



# PRO SAFE SPORT +

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

## 2<sup>nd</sup> WORKSHOP

*Brussels, 26-27 June 2017*

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# Agenda - day 1



## ◆ OPENING SESSION

### ➤ Welcoming words

- Yves Le Lostecque, Head of the Sport Unit, European Commission
- Elda Moreno, Head of the Children's Rights and Sport Values Department, Council of Europe

### ➤ Tour de table

## ◆ UPDATE ON THE PROJECT

Q&A

# Agenda - day 1



## ◆ USING COMMUNICATION TO STOP SEXUAL VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN IN SPORT

### ➤ Introduction

### ➤ Exchange of views with Pieter Hemels, CEO, Communication agency Hemels Van der Haart, the Netherlands

- Messaging, targets, scope
- Engaging through creative concepts
- Communication products / tools
- Dissemination

*Coffee break (self-financed)*

# Agenda - day 1



## ◆ A POOL OF EUROPEAN EXPERTS ON SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN SPORT (PEESVS) TO FOSTER EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION AND TO OFFER SUPPORT SERVICES

### ➤ Introduction

### ➤ Open discussion on the following aspects:

- Identification of the potential 1<sup>st</sup> members
- Finalisation of the grid to collect experts' profiles
- Preparation of the 1<sup>st</sup> PEESVS meeting

## ◆ CONCLUSION

# What is the PSS+'s background?



- Joint programme of the Council of Europe and the European Commission
- Implemented by the Council of Europe / Enlarged Partial Agreement on Sport (EPAS)
- Follows the « Pro Safe Sport » project aimed at promoting a safe and healthy environment for young athletes (2014-2015)
- In line with standards and norms set up by the Council of Europe, mainly:
  - The Convention on protection of children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse (Lanzarote Convention, 2007)

# 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:**

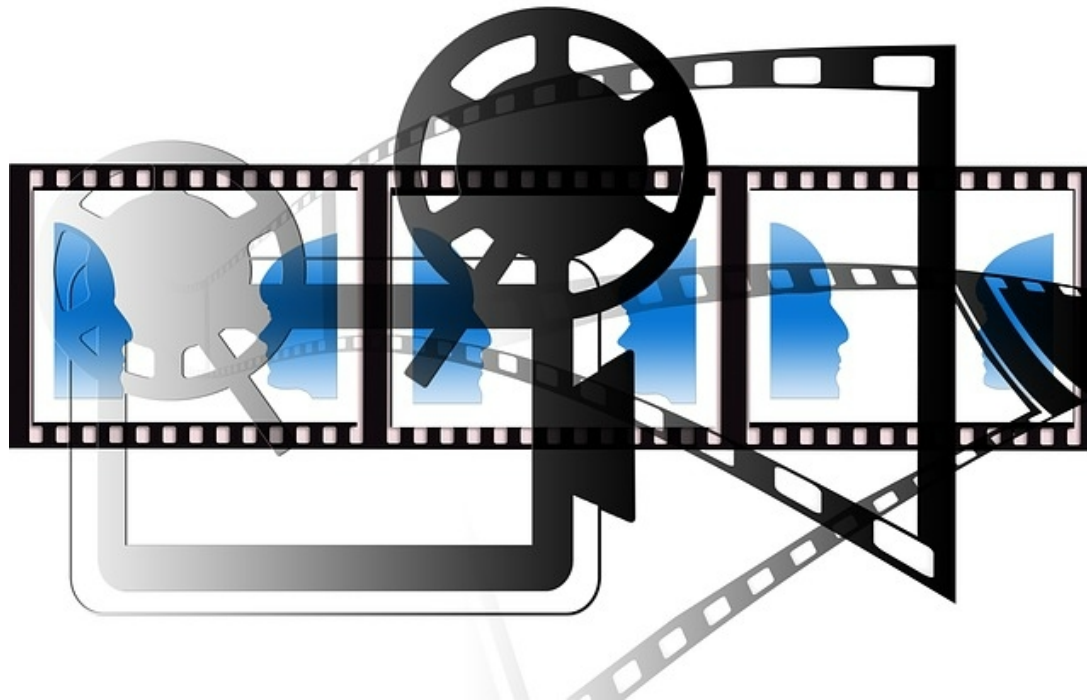
- A network / pool of experts
- A video-clip
- A training module
- Technical support to comply more closely with the existing standards and norms
- And other relevant existing resources in this field...

