

TEMPLATE FOR REPORTING ON RECENT INITIATIVES ON SPORT FOR DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

Grassroots Sport Diplomacy Project

Provide a summary of the initiative, including a brief overview, proposed/actual outcomes and an assessment of any lessons learned and the way forward.

Name of the Initiative: *Grassroots Sport Diplomacy Project (Co-funded by Erasmus+ Sport – European Commission)*

Partner: *Portuguese Institute of Sport Youth, Portugal*

Website: *https://diplomacy.isca.org*

Please provide more details on the initiative below:		
Objective(s):	<i>Please indicate which, if any, of the following fell among the main objectives of the initiative:</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensuring that no one is left behind - Included 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eradicating poverty and promoting prosperity in a changing world - Included
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality - Included
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research development, data collection and/or data dissemination 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preventing and fighting corruption in sport - Included
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conflict prevention/peace building – Included (Peace building through sport projects) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthened global framework on sport for development and peace - Included
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy development for mainstreaming and integrating sport for development and peace in development programmes and policies - Included 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resource mobilization, programming and implementation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research, monitoring and evaluation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other (please specify)
Implementation mechanisms:	<p><i>What are the means/processes of implementation of the initiative?</i></p> <p><i>Project development activities:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Frequent bilateral dialogue with organisational representatives as well as with organisational leaderships to ensure the project implementation. Ongoing and fully transparent monitoring of project implementation, and scheduled review of progress as per project objective and indicators in the full partner group (via skype and face to face). Ensuring that partner capacities and resources for implementation, piloting and dissemination/exploitation are known and exploited by project management. Development of a Grassroots Sport Diplomacy Clearing house –to educate and build capacity of organizations human resources. 	

Project outputs implementation:

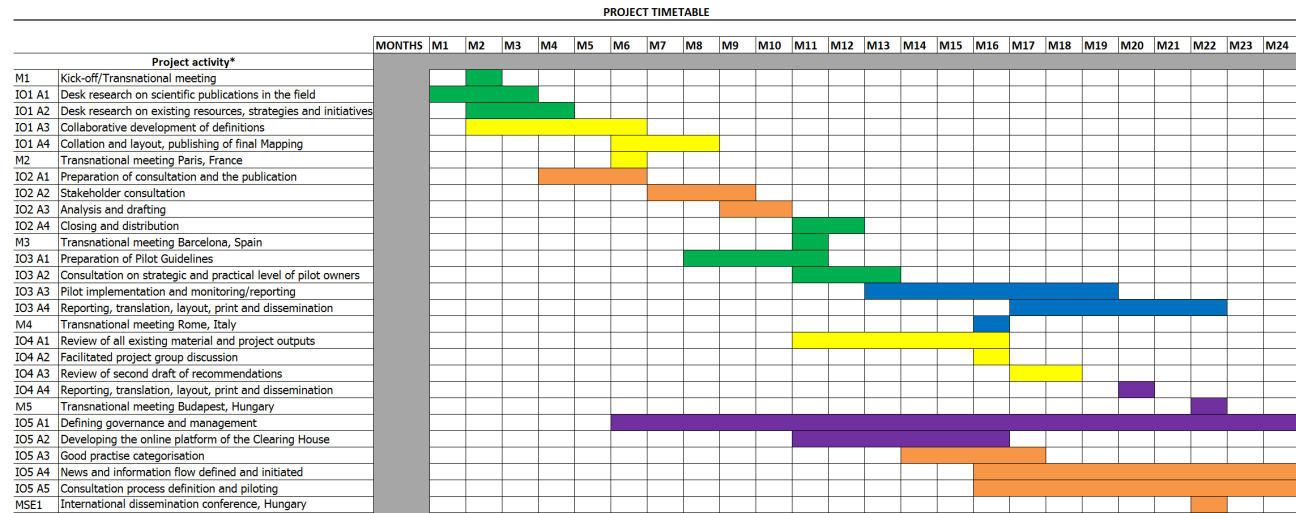
- Development of a Grassroots Sport Diplomacy Clearing house –to educate and build capacity of the organization’s human resources using the outputs developed by the project.
- Dissemination of the project in different national and international channels/platforms.

What are the main deliverables/activities involved?

Deliverables/Activities
Kick-off/Transnational meeting - coordination
Desk research on scientific publications in the field
Desk research on existing resources, strategies and initiatives - mapping
Collaborative development of definitions, theories and typologies
Collation and layout, publishing of final mapping
Transnational meeting - coordination
Preparation of consultation and the publication
Stakeholder consultation
Analysis and drafting
Transnational meeting Barcelona, Spain
Preparation of Pilot Guidelines and identification of pilot projects
Consultation on strategic and practical level of pilot owners by the project partners, to qualify the pilot and maximize learning potential
Pilot implementation and monitoring/reporting
Reporting, translation, layout, print and dissemination
Transnational meeting - coordination
Review of all existing material and project outputs with a view to drafting recommendations
Facilitated project group discussion on draft recommendations
Review of second draft of recommendations by 5 external partners and Project Advisory Board
Reporting, translation, layout, print and dissemination
Transnational meeting - coordination
Defining governance and management details of the Clearing House
Developing the online platform of the Clearing House
Good practise categorisation, valorisation and description, database established
News and information flow defined and initiated
Consultation process definition and piloting
International dissemination conference

Clearing House Launching

What is the time frame of implementation?



Target Audience(s):

Who are the beneficiaries of the proposed/implemented initiative?

