

## **Kolloquium „*Berner Gespräche zur Sportwissenschaft*“**

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### **Catch Me If You Can!**

#### **Collective Emotions in Sport and Performance Teams**

Dr. Svenja A. Wolf currently is a postdoctoral fellow with the Social Psychology and Work & Organizational Psychology programs at the University of Amsterdam. Her research focuses on the intersection between emotions and teams in sport and other performance contexts (e.g., collective emotions, ambivalent influences of social responsibility and team cohesion). In addition, Svenja teaches on these topics, supervises student projects, and consults with athletes, teams, and coaches.



A group of athletes sharing their pride after a successful game, the anger of the head chef spreading throughout the rest of his kitchen team, an important recital infusing all members of an orchestra with anxiety, these are some examples of collective emotions in sport and performance teams. Besides their intuitive appeal and fundamental empirical support (Tamminen et al., 2016; Totterdell, 2000), collective emotions have hardly been investigated in these contexts, even though they are likely to affect both teams' performance and social integration (Knight & Eisenkraft, 2015). In my work and this presentation, I aim to provide evidence for (a) the existence of collective emotions in sport and performance teams, (b) their consequences, (c) team-related and contextual boundary factors (e.g., peer leaders, emotion norms, team cohesion), and (d) the causes and underlying mechanisms of collective emotions and emotional convergence (e.g., common environmental stimuli, team identification, emotional mimicry).