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EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON SPORT STATISTICS

Brussels, 23rd of March 2011

In the EU White Paper on Sport (2007), the Commission noted the lack of comparable EU-wide information on the sport sector's economic role and has then encouraged work on Sport Satellite Accounts in the EU Working Group on Sport & Economics. In the EC Communication on Sport (January 2011) the importance of evidence-based policy-making to develop the European dimension in sport has been again highlighted.

In this regards, a conference on Sport Statistics was organised by the European Commission in Brussels on 23 March 2011. The objective of that event was to focus on statistical and information needs in view of the development of sport as a new EU policy area, in line with Article 165 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU). Click [here](#) to download the programme of the event.

The Conference gathered relevant experts in the fields of statistics, including representatives from national statistical offices and Eurostat, and sport research, as well as representatives from sport administrations and stakeholders from the non-governmental sector.

Prof. Dr. Thierry Zintz, General Secretary of EOSE, attended the EU Conference on Sport Statistics on behalf of EOSE and made a presentation entitled "*Sport and Employment in Europe: Key Achievements and Challenges*". After an introduction of EOSE and the work undertaken on sport employment and training within the last 10 years, he then presented the main challenges of the sector in Europe and outlined a strong need for key stakeholders to further cooperate, to share information and to bundle resources at the EU level, as well as a need to implement National or/and Regional Observatoires of Sport and Employment (National Sector Skills Councils for Sport) for best development and recognition of the sector.



The results of the conference will be made available on the [EU Sport Unit's website](#) and [EOSE website](#)

EU SPORT FORUM 2011 – Report, presentations and speeches now available

Budapest, 21st & 22nd of February 2011

The third EU Sport Forum since the adoption of the White Paper on Sport took place in Budapest on 21-22 February 2011 and gathered around 450 participants including governmental representatives, the Olympic and sport movement, leading representatives from international and European sport federations, European and national sport umbrella organisations and other sport-related organisations. These forums can be seen as the "key platform for dialogue on sport at EU level".

Particular attention was given to the European Commission's Communication entitled "[Developing the European Dimension in Sport](#)", adopted on 18 January 2011, as well as projects selected in the framework of the 2009 and 2010 Preparatory Actions in the field of sport. Pedro Velázquez Hernández, Deputy Head of the Sport Unit, noted that the Call for Proposals for the Preparatory Action 2011 in the field of Sport would probably be published in May 2011.

A delegation from the [European Observatoire of Sport and Employment](#) (EOSE) composed of the President Mr Stephen Studd, the Executive Director Mr Aurélien Favre, and the Research Manager Mr Matthias Guett and attended the event in Budapest. EOSE together with the [European Paralympic Committee](#) (EPC) presented the progresses, main achievements and outcomes of the All for Sport for ALL (ASA) project. An ASA exhibition stand was also organised and gave the opportunity to discuss and exchange with Forum's delegates on the main challenges and ideas for further development of the disability sport sector in Europe.

For further information about the All for Sport for All project please visit the [ASA Website](#) or [ASA Facebook Community](#).



The Forum also included a session which was co-organised by the Hungarian Presidency and the European Commission and included a high-level panel debate between Forum participants and EU Sport Ministers. The panel discussion covered all the main areas and priorities of the Communication on "Developing the European Dimension in Sport".

Main results and outcomes of the Sport Forum 2011:

- ➔ [Report, speeches and presentations](#)
- ➔ [Videos](#)
- ➔ [HU Presidency informal meeting of Sports Ministers](#)

The results of the Forum are now available on the [EU Sport Unit's Website](#)

DUAL CAREERS FOR YOUNG ATHLETES IN EUROPE: FINAL CONFERENCE

Győr, 10th & 11th of March 2011

The Dual Career for Young Athletes in Europe Project (DC-SPORT) led by the Bosön Sports College, Sweden, and funded through the Preparatory Action for Sport 2009 by the European Commission organised its Final Conference in Győr (Hungary) from 10 to 13 of March 2011. This event gathered a mix of stakeholders from 14 different European Countries and was composed of a combination of plenary sessions and working group discussions.

