



Development of EU guidelines on dual careers of athletes

Recent EU-level developments

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Key strategic documents development guidelines dual careers:

- ❑ **Communication on "Developing the European Dimension in Sport" (European Commission) – Jan. 2011**

- ❑ **EU Work Plan for Sport for 2011-2014 (Council) – May 2011**

- **Resolution on the European Dimension of Sport (European Parliament – Feb. 2012)**

- **Opinion on the 2011 Communication on sport (Committee of the Regions) – Dec. 2011**



EU Workplan for Sport Education and training in sport

- Draft EU Guidelines on Dual Careers of Athletes (combination of high-level sports training with general education or work): final version to be transmitted to the Council in early 2013
- Gradual inclusion of sport qualifications in National Qualification Frameworks with reference to the European Qualification Framework (EQF): increase transparency of diplomas issued by the sport sector: report mid 2013

EU Work Plan for Sport

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➤ ***Governmental representatives EU Member States***

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom

➤ ***Observers from the sport movement:***

EOC –EU office, ENGSO, EU Athletes, EAS network, European Coaching Council, UEFA, IRB, EOSE, ENSSEE, EHFA

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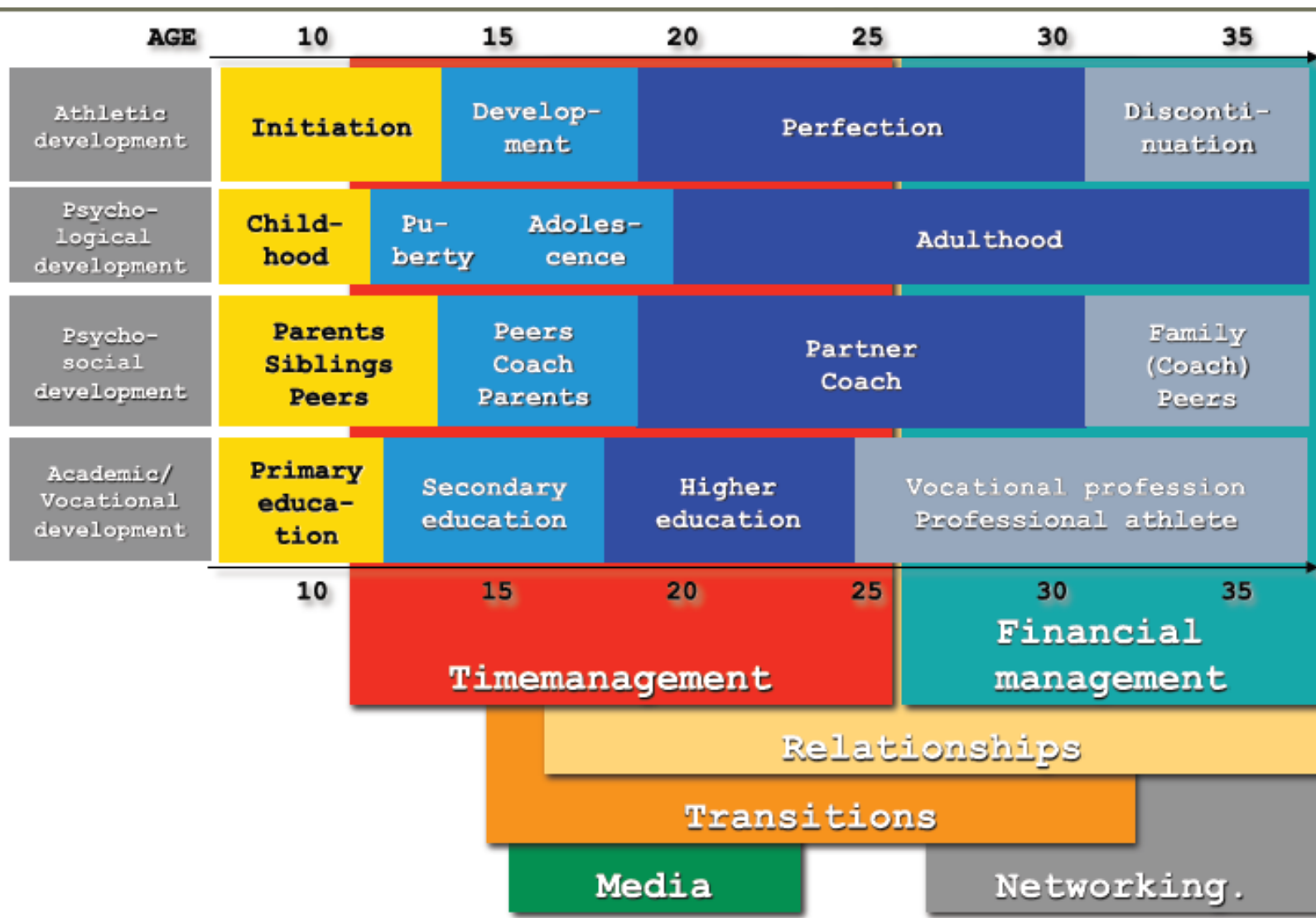
- **Draft EU guidelines based on proposal of specific experts from Europe**

