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Dr Guido Westerwelle
Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs

“International sports promotion has been an integral part of Germany’s cultural relations and education policy since 1961. German foreign policy is geared to a dialogue between cultures. Sport can build bridges, especially in developing countries and regions in crisis. Sport teaches people in an enjoyable way how to accept rules, respect their opponents, celebrate success together, and also how to cope with defeat. Sport teaches us how to make compromises and how to resolve conflicts even-handedly. A fair sporting competition produces trust and understanding. Sport helps break down prejudices, integrate minorities and teach values. So sport plays a part in preventing crises and promoting international understanding: it shows people that they have something in common, in spite of all the linguistic, political and cultural barriers. That is why the German Government is so committed to sport. Our aim is to make a contribution to peaceful conflict resolution and to promote respect for human rights all around the world.”

Dr Thomas Bach
President of the German Olympic
Sports Confederation



Sport moves people – worldwide

“Sport is one of the simplest ways to communicate without the use of words. The German Olympic Sports Confederation (DOSB) is firmly convinced of the power of sport to create bonds. Sport can help go beyond borders; it can enable people to live together peacefully and open their eyes to new perspectives. These are the values which, for 50 years now, have underpinned our commitment to sports projects in developing countries. We have supported more than 1400 projects in over 100 countries on all five continents. The DOSB cooperates in various areas with its member organisations, such as the German Football Association (DFB), the German Athletics Federation (DLV), the German Basketball Federation (DBB) and the National Paralympic Committee of Germany (DBS). The opportunities and possibilities for cooperation are many. The DOSB looks forward to continuing its support for sports projects worldwide.”

German Olympic Sports Confederation

The key to promoting international sports is in the secondment of German sports experts to developing and newly industrialising countries. The length of these attachments varies from short-term – lasting between a fortnight and a year – to long-term projects, which might be anything from two up to a maximum of four years.

The aim is to strengthen the sports structures in the partner country in the long-term, to pass on new training methods and to train coaches and teachers to communicate their skills and knowledge. The German experts’ role ranges from advising sports associations to helping with the development of courses of study and organising sporting events. Decisions on what exactly the German experts will do are taken in close consultation with our partners on the spot to take account of their needs.

Over the course of the past 50 years, as reliable colleagues, the German Olympic Sports Confederation has built up a network of experts, partner associations and trainers on the ground. To extend its pool of experts, the DOSB is in contact with the leading bodies in the various sports disciplines, with the National Paralympic Committee of Germany, and with universities such as the German Sport University in Cologne.

Interested national sports associations, national Olympic and Paralympic Committees and ministries of sport and education in

developing countries can apply for short and long-term projects.

Long-term projects need thorough preparation. As part of this, a German expert will be attached to the partner country for a few weeks to assess the situation. The details of the project and the contributions to be made by the partners are then fixed in a joint agreement.



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DFB International Coaching Courses

Courses for football coaches held in English, French and Spanish

Twice a year the German Football Association (DFB) holds international coaching courses in for coaches from Africa, Asia and Central and South America leading to A and B licences. The courses, which last for between two and three weeks, take place in Hennef/Germany and are held in English, French and Spanish and scholarships are granted. They include not only football tactics and training methods but also visits to football matches and other excursions.

The courses are targeted at motivated and experienced coaches, male or female, who can then teach coaches in their own countries, making use of what they have learnt.

Anyone interested can get further information and advice on the application procedure from the German embassy or consulate in their country or from the German Football Association.



