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Second Meeting of the EPAS Consultative Committee
Paris, 4 February 2010

Meeting report

1. Opening of the meeting

The meeting of the Consultative Committee (hereafter CC) was chaired by Ms Krisztina GÖNTÉR, Vice-Chair of the EPAS Governing Board. She welcomed the participants (see appendix 2), in particular the NGOs participating as observers to this meeting.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted (see appendix 1).

3. New developments regarding the EPAS

The CC took note of the information provided by the Secretariat of the EPAS:

- On the composition of the Consultative Committee, where a balance should be found between umbrella organisations and sports federations.
- On activities carried out in 2009 along the lines of the follow-up to the Ministerial Conference in Athens, in particular on the Autonomy of the sport movement, on ethics, and on discrimination, on trafficking of young athletes and corruption and manipulation of the game.
- In 2010, the EPAS will pursue its work in the field of standard-setting, in the field of monitoring and in promoting diversity.

4. Discussion on on-going activities and projects

The CC exchanged views on the outcomes and the follow-up to the Conference held in Belgrade on the “Fight against racism and violence through diversity in sport” organised with the Ministry of Youth and Sport and the regional seminar on “Promoting intercultural dialogue: the role of sport and education in the Balkan region” with FARE, namely:

- a study on European norms will be drafted and shall be complementary to the work carried out by the Fundamental Rights Agency.
- a study on the place of women in sport with EWS.
- a conference on the place of disabled sportsmen and sportswomen with Paralympics.
- a training session for journalists with Play the Game.

The CC discussed the on-going drafting process on visas and in particular the questionnaire on visa issues that will be sent to the member states and the study on the implementation of the Recommendation on the Granting of Visas to sportsmen and sportswomen.

5. Discussion on potential joint projects funded by voluntary contributions

The CC was informed of three proposals: the Euroschools project, the Project on Good Governance, as well as the proposals made by judo and tennis organisations. Another project proposal - Ecolympic 2010 - in Serbia, was also presented by a participant.

The CC also exchanged views on the *National Ambassadors of Tolerance and Fair Play*, whose network used to be run by the CDDS. The CC was informed that this network now comes under the responsibility of the spectator violence convention.

6. Presentation and discussion on new standards

The CC exchanged views on the *Consolidated Revised Code of Ethics*, the *Draft Recommendation on Migrations* and the *Draft Recommendation on Manipulation of the Game and Recommendation on Autonomy*. Members of the CC made different comments regarding the two recommendations that will be considered during the drafting process of these recommendations. Members of the CC are invited to send relevant comments on the documents in writing.

The following comments were formulated:

On the draft Recommendation on Migrations

- trafficking of young athletes from southern countries goes far beyond the capacity of sports federations as they do not have the capacity to sanction individuals who are operating in this market. A reference should be made to the cooperation between public authorities and sports federations to fight against this phenomena.

- the reference to an EU directive on sports agents should be skipped and made more general as it is not sure, at this stage, that a Directive on access and minimum standards to sports agents and their control will be adopted.

On the draft Recommendation on Manipulation of the Game

- to take all measures possible and ensure that the integrity of the game is respected.
- the need to protect the right to copyright and protect the image of the organisers of the event.
- the funding of sport through sports betting.

The Secretariat took note of these comments and explained that the two latter issues have not been included in the draft as they are controversial.

On the Recommendation on Autonomy

- a debate took place about the notion of “autonomy” and the fact that in some countries, states have delegated power to federations on the organisation of activities within the national boundaries. Some participants underlined the need to make reference to and support the European model of sport that is threatened.

7. New development regarding the Consultative Committee

The CC has elected its Bureau. It has been decided to respect a balance between sports federations, umbrella NGOs and sports NGOs.

In accordance with this, UEFA, ENGSO and TAFISA/EFSAN have been elected; ENGSO will chair the Bureau.

8. Current issues in international co-operation on sport

The NGOs and sports federations presented their priorities and on-going projects. Members of the CC are invited to fill in the few questions presented in the document distributed and to do so on an annual basis.

The European Fair Play Movement insisted on the need to spread fair play values in sport and that this responsibility be shared between governments and NGOs. This association will also work to ensure the implementation of the Revised code of ethics.

Peace and Sport described peace promotion and peace-building projects. In Europe, activities are carried out in Armenia and Turkey in cooperation with UEFA and Worldstreetfootball. There is also a project in Morocco involving a local NGO in charge of developing an educative programme through sport.

UEFA referred to a new confederation of team sport (Volleyball, basketball, rugby, handball, football and ice hockey), that will facilitate the institutional exchanges and ensure the promotion of their common interest at European level. UEFA is currently focusing on the protection of the specificity and autonomy of the sports movement, trafficking of young athletes (under 18s) and on the financial fair play of clubs and online betting, as well as the organisation of the EURO 2012 in Ukraine and Poland.

ISCA underlined that its action goes far beyond Europe. The priorities concern the specificity of grass roots sport and the societal role of sport and health. Projects are shared between health and integration and international cross-border. More cooperation is needed between sport for all organisations and the efficiency and complementarity between the different organisations.

FIRA-AER also referred to the new Confederation of team sports. At present, 15 young players from 5 countries are in training. Priorities concern the dissemination of activities of the confederation and increased cooperation with other federations, the defence of the European model, sports betting and to improving training at local level. The issue of migrations is also relevant in rugby and young athletes should be trained in rugby and in school.

TAFISA/EFSAN presented the forthcoming events: the World Challenge Day to be held in May, the 13th World Sport for All Congress in Finland in June, the European Traditional Sports and Games Festival in Belgium in September and the celebration of the World Walking Day in October. Cooperation with the IOC resulted in the guidelines for cities entitled "Active cities, active communities, active citizens".

ENSGO presented a new network in the field of education and the need to raise awareness on education in and of sport, health, safety and well-being. Work is being done as regards the situation of women in sport (leadership, access to sport, etc). Important work towards political youth participation is carried out by ENGSO Youth. A number of activities are carried out within

programmes such as ENSGO WILD and ENGSO ENTER, and as a follow-up to the EU sport future declaration. The ENGSO General Assembly will be held in May.

9. Other Business

No other issues were raised.

10. Dates and place of the next meetings

The Bureau of the CC: half-day on 25 March

Joint meeting CC and Governing Board: 4 May (tbc if it is half a day or a full day).

Appendix I Agenda

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Adoption of the agenda EPAS (2010) 4rev
3. New developments regarding the EPAS
 - EPAS structure (membership, secretariat, etc)
 - Report on activities carried out in 2009 (oral presentation)
 - Presentation of 2010 priorities and meetings EPAS (2010) 1
 - Programme and budget EPAS (2010) 7
4. Discussion on on-going activities and projects
 - Campaigning activities on Combating Racism and Discrimination in Sport : Belgrade conference 2009 and follow-up EPAS (2010) 5
 - Studies foreseen in 2010 :
Study on the existing European standards on the fight against racism and discrimination in sport, including from the European sport federations.
 - Implementation of the Recommendation on granting of visas to Sportsmen and Sportswomen (99/10) EPAS (2009) 54
5. Discussion on potential joint project funded by voluntary contributions
 - Euroschool
 - Project on good governance
 - Proposals made by sports organisations (judo and tennis) EPAS (2009)13rev
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6. Presentation and discussion on new standards
 - Presentation of the :
 - Consolidated Revised Code of Ethics EPAS (2009) 19rev4 &
EPAS (2009) 37rev3
 - Draft Recommendation on Migrations EPAS (2010) 38 rev
 - Draft Recommendation on Manipulation of the Game EPAS (2010) 12
 - Consultation on the :
 - Recommendation on Autonomy EPAS (2009) 39
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 - update on membership EPAS (2009) 4rev4
 - setting up of a Bureau : election EPAS (2009) 25 final
8. Current issues in international co-operation on sport
 - update from the non governmental side
 - template for a consultation of current issues and future priorities EPAS (2010) 3
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