- **a wide definition of dual careers**
 - * **careers of identified young talented athletes,**
 - * **combination of study or work and sport of elite athletes,**
 - * **reintegration into the labour market after the sporting career.**

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- **Share experts vision on dual careers**
 - Dual career is a lifelong process with different critical **transitional moments** which need extra attention.
 - Different **types of sport** ask for **specific** attention



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- **Table of contents for the Guidelines**
 - **Introduction**
 - **Timeline of athletes career**
 - **Benefits of dual career**
 - **Purpose and added value of guidelines**
 - **Guidelines for policy areas directly linked to dual career provisions**
 - **Sport policy and its stakeholder**
 - **Education policy and its stakeholders**
 - **Employment policies and its stakeholder**
 - **Guidelines for policy areas conditional for dual careers**
 - **Health policy**
 - **Finance policy**

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- **Table of contents for the Guidelines (2)**
 - **Guidelines regarding Supporting Dual Careers Services**
 - **Guidelines for the European Dimension of dual careers in Sport**
 - Training and study abroad
 - curriculum development at EU level
 - **Guidelines dissemination, monitoring and evaluation**
 - ***Including good practices from different EU Member States***

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- **Next meeting 28 September 2012 in Poland**
 - **Governmental perspective on dual careers guidelines**
 - Scope of actions
 - Effectivity of proposals
 - Financial perspective
 - International dimension
 - Role of governments and EU
 - **Next steps**

- **Planning actions in the field of dual careers**
 - Development guidelines 2011 – 2012
 - Feasibility study Erasmus for sport (2012)
 - Development recommendation Council 2013
 - New sport programme 2014

EU Programmes

- EU Programmes exist in order to help implement EU policies
- Sport is partly mainstreamed in existing policies/programmes/funds: regional, social, health, education, youth
- But some parts of EU sport policy cannot be supported through existing programmes
- Hence: Sport Chapter of Erasmus for All

Erasmus for All (2014-2020)

- Proposed new EU programme for education, training, youth and sport ("new LLP/Youth"; sport new)
- Commission adopted proposal in November 2011
- Now under negotiation between the Council of the EU (27 Member States) and the European Parliament, which will together take the final decision in 2013
- Legal form: Regulation
- Ordinary legislative procedure
- Council adopted "Partial General Approach" on 11 May 2012

Sport in Erasmus for All

- Sport constitutes a chapter within Erasmus for All programme
- Chapter III (Articles 11 and 12)
- Separate objectives and instruments, tailor-made for sport

Article 11: Specific objectives

- (a) to tackle transnational threats to sport such as doping, match fixing, violence, racism and intolerance;
- (b) to support good governance in sport and **dual careers of athletes**;
- (c) to promote social inclusion, equal opportunities and health-enhancing physical activity through increased participation in sport.

In letter (c), Council proposes to add: "to promote voluntary activities in sport"

Article 12: Activities (instruments)

The objectives of cooperation in Sport shall be pursued through the following transnational activities:

- (a) support to transnational collaborative projects;
- (b) support to non-commercial European sport events involving several European countries;
- (c) support the strengthening of the evidence base for policy making;
- (d) support to capacity building of sport organisations;
- (e) dialogue with relevant European stakeholders.

Council proposes to delete (b) and (d). Outcome depends on negotiations with EP.

Budget for the Sport Chapter

- Based on the results of the evaluation of the Preparatory Actions, the Commission proposes an average annual budget of around € 34 million for sport.
- Total proposed amount over 7 years: € 238 million
- Reasonable budget that will allow us to concentrate on those actions that have a clear EU added value and address problems and issues that cannot be dealt with effectively at national level.
- Decisions expected by mid-2013.

More information:

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