

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

UNOG contribution to the Secretary-General report on Sport for Development and Peace Agenda

Since the end of 2018 UNOG has been contributing as a key facilitator and convener of the work done by UN agencies and sports federations based in Geneva and Switzerland as well as external partners to advance collectively our common agenda on sport as a major tool for development and peace. The UN in Geneva has hosted major SDP conferences: The first ever SIGA special session in Geneva in October 2017, for enhanced cooperation between the various international players in the Lake Geneva region, public and private institutions alike. Being the world-recognized humanitarian hub with a unique ecosystem of international human rights bodies, NGOs and other actors, UN Geneva offers a valuable platform for discussion on a wide range of issues. The Sporting Chance Forum organized in November 2019 by the Centre for Sport and Human Rights in partnership with the International Labour Organization, the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights and the UN Office in Geneva. UN Geneva also played a pivotal role in coordinating and hosting the extraordinary session of [UNESCO's Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport \(CIGEPS\)](#) which was held in the Palais des Nations in March 2019 and another session is planned for 2020 hosted by ILO.

UNOG with ILO and UNESCO have set-up an informal group of sport focal points from UN agencies and other relevant stakeholders to improve coordination and communication on the role of sport in implementing the SDGs and other relevant global action plans (e.g. WHO, Kazan, etc.). The purpose of the group is to increase coherence, convergence and efficiency of actions; increase awareness from key stakeholders on their activities and where the United Nations System, the IFs, the IOC, and non-traditional actors stand with regards to SDGs and Sport, develop networking channels and share practical tools and information to increasing chances of possible partnerships;

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

Please provide more details on the initiative below:		
Objective(s):	<i>Please indicate which, if any, of the following fell among the main objectives of the initiative:</i>	
	• Ensuring that no one is left behind X	• Eradicating poverty and promoting prosperity in a changing world X
	• Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies X	• Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality X
	• Research development, data collection and/or data dissemination X	• Preventing and fighting corruption in sport X
	• Conflict prevention/peace building	• Strengthened global framework on sport for development and peace X

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy development for mainstreaming and integrating sport for development and peace in development programmes and policies X • Research, monitoring and evaluation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource mobilization, programming and implementation • Other (please specify)
Implementation mechanisms:	<p><i>What are the means/processes of implementation of the initiative?</i></p> <p><i>Achieving SDGs and promoting Peace and Development through Sport: partnerships and institutional responses for greater coherence and efficiency - Realizing the potential of international Geneva and international sports federations</i></p> <p><i>What are the main deliverables/activities involved?</i></p> <p><i>Meetings – Workshops – Events – Partnerships</i></p> <p><i>What is the time frame of implementation?</i></p> <p><i>Ongoing</i></p>	
Target Audience(s):	<p><i>Who are the beneficiaries of the proposed/implemented initiative?</i></p> <p><i>Sport Organizations from the region</i></p> <p><i>Beneficiaries in the field</i></p> <p><i>General Public</i></p>	
Partners/Funding:	<p><i>Who are the main organizations/entities involved in the initiative and what are their roles in development and/or implementation?</i></p> <p><i>ILO, UNESCO, UN Women, Swiss Mission, International Olympic Committee, Sports Federations,</i></p> <p><i>What are the main sources of funding of the initiative?</i></p>	
SDG Alignment:	<p><i>To what SDG goal/target/indicator is this initiative targeted?</i></p> <p><i>Goal 17 (partnership for the Goals)</i></p> <p><i>As we have approached the decade of action to achieve the SDGs, joint forces are needed with all stakeholders in order to put sport at the service of the peaceful development of humanity and all the SDGs . The diverse interactive formats of discussions help to further enhance the collaboration among various Sports Governing Bodies, Host Governments, civil society organizations and business communities with the view <u>to make the achievement of the Global goals central</u> to the world of sport.</i></p>	

	<p>Please indicate any other national or internationally agreed goals/commitments to which this initiative is aligned.</p>
<p>Alignment with global frameworks:</p>	<p>How does this initiative align with/contribute to the objectives of the Kazan Action Plan, WHO Global Action Plan on Physical Activity or other related internationally agreed frameworks on sport and/or physical activity? Starting point</p> <p>On the sidelines of the March 2019 CIGEPS meeting in Geneva, an informal group of sport focal points from UN agencies and other relevant stakeholders was set up. One of the group's main purposes is to improve coordination and communication on the role of sport in implementing the SDGs and other relevant global action plans (e.g. WHO, Kazan, etc.). Against this background, the group suggested developing a shared calendar including events of all types that a) are directly related to sport and global action plans ad that are related to sport for development and peace.</p>
<p>Alignment with United Nations Action Plan on SDP:</p>	<p>Which of the four thematic areas of the UN Action Plan on Sport for Development and Peace is this initiative designed to align?</p> <p>Global framework for sport for development and peace To which action area(s) of the Plan is this initiative designed to contribute?</p>
<p>Outcomes:</p>	<p>What are the expected/actual outcomes of the initiative?</p> <p>With its uniquely unifying power, sport should remain an indispensable element of multilateral cooperation fit for its 21st century purposes</p> <p>Sport is an important enabler of sustainable development and peace</p> <p>Sport is a privileged tool for development and social cohesion that enables the Sustainable Development Goals to be achieved in all countries around the world</p> <p>The post-2015 agenda has been described as 'The World We Want'. Thanks to the values it promotes - participation, respect and tolerance – and the assets it brings -education, health, gender equality and employment sport is a precious transversal tool to face the major challenges of today.</p>
<p>Mechanism for monitoring and evaluating implementation:</p>	<p>What are the mechanisms for monitoring and evaluating the implementation, outcomes and impact of the initiative?</p> <p>Number and quality of partnerships</p> <p>Periodical coordination meetings</p> <p>What are the specific monitoring and evaluation tools involved?</p>

Challenges/Lessons learned	<p><i>What have been/were the main challenges to implementation?</i> <i>Funding of a minimal coordination structure in Geneva as it is logical hub for partnerships between International Organizations and Sports Federations (Arc Lémanique)</i></p> <p><i>What lessons learned have been/can be utilized in the planning of future initiatives?</i> <i>Global database on good practices on the use of sport as a tool for development and peace</i></p>