



# Sport Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions

Information Session

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# Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions

## Definitions

- Pilot project

- A Pilot project is an initiative of an **experimental nature** designed to test the feasibility of an action and its usefulness. The duration of Pilot projects is limited to two consecutive years.

- Preparatory action

- A Preparatory action, normally the successor of a successful pilot project on the same matter, is designed to **prepare proposals** with a view to the adoption of future actions (like EU policies, legislation, programmes and the like). It may receive funding for additional three successive years.

<https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/news/pilot-projects-and-preparatory-actions-promoted-european-commission-increasing-training-digital>

# Main characteristics

- These PP/PA comes in addition to the E+ budget
- Annual actions even if most of the time continuity
- Initiatives comes from the **European Parliament**
- Implementation by the **EACEA (starting in 2021)**
- Mono-beneficiary projects
- To prepare future EU actions in the field of sport

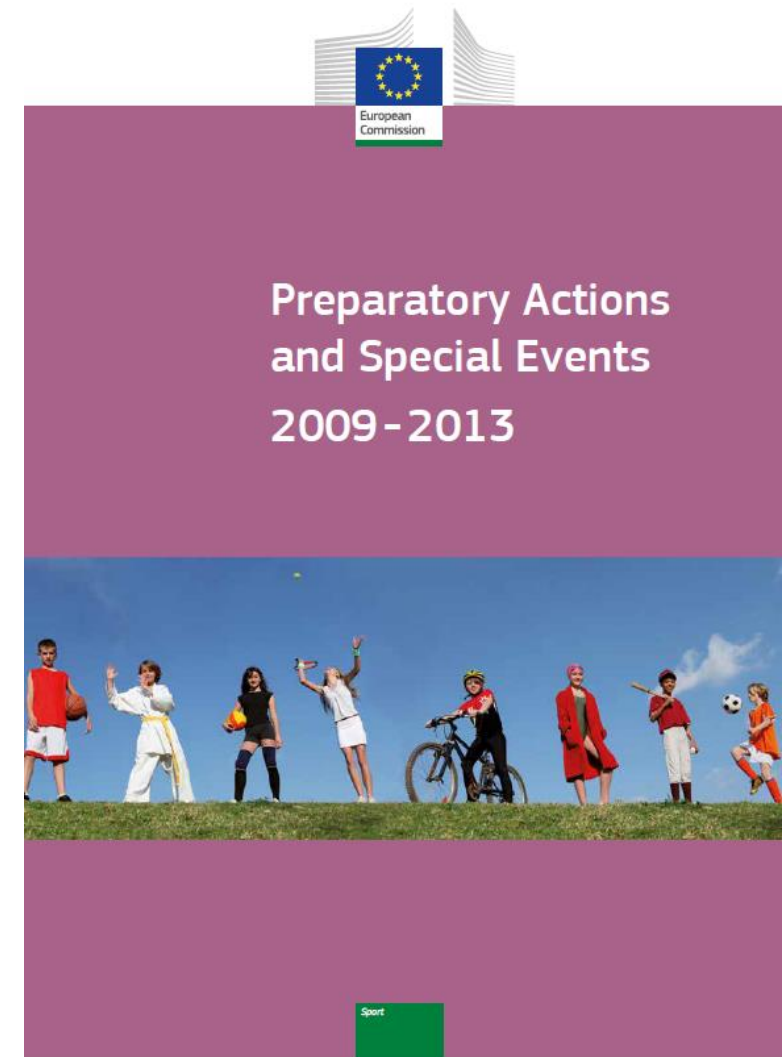
# Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions Sport 2009-2013

## Topics:

- Promoting education and training in sport;
- Fight against match-fixing;
- Promoting European fundamental values by encouraging sport for persons with disabilities;
- Promoting gender equality in sport.

## Brochure - 2015

- <https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/6ad66a07-a49f-11e5-b528-01aa75ed71a1/language-en>



# Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions Sport 2016 – 2020

- Social inclusion of refugees
- Fight against radicalisation
- Exchanges and mobility
- Promotion of European values
- Grassroots sport programmes



# Information Brochure

- **12,5 million euros**
- **107 funded projects between 2016 and 2019**
  - 70 finalized projects
  - 37 ongoing projects
- **Publication in March 2020**

<https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/6b6f6891-8507-11ea-bf12-01aa75ed71a1/language-en>

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## Centred By Sport

Centro Universitario Sportivo Palermo (IT)

Total budget of the project: 75.000 €  
Of which maximum EU grant: 60.000 €

### Main project aims

- Improve access to physical activities among young refugees in collaboration with local partners;
- Develop appropriate strategies and mobilise quality resources to involve 150 young refugees from 14 refugee centres;
- Organise two main events: a sport training course on five sport modules over six months, and a tournament at the end of the project.

