# **Call for Participation**

Do you want to encourage more people from new communities/migrant backgrounds to volunteer in your club? Are you from a migrant background/ new community and would like to volunteer your time in sport? Are you an organisation that works with new communities or people from migrant background?

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If so, we would like to invite you to get in touch with us to find out how best support clubs and volunteers to connect.

We would like to hear your views for the development of this project and invite you to attend our forthcoming events.

To express your interest please visit www.sportinclusion.net or contact your nearest national ESPIN project partner (see contact details below).

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# In Brief

The overall vision of the ERASMUS + sport project "European Sport Inclusion Network – Promoting Equal Opportunities of Migrants and Minorities through Volunteering in Sport" is to involve those who are at risk of social exclusion. This will be attempted by increasing sports participation of migrants and ethnic minorities by promoting equal access to organised sport. A key objective is to increase volunteering of migrants and minorities through the establishment of equal partnerships and training of mainstream sport organisations.

ESPIN is the follow-up initiative to the EU project "Sport Inclusion Network (SPIN)–Involving migrants in mainstream sport institutions" which was implemented in 2011–2012.

## Workstreams

A. Baseline Study-Access, Participation & Exclusion of migrants and minorities in European sport

Qualitative study on issues of access, participation and exclusion of migrants and ethnic minorities in European sport. The baseline study will be composed of 3 parts (situation analysis, case studies, recommendations)

**B.** Supporting Volunteering of Migrants in Sports: Developing a European Quality Mark Scheme and Trainings

Developing a "Your Club, Your Community–European migrants volunteering in sports" Quality Mark Scheme and Trainings. This core module includes National Round Table Meetings, the Recruitment of clubs and volunteers, a European Training Seminar in Dublin (June 2015) and National Training Workshops

- C. FARE Action Weeks 2015: Raising public awareness on exclusion (8 23 October 2015) Grass roots events celebrating the contribution refugees and asylum seekers as well as other disadvantaged groups.
- D. European Week of Sport 2016: Facilitating inclusive partnership events (September 2016) Facilitating inclusive partnership events. Sport clubs & associations work closely with migrants to host inclusive events
- E. Networking Conference: Levelling the Playing Field

   Make Sport accessible for Minorities (Autumn 2016, Budapest)

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# **Expected Project Results**

- Increase volunteering and sports participation of migrants and minorities through the establishment of equal partnerships and training of mainstream sport organisations
- To generate evidence-based knowledge about the situation of migrants and minorities in European sport regarding access, participation and volunteering and to make use of that knowledge to develop a European quality framework to increase volunteering and equal opportunities of migrants and minorities in sport clubs
- To capacity-build and empower migrants and ethnic minorities to challenge exclusion and discrimination and harness their role as volunteers (coaches, administers, referees) in sport clubs
- Develop educational tools and raise awareness among sport stakeholders about issues of exclusion and discrimination and how to improve social inclusion in sport organisations

# Partners

The ESPIN project is carried out by NGOs and sport organisations from seven EU countries including Camino (Germany) www.camino-werkstatt.de, UISP (Italy) www.uisp.it, Football Association of Ireland www.fai.ie, Liikkukaa (Finland) www.liikkukaa.org, Mahatma Gandhi Human Rights Organisation (Hungary) www.gandhi.hu, SJPF- Portuguese Players Union (Portugal) www.sjpf.pt and VIDC-FairPlay (Austria) www.fairplay.or.at as the lead organisation.



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