

EPAS - ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON NEWLY ARRIVED MIGRANTS AND THEIR INTEGRATION THROUGH SPORT



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- What is our response to current social challenges?



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Charitable sport in Germany has many characteristics



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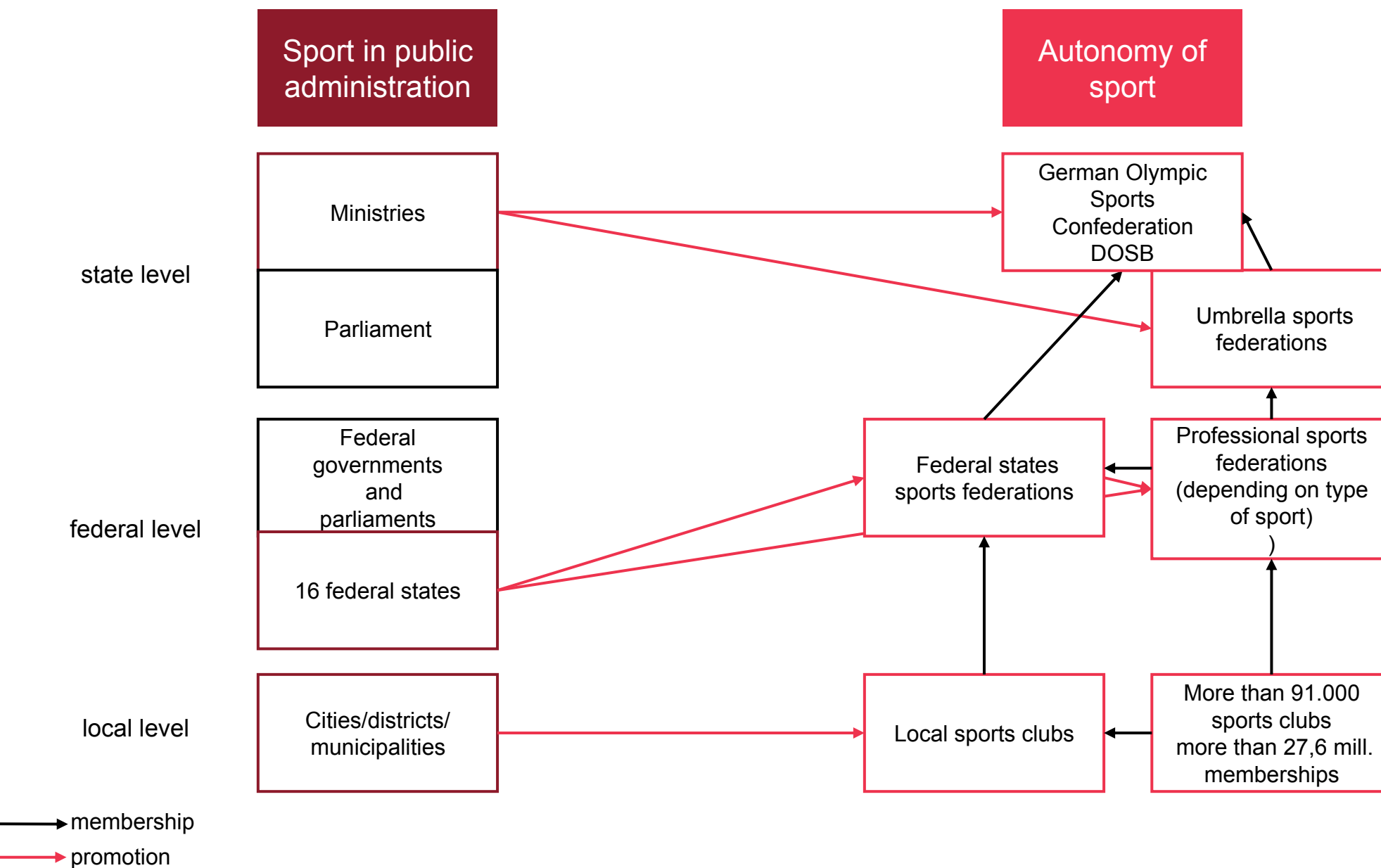
- Autonomy
- Subsidiarity (self-determines and independence)
- Voluntariness/honorary work
- Public benefit/non-profit
- Reflection of political federal structure (local level, level of federal states (Bundesländer), state level)
- Comprehensive network of sports associations, sports clubs, sports federations and partners

Charitable sport is the biggest civil movement throughout our country

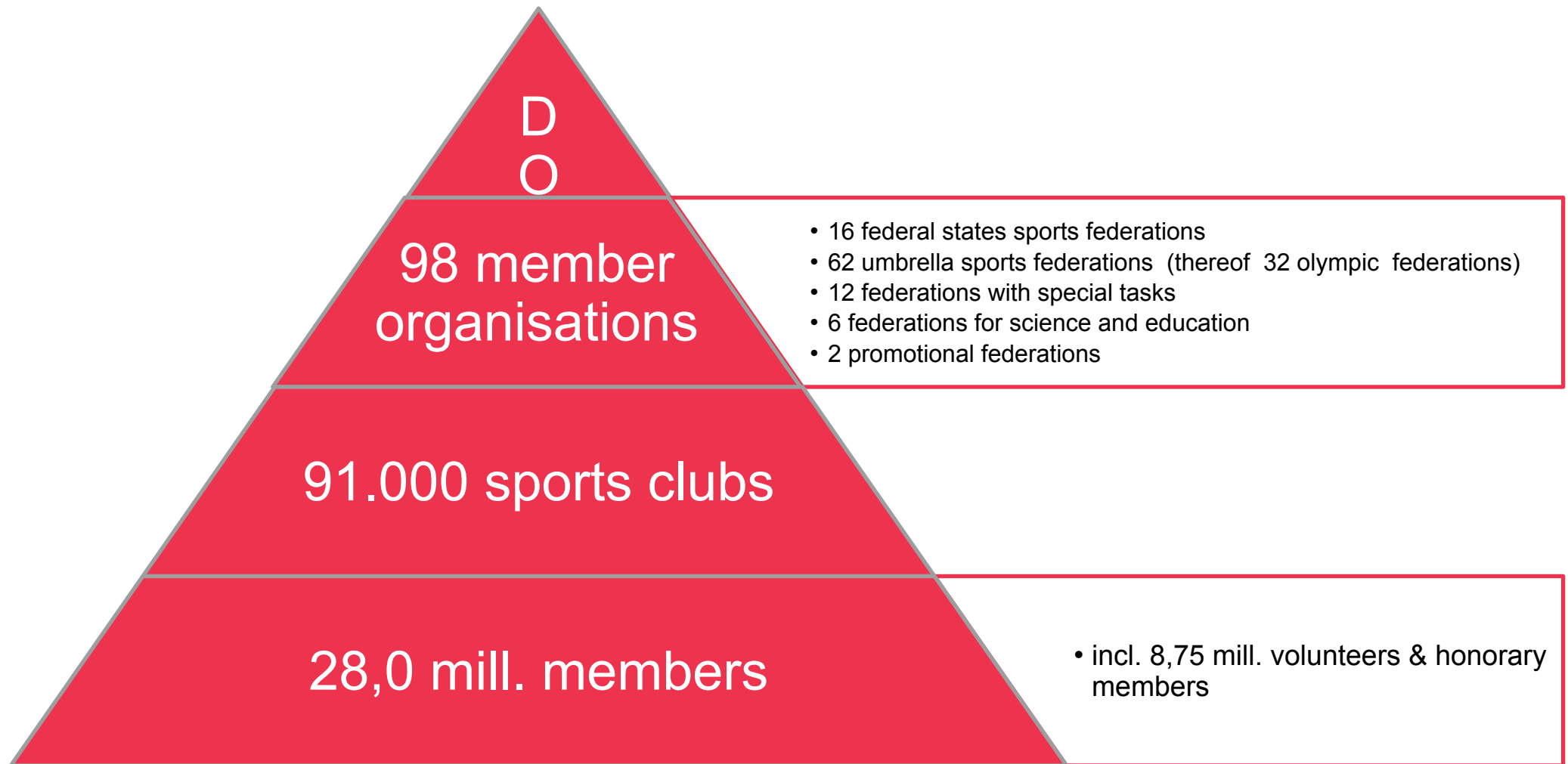


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Charitable sport in Germany



The organisational structure of the German Olympic Sports Confederation DOSB



source: DOSB stocktaking 2013

Sports club as basic element

- Sports club offers a qualitative variety of sports for a very little financial contribution
- Sports club contributes to the promotion of the common good in our society
- Sports club offers solutions for sociopolitical issues
- Sports club is a place to gain personal experience in active engagement
- Sports club can promote integration
- Sports club contributes to the transferring of values and (can) promote(s) teaching process of fundamental democratic values
- Sports club supports a systematical healthrelated prevention
- Sports club works in cooperation with many municipal institutions

German Olympic Sports Confederation DOSB is the biggest civic association in Germany and has diverse tasks

Main tasks/facts

- umbrella organisation of German sport
- representation of interests of member organisations to
 - state
 - federal states
 - municipalities
 - churches
 - institutions of the European Union and
 - in all sociopolitical and cultural spheres
- cooperation with ministries
- counselling and service centre for member organisations

What can we offer and how can we respond to current social challenges?

