



Newsletter | October 2012

After a busy summer with UEFA EURO 2012 in Poland and Ukraine, EuroGames in Budapest and Mondiali Antirazzisti in Italy the autumn continues to be full of activities within the Football for Equality project. Next Tuesday (16. October) the 13th edition of the European wide FARE-Action Weeks against racism and discrimination in Football will start. They last until end of October – so this Football for Equality Newsletter is dedicated to Activities in the framework of Action Weeks 2012.

Grass Roots activities during FARE-Action Weeks 2012

As in the last 2 years, the Football for Equality project offers support for small activities against racism, discrimination and homophobia in football.

FairPlay-VIDC for example supports anti-sexist activities of the Fanclub of Wiener Sportklub ([Freund innen der Friedhofstribüne](#)) who have been active in the fight against racism and homophobia in the last years and now want to add the topic of gender equality to their agenda. Stickers and banners are produced.

Another grass roots project from Czech republic gains support: the group Barflies United ([Barflies United](#)), fans of Bohemians Praha 1905, organizes an anti-racism tournament in the Center of Praha. Two Polish initiatives will be supported as well: the factory for equality ([fabrykarownosci](#)) is going to organize an evening with Suzie Andreis, former football player, about Tolerance in Football and the interconnection of homosexuality and women's football. The Campaign Against Homophobia ([Kampania przeciw Homofobii](#)) initiated the project "Fighting Homophobia in Sports" that tend to bring together LGBT activists and organizations with journalists. Within the FfE-projekt local trainings will be supported.

For further activities supported by all of the project partners within the framework of Football for Equality – have a look on their web pages!

Campaign Material for Action Week Activities

FairPlay produced stickers, posters, flags, banners, T-shirts,... targeting discrimination in football.

These Football for Equality-materials were sent to all project partners and will be distributed during the diverse Action Week-Activities in the 5 countries.

In Austria again the National FA takes part in the Action Weeks and at least two matches will be dedicated to the fight against discrimination. Also the Österreichische Bundesliga

(Austrian Club League) will participate: on the weekend 26-28 October all the matches will be played under to Slogan "Burst prejudices! / Vorurteile platzen lassen!". These activities are also part of the Football for Equality project.

A level playing field?!?

Exhibition and Event Series on Homophobia and Discrimination in Football (Vienna, FairPlay-VIDC)

From 15.-30. October 2012 FairPlay-VIDC organizes an event series about sexism and homophobia in Football. The exhibition "Against the Rules- Gays and Lesbians in Sport" will be shown for the first time in Vienna and portraits from Austrian sportswomen will be added. All activities take place in the Vienna Public Library and the Gugg, the coffee bar of the Viennese LGBT-organisation HOSI (Homosexual Initiative)

Events include:

Monday, 15 October 2012, 19:30 hrs – Opening event, Buffet & Drinks:
Klaus Sator : "Against the Rules – The Long Path of an Exhibition"

Wednesday, 17 October 2012, 19:30 hrs – Reading & Discussion:
Almut Sülzle: "Fußball, Frauen, Männlichkeiten" / "Football, women, masculinities"

Friday, 19 October 2012, 19:30 hrs – Public Round Table & Discussion:
"Walking hand in hand?" – Sexism and Homophobia in Football

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Tuesday, 30 October 2012, 19:00 hrs – Reading & Discussion:
Ronny Blaschke: " Versteckspieler"

For more detailed information, venues,...:

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Tournament Against Racism and Intolerance

Like every year our Slovakian project partner Ludia Proti Razismu organizes a big tournament against discrimination in Bratislava

The tournament will be held on 21st October. For further information:

[Tournament against Racism and Intolerance 2012](#)

Debating Homophobia in public?

Due to public debates about homophobia in football caused by an anonymous interview with a gay German football-pro and Angela Merckels reaction that dis-acknowledged the fact, that discrimination still is on the Agenda “even” in Western Europe, our Italian project partner UISP reported about many press reactions in Italy.

Links to re-read some articles (at the end of the German text):

[Fußball Schwul? Kein Problem!](#)

Media Reports on past activities

Also other activities within the FfE-project produced debate and had media response. Here you find a small collection from Slovenia, where project partner SPOLINT organized a round table and a Football-for-Equality-tournament in May and also the exhibition “Against the Rules- Lesbian and Gays in Sport” was shown for the first time in Slovenian language.

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More reports about past activities will follow!

We look forward to see you at some of our activities and:
Keep on fighting against discrimination!

With greetings from Vienna,
FairPlay-VIDC

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