

„MigrAtion and SporTs – a CHallenge for Sports Associations and Trainers“

3rd Transnational MATCH-meeting Zagreb

According to EUROSTAT's report *Migrants in Europe* (2011), the share of the population that is foreign-born varies substantially between different countries. In 2008, the 27 EU Member States received nearly two million migrants with another EU nationality while 1.8 million immigrants came from outside the EU.

The social value of sport is not always fully exploited. It is important to make the connection between sport associations and immigrants in their local communities because sport associations have enormous potential to contribute to social inclusion and integration of immigrants.



On 11th and 12th June, project partners have met in Zagreb to discuss the structure of guidelines and recommendations for trainers and sport associations.

The main purpose of this educational tool is to raise awareness of key people in sport associations and governing bodies, to encourage accessibility of sport to immigrants, create opportunities for immigrants' participation in sport events and activities, provide better understanding of immigrants and their disadvantaged position in a society, support the exchange and implementation of good practices, and promote learning of intercultural competencies.

The project partners' meeting was eventful with more than 30 participants from 5 different EU Member States.

Lively discussions and exchange of views and attitudes provided a better insight in the issues related to migrants.

The 4th transnational meeting is going to take place in Ware, UK, 30th Sept. to 2th Oct. 2013.

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