What can be offered by sport?

- Sport unifies performance, joy for life, strong health as well as transfer of values such as tolerance, fair play and team spirit.
- Sport promotes fusion of all society groups.
- In accordance to the motto „Sport für Alle - Sport for All " there is a variety of sports offers making it accessible to everyone.
- Our specialists as well as teaching staff (e.g. trainers) are highly educated.
- We offer not only space where everyone can go in for active sports but also space for social encounters, where everyone can participate and share his/her know-how.
- We offer qualification measures.

We want...

- ... to learn from each other and with each other.
- ... to work together on concepts, offers, measures as well as topics (e.g. education, health) and develop them for various target groups (women, men, elderly people, families etc.) aiming to react swiftly to different needs.
- ... to create common space.

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Sport and refugees

- The massive influx of refugees to Germany decreased in March 2016 dramatically. However, the numbers of asylum applications remain high. Due to many reasons Minister of the Interior de Maizière refuses to give any prognosis for the current year.

Source: PK April, 8 2016 web search

Sport and refugees

Common sport activities help refugees not to think of their fate for a certain period of time, to feel again joy for life and to experience supportive community in a new way. Sport is a very suitable instrument for this.

„Allianz für Weltoffenheit - Alliance for Cosmopolitanism“

DOSB is a member of supporters circle of the „Alliance for Cosmopolitanism“. The alliance unifies umbrella organisations of employers and employees, welfare, culture and nature as well as of both churches and religious communities and aims to promote more tolerance and solidarity.

<http://www.allianz-fuer-weltoffenheit.de/>

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Sport and integration at DOSB



- Programme „Integration durch Sport - Integration through Sport“ since 1989; promoted by the Federal Ministry of the Interior
- Project „Zugewandert und Geblieben – Immigrated and Settled“ (2014 to 2016); promoted by the Federal Ministry of Health
- Project „Katjes verbindet – Integration durch Sport – Katjes connects – Integration through Sport“ (2014 and 2015); promoted by Katjes Fassin GmbH & Co KG
- Project „Willkommen im Sport – Welcoming through Sport“ (2015 / 2016); promoted by the Federal Government Commissioner for Migration, Refugees and Integration as well as IOC Funds and further own and third-party funds of the participating federations.

Sport and integration: the Programme „Integration durch Sport - Integration through Sport“

- The Programme „Integration durch Sport - Integration through Sport“ is a project of the German Olympic Sports Confederation (DOSB) and the German Football Federation (DFB). It is a nationwide initiative to promote the integration of people with disabilities into the sports community.
- The programme is based on the principle of „Integration through Sport“, which means that people with disabilities should be able to participate in sports alongside people without disabilities.
- The programme is implemented through a network of local sports clubs and associations, which are supported by the DOSB and the DFB.
- The programme offers a wide range of sports activities, including football, basketball, table tennis, and swimming.
- The programme also offers training and support for coaches and volunteers, as well as for people with disabilities who want to start a new sport.
- The programme has been successful in promoting the integration of people with disabilities into the sports community, and it has helped to build a more inclusive and welcoming environment for everyone.

The Programme „Integration through Sport“ advocates social merging in terms of cultural integration for more than 25 years

Sport connects people regardless of their age, gender, origin, religion or status



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The Programme „Integration through Sport“ promotes shared joy for sports

- Sport clubs reach people of different age groups from around the world
- People with migration background are represented in our sport clubs:
 - more than 50% of them are children or youth, 30% are adults.
- However, people with migration background are still underrepresented.
- Many more male than female migrants are members of a sport club.



Our definition of integration



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Integration is a long and continuous process aiming to allow a fair participation in social, economic, politic and societal spheres for everyone. The target group contains both – people with and without migration background. Participation is the central aspect for every individual – independent of his or her social, cultural or ethnic origin. As sport organisation we define out of this understanding of integration our main objective - to make a fair participation in sports reality for all population groups.

