

Sport and Environment

European Formation GRUNDTVIG : Sustainable Development, CarbonFoot© print and ASSER© Method

Context

UFOLEP as coordinator of the ISCA Network on Sport and Environment organizes on January 2010 a training about sport and environmental management. This formation is supported by the European Commission in the frame of the Grundtvig programme.

Launched in 2000 and now part of the overarching Lifelong Learning Programme, Grundtvig aims to provide adults with ways to improve their knowledge and skills, keeping them mentally fit and potentially more employable.

What is UFOLEP ?

Founded in 1866, 'La Ligue' is a major French organization in charge of non-formal education. This includes: school, holidays, culture, ideas, communication and sport. The purpose of UFOLEP is to set up popular and civil forms of sport participation and physical activity and to work towards humanistic projects using sport and through sport. Since 2003, UFOLEP has adopted a number of ambitious environmental objectives. It has committed itself both to manage and to reduce the environmental impact of its activities, to educate sportsmen and women, and to provide the communication tools needed to foster responsible civil behaviour.

What is ISCA ?

The International Sport and Culture Association (ISCA) is an organization bringing together sport, culture and youth organizations from across the globe. ISCA believes that international activities such as festivals, exchanges and sports tournaments are an unrivalled means of creating international understanding, and that everyone should be given the chance to participate. ISCA's philosophy is that sport is not just about competition and exercise, but also involves having a good time and making friends. Moreover, sport regulates social behavior and creates a feeling of belonging – which in turn leads to a strengthening of democracy.

Environmental issues

Sports activities have been, for centuries, a definitive aspect of humanity. Creating a place for value, tools of socialization, fields of success and team spirit, they have evolved at the unrestrained rhythm of our western civilization.

Today, at the time of Sustainable Development and ecologic disaster, sports are both a wonderful way to take real action, as well a really deleterious factor in regards to environmental issues. The possibilities of change offered by sports have no equivalent but the danger they pose to our planet, in terms of climate change, global warming, water pollution, and waste are only few examples. Sportsmen/women like organizers and sport managers, are now invested with a new huge responsibility in regards to our earth.

Formation – Sport and Environment

This training will take place in Paris (France) from January 18 to January 23 and will be focused on two main tools: the Carbon Footprint and the ASSER® Method.

Carbon footprint

The carbon footprint is used to calculate the total amount of Green House Gases emission emitted by a sport federation. It enables sport federation to calculate the emission of Green House Gases sports activities involve, to get priorities right and to implement a plan of action reflecting commitments in reducing GHG emissions, evaluate how sport activities are influenced by energy costs.

The main objective for the Grundtvig training is to allow sport manager to:

- Understand the environmental issues such as climate change and global warming
- Have a clear view of the carbon footprint method
- Discover and manage the tools and the calculation method
- Be able to realize the carbon footprint of its own sport federation

This formation will be given by a trainer from the ADEME, the French Environmental Agency.

The ASSER[®] Method

The ASSER[®] method is a practical and user friendly tool is a very practical tool which allows federation to organize and evaluate eco-responsible events. Based on different analysis tools, this method allows sport organizations to conceive, implement and evaluate a plan of action. This method is structured around a grid, divided into six sectors, that analyses a total of a hundred actions. The six sectors are: waste, transport, food, water and energy, communication and training, local involvement, economy.

The main objective for the Gruntvig training is to allow sport manager to:

- Acquire quantifiable knowledge on eco-friendly sport events.
- Acquire the skills to implement ASSER[®] Method on sport events.
- Understand and master the analysis grid of the ASSER[®] Method
- Implement on a practical case, the main actions of the ASSER[®] Method

This formation will be given by a trainer from the ATEMIA, the company founder of the ASSER[®] Method and specialized in sport and environmental management.



First approach on Sport and Environment

UFOLEP will introduce this training with a presentation of the first approach of sport and environment. This part will be focused on example from sport federation in France. This first approach will be based on the guidelines "Eco-friendly events" developed by UFOLEP for its manifestation.

Call for participants

The European Commission supports this project as a Long Life Learning project in the frame of a Gruntvig project. UFOLEP and ISCA hereby call for participant to this training. If you wish to participate, please contact Benoît GALET, UFOLEP International Life project Officer. Please note the dead line to apply is **September 15.**

Programme

Day 1: First approach on Sport and Environment (UFOLEP)

Day 2 & 3: Carbon Footprint (ADEME)

Day 4 & 5: The ASSER[®] Method (ATEMIA)

Site and date

Paris (France) - Headquarter UFOLEP

Monday 18 January to Friday 22 January 2010

Procedure to register

- Return a pre-registration to ufolep (to express his or her interest and check that places are still available.
- At the same time, applying to your Lifelong Learning Programme National Agency for a Grundtvig grant
- If you acquire an European grant of your agency national, you must re-contact UFOLEP (bgallet.laligue@ufolep-usep.fr) to confirm this and to formally register for the training event. If you have not been awarded a grant, you responsibility to contact UFOLEP to cancel any pre-registration which may have been made.

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