



# PRO SAFE SPORT +

Put an end to  
sexual harassment and abuse  
against children in sport

## KICK-OFF & FIRST WORKSHOP

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# Agenda- workshop day 1



- **Opening session**

- Elda Moreno, Head of Children's Rights and Sport Values Department, Council of Europe
- Paola Ottonello, Policy Officer, Sport Unit, European Commission

*Adoption of the agenda, tour de table*

- ***Sexual violence against children in sport: Definitions of concepts, prevalence, perpetrators and impacts***

*Kari Fasting, Professor Emerita, Norwegian School of Sport Sciences*

**Q&A**

- ***PSS+ project presentation***

*Context, relevance, objectives, expected achievements, timeline*

**Q&A**

*Coffee break (self-financed)*

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- ***Developing a video-clip for raising awareness***

- Building a Europe for and with children. A life free from violence

*Elena Rapti, Member of Parliament, Greece*

- Examples of video-clips, PSS+ team and Anne Tiivas, Director of the NSPCC-CPSU, UK
- Work in groups
- Restitution in plenary and debate

- ***Conclusion***

# Background elements



## **SEXUAL VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN IN SPORT**

**Definitions of concepts, prevalence, perpetrators and impacts**

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**Kari Fasting**, Professor Emerita, Department of Social and Cultural Studies, Norwegian School of Sport Sciences

# What is the PSS+ project?



- Joint programme of the Council of Europe and the European Commission
- Implemented by the Council of Europe / Enlarged Partial Agreement on Sport (EPAS)
- Following standards and norms set up by the Council of Europe:
  - The Convention on protection of children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse (Lanzarote Convention, 2007)
  - The Convention on preventing and combating violence against women (Istanbul Convention, 2011)
  - The Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers to Member States on gender mainstreaming in sport (2015)

# What is the PSS+ project?



- In line with the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union
- Follows the Pro Safe Sport project aimed at promoting a safe and healthy environment for young athletes (2014-2015)
- 9-month project: 1 April 2017 - 31 December 2017

# What are its objectives?



PSS+ calls for a renewed political attention and for the development of policies and measures to prevent and combat sexual violence against children in sport

- Increasing the commitment of public authorities and non-governmental sport organisations towards this topic

*Through...*

awareness raising and capacity building resources

# What are its objectives?



- 2 target groups:
  - National public authorities (Ministries / government departments)
  - Sport organisations
- More than 10 experts and partners involved in PSS+



# Why is it being run?



## 5 main arguments:

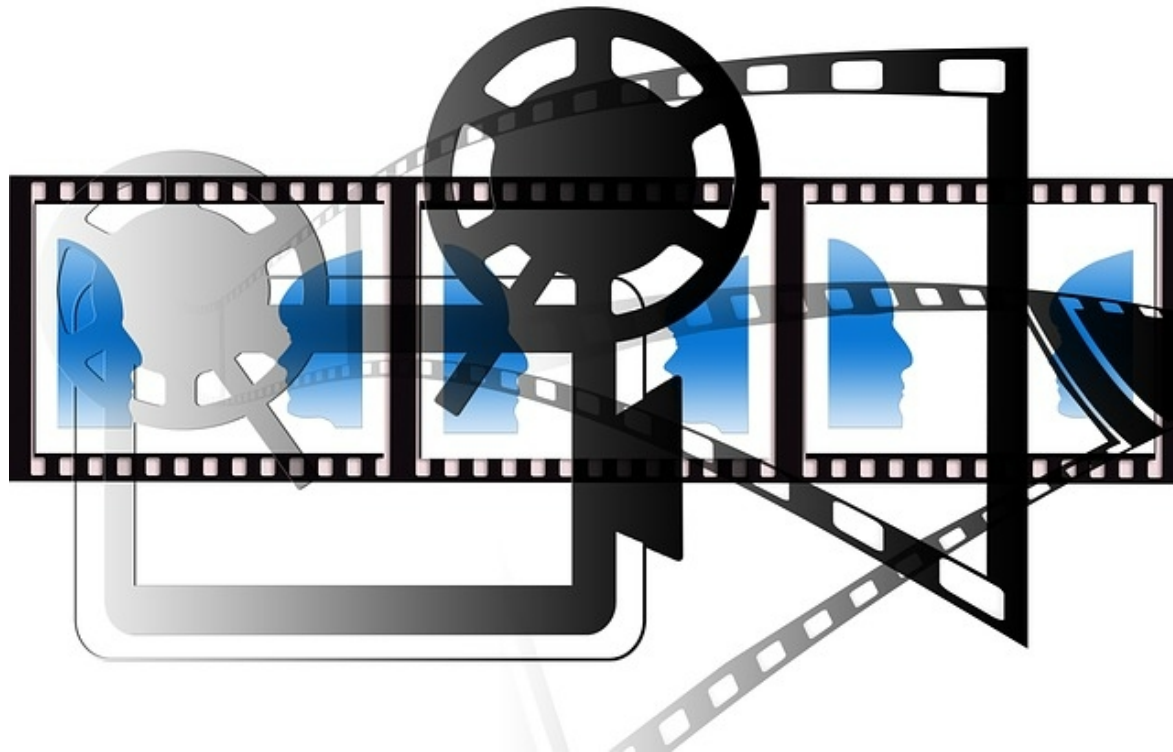
- Sexual harassment and abuse: widespread violations of children's human dignity and rights
- A taboo subject in the field of sport
- The relevance of a European approach
- A highly topical issue of major importance
- A lack of policies and strategic actions in Europe for preventing and combating gender-based violence in sport