(Extraxt from framework paper DOSB, 2013)

Sport and integration at DOSB



The Programme „Integration through Sport“ (IdS)

- Promoted by the Federal Ministry of the Interior and the Federal Agency of Migration and Refugees
- In implementation since 1989; consistent financial support during last years - 5,4 mill € p.a; untill the end of 2016 subsequent increase to 11,4 mill. € and more than 80 IdS employees
- Sport disciplines (martial arts, football, team sports, swimming, healthy sports)



Our objectives

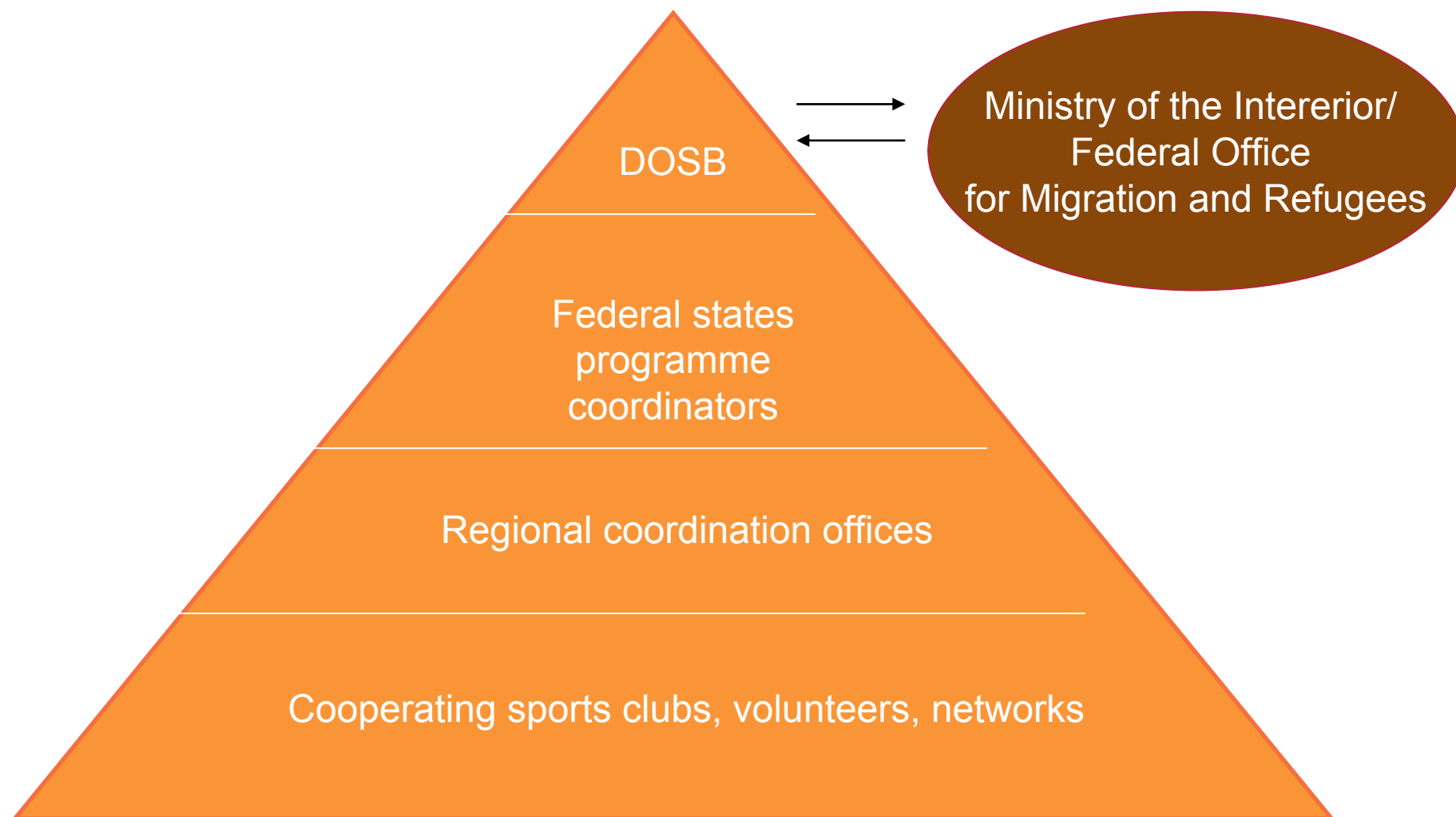
Integration into sport

