

# PRESS RELEASE

## EOSE publishes its first ever book

*A collective project celebrating EOSE's 10 year anniversary and offering a network perspective on European issues and initiatives in the sport and active leisure sector relating to education and employment.*

**Lyon, 8<sup>th</sup> August 2014:** EOSE is pleased to announce the publication of its first ever book entitled "Sport: linking education, training and employment in Europe – an EOSE network perspective".



Published in July 2014 by the Presses Universitaires de Louvain, the book marks the special occasion of the 10 year anniversary of EOSE.

Considering the momentum enjoyed by sport in Europe as well as the overall challenges of European society to reach the ambitious objectives set by the Europe 2020 strategy, EOSE aims with this book at highlighting **perspectives on the challenges and opportunities ahead for the sport and active leisure sector's development.**

As a collective effort to **highlight the diversity of vision, culture and conception within the sport and active leisure sector across Europe**, it is noticeable that this project got the official support from three key stakeholders who individually provided EOSE with a contribution published as forewords of this collective book:



Mrs **Androulla VASSILIOU**, European Commissioner for Education, Culture, Multilingualism and Youth: *"Challenges still exist in a sector where the potential has not yet been fully determined, in particular when it comes to translating social and educational values into concrete actions";*



Mr **Joachim James CALLEJA**, Director CEDEFOP: *"A key for success: To link, in an enhanced way, the world of education with the world of the labour market";*



Mrs **Claudia BOKEL**, Chair of the Athletes Commission and member of the Executive Board of the International Olympic Committee: *“Mobility and the development of a skilled workforce: a key of success for the sport movement”*.

Coordinated by Jean-Louis GOUJU and Thierry ZINTZ, the book is made up of **a series of nine articles** developed by contributors from the EOSE network: Jean CAMY, Vilma CINGIENE, Daniela DASHEVA, Simone DIGENNARO, Stefka DJOBOVA, Judit FARKAS, Aurélien FAVRE, Ben GITUS, Cristina MATOS ALMEIDA, Carole PONCHON, Mathieu WINAND and Loukas ZAHILAS.

It aims to serve as a solid written groundwork for EOSE national members, ambassadors, partners, and contributors but also for the sport and active leisure sector as a whole. That is the reason why the book especially describes **how the sector has grown and is developing**, and it shows **the main opportunities created by the European policies in the field of sport, skills development and qualification framework** to improve the relationship between education and employment hence allowing the sector to fulfil its potential.

*Book available on demand, please get in touch with us.*

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EOSE is an international organisation working towards the development of the sport and active leisure sector, expert in building bridges between the worlds of education and employment and ensuring the development of a competent workforce with the right skills.

Its vision has been defined as *“A sport and active leisure sector that is playing its full part in the economic, health and social development of Europe and its member states.”* And its mission consists in *“facilitating and supporting the development of the sport and active leisure sector workforce, to ensure people working and volunteering in the sector have the right skills to perform and enable the sector to fulfil its potential as a social, health and economic driver”*.



**A NEW WAVE FOR THE SPORT AND ACTIVE LEISURE SECTOR**

Ensuring the right skills in the right place