of the game. There are also two awards related exclusively to the World Cup: the Most Entertaining Team award and the Lev Yashin award for the best goalkeeper.

Being named FIFA World Player of the Year, an honour bestowed on the basis of votes cast by the world's national team coaches and captains, is the crowning glory to an individual player's career. The distinction of FIFA Women's World Player of the Year – also the result of votes cast by national team coaches and captains – has been an integral part of the FIFA Awards since 2001. In 2004, FIFA introduced a prize that is conferred upon the best player of the FIFA Futsal World Championship every four years. Furthermore, since 2004, world football's governing body awards a prize to the FIFA Interactive World Player of the Year. In addition, special acts of fair play are recognised by the annual Fair Play Award, which often goes to an individual or a group who otherwise enjoy little share of the spotlight. Lastly, there is the FIFA Presidential Award, which is presented to individuals or groups who distinguish themselves in the world of football.

**FIFA World Player of the Year Awards - all-time records**

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| <b>2007</b> | 1. KAKA (BRA)<br>2. Lionel Messi (ARG)<br>3. Cristiano Ronaldo (POR)        | <b>1998</b> | 1. Zinedine Zidane (FRA)<br>2. Ronaldo (BRA)<br>3. Davor Suker (CRO)                             |
| <b>2006</b> | 1. Fabio Cannavaro (ITA)<br>2. Zinedine Zidane (FRA)<br>3. Ronaldinho (BRA) | <b>1997</b> | 1. Ronaldo (BRA)<br>2. Roberto Carlos (BRA)<br>3. Dennis Bergkamp (NED)<br>Zinedine Zidane (FRA) |
| <b>2005</b> | 1. Ronaldinho (BRA)<br>2. Frank Lampard (ENG)<br>3. Samuel Eto'o (CMR)      | <b>1996</b> | 1. Ronaldo (BRA)<br>2. George Weah (LBR)<br>3. Alan Shearer (ENG)                                |
| <b>2004</b> | 1. Ronaldinho (BRA)<br>2. Thierry Henry (FRA)<br>3. Andriy Shevchenko (UKR) | <b>1995</b> | 1. George Weah (LBR)<br>2. Paolo Maldini (ITA)<br>3. Jürgen Klinsmann (GER)                      |
| <b>2003</b> | 1. Zinedine Zidane (FRA)<br>2. Thierry Henry (FRA)<br>3. Ronaldo (BRA)      | <b>1994</b> | 1. Romario (BRA)<br>2. Hristo Stoitchkov (BUL)<br>3. Roberto Baggio (ITA)                        |
| <b>2002</b> | 1. Ronaldo (BRA)<br>2. Oliver Kahn (GER)<br>3. Zinedine Zidane (FRA)        | <b>1993</b> | 1. Roberto Baggio (ITA)<br>2. Romario (BRA)<br>3. Dennis Bergkamp (NED)                          |
| <b>2001</b> | 1. Luis Figo (POR)<br>2. David Beckham (ENG)<br>3. Raúl (ESP)               | <b>1992</b> | 1. Marco Van Basten (NED)<br>2. Hristo Stoitchkov (BUL)<br>3. Thomas Hässler (GER)               |
| <b>2000</b> | 1. Zinedine Zidane (FRA)<br>2. Luis Figo (POR)<br>3. Rivaldo (BRA)          | <b>1991</b> | 1. Lothar Matthäus (GER)<br>2. Jean-Pierre Papin (FRA)<br>3. Gary Lineker (ENG)                  |
| <b>1999</b> | 1. Rivaldo (BRA)<br>2. David Beckham (ENG)<br>3. Gabriel Batistuta (ARG)    |             |  |

## Women's World Player of the Year Awards - all-time records

**2007**

1. Marta (BRA)
2. Birgit Prinz (GER)
3. Cristiane (BRA)

**2006**

1. Marta (BRA)
2. Kristine Lilly (USA)
3. Renate Lingor (GER)

**2005**

1. Birgit Prinz (GER)
2. Marta (BRA)
3. Shannon Boxx (USA)

**2004**

1. Birgit Prinz (GER)
2. Mia Hamm (USA)
3. Marta (BRA)

**2003**

1. Birgit Prinz (GER)
2. Mia Hamm (USA)
3. Hanna Ljungberg (SWE)

**2002**

1. Mia Hamm (USA)
2. Birgit Prinz (GER)
3. Sun Wen (CHN)

**2001**

1. Mia Hamm (USA)
2. Sun Wen (CHN)
3. Tiffeny Milbrett (USA)

## FIFA FUTSAL World Player

**2008****2004**

Falcao (BRA)

