OVERVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EUROPEAN SPORTS CHARTER (ESC) IN

ANDORRA

Enlarged Partial Agreement on Sport
epas
Accord partiel élargi sur le sport

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TOTAL POPULATION: **approx. 90.000**

PER CAPITA GDP (€): **46.900**

MAIN SPORT PRIORITIES

- TARGET/ AUDIENCE
- CAREER
- ETHICS
- INCLUSION
- NON-DISCRIMINATION
- GENDER EQUALITY
- SUSTAINABILITY
- FACILITIES
- EVENTS
- WELL-BEING
- ORGANISATION
- OTHER

FUNDING

SOURCES OF FUNDING

- ✓ State/public authorities
- ✗ Local authorities
- ✗ Taxes/tax exemptions
- ✗ Betting
- ✗ Lotteries
- ✗ International funding

ENTITIES FUNDED

- Sports federations
- National Olympic Committee (NOC)
- Top-level athletes
- Citizens (families, youth, elderly)

- ✓ Public/private financial partnerships
- ✓ Solidarity mechanisms

STAKEHOLDERS DIALOGUE AND CO-ORDINATION OF SPORT POLICIES

✓ National plan for sport – internal strategic documents, reviewed every four years according to the political objectives of each new government

PUBLIC AUTHORITIES

- No dedicated public **co-ordination platform** for sport policy; the only existing forum is a working (policy) commission of the national parliament.

THE SPORTS MOVEMENT

- **Co-ordination** through formal meetings involving the ministers responsible for sport, health, tourism and education, the directors-general in charge of sport, tourism and education, the anti-doping agency, sport event organisers, gym and sports clubs, and municipalities.
- **Prioritised topics:** high-performance sport; professional sport; combating violence, racism, xenophobia and intolerance; safeguarding children and vulnerable adults; sustainable sports facilities; public sector regulations and investment; engagement and support.
- **Volunteering support:** special leave (sports organisations); insurance, training and recognition of experience (regular volunteers); insurance and recognition of experience (event volunteers).

CORPORATE AND PROFESSIONAL SECTOR

- No specific engagement platform with the corporate and professional sector.
- **Media dialogue** through regular meetings.
- Protection of media freedom through guarantees of the right to inform, freedom of expression, access to sources, professional secrecy, **independence** and participation in media orientation.



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A NOTABLE PRACTICE

Support to national sports federations – Ministry responsible for Sport

National sports federations receive the largest share of funding, and legislation defines the rights and obligations of publicly funded sports organisations, with supervision mechanisms.

ESC Articles 4, 14, 18 – Sports movement, professional sport and finance

VALUES-BASED SPORT ESC ARTICLES 6, 7, 8, 9

Human Rights

- Measures to protect human rights in sport: **sport-specific legislation** and general legislation (e.g. labour law).
- The sport movement and the professional and corporate sport sectors are **required to commit** to international human rights and **human rights due diligence**.
- Measures to protect human rights at **sports events**: legislation and regular dialogue with sports organisations and civil society.
- Promotion of **gender equality** through a dedicated plan for gender equality in sport, dissemination of best practices, legislation, dialogue with sports organisations, funding criteria and reporting mechanisms for gender-based violence.
- **Zero-tolerance policy against violence and discrimination** through general measures that also apply to sport: legislation and campaigns.
- No participation in **multi-stakeholder platforms** on human rights in sport.

Integrity

- **Competitive integrity** through legal advice.
- **Doping:** stakeholder co-operation, training, education and awareness raising, action against the distribution and sale of doping substances, a WADA-accredited national anti-doping organisation, and international co-operation. Anti-Doping Convention (ETS No. 135) and its Additional Protocol (ETS No. 188) signed and ratified.
- **Manipulation of competitions:** stakeholder co-operation, training and education, a legal framework, and international co-operation.
- **Organisational integrity** through general legislation, specific legislation on publicly funded sports organisations, and supervision mechanisms.
- No **whistle-blower protection** system in sport.

Education

- Sport is used for education through **physical education**, schools, national days and events, funding campaigns and regular meetings.

Sustainability

- **Legislation or policy on sustainability** in sport activities and events is in preparation; the draft statement of intent, not yet approved, includes general legislation, campaigns and educational programmes in sports clubs.
- **Sporting goods industry:** campaigns and educational programmes in sports clubs and for sport managers.
- No mechanisms for **owners of sports infrastructure** to avoid potential damage.



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SPORT FOR ALL ESC ARTICLES 10, 11, 12

- ✗ LEGAL BASIS ENSURING THE RIGHT TO SPORT FOR ALL
- ✓ PROVISIONS TO ENSURE ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS CAN TAKE PART IN SPORT
  → Programmes such as SUDOE, for young people at risk of exclusion, women with breast cancer and people with autism
- ✓ APPROPRIATE TIME SLOTS FOR STUDENTS TO ACCESS SPORT
  → Mandatory PE, school sports clubs
- ✓ MECHANISMS TO ENSURE PE TEACHERS HAVE APPROPRIATE QUALIFICATIONS
  → Mandatory certified education to access sport careers; optional continuous training
- ✓ MECHANISMS TO ENSURE CO-OPERATION IN USE OF FACILITIES BETWEEN SCHOOLS AND SPORTS CLUBS
  → Informal agreements on facilities use



SPORT FOR ALL ESC ARTICLES 13, 14



- ✓ SUPPORT FOR TOP-LEVEL ATHLETES
  → Legislation, insurance, scholarships, money prizes, special school and work regimes, end-of-career support; for student athletes: specific legislation, a special regime for school absences, a mechanism to follow all subjects and school schedules reconciling school and sport; for the transition to a post-sport career: special access to recruitment procedures, post-career access to higher education, training courses and a dual-career system
- ✓ MECHANISMS TO ENSURE SPORT IS MANAGED BY COMPETENT, WELL-GOVERNED BODIES
  → General legislation, specific legislation on publicly funded sports organisations, supervision mechanisms
- ✓ MECHANISMS TO GUARANTEE RIGHTS AND WORKING CONDITIONS OF SPORTS PROFESSIONALS
  → Legislation

MEANS ESC ARTICLES 15, 16, 17, 18

- ✓ MECHANISMS TO ENSURE THAT FACILITIES AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES ARE ACCESSIBLE FOR ALL
  → Sports infrastructure and public infrastructure legislation
- ✓ MECHANISMS TO EMPOWER EVENT ORGANISERS AND SPORTS FACILITIES OWNERS TO FULFIL THEIR SAFETY AND SECURITY OBLIGATIONS
  → Legislation
- ✓ ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF APPROPRIATE TRAINING COURSES LEADING TO QUALIFICATIONS IN SPORT
  → Accreditation system for training courses
- ✗ ENSURING SPORTS LEADERS ARE QUALIFIED IN VALUES, INTEGRITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS

INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION

- ✗ NO MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES, PLEDGES OR ERASMUS+ CO-OPERATION

RESEARCH AND CO-OPERATION

- ✗ PUBLIC FUNDING FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN SPORT
- ✓ PUBLIC AUTHORITIES COLLECT AND DISSEMINATE RELEVANT SPORTS DATA
  → Sport-licence statistics held by the sports federations
- ✓ PUBLIC/PRIVATE FINANCIAL PARTNERSHIPS
  → Tax exemptions, public recognition and dissemination of good practice

INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS

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Ministry responsible for Sport: Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports