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An attractive revolutionary Rugby Academy is attached to the new Phuket International Academy Sports and Leisure Club (PIASLC) is preparing to become Asia's pre-eminent competition, training and event complex when it opens this November. Combining a outstanding location with unparalleled facilities, it is already attracting attention from respected worldwide sporting institutions and international corporations.

PIASLC is set on 54 acres of land in the northeastern region of Phuket, Thailand. It boasts a wide-ranging array of superior sporting facilities that include an International Rugby Board-standard rugby pitch, FIFA-approved Limonta "Soccer Pro" soccer field, Phuket's only competition standard 50-metre eight lane outdoor swimming pool (suitable for water polo and competitive swimming), a fully shaded 25 metre, eight lane swimming pool, toddler's and children's pools and play area, 6 tennis courts, runners track and a fitness enthusiast gym, as well as a performing arts centre and a Thai Herbal Garden Spa. Phuket International Academy Sports and Leisure Club [Sports, Leisure and Events Centre](#).

There are also two boutique hotels, providing 115 well-appointed rooms and suites for visitors, athletes, teams and corporate groups. The club has rapidly earned recognition through high-profile partnerships with international sporting organizations including Brazilian Soccer Schools (BSS), NZRugbyResources (NZRR), and IronKids Triathlon. Announcement of tennis and swimming affiliations are anticipated in the near future.

The PIASLC is being positioned as the leading sports and corporate event center in Asia. Not only delivering Asia's pre-eminent facilities for sports but also exceptional facilities and accommodations for conferences, incentives, retreats and teambuilding.

PIASLC announced "Being in Phuket is a big advantage. It is not only an exotic location but the most exciting component of what we are doing is that every element of the club has been planned down to the finest detail from using cutting edge materials and equipment to employing the most qualified staff to manage and coach at the club."

NZRugbyResources Director, David Adamson, said "Rugby is an extremely popular sport throughout Asia and growing in numbers every year and NZRugbyResources believes this is the finest training and playing facility in Asia. It is just amazing how much detail has gone into the planning."

PIASLC] Brazilian Soccer Camp programme. Famous BSS uses Futebol de Salao (FDS). The training and game is known for a 5-a-side version of football originally from South America. Futebol de Salao is played with a smaller (size 2), and slightly heavier (465gm) ball that has virtually no bounce to it.

The PIASLC has also announced a partnership with the US-based IronKids programme. This relationship will focus on bringing four junior Triathlon events per year as well as training camps for youth aged between 6 and 15.

The PIASLC has named former professional tennis player David Roberts as Director of Operations to oversee the day-to-day operations at the impressive Phuket, Thailand sports centre. David brings experience in both operations and pre-openings. He has run elite private sports clubs while with Centara Hotels and Resorts Group. When the PIASLC completes preparations in November and starts into full operations he will be focused on the co-ordination between club services, sports academies and membership programmes.

Phuket International Academy is located in surroundings of natural beauty among the foothills of a national park on the eastern part of Phuket, Thailand. PIA is an integrated facility boasting Phuket's newest International School, a multi-faceted Sports and Leisure Club for elite athletes, amateur enthusiasts, artists and wellness seekers – all within the Mind Centre sanctuary that provides training in the cultivation of mental and emotional balance. Phuket International Academy is a convenient drive near Phuket International Airport and includes two 38-room comfortable hotels and facilities that are great for Meetings, Conventions and Events of all kinds.

As part of a uniquely integrated complex, the Sports and Leisure Club works in synergy with both the PIADS and PIAMC. The PIADS is working to grow into a three programme International Baccalaureate (IB) World School. As a leading international school in Thailand, it will incorporate distinctive Asian culture and the best from Western educational traditions, developing inquiring,

knowledgeable, and empathetic young people who know how to live with honor, cultivate true happiness, and who work toward a more peaceful and sustainable world. Click this link for additional information on the Phuket International Academy Day School [International School Thailand](#).

As part of a total commitment to sports excellence the Phuket International Academy Mind Centre has begun to offer training in the cultivation of cognitive and emotional balance. The Phuket International Academy Mind Centre will provide a combination of contemporary psychology and neuroscience together with traditional Asian contemplative practices. Delivered through residential retreats and weekend seminars PIAMC is open to anyone. It teaches the practice of “mindfulness of breathing”, which is an effective method for relaxing the body and calming the mind. A second method taught is both a shamatha practice and vipashyana, “insight meditation” or “settling the mind in its natural state”. Phuket International Academy Mind Centre [Meditation, Mind Studies, and Retreats](#).

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