# The process in brief...



- Kick-off and 1<sup>st</sup> workshop: 24-25 April 2017, Strasbourg
- 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop: 26-27 June 2017, Brussels
- Closing event: November 2017, Strasbourg

# Using communication to stop sexual violence against children in sport



**Expected outcome:** Clarification of the awareness raising tools to be developed during the course of the project's lifetime (messaging, targets, scope, creative concepts, communication products / tools, etc.) and the way they will be disseminated

# The Pool of European Experts on Sexual Violence in Sport (PEESVS)



**Expected outcome:** Finalisation of the grid to collect experts' profiles, organisation of the restricted call for experts and preparation of the 1<sup>st</sup> PEESVS meeting

# Pool of European Experts on Sexual Violence in Sport (PEESVS)



## ◆ PURPOSE

Twofold approach:

### ➤ Internal dimension

- Exchange of information on practices, policies and research (peer-learning)
- Collection of new resources
- Making recommendations / suggestions to the European institutions

### ➤ External action

- Expertise on demand to interested organisations (peer-support)

# Pool of European Experts on Sexual Violence in Sport (PEESVS)



## ◆ FUNCTIONING

### ➤ Internal dimension

- Annual meeting
- Annual newsletter

### ➤ External action

- Publication of the experts' profiles on the PSS website
- Contact through an email address handled by the Council of Europe

# Pool of European Experts on Sexual Violence in Sport (PEESVS)



## ◆ MEMBERS

### ➤ Profile

- High expertise / strong experience on sexual violence in sport
- Interested in peer-learning and peer-support
- Researchers, practitioners, policy-makers and other relevant experts

### ➤ Number

- 3-4 people for each field (researchers, practitioners, policy-makers and other experts)
- 12-16 members

# Pool of European Experts on Sexual Violence in Sport (PEESVS)



## ◆ SELECTION

### ➤ Process

- Restricted call for experts (based on proposals made by the PSS+ partners)
- 1<sup>st</sup> list of potential members drafted

### **Group working session!**

- Complete the list (add / remove names)
- Feel free to include your name in the list!

### ➤ Grid to collect experts' profiles



# Pool of European Experts on Sexual Violence in Sport (PEESVS)



## ◆ 1<sup>ST</sup> MEETING OF THE PEESVS

- Topic(s) tackled
- Format
- Etc.

# Conclusion and evening programme



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# Agenda - day 2



## ◆ OPENING SESSION

*Wrap up day 1 meeting*

## ◆ A PRACTICAL TOOL TO HELP PUBLIC AUTHORITIES AND SPORT ORGANISATIONS COMPLY MORE CLOSELY WITH THE EXISTING STANDARDS AND NORMS

- Introduction
- Analysis of the existing standards and norms, and proposal of “areas of action” for public authorities and sport organisations, Tine Vertommen, Criminologist, Thomas More University College, Belgium
- Q&A
- Work in groups: finding suggestions of actions / providing advice to implement each area of action

*Coffee break (self-financed)*

# Agenda - day 2



## ◆ AN ONLINE RESOURCE CENTRE - ONE-STOP-SHOP FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF PREVENTIVE AND PROTECTIVE MEASURES (PART 1)

- Introduction
- Debate around the materials to be included in the resource centre