## FIFA Interactive World Player

**2007/2008***24 May 2008: Final in Berlin***2006**

Andries Smit (NED)

**2005**

Chris Bullard (ENG)

**2004**

Thiago Carico de Azevedo (BRA)

## FIFA Fair Play Award - all-time records

- 2007** FC Barcelona
- 2006** Fans of the 2006 FIFA World Cup™
- 2005** Community of Iquitos, Peru
- 2004** Confederação Brasileira de Futebol
- 2003** Fans of Celtic FC, SCO
- 2002** Football communities of Japan and Korea Republic
- 2001** Paolo di Canio, ITA
- 2000** Lucas Radebe, RSA
- 1999** New Zealand's football community
- 1998** The national associations of Iran, the USA and Northern Ireland
- 1997** Irish spectators at the World Cup preliminary match versus Belgium  
Jozef Zovinec (Slovak amateur player)  
Julie Foudy, USA
- 1996** George Weah, LBR
- 1995** Jacques Glassmann, FRA
- 1994** -
- 1993** \*Nandor Hidegkuti, HUN (individual award)  
The Football Association of Zambia
- 1992** Union Royale Belge des Sociétés de Football Association
- 1991** Real Federación Española de Fútbol (Spanish FA)  
Jorginho, BRA (individual award)
- 1990** Gary Lineker, ENG
- 1989** Spectators of Trinidad and Tobago
- 1988** Frank Ordenewitz, GER (individual award)  
Spectators at the Olympic Football Tournament Seoul 1988
- 1987** Fans of Dundee United, SCO

\* = *deceased*

## FIFA Presidential Award

### 2007 Pelé (BRA)

Pelé, a living Brazilian legend, was presented with the FIFA Presidential Award in recognition of his outstanding services to the game. He played 92 times for Brazil and scored 77 goals for his country. He won the FIFA World Cup™ three times, in 1958, 1962 and 1970, and played 1,363 official matches over a long and glorious career, scoring almost as many goals. Between 1994 and 1998, he was Brazil's Minister of Sport. Whether as a UNESCO ambassador, as a special ambassador for the World Health Organization or in any of the other roles that he occupies, he strives to combat social injustice, poverty and discrimination. Pelé is the best player the world has ever known.

### 2006 \*Giacinto Facchetti (ITA)

The Italian football legend Giacinto Facchetti was honoured with the FIFA Presidential Award 2006. Facchetti played 634 times for Inter Milan between 1961 and 1978, winning four Italian championships and two European Cups. The former Italian international, whose 94 caps included winning the 1968 European Championship and an appearance in the 1970 FIFA World Cup™ final, became president of Inter Milan in 2004. He was a FIFA instructor for almost ten years and had been a member of the FIFA Football Committee since 1998. On 4 September 2006, Facchetti passed away at the age of just 64 following a short, serious illness.

### 2005 Anders Frisk (SWE)

Frisk was a leading international referee until March 2005, when he prematurely called time on his career after suffering abuse and threats in the aftermath of a UEFA Champions League match. In awarding Anders Frisk the FIFA Presidential Award, Joseph S. Blatter urged everyone involved in the 'beautiful game' to show respect towards officials in the spirit of fair play.

### 2004 Haiti

As part of the Haiti football association's centennial celebrations, and coinciding with the FIFA Centenary, Haiti and Brazil joined forces to stage a match whose impact transcended the boundaries of the football pitch in war-torn Haiti. By recognising the actions of both associations in 2004, FIFA continued the quest that it had first embarked on 100 years earlier, using football to play a conscious and active role in bringing together peoples and fighting against discrimination in all its guises.

### 2003 The Iraqi Football Community

The never-say-die spirit of the Iraqi people found in football a vehicle for expression after the Iraq War in 2003. Despite extreme hardship and a dire lack of material provisions, the Iraqi football community, staunchly backed by their prolific coach, German Bernd Stange, stubbornly refused to accept the hand that they had been dealt.

### 2002 Parminder Nagra (ENG)

The English actress was given this award by the FIFA President for her starring role in the hugely popular movie "Bend it like Beckham". Her alter ego, Jess, a Punjabi girl growing up in West London, is determined to play football, despite strong objections from her family. The film deals with issues of cultural conformity and serves superbly to bring women's football into the spotlight as a game for all women of all cultures.

### 2001 \*Marvin Lee (TRI)

The very first FIFA Presidential Award was presented to Marvin Lee who was paralysed after an injury sustained in March 2001 in an international game with Trinidad and Tobago's U-20 team, of which he was captain. Tragically, Marvin Lee died on 9 March 2003.

\* = deceased