Integration through
sport into society

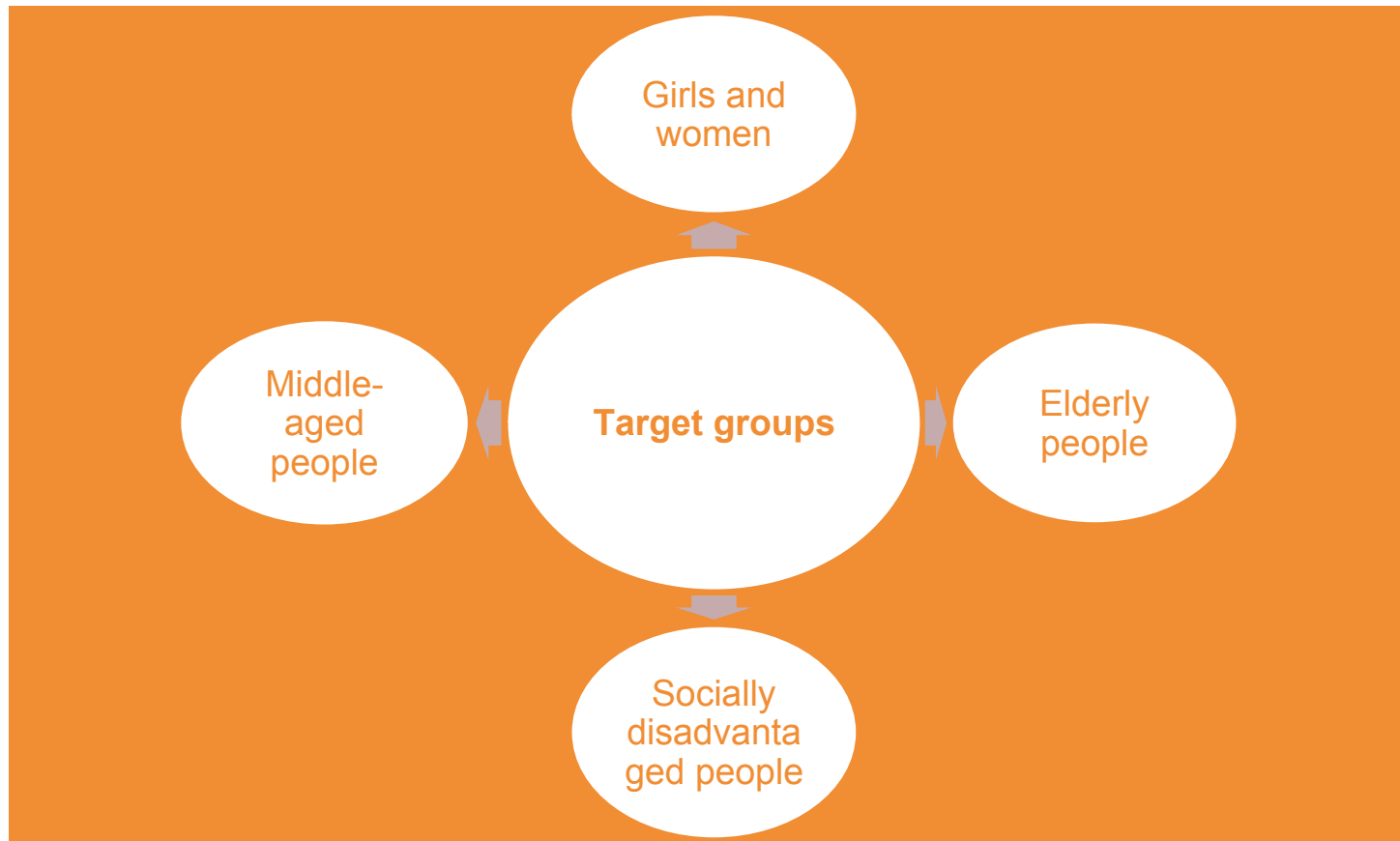
Intercultural opening
of sport & of sports
clubs

Embedding of the
concept „integration“
into the structures of
charitable sport

Our structure



Our target groups



Our activities



- Advisory and supportive work with partners within and outside the sport area
- Variety of sports offered in sports clubs
- Introductory sports offers
- Qualifications measures (e.g. for trainers)
- Additional sports offers: homework tutoring, application training, healthy life style consulting (eating habits etc.)

