"Two crux issues for the future of national sports – the attractiveness of school ski courses and the encouragement of migrant children, who do not have any relationship to skiing; The basic theme is therefore to get migrants to the snow".

Peter Schröcksnadel, President of Austrian Ski Federation



Sport Inclusion Network

## PROGRAMME European Seminar "Involving Young Migrants in Winter Sports"

## on the 12th of January 2012

Haus der Begegnung, Rennweg 12, A-6020 Innsbruck; www.hausderbegegnung.com

8:30 Registration 9:30 Opening Session

> Mag.a Christine Oppitz-Plörer and Christoph Kaufmann, Mayor and Vice Mayor of Innsbruck in charge of sports Welcome

Christian Thibault, Liikkukaa, Finland Opening addresses

> Bart Ooijen, DG Education and Culture, Sport Unit, European Commission Notburga Troger, Head of Integration Department, City of Innsbruck Dr. Bella Bello Bitugu, Coordinator, SPIN Project Manager, FairPlay-vidc

Des Tomlinson, National Coordinator – Intercultural Football Programme, FA of Ireland (FAI) Moderator

Excluding images of national identity? The under-representation of ethnic minorities and immigrants in national winter sports Key note speech

Dr. Georg Spitaler, University of Vienna and author of Fundamental Rights Agency study on minorities in sport

Notes Des Tomlinson, National Coordinator – Intercultural Football Programme, FA of Ireland (FAI)

10:30 Coffee Break

11:00 Plenary Session: Young Migrants and Winter Sports: Challenges and opportunities

Moderator Nicole Selmer, Football Writer / network F in "Women in football", Germany

**Panelists** Mag. Friedl Ludescher, Austrian Sledge Association Mag. Nikolaus Meze, Head of Integration Centre in Tyrol

Christian Feichtinger, Managing Director Austrian Ice Hockey League (EBEL) Mag.a Amani Abuzahra, M.A., Integration officer of Austrian Islamic Communities

Mag. Nelko Nelkovski, President of BalkanFARE and leader of the project "Winter Happiness for all"

Mag. Selma Kustura, FairPlay-vidc, Austria Notes

12:30 Introduction to the two Working Groups

12:45 Lunch

14:00 WORKING GROUP SESSION

WORKING GROUP A: Status quo of initiatives to involve migrants in winter sport

Room; Seminar Forum

Layla Mousa, UISP, Italy Facilitator MMag. Thomas Jäger, SIQ, Austria Input

Vanitsri Tirkkonen, InterTechno Training, Global Communication Director, Finland

Adu Adjei, Swiss Minorities SCI

Zeljko Todorovic, General Secretary of BalkanFare and coordinator of the project "Winter Happiness for all"

Reporter Corinna Graubaum, Camino, Germany

WORKING GROUP B: Encouraging migrants and minorities to patronise winter sport; an effective and participatory strategy

Room; Seminar room III

Facilitator Junaid Olalekan, MGHRO, Hungary Input Asma Aiad, Junge Musliminnen

MMag. Christian Lettner, Director – Sport Union Innsbruck Mag. Elisabeth Narnhofer, Austrian Integration Department Nicola Werdenigg, Kunstpiste – skimagazin mit kurvengeist

Belestri Carlo, UISP, Italy Reporter

15:30 Coffee Break

15:45 Reports from the Workshops by reporters and Open Discussion

16:00 Closing Plenary Session: Minorities and migrants in winter sport: A collective strategy towards the future

Dr. Bella Bello Bitugu, FairPlay-vidc, Austria Moderator

Mag. Christoph Witoszynskyj, Institut für Kinderrechte **Panelists** 

Dirk Shaars, NISB Holland

Danny Silva, Former Olympic cross country skier (Portugal) and now Project Manager, ELMA-project -

winter sports accessibility issues in Vuokatti Snowpolis, Northern Finland

Lange Vincent, Insider Beat, Sports & Media Consultant / Coach

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17:00 End of Seminar



















