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**THE EOSE TEAM WISHES YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND  
A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR 2011**

**EOSE WORKING CONFERENCE 2010: EDUCATION AND TRAINING 2020**  
*Brussels, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of December 2010*

On the 09 and 10 of December 2010, the Annual EOSE General Working Conference was held in Brussels (Belgium). The event gathered a mix of 50 representatives from 14 countries and provided an opportunity to present and discuss ongoing activities within the Sport and Active Leisure Sector to focus on its realities, future opportunities and challenges around the Education and Training 2020 framework, the New Skills for New Jobs initiative, as well as to build partnerships and relationship across Europe.

Besides information from EOSE and its members and main collaborators, the [programme](#) included key note presentations from Bart Ooijen (DGEAC Sport Unit), Loukas Zahilas (CEDEFOP) and Sebastian Stetter from the DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities.

The event also included the Annual EOSE General Assembly 2010 during which Mr Stephen Studd was re-elected as President, and the Alberto Madella Memorial 2010 presentation which was given by Thierry Zintz (EOSE Secretary General).



Please download all related documents and presentations through the [EOSE Website](#)

**EOSE GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2010: STEPHEN STUDD RE-ELECTED AS PRESIDENT**  
*Brussels, 9<sup>th</sup> of December 2010*

The official Annual EOSE General Assembly 2010 was embedded within the EOSE Working Conference and was organised in Brussels on Thursday, 9th of December 2010.

During this year's Assembly, that gathered 50 participants from 14 countries, Mr Stephen Studd from SkillsActive, United Kingdom, was unanimously re-elected for a period of two years as President of the European Observatoire of Sport and Employment (EOSE).

Mr Thierry Zintz from Belgium (CMOS) and Mr Jean-Louis Gouju from France (OFEMAS) were elected as Secretary General and Treasurer in 2009 for a period of two years and so have one more year to go in these positions in the EOSE Board with Mr Studd.

During the event, the re-elected EOSE President took the opportunity to thank all members and collaborators for their support and good relation with EOSE. Special thanks were given by the EOSE Board and the present EOSE Members to Mr Aurélien Favre, the EOSE Executive Director, and to Mr Matthias Guett, Research Manager, for their reliable work and the ongoing positive development of the non-for-profit organisation.



For further information about EOSE please visit the [Website](#)

**EU WORKING GROUP ON EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN SPORT**  
*Ghent (BE), 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> of December 2010*

From 7th till 8th December 2010, the EU Working Group on Education and Training in Sport met in Ghent, Belgium. The Members of the group had lively discussions on 1) the Results of the questionnaire on EU Physical Activity Guidelines in the field of education and school

environment, 2) the Directive 2005/36 regarding regulated professions in sport, and 3) the EQF.

As one of the observers to the group, the EOSE President Mr Stephen Studd was given the opportunity to briefly summarise some of the EOSE activities undertaken in the field, and gave a short overview of the EOSE Lifelong Learning Strategy developed for the Sport and Active Leisure Sector and the ongoing EU funded Lifelong Learning Sport Project ([LLL Sport](#)).

The LLL Sport project built around nine National LLL Sport Ambassadors has been developed not only to foster awareness-raising of the common Lifelong Learning Strategy at the national and regional levels, but also to encourage its concrete implementation and contribute to better coherence and coordination in the establishment and implementation of comprehensive National LLL Strategies within the sector of Sport and Active Leisure.

Please contact the [EOSE Secretariat](#) or visit the [EOSE Website](#) for further information on the LLL Sport Project and see the [EU Sports Unit Website](#) for information on the Working Group.



## FIRST COUNCIL DOCUMENTS ON SPORT ADOPTED

*Brussels, 18<sup>th</sup> of November 2010*

On 18<sup>th</sup> November 2010, during their meeting in the Education, Youth, Culture and Sport Council, the EU Sport Ministers adopted a Resolution and two sets of Conclusions in the field of sport. These are the first documents to be adopted by the Council following the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty. The adopted texts will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union.

### 1) EU structured dialogue on sport

The Council adopted a resolution establishing a high-level structured dialogue with sport stakeholders, set out [here](#). Such a dialogue will allow an ongoing exchange of views on priorities, implementation and follow-up to EU cooperation in the field of sport. It will take the form of a regular informal meeting of leading representatives of the EU public authorities and the sports movement to discuss sporting issues in the EU.