- EU and official European bodies.
- National governments and national governmental agencies.
- National NGOs and other stakeholders in grassroots sport sector.
- All citizens.

Partners/Funding:

Who are the main organizations/entities involved in the initiative and what are their roles in development and/or implementation?

Organizations involved in project development:

- European Observatory of Sport and Employment (FR).
- Think Tank Sport and Citizenship (FR).
- French Institute for International and Strategic Studies (FR).
- National Olympic Committee and Sport Confederation of Denmark (DK).
- Unio Barcelonina d'Associacions Esportives (ES).
- Unione Italiana Sport per Tutti (IT).
- Hungarian National School, University and Leisure Sport Federation (HU).
- Portuguese Institute for Sport and Youth (PT).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Service of Commerce (BR) <p><i>What are the main sources of funding of the initiative?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency – Erasmus + Sport – European Commission
<p>SDG Alignment:</p>	<p><i>To what SDG goal/target/indicator is this initiative targeted?</i></p> <p><i>Main SDG targeted by this initiative:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Reduce Poverty – 1.</i> • <i>Good health and wellbeing – 3.</i> • <i>Quality education – 4.</i> • <i>Gender equality – 5.</i> • <i>Decent work and economic growth – 8.</i> • <i>Reduce inequalities – 10.</i> • <i>Sustainable Cities and Communities – 11.</i> • <i>Climate action – 13.</i> • <i>Peace, justice and strong institutions – 16.</i> <p><i>Please indicate any other national or internationally agreed goals/commitments to which this initiative is aligned.</i></p> <p>To 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. This means we are delivering capacity building and promoting cross-sector collaboration to ultimately increase citizens' involvement in sport and physical activity. Encouraging participation in sport and physical activity is the overall objective of this proposal, and it can build very well on the described recent policy developments for sports diplomacy. GSD project can provide support to the development of initiatives to foster the SDGs identified previously.</p> <p><i>The specific objectives of the project are:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyse the pre-requisites for grassroots sport diplomacy. • Test key concepts of grassroots sport diplomacy, as mapped previously, and draw relevant learnings. • Pave the way for future use of grassroots sport diplomacy. • To ensure quality in the coordination, monitoring and evaluation of the future projects developed by the organizations using the GSD framework and main outputs. • Develop a Clearing House to support “education” of NGOs and sport organizations in the Sport Diplomacy area.

<p>Alignment with global frameworks:</p>	<p><i>How does this initiative align with/contribute to the objectives of the Kazan Action Plan, WHO Global Action Plan on Physical Activity or other related internationally agreed frameworks on sport and/or physical activity?</i></p> <p>The project contributes to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the Development of a Comprehensive Vision of Inclusive Access for All to Sport, Physical Education and Physical Activity. • Maximize the Contributions of Sport to Sustainable Development and Peace. • Protect the Integrity of Sport. • Engage with countries to better identify priorities, plan and implement strategies together. • Accelerate progress in countries through joint actions under seven programmatic themes, as well as on gender equality and the delivery of global public goods. • Align in support of countries by harmonizing operational and financial strategies, policies and approaches. • Be accountable - reviewing progress and learning together to enhance shared accountability.
<p>Alignment with United Nations Action Plan on SDP:</p>	<p><i>Which of the four thematic areas of the UN Action Plan on Sport for Development and Peace is this initiative designed to align?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuring that no one is left behind. • Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality. • Eradicating poverty and promoting prosperity in a changing world. • Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies. • Conflict prevention/peace building. • Policy development for mainstreaming and integrating sport for development and peace in development programmes and policies. • Preventing and fighting corruption in sport. • Strengthened global framework on sport for development and peace. <p><i>To which action area(s) of the Plan is this initiative designed to contribute?</i></p> <p>Foster and build capacity in NGOs and grassroots sport organizations to use sport diplomacy as a tool to promote different objectives framed by the SDGs.</p>
<p>Outcomes:</p>	<p><i>What are the expected/actual outcomes of the initiative?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increasing the interest and capacity of stakeholders to engage in grassroots sports diplomacy. • Advocating for the involvement of national governments and national level organizations. • Promote local development based on specific projects objectives. • Increase long term grassroots sport participation.
<p>Mechanism for monitoring and evaluating implementation:</p>	<p><i>What are the mechanisms for monitoring and evaluating the implementation, outcomes and impact of the initiative?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional production and packaging of information and results of the project. • Distribution and maintenance of engagement. • Digital sustainable platform.

	<p><i>What are the specific monitoring and evaluation tools involved?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring and evaluating the project both during and after its implementation, with a combination of internal and external data collection. • Co-operation with specific partners able to monitor the project implementation, in particular as regards to the project results evaluation and impact on organizational and individual level. • Systematic comparable surveys and assessment of quality impact, and the use of the sophisticated Webropo software for this purpose.
<p>Challenges/Lessons learned</p>	<p><i>What have been/were the main challenges to implementation?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dissemination of project in both, national and international perspective. • Engagement of NGOs and grassroots sport partner organizations to use the Clearance House and to make the GSD online course to build capacity in the sport diplomacy area using the deliverables produced by the project. <p><i>What lessons learned have been/can be utilized in the planning of future initiatives?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The knowledge and the pilot interventions developed during the project implementation showed the great capacity of the project to foster the utilization of grassroots sport diplomacy to develop different organization's objectives, to create new opportunities, to develop novel activities and projects framed by SDGs and to support personal and social development, with sustainable economic growth in a peace framework.