### Main project outcomes

- Target group reached;
- Established a long-lasting collaboration in planning and later implementing different projects in sport, social inclusion and education fields;
- Enhanced cooperation between sport organisations, refugees, and social workers;
- Multiplier effect created by the training manual and digital media;
- Increased awareness on the challenge of social inclusion;
- Improved understanding concerning the impact and value of sport to address social inclusion.



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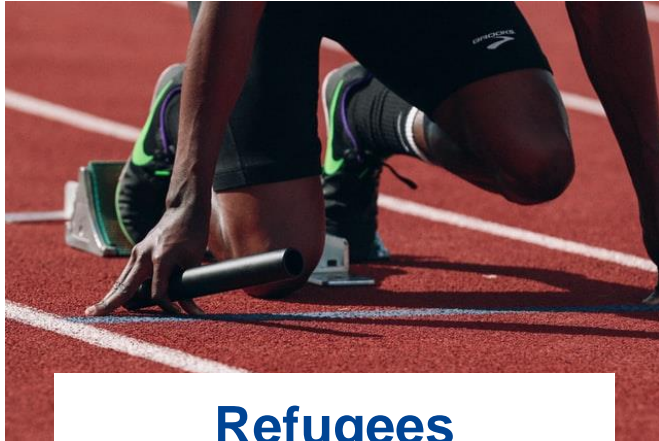
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## Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions in the field of sport

2016 - 2019



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## Refugees

Sport as a tool for integration and social inclusion of refugees

PPPA-SPORT-2021-  
INCLUSION-REFUGEES



## Grassroots

Grassroots sport programmes and infrastructure innovation

PPPA-SPORT-2021-  
GRASSROOTS-  
INNOVATION



## Doping

Building capacity to better fight doping in sport in Europe

PPPA-SPORT-2021-  
FIGHT-DOPING

# 2021 Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions

- **Sport as a tool for integration and social inclusion of refugees**
  - ❑ Published on 4 May - [Refugees call](#)
  - ❑ Budget: 2 million (*including selection and communication*)
  - ❑ Approximately 7 projects to be financed
- **Building investigative capacity to better fight doping in sport in Europe**
  - ❑ Published on 4 May - [Anti-doping call](#)
  - ❑ Budget: 1,5 million (*including selection and communication*)
  - ❑ 1 project to be financed
- **Grassroots sport programmes and infrastructure innovation**
  - ❑ Published on 4 May - [Grassroots call](#)
  - ❑ Budget: 2 million (*including selection and communication*) Approximately 7 projects to be financed

**Deadline for submissions (for all calls): 16 June 2021**



# Available Budget



| Calls 2021   | Project duration (months) | Available budget | EU Grant per project |
|--------------|---------------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Refugees     | 18-24                     | <b>1.900.000</b> | 200.000              |
| Grassroots   | 18-24                     | <b>1.900.000</b> | 400.000              |
| Doping       | 18-24                     | <b>1.430.000</b> | 1.430.000            |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |                           | <b>5.230.000</b> |                      |



# Refugees - Term

- The term "refugee" indicates people having formal refugee status in an EU Member State as well as people who have officially applied for refugee status in the EU and whose applications have not yet been processed.
- People with a migration background who are not "refugees" are excluded from the scope of this call for proposals.

# Refugees - Background

## Increasing need

for effective integration and social inclusion initiatives given the growing number of refugees aiming to settle in EU



**Local sport projects** have an increasing role in facilitating refugees' integration into new communities

## This Preparatory Action

is a contribution to the effort to better integrate refugees through sport

# Refugees - Objectives

- Support the **identification of good practices** in Europe and the development of methods to assess their impact in a systematic and replicable manner
- Promoting the **direct engagement** of refugees and host communities
- Promoting a **Europe-wide approach**, increasing the potential for host communities to successfully engage and integrate refugees through sport

# Grassroots - Background

## Sport and physical activities

- Traditionally in sport clubs with stable rules
- Large and costly sport facilities needed

## Enlarging the offer

- More diverse, informal and open to new public



## Evolution

- Rising mismatch between the supply of sport via traditional sport organisations and the demand of individuals

## Attract new generation

- Sport clubs should improve their offer through creativity, innovation and new form of practices

## Infrastructures

- Use and promote light and flexible ones allowing the practice of sport in a wider diversity of places