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Further information from:

German Football Association (DFB)
International Relations

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50 PROJECTS FROM 50 YEARS: A selection from the 1400 projects undertaken since 1961

1961 Tunisia, football, Gutendorf
1962 Ghana, sports medicine, Hollmann
1963 Togo, football, Westphal
1964 Sri Lanka, football, Weigang
1965 Malaysia, football, Westphal
1966 Morocco, handball, Schuster
1967 Trinidad/Tobago, hockey, Wein
1968 Uganda, football, Pape
1969 Senegal, football, Mohr
1970 Nigeria, football, Marotzke
1971 Colombia, athletics, Geffers
1972 Sudan, football, Göller
1973 D. R. Congo, boxing, Höpner
1974 Venezuela, football, Gutendorf
1975 Tanzania, football, Trautmann
1976 Thailand, football, Schnittger
1977 Sierra Leone, football, Ebbinghausen
1978 Philippines, football, Zgoll
1979 Syria, handball, Hinkel
1980 Pakistan, athletics, Krüßmann
1981 Singapore, football, Ziese
1982 Côte d'Ivoire, football, Pfister
1983 Zimbabwe, athletics, Harksen

1984 Nepal, football, Stubbe
1985 Central African Republic, football, Figge
1986 Burkina Faso, football, Überjahn
1987 Paraguay, athletics, Geffers
1988 Uruguay, athletics, Jonath
1989 Viet Nam, football, Ebbinghausen
1990 Chad, football, Streun
1991 Sao Tome and Principe, football, Schmidt
1992 Laos, swimming, Nottelmann
1993 South Africa, boxing, Debert
1994 Panama, modern pentathlon, Trost
1995 Namibia, athletics, Ritschel
1996 Rwanda, athletics, Bauer
1997 Haiti, judo, Bischof
1998 Swaziland, football, Bickelhaupt
1999 Mozambique, football, Streun
2000 Bangladesh, hockey, Schumacher
2001 Lebanon, athletics, Mouchbahani
2002 South Africa, handball, Hahn
2003 Uzbekistan, football, Thaler
2004 Afghanistan, football, Lali, Stärk, Obermann
2005 Mongolia, football, Schlappner
2006 Malawi, table tennis, Langham
2007 Uruguay, athletics, Wangemann
2008 Djibouti, table tennis, Krämer
2009 Namibia, basketball, Albin
2010 Zimbabwe, football, Pagels

Leipzig University

Higher education in sports science in various disciplines in English, French, Spanish and Arabic

Every year the Sports Science Faculty at Leipzig University organises two five-month 'international higher-education courses for sports teachers and coaches'. These alternate between four types of sport specialisms and four languages (Arabic, English, French and Spanish). The 13 sports range from football and athletics to boxing, swimming and volleyball. Recently hockey has also been added to the list.



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These post-graduate courses offer qualified and experienced foreign sports teachers and trainers the chance to improve their knowledge of sports science in an intensive course. They can enhance their practical and methodological skills in their particular sport, in sport for the disabled or as fitness coaches.

Participants should have completed a course of study in sport and/or have wide experience as active sportspeople and as coaches or sports teachers. The course curriculum includes: training science, sports medicine, sports education and sports psychology.

As with the courses in Hennef and Mainz, participants receive a monthly grant. Participants need to meet the cost of their travel to and from Germany.

Applications for these grants must be submitted via the relevant German embassy or consulate.

Further information from:

Leipzig University
Faculty of Sports Science
Web: www.itk.uni-leipzig.de

Training school for foreign coaches in Mainz

One-year courses for athletics coaches in German

Every year coaches and athletes from developing countries are given training in a 10 month course in Mainz. This training school is a joint project of the German Athletics Federation and Johannes Gutenberg University in Mainz.



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The course, which includes both theoretical and practical elements, covers general movement and training theory, psychology, sports medicine, sports physiology, the construction of sports venues, sports organisation and competition organisation.

A German language course begins on 1 June each year, and runs parallel to the coaching course and ends with a language exam. The specialist athletics training begins on 1 October and finishes with exams the following July.

Applicants (male or female) must have knowledge of athletics, with practical experience as an athlete and/or coach, be in good health and have a good level of fitness. They should have a letter of recommendation from their national athletics association confirming that they will be employed after their return to their home country.

Participants receive a grant covering, among other things, the cost of board and lodging. Participants will need to cover the cost of their travel to and from Germany.

Interested individuals should apply via the German mission in their home country.

Further information from:

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