*Lunch (self-financed)*

# Agenda - day 2



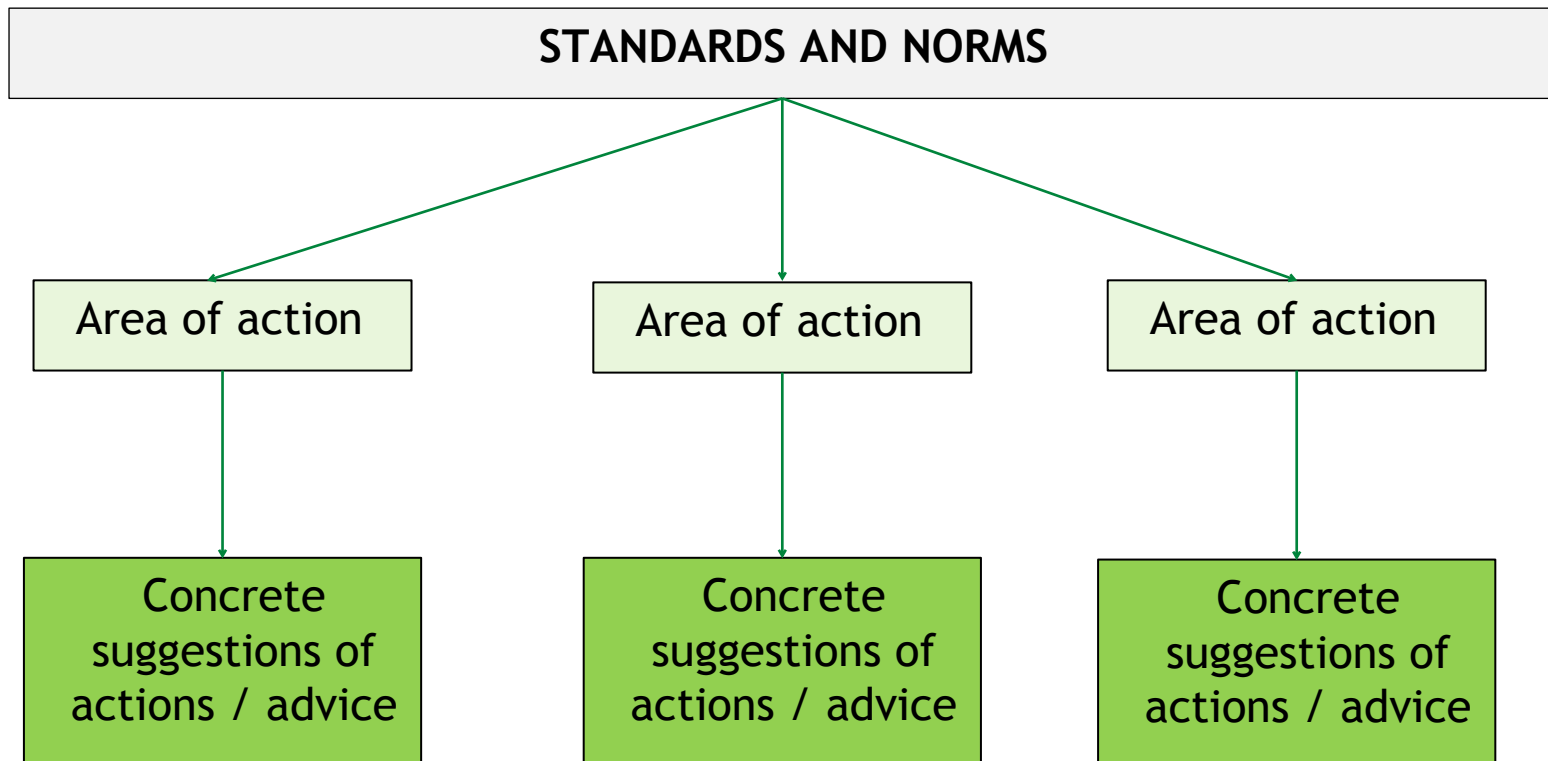
- ◆ **AN ONLINE RESOURCE CENTRE - ONE-STOP-SHOP FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF PREVENTIVE AND PROTECTIVE MEASURES (PART 2)**
  - General presentation of practices to prevent sexual violence of children in sport, Tine Vertommen, Criminologist, Thomas More University College, Belgium
  - Q&A
  - Work in groups: selection of practices, discussion on other initiatives that may be included and structure / layout
- ◆ **DESIGNING TRAINING FACTSHEETS ON SEXUAL VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN IN SPORT**
- ◆ **INFORMATION ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE LANZAROTE CONVENTION**
- ◆ **CONCLUSION AND NEXT STEPS**

A practical tool to help stakeholder organisations comply more closely with the existing standards and norms



**Expected outcome:** Agreement upon “areas of action” based on the existing International and European standards and norms, and suggestions of actions / advice to implement them

A practical tool to help stakeholder organisations comply more closely with the existing standards and norms





# A practical tool to help stakeholder organisations comply more closely with the existing standards and norms



## GROUP WORKING SESSION!

- Identifying specific and concrete actions
- Providing advice

### Work packages:

- Policy and Research / knowledge (Clotilde)
- Awareness and Education (Elda + Laszlo)
- Code of ethics / code of conduct and Risk assessment (Havard)
- Support and Partnerships (Paola)

# The online resource centre



**Expected outcome:** Discussion about the content of the online resource centre, identification and layout of good practice examples

# Online resource centre



## ◆ INTRODUCTION

## ◆ SUGGESTION OF RESOURCES THAT CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE

- Audio-visual material
- International and European norms and standards
- Academic publications
- Current (European) projects implemented on the topic
- Glossary
- Similar initiatives (similar resource centres)
- Etc. Etc.