Sport and integration:
project with the target group refugees

DOSB project „Willkommen im Sport – Welcoming through Sport “

- Reason:

- Increased number of refugees coming to Germany
- Interest of many sports clubs and federal sports federations in supportive measures for sport projects for refugees
- Sport as an important first step for a better integration



Photo: TSV Wandsetal

- Promotion by :

- Federal Government Commissioner for Migration, Refugees, and Integration Aydan Özoğuz
- IOC
- Own and third-party funds of sports federations

DOSB project „Willkommen im Sport – Welcoming through Sport “

Two overarching goals:

- To embed refugees into sports activities in accordance to the concept of „welcome culture“
- To support sports associations with existing experience and to inspire & to enable them to creation of new sports offers



Photo: LSB NRW

DOSB project „Willkommen im Sport – Welcoming through Sport “

Objectives and measures of the project:

Short-term objectives and immediate measures

1. Outreach work

- Sharing of information
- On-site sports offers/mobile work

2. Absorbing work

- Sports offers in sports clubs
- Capacity building
- Assistance and advisory work with sports clubs



Foto: LSB NRW

DOSB project „Willkommen im Sport – Welcoming through Sport “

Goals and measures of the project:

Mid-term and long-term objectives and measures

1. Development of sustainable concepts
2. Network building
3. Promotion of „welcome culture“ in sports clubs



Photo: LSB NRW



Current status of sport facilities

- Query of federal states sports federations (as of March,1 2016): At least 687 sports halls are used as provisional accommodations for refugees throughout Germany.
- According to estimates of DOSB ca. 3.000 sports clubs are affected (directly or indirectly).
- Sports clubs could overcome temporary limitations with a great sense of solidarity and engagement.
- Unavoidable reservation of sports halls should remain a temporary short-term solution and has to be coordinated and agreed with sports clubs.
- At present: the validity of the problem is decreasing

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Promotion by Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development

Ministry of Foreign Affairs:

- Professional training „Sport und Flüchtlinge – Sport and Refugees“, 11 – 15 April 2016
- Multiplier training for refugees from Afghanistan
- Diverse projects abroad: Lebanon, Ethiopia

Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development:

- „Combating the causes of migration and flight“
- Sports projects as a part of supportive agreements with Turkey
- Concrete content to be discussed

IOC activities

- In the framework of International Refugees Funds IOC supports projects „Willkommen im Sport – Welcoming through Sport“ and „Orientierung durch Sport – Orientation through Sport“
- IOC sends a refugees athletic team to the Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro
 - One of the possible candidates is Yusra Mardini, swimmer at Wasserfreunden Spandau – Friends of Water Spandau (press briefing from March, 18 at LSB Berlin)
 - At present: 43 athletes get IOC scholarships, approx. 5-10 athletes will participate in the Olympic Games in Rio.

Deutsche Sportjugend – German Sport Youth

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In die Zukunft der Jugend investieren - durch Sport

Measures of German Sport Youth dsj in the sphere of sports with young refugees

Project „Orientierung durch Sport – Orientation through Sport“ (OdS)

- **Promotion of Good Practice measures** with the target group young refugees
- **Promotion of qualification measures** for multipliers and their **networking**
- **Duration of the project:** 01.01.-31.12.2016
- **Total volume of the project:** ≈ 265.000 €
- **Financial promotion** by the Federal Government Commissioner for Migration, Refugees, and Integration (200.000 €); IOC (≈ 44.000 €)
- 35 measures promoted
- Networking meeting 15.06.2016, Frankfurt am Main

Further investment: to promote development of young engagement in sports (ZI:EL+)

National voluntary service (BFD) with regard to refugee issues

Demands on politics

What is the role of politics?

What are the demands on politics?

What are the challenges for politics?

Demands of the charitable sport on policy makers with regard to the current situation

- The reservation of sport halls has to be reduced to an irrefutable minimum. However, sports clubs should be involved in necessary processes. Further on sports clubs should be supported in case of need for alternative solutions. Empty sport halls have to be renovated and prepared for their original use immediately.
- As newly proved, sports halls are not suitable as mass accommodations and turn out to be more expensive than hotels.
- Unification, solidification and stabilization of political frameworks and promotional measures is needed.