**TEMPLATE FOR REPORTING ON RECENT INITIATIVES ON SPORT FOR DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE**

***CHILD SAFEGUARDING IN SPORT POLICIES***

***Task****: Provide a summary of the initiative, including a brief overview, proposed/actual outcomes and an assessment of any lessons learned and the way forward.*

***Timeframe****: Please only include initiatives that fall within the reporting timeframe of January 2022 – February 2024.*

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| **Please provide more details on each initiative including items below:** | | |
| **Objective(s):** | *Please indicate which, if any, of the following fall among the main objectives of the initiative:* | |
| * **Ensuring no one is left behind (advancing empowerment, inclusiveness, and equality through sport).** | * Eradicating poverty and promoting prosperity. |
| * Leveraging sports events to promote action to combat climate change, advance peace and/or sustainable development. | * Conflict prevention/peace building. |
| * **Research development, data collection and/or data dissemination.** | * Safely harnessing sport for sustainable development, peace, and wellbeing in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, including through the use of technology. |
| * **Reinforce the 2030 Agenda and eradicate poverty in times of multiple crises, leading to the effective delivery of sustainable, resilient, and innovative solutions.** | * **Safeguarding sport from corruption and crime.** |
| * **Strengthened global framework on sport for development and peace.** | * Other (please specify). |
| **Situation** | *What is the challenge or problem that the initiative aims to address?* | |
| **Implementation mechanisms:** | *What are the means/processes of implementation of the initiative?*  **Safeguarding children is everyone’s business and no agency or organization can provide effective safeguards on their own. A multi-agency, multi-disciplinary approach is essential, so a key process is the establishment of a steering committee/inter- sectoral group, a permanent coordinating forum for the long-term commitment to the implementation and further strengthening of child safeguarding in sport, supported by government departments and organizations with devolved responsibility for child protection and for sport.**  **An agreed national policy strategy and framework on safeguarding children in sports and an action plan which sets out clear roles and responsibilities for implementation are also essential.**  *What are the main deliverables/activities involved?*  **Following the ‘International Safeguards for Children in Sport’ (UNICEF), and building on the work under the EU-CoE project on Child Safeguarding in Sport, milestones and actions in the following five building blocks were considered particularly relevant: 1. National policy framework for safeguarding and protecting children in sport; 2. Partnerships; 3. System and structure for responding to concerns about children and young people; 4. Advice and support; 5. Education and training framework**  *What is the time frame of implementation?*  **2022 -** | |
| **Target Audience(s):** | *Who are the beneficiaries of the proposed/implemented initiative?*  **Sport governing bodies, sport clubs, coaches and individuals who have close contact with children and**  **young people in sports, child safeguarding officers and children and young people in sport and their families** | |
| **Partners/Funding:** | *Who are the main organizations/entities involved in the initiative and what are their roles?*  **Government - Secretary of State for Youth and Sport;**  **Public Administration**   * **IPDJ – Portuguese Institute of Sport and Youth – national authority for sport;** * **CNPDPCJ – national authority for the area of the promotion of the rights and protection of children and youth;**   **APAV – Portuguese Association for Victim Support;**  **Sport Organizations**   * **Umbrella organisations (NOC, NPC, NSC)** * **National Federations**   **Higher Education Institutions**  **CNJ – National Youth Council;**  **AAOP – Association of Olympic Athletes of Portugal**  ***Among others.***  *What are the main sources of funding of the initiative?*  **Government departments and organizations with responsibility for child protection and for sport.** | |
| **SDG Alignment:** | *To what SDG goal/target/indicator is this initiative targeted?*  **SDG 16.2 End abuse, exploitation, trafficking and all forms of violence and torture against children**  *Please indicate any other national or internationally agreed goals/commitments to which this initiative is aligned.*  **Convention on the Rights of the Child**  **National Strategy for the Rights of Children** | |
| **Alignment with global frameworks:** | *How does this initiative align with/contribute to the objectives of the* [*Kazan Action Plan*](https://en.unesco.org/mineps6/kazan-action-plan)*,* [*WHO Global Action Plan on Physical Activity*](https://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/handle/10665/272722/9789241514187-eng.pdf) *or other related internationally agreed frameworks on sport and/or physical activity?*  **KAP - Protecting the Integrity of Sport, Protect children and youth and other vulnerable groups**  **WHO GAPPA - Create Active Environments: create and maintain environments that promote and safeguard the rights of all people, of all ages** | |
| **Alignment with United Nations Action Plan on SDP:** | *Which of the four thematic areas of the* [*UN Action Plan on Sport for Development and Peace*](https://www.un.org/development/desa/dspd/wp-content/uploads/sites/22/2018/06/14.pdf) *is this initiative designed to align?*  *To which action area(s) of the Plan is this initiative designed to contribute?*  **Strengthening Child and Youth Development and Education** | |
| **Outcomes:** | *What are the expected/actual outcomes of the initiative?* **Basis for the institution of Child Safeguarding Officers, including their roles, training requirements and certification (which is already being done).**  **Having an increasing number of federations, local authorities, and grassroots sport organisations involved.**  **Additionally, in 2023, new legislation with passed that imposes strict requirements on entities whose activities are related to the training of children.** | |
| **Mechanism for monitoring and evaluating implementation:** | *What are the mechanisms for monitoring and evaluating the implementation, outcomes and impact of the initiative?*  **Although the roadmap does not elaborate building block Monitoring and evaluation, work was begun to identify what it is necessary for the next few years, which will need further discussion and decisions by the Steering Committee**  *What specific monitoring and evaluation tools are involved?* | |
| **Challenges/Lessons learned** | *What have been/were the main challenges to implementation?*  **Considering the diverse contexts in sport, while there are instances where the application and observance of the measures is more easily pursued, in others these require additional knowledge, resources and support. One challenges, thus, is to proceed with the implementation of the measures defined, while establishing a solid baseline and addressing the specificities of each sport and level.**  **On the other hand, this requires a high degree of cooperation between public entities across several policy areas, the harmonization of procedures, and the training of entirely new actors. Thus, is can be considered a significant change in the way sport organisations conduct their business, which is not always perceived (due to the increased workload) positively.**  *What lessons learned have been/can be utilized in the planning of future initiatives?*  **Despite the challenged mentioned, the experience has shown that many organisations and people involved in sport do understand that importance of these measures. Some of the measures require more time to be fully integrated in the daily activities of organisations, and it is important to account for the specificities of each sport, while maintaining a close cooperation between the main stakeholders.** | |