

A woman with a joyful expression, her mouth wide open in a shout, has a Union Jack flag draped over her head. She is surrounded by other people, some of whom are also holding Union Jack flags. The background is dark with some warm, orange-toned lights, suggesting an indoor event or stadium.

Good Afternoon

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Sport

Objectives of the Sport Chapter of Erasmus+ are:

- making European sport fair and clean, by supporting the fight against doping, match fixing and violence, as well as all kinds of intolerance and discrimination.
- promoting and supporting good governance in sport (for example by increasing the representation of women in the management of sport organisations).
- making it easier for athletes to combine sports training with study or work (so-called dual careers of athletes).
- promoting voluntary activities in sport, as well as supporting sport as a tool for social inclusion, equal opportunities and health-enhancing physical activity.

Sport

Programme will underpin the implementation of the EU Work Plan for Sport.

Actions supported by the programme will be in line with policy documents and guidelines of the Council and of the Commission such as:

- EU Physical Activities Guidelines
- EU Guidelines on Dual Careers of Athletes
- EU Disability Strategy
- EU Strategy on Equality between Women and Men

Sport Action

Erasmus+ would provide support for the following activities:

- Collaborative partnerships, promoting the transfer of know-how and good practices.
- Non-profit European sport events which promote volunteering, social inclusion, equal opportunities, physical activity and equal access to sport for all.
- Support for strengthening the evidence base for policy making.
- Dialogue with relevant European stakeholders.

Implementation of EU guidelines and conclusions on dual careers starting point for support!



Dual Career

Why attention for dual careers

- More and more talented and elite sportspeople are forced to choose between education and sport at a younger age.
- Avoid early school leavers, need for more graduated young people un EU, sport medals.
- There is a life after the sport career and only a very few athletes can relax after their sport career
- Education can enrich the athletes development in their career
- Expectations that elite athletes will be role models for society even after their sport career

European dimension of Dual Careers

- Athletes in sport disciplines with a need for **specific facilities** need to train and study in different settings and often **abroad**.
- In **smaller countries** athletes look more often for facilities (in sport and/or higher education) to combine education and sport abroad.
- For young sportspeople and their coaches and parents, in particular those coming from another country, there is a **lack of transparency on quality** of (inter)national high-performance sport training centres or special sport schools to safeguard the protection of the athletes.
- The **end of the career of an athlete** who trains and compete outside their home country, is challenging in particular with a view to their future employability.

EU Guidelines on Dual Career



Guidelines on Dual Careers

21 Guidelines for policy areas directly linked to dual career provisions

Sport policy and its stakeholders

Education policy and its stakeholders

Employment policies and its stakeholders

5 Guidelines for policy areas conditional for dual careers

Health policy

Finance policy

5 Guidelines for the European Dimension of dual careers in Sport

Training and study abroad

Curriculum development at EU level

5 Guidelines on dissemination, monitoring and evaluation

Examples guidelines in the field of *EU dimension*

- provide support for the development and implementation of **dual career (mobility) networks** of cooperating sports organisations and educational institutes.
- encourage and support the leading educational institutions and universities in Member States, in partnership with sport stakeholders, to participate in **transnational consortia to develop shared curricula and educational programmes** for elite sportspersons.

Council Conclusions on Dual Careers

- on the basis of the EU Guidelines on Dual Careers of Athletes, consider appropriate **follow up in the framework of the second work plan on sport** of the Council, including looking at ways to **measure the implementation of policy actions across the EU**;
- provide **support to dual careers networks**, which bring together all stakeholders
- promote and support the sharing of best practices in the EU regarding dual careers of athletes, inter alia through **support for projects and the dissemination of their results under relevant funding schemes and programmes**;

Networks of Knowledge

This project will focus on dual-career networks that exist in Europe and provide mobility opportunities for practitioners, such as lifestyle advisors, medical staff, strength and conditioning coaches.

The project partners include:

Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme in UK

The Institut National du Sport (INSEP) in France,

Centrum voor Topsport en Onderwijs (CTO) Amsterdam – linked to the Netherlands Olympic Committee and the Netherlands Sport Federation

KADA in Austria

Swedish Sports Confederation

Finish Olympic Committee

Irish Institute of Sport

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