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# European Non-Governmental Sports Organisation

Who?

- European sports umbrella organisation
- 40 member organisations: national sport confederations and national olympic committees

What does ENGSO do?

- Promote grassroots sport and its' interests in Europe







# ENGSO Manifesto on a Truly Inclusive Sport

- Adopted by the ENGSO General Assembly in 2010
- Objective: Raise awareness and impact relevant policies of sport organisations
- Target groups: Sport organisations, public authorities (EU, national governments etc.)
- Eight themes:
  - 1) inclusion of immigrant populations 2) social exclusion 3) solidarity between generations 4) gender equality 5) racism 6) sexual orientation 7) violence 8) disability

## ENGSO Project "Creating a Level Playing Field"

- Promoting social inclusion of migrants and ethnic minorities in mainstream sport
- Funded by the EU Preparatory Actions in the Field of Sport 2010
- Timeline January 2011 – April 2012



# Partner network

## Lead organisation:

- The European Non-Governmental Sports Organisation ENGSO (Europe / France)

## Sport organisations:

- Bulgarian Ski Federation (Bulgaria)
- European Network Against Racism (Europe / Belgium)
- Finnish Sports Federation (Finland)
- German Olympic and Sports Confederation (Germany)
- Norwegian Olympic and Paralympic Committee and Confederation of Sports (Norway)
- Olympic Committee of Slovenia – Association of Sport Federations (Slovenia)

# Partner network

## **Public Authorities:**

- Regional Government of Steiermark (Austria)
- Regional Ministry for Youth and Sports of Extremadura (Spain)

## **Specialist organisations:**

- UNITED for Intercultural Action (Europe / The Netherlands)
- ENAR, European Network Against Racism (Europe / Belgium)

## **Research Partners:**

- Semmelweis University, Faculty of Physical Education and Sport Sciences (Hungary)
- LIKES Foundation for Sport and Health Sciences (Finland)

## Expected outputs

- ***Social inclusion as a central theme*** is included in the policies and programmes of national sport organisations and concrete actions are taken on grassroots level in more and more European countries.
- ***A booklet of good practice*** on social inclusion of immigrants and people of a foreign origin in national sports organisations has been produced in order to ensure the sustainability of the project, to support the analysis based on the project, and to support further actions of organisations working in the field.
- ***Policy recommendations*** on social inclusion to decision-makers have been drafted and presented.
- ***Analytical framework*** on the key elements which should be taken into account in social inclusion in sport



# Actions

- ***Bilateral study visits*** – between two partner organisations, each hosting one and each taking part in one
- ***Conferences*** – bringing together the project partners to exchange information and experiences
- ***Production of material*** – book of best practice, website
- ***Drafting of policy recommendations*** – to decision-makers
- ***Evaluation and analysis*** – key elements to be taken into account when implementing best practice examples elsewhere; evaluation of project

## Including migrants and ethnic minorities in sports – some key elements

- funding;
- planning;
- communication and awareness raising;
- recruitment and reaching;
- collaboration; and
- evaluation.





## **Sport Coalition 2014**

Let's celebrate sport, health, the legal recognition of and the future EU funding programme for sport in 2014 – 10 years after the European Year of Education through Sport 2004.



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