### 2) Role of the EU in the international fight against doping

The Council adopted conclusions on the role of the EU in the international fight against doping, set out in [16009/10](#). The conclusions reiterate the need to coordinate EU and member state positions ahead of meetings of the World Anti-Doping Agency, for example on the free movement of athletes and the protection of privacy and personal data. Such EU coordination should take place in close cooperation with the Council of Europe.

### 3) Sport as a source of and a driver for active social inclusion

The Council adopted conclusions on the role of sport as a source of and a driver for active social inclusion, see [15213/10](#). The conclusions identify three common priorities for promoting social inclusion through sport: the accessibility of sport activity for all citizens ("sport for all" principle), better use of the potential of sport as a contribution to community building, social cohesion and growth, and transnational exchanges of strategies and methodologies.

More detailed information can be found at the [EU Sports Unit Website](#).



## EU PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS LAUNCHED BY THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Recently the European Commission has launched three public consultations to gather ideas and opinions:

### 1) Consultation on the promotion and validation of non-formal and informal learning

The aim of this consultation is to collect views on whether further action is needed, if so, what type of action is required and which policy priorities should be given attention. All citizens and organisations are welcome to contribute to this consultation. Contributions are particularly sought from stakeholders at European, national and regional level involved in the delivery and/or validation of non-formal and informal learning. The consultation will remain open until 9 February 2011 and can be accessed [here](#).

### 2) Public consultation on the future VAT system

The European Commission has launched a public consultation in the form of a "Green Paper on the future of VAT" which provides for a broad debate on the evaluation of the current VAT system and the way forward. Views on this matter are welcome from all stakeholders, including citizens, organisations and public authorities. The VAT system of EU Member States is based on legislation adopted at EU level and applied at national level. The Green Paper aims at addressing shortcomings of the current system and at strengthening its coherence with the Single Market. The consultation will close on 31 May 2011. The following links give access to the consultation documents: [English](#), [French](#), [German](#)

### 3) Public consultation on funding for the EU's external action

The European Commission has launched a public consultation to gather ideas and opinions on the future of the financial instruments that the European Union has at its disposal to fulfil its role in the field of external cooperation. Contributions are welcomed from all citizens and organisations. The aim is to prepare the ground for legislative proposals in this field which the Commission is planning to present next year in preparation of the new financial framework from 2014. Sport stakeholders are encouraged to make their voice heard. The consultation will be closed on 31 January 2011. The following links, [English](#), [French](#) give access to the questionnaire and the



background document.

If you wish to obtain further information about those consultations please contact the [EOSE Secretariat](#).

## **FOCUS ON A PROJECT: DUAL CAREER FOR YOUNG ATHLETES IN EUROPE**

### ***EU Preparatory Action in the Field of Sport***

The Dual Career for Young Athletes in Europe Project is led by the Bosön Sports College, Sweden, and funded through the Preparatory Action for Sport 2009 by the European Commission. It aims at establishing good practice in sport training and education, so as to increase the possibilities for athletes to pursue double career opportunities.

The project focuses on athletes within the age groups of 13 to 15 years (compulsory school education), 16 - 18 years (upper secondary school education) and over 18 years (post secondary education), and shall find superior ways to provide "dual career" training for such young sportsmen and sportswomen and to provide information on high quality local training centres to safeguard their educational and professional interests.

In order to reach best the young target group, a project website on the internet networking platform 'Facebook' has been recently established. You can visit the site, post comments and make yourself a 'friend' to the Dual Careers Project [here](#).

In order to meet and discuss, you are invited to register to the Dual Career Final Conference in Gyor, Hungary, from 10-13 March 2011, where the final outcomes will be presented under the patronage of Mr Pal Schmitt, President of Hungary and himself a former Olympic Champion in fencing.



For further information about this project please [contact the Promoter](#), Mr Ulf Lindberg from Bosön Sport College

## **NEXT EVENTS**

- ASA PMG Meeting – 12-13 January 2011, Bourges (FR)
- EOSE Board Meeting – 14 January 2011, Paris (FR)
- IPC World Cup seminar – 17 January 2011, Vuokatti (FI)
- EPAS Regional Seminar – 17-18 January 2011, Warsaw (PL)
- Golf Stand Technical Meeting – 15-16 February 2011, Malmö (SE)
- EU Sport Forum – 21-22 February 2011, Budapest (HU)
- T4V Kick-Off Meeting – 24-25 February 2011, Cologne (DE)
- Dual Careers Final Conference – 10-13 March 2011, Gyor (HU)

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