# Grassroots - Objectives

- To give the opportunity to sport organisations to develop and promote **new forms of practicing sport and physical activity** through the adaptation of the infrastructure and/or the offer of sport activities/programmes
- To support the promotion of physical activity through **flexible, modern ways of practicing sport** both in terms of offer (trainings, activities) and in terms of infrastructure

# Grassroots – Expected Outputs

- A better **knowledge** about new forms of practice of sport and physical activity
- The **development** of new forms of practices as well as soft programmes to promote it
- A better integration of new ways of practicing sport and physical activity in the offer of **traditional sport federations and organisations**
- An **increased participation** of young generation to sport
- The development of **light sport facilities**, which directly complement the previous expected results

# Doping - Background

## Fight against doping

- Essential to safeguard the integrity of sport and its value of fair play, respect and solidarity
- Promotion of a healthy lifestyle and well-being

## Implementation

- A specific strategy including close collaboration with the law enforcement agencies



## Challenge

- Not just conduct “blood and urine-testing” but also investigations

## Needs

- The anti-doping system needs to have the capacity to conduct investigations, to collaborate with law enforcement agencies and to protect whistle-blowers.

## Lacking

- An insufficient number of ADOs meet those conditions



# Doping – General Objectives

- To develop **protocols for the European ADOs** to ensure evidence gathering and information sharing between them and the law enforcement
- To cover all the European countries, including ideally the non-EU ones, to allow for a **sufficient harmonization of the investigative standards** in the region and to avoid weakening its efficiency by leaving too many stakeholders outside of the harmonized system.

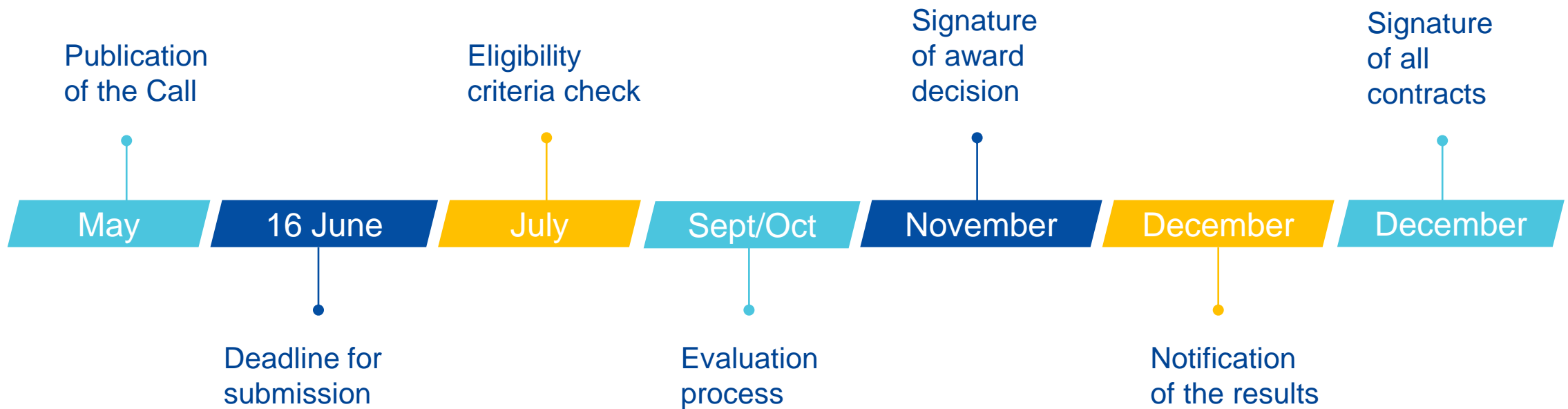
# Doping – Specific Objectives

- To develop a set of **complementary measures and activities** that would address the doping and that would be concretely beneficial to a maximum number of European ADOs and more globally to the anti-doping system
- To allow for ADOs to partner with the **World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)** to conduct investigations, protect whistle-blowers and to cooperate on joint investigations with law enforcement agencies and the global network of investigators
- To **build capacity of the European anti-doping system** and reduce the prevalence of doping in sport

# Doping – Scope

- **Protecting public health** (doping is not just a problem affecting elite athletes and sport; but also, a threat to the society as a whole especially youth).
- Providing **new tools to combat the organized crime** (selling doping substances is a ‘low risk – highly profitable activity’). Sharing of information between ADOs and law enforcement ADOs will help optimizing the fight against manufacturing and trafficking in doping substances.
- Improving **sports governance** in and outside Europe - this project will contribute to strengthening the governance of sport organizations and to share EU values with other partners.

# Roadmap



# Thank you



[https://www.eacea.ec.europa.eu/grants/how-get-grant\\_en](https://www.eacea.ec.europa.eu/grants/how-get-grant_en)



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