EU Sport Policy in relation with sport coaching

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Recent developments

• Stronger position of sport in the EU

• First time ever sport in the title of Commissioner's portfolio

• Sport Intergroup in the EP

• First years of implementation of the Erasmus+ programme (sport chapter)

• European Week of Sport
1. (...) The Union shall contribute to the promotion of European sporting issues, while taking account of the specific nature of sport, its structures based on voluntary activity and its social and educational function.

2. **Union action shall be aimed at:**

   - (...) developing the European dimension in sport, by promoting fairness and openness in sporting competitions and cooperation between bodies responsible for sports, and by protecting the physical and moral integrity of sportsmen and sportswomen, especially the youngest sportsmen and sportswomen.
   
   (...)  

4. In order to contribute to the achievement of the objectives referred to in this Article,:

   – the European Parliament and the Council, acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure, after consulting the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions, shall adopt **incentive measures**, excluding any harmonisation of the laws and regulations of the Member States (...).
Articles 3, 4 and 6 TFUE

Human health; culture; tourism; 
**education, vocational training, youth and SPORT**;

**Principle of subsidiarity**

- **EU exclusive competences**

- **EU /MS shared competences**

- **EU competences to support, coordinate and supplement.**
EU actions at the policy level

EU WORK PLAN FOR SPORT 2014 – 2017

1. **Integrity of sport**, in particular anti-doping, the fight against match-fixing, protection of minors, good governance and gender equality;

2. **The economic dimension of sport**, in particular sustainable financing of sport, the legacy of major sport events, economic benefits of sport and innovation;

3. **Sport and society**, in particular HEPA, volunteering, employment in sport as well as education and training in sport.
EU WORK PLAN FOR SPORT 2014 – 2017

EXPERT GROUPS

- Match-Fixing
- Good Governance
- HEPA
- Economic Dimension
- Human Resources development
## EU Work Plan for Sport 2014 – 2017

**XG Human Resources Development in Sport**

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EU financial support
## EU financial support

### Erasmus+: Sport

#### Novelty
- First-time funding for sport and physical activity projects

#### Stability
- Seven-year period (2014-2020)

#### Funds
- €265.9m / 7 years

#### Focused
- Grassroots sport

#### Cooperation
- EAC & EACEA & stakeholders
EU financial support

ERASMUS +
2014 – 2020

PRIORITIES:

• Tackle cross-border threats to the integrity of sport, such as doping, match-fixing and violence, as well as all kinds of intolerance and discrimination;

• Promote and support good governance in sport and dual careers of athletes;

• Promote voluntary activities in sport, together with social inclusion, equal opportunities and awareness of the importance of health-enhancing physical activity, through increased participation in, and equal access to sport for all.
EU financial support

ERASMUS +
2014 – 2020

WHICH ACTIONS ARE SUPPORTED?

- Collaborative Partnerships (5 partners)
- Not-for-profit European sport events (12 participating countries)
- Support for strengthening of the evidence base for policy making
- Dialogue with relevant European stakeholders
ERASMUS +

2014
- budget: 22.3 M€
- 42 projets selected (440 applications)

2015
- budget: 22.9 M€
- 43 projects selected (341 applications)

2016
- budget: 33.6 M€
- I round – 21 projects selected (57 applications)
- II round – deadline 12 May
- Small collaborative partnerships as new funding category
## ERASMUS + 2015 (collaborative partnerships)

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## Erasmus + 2016 – 1st round results

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EC studies

**Title:** Study on sport qualifications acquired through sport organisations and (sport) educational institutes.

**Contractor:** PwC and CONI Servizi

**Results:**
- To be expected mid-2016
EC studies

**Title:** Gender-based violence in sport.

**Contractor:** yellow window

**Results:**
- To be expected beginning-2017
EC studies

**Title:** Study on the contribution of sport to the **employability** of young people in the context of the Europe 2020 Strategy

**Contractor:** Consortium - VUB + Streetfootballworld + ENGSO Youth + Flemish Public Employment Services

**Results:**
- To be expected mid-2017
Skills Agenda – what are the issues?

"A low level and narrow range of skills of the population acts as a drag on both employability and social inclusion. Demographic change, longer working lives and increased immigration and mobility require initiatives for up-skilling to help people to adapt to technological transformations and fast-changing labour markets"

"This requires a lifelong approach through education systems, learning at work and in other contexts"

Key Competences

Graduate Tracking | Skills Pathways

Frameworks: EQF, Europass, ECVET
THE EUROPEAN WEEK OF SPORT 2016

#BEACTIVE

European Week of Sport
THE EUROPEAN WEEK OF SPORT 2016

Dates confirmed: 10 September – 30 September 2016

Main elements:
- Flexibility but with focus on one week
- Decentralised implementation through National Weeks of Sport (to start between 10 and 24 September)
- Greater focus on communication in national languages
- Official Opening on Saturday 10 September (Kosice, Slovakia)
- Flagship event on Thursday 15 September (Brussels)
Main elements:
- The overarching campaign theme for the European Week of Sport remains “#BeActive”
- The concept of Focus themes remains: i.e. Education environment, Workplaces, Outdoors, Sport Clubs and Fitness centres
- Closer involvement of media
- Team of EWoS ambassadors composed of national personalities (sport icons and beyond) will promote the Week in 2016
WHAT IS NEXT?

• Report on the implementation of the 2nd EU Work Plan for Sport

• Negotiations of the 3rd EU Work Plan for Sport

• New Skills Agenda

• Erasmus+ 2017

• Strategic approach
Thank you

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