In presence of Mr Bart Ooijen from the Sports Unit of the European Commission, the project partnership presented the work achieved to the wider public and used the opportunity to exchange with young athletes which are undergoing dual careers pathways.

The Dual Career for Young Athletes in Europe project aimed at establishing good practice in sport training and education, so as to increase the possibilities for athletes to pursue double career opportunities. The project focused on athletes within the age groups of 13 to 15 years (compulsory school education), 16 - 18 years (upper secondary school education) and over 18 years (post secondary education), and targeted to find superior ways to provide "dual career" training for such young sportsmen and sportswomen and to provide information on high quality local training centres to safeguard their educational and professional interests.

In order to reach best the young target group, a project website on the internet networking platform 'Facebook' was established. You can visit the site, post comments and make yourself a 'friend' to the Dual Careers Project [here](#).

Through the Preparatory Action 2009, three other projects dealing with dual careers issues were funded by the European Commission:

- [INTECS - Network Building for Winter Sports](#)
- [FIFPro On-line Academy](#)
- [A2B - Athletes to Business project](#)

If you wish to obtain further information about the DC-SPORT project, please visit the [DC-SPORT Facebook Community](#) or [contact the Promoter](#), Mr Ulf Lindberg from Bosön Sport College.

The project is now over and final products will be available by the end of May 2011.



FOCUS ON A NEW EUROPEAN PROJECT: TRAINING FOR VOLUNTEERS (T4V)

EU Preparatory Action in the Field of Sport

The [Training for Volunteers](#) project is funded by the 2010 Preparatory Action on Sport of the European Commission. A network of experts from nine Member States will research volunteering in sport and try to broaden existing perspectives on education and training in the sector.

In short the analysis will focus on two research questions: How can the individual be empowered to meet the requirements and increasing quality standards of the sports organisation and how should instruments of human resource management be applied within voluntary sports organisations to make volunteering in sport a valuable and attractive experience for the individual?

The T4V Kick-Off-Meeting in Cologne (Germany) on the 24th and 25th of February 2011 has been a first success and the base for the development of a concerted and elaborated human resource development framework for volunteers was set. The next meeting will be held in Sofia (Bulgaria) at the [National Sports Academy "Vassil Levski"](#) in order to set a next step to broaden existing perspectives on education and training with the intention to develop people for and through their work in voluntary sport organisations in the best way possible.

The T4V Project is led by the [Leadership Academy of the German Olympic Sports Confederation](#) and conducted from 01 January 2011 till 30 June 2012. EOSE is actively involved in the partnership.

For further information please visit the [T4V Website](#) or the [T4V Facebook Community](#)

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NEXT EVENTS

- [GOLF STAND Full Partner Meeting](#), Amsterdam (NL), 12 – 13 May 2011-04-12
- [T4V Technical Meeting](#), Sofia (Bulgaria), 9 – 10 June 2011
- [European Youth Games for Disabled](#), Brno (CZ), 29 June - 3 July 2011
- [Special Olympics World Summer Games](#), Athens (Greece), 25 June - 4 July 2011
- [16th ECSS Congress](#), Liverpool (UK), 6 - 9 July 2011
- [World Handigolf Conference](#), Malmö (SE), 5 - 6 August 2011
- [11th ENSSEE Forum](#), Paris (FR), 25 - 27 August 2011
- [EPC General Assembly](#), Moscow (Russia), 26 - 27 August 2011
- [IPC VISTA Conference](#), Bonn (DE), 31 August - 3 September 2011
- [19th EASM Conference](#), Madrid (ES), 7 – 10 September 2011
- [17th Play the Game Conference](#), Cologne (DE), 3 - 6 October 2011
- [Nature & Sports Euro'Meet](#), Annecy (FR), 5 -8 October 2011

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