# Online resource centre



## ◆ PRESENTATION OF PRACTICES TO PREVENT SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND ABUSE OF CHILDREN IN SPORT

Tine Vertommen, Criminologist, Thomas More University College, Belgium

# Online resource centre



## GROUP WORKING SESSION!

- Having a look at the proposed practices
- Selecting those that can be published / suggesting further ones
- Making some proposals on how to structure / layout them in a user-friendly format (key messages...)

### Work packages:

- Awareness (Laszlo)
- Policy and Partnerships (Anne Tiivas)
- Education (Clotilde)
- Research / knowledge; Code of ethics / Code of conduct; Risk assessment and Support (Tine Vertommen)

# Designing training factsheets on sexual violence against children in sport

**COMPANY NAME**

**MISSION**

The Saint University of New York at Potsdam prepares students to attain exceptional goals, attain and to lead lives enriched by critical thought, creativity, and discovery. As an innovative university community rooted in our historic role in providing exemplary teacher and music education and our leadership in the fine and performing arts, we are committed to the finest arts and sciences as an essential foundation for all students. With an abiding sense of responsibility to our region and to the world beyond, Saint University fosters an appreciation of and respect for the world.

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**Libraries**

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- The Clara M. Clark Library houses an extensive collection of French books, prints and recordings, and a CD collection.

**Computers**

- 400 computers for student use in computer labs, color printing available, open approximately 100 hours a week.
- All residence halls have access to the Internet.
- Access to 30 "Smart classrooms" that include internet computers, multimedia resources and projectors, which allow for classroom instructional presentations.

**Performance Facilities**

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**Student Union Building**

The College houses on this site studio and the Saint Union Building.

**Extended Campus**

- Founded in 1870.
- Located close to the Adirondack Park.
- Oldest state university in the SUNY system.
- Undergraduate Students: 3700.
- Graduate Students: 600.
- Rolling Meadows Residence Hall (SRH).
- Student/Teacher Ratio: 10:1.
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- ACT (2010-2011) Score of Composite: 240 across Number of Buildings: 10.
- Awards more than \$1 million annually in scholarships to more than 1000 students.
- Offers financial aid to more than 80 percent of our students.
- Officer Community College.
- Engineering.
- Canadian Initiative, Ottawa.
- Distance Online Learning at

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SUNY Potsdam is a member of the associated colleges of St. Lawrence Valley, and offers a variety of services including career exploration, intercollegiate team, faculty exchange programs and faculty seminars with:

- St. Lawrence University.
- Queens University.
- SUNY Canton.

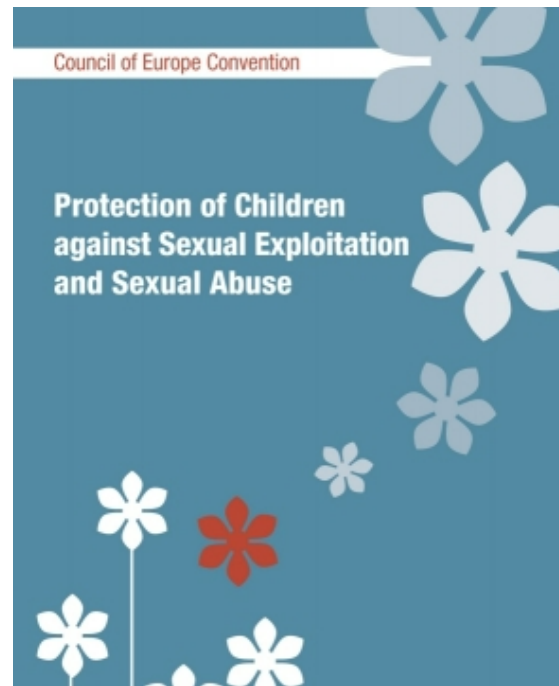
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**Fact Sheet Template**

**Expected outcome:** Identifying topics for which some training content / training factsheets are needed (*taking into account the 2 target groups of the PSS+ project: national public authorities and sport organisations (national level)*)

# Information on the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Council of Europe Convention for the protection of children against sexual exploitation and sexual abuse



# Conclusion



## ➤ Next steps

- Information regarding the Lanzarote conference
- Launching of the restricted call for experts
- Starting the production of the set of awareness raising tools
- Continuing the work on the online resource centre



# Thanks for for participation!



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