# What are the expected achievements?



- An online resource centre on sexual violence against children in sport
  - A network / pool of experts
  - A video-clip
  - Guidelines / recommendations
  - A training module
- ➔ *A twofold process : collecting existing resources and creating new ones...*

# Developing a video-clip



Expected outcome: guidelines for a synopsis

# Lanzarote convention

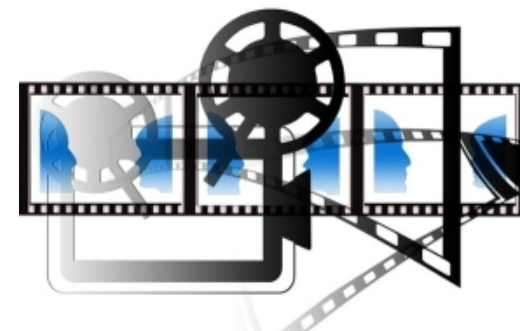


**Building a Europe for and with children.  
A life free from violence**

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# Examples / Council of Europe



## Video-clips on sexual violence against children:

- “Kiko and the hand”
- “Tell someone you trust”
- “The Lake”

# Other examples



Using video-clips for raising awareness

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Anne Tiivas, Director, National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC) - Child Protection in Sport Unit (CPSU)

# Work in groups!



- Target audience(s): What should the target audience(s) be? Who do we want to reach? Children? General public? Coaches? Parents? People who have a role to play in sport? Etc.
- Dissemination method(s): Where should the video-clip be disseminated? At school? In local clubs? At home? During matches (half-time)? On TV? Etc. Should it be disseminated through digital supports (Internet, social networks, etc.) Etc.
- Video-clip format: What kind of video-clip would be the most adapted to the topic and the target audience(s)? An animation? A short film with actors? A testimony of a victim? A speech given by a famous high level athlete? Etc.

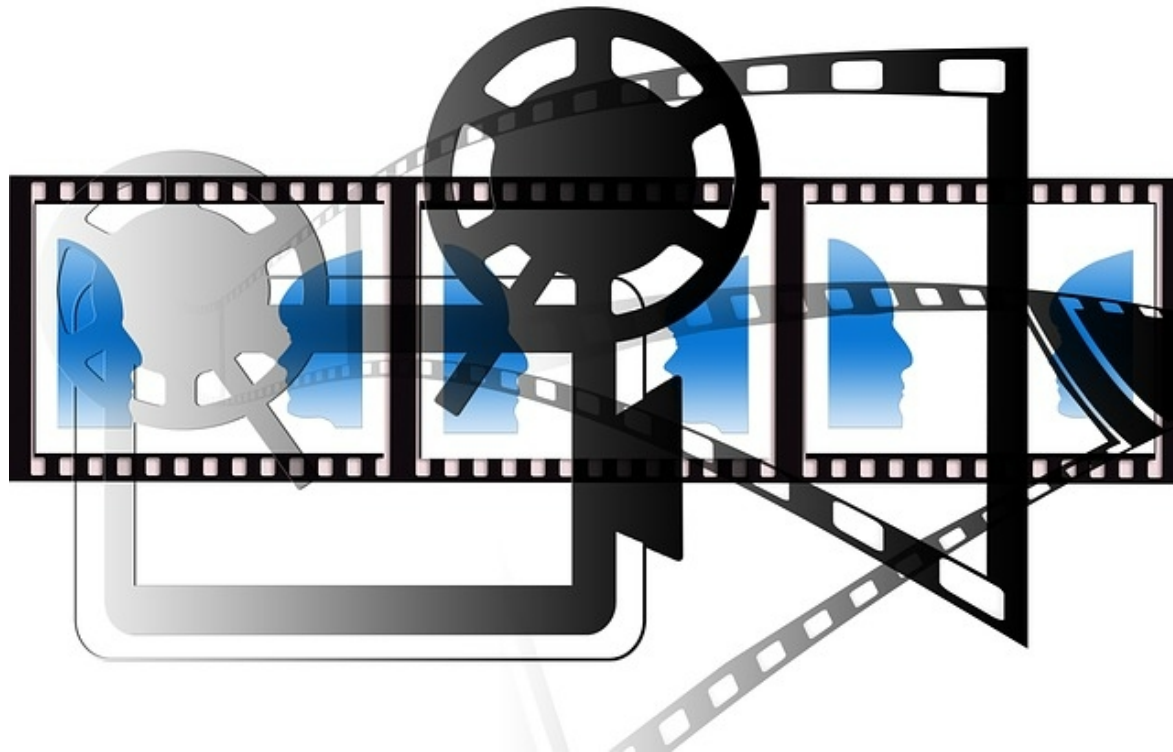
# Work in groups!



- Message(s) to spread: What message(s) do we want to spread?
- Important dimensions: What do we want to see in this video-clip?
- Aspects to avoid: What do we have to avoid / to exclude?
- Duration: How long should the video-clip last?



# Restitution in plenary



# Conclusion



Have a nice  
evening !  
See you tomorrow!



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