

Stop Radicalization

THE PROJECT

This project utilizes football as a tool to prevent youth radicalization and extremism, focusing on young people with fewer opportunities. It aims to develop practical guides and educational resources for coaches and clubs across Europe. The project emphasizes social inclusion, diversity, and the promotion of positive sporting values. It involves a transnational partnership and addresses the need for enhanced knowledge and capacity in radicalization prevention within the sports sector.



THE PARTNERS

The "Stop Radicalization" project is built upon a robust transnational partnership involving 7 experienced organizations from five European countries (Romania, Spain, Portugal, Poland, and Turkey). This consortium comprises a diverse range of entities, including:

Universities:

UDJG (Dunărea de Jos University of Galați, Romania): The overall coordinator of the project, bringing expertise in sports management, sports psychology, and sustainability.

UMU (Universidad de Murcia, Spain): A university with experience in international projects and in coordinating dissemination and communication activities.

Sports Federations:

FRF (Romanian Football Federation): Possessing extensive experience in combating radicalization, promoting social inclusion, and managing European projects.

Youth-Oriented Associations/NGOs:

INNETICA (Spain): A technological partner specializing in the development of digital content, applications, and e-learning platforms.

KEPDER (Kültür Eğitim ve Proje Derneği, Turkey): Holding expertise in training programs, with a focus on youth and education, and an extensive network in Turkey for dissemination.

APEFDP (Associação dos Profissionais de Educação Física e Desporto do Porto, Portugal): An accredited training entity with expertise in sports ethics, sports diplomacy, and violence prevention.

Sports Clubs:

SPORTS CLUB BENIAMINEK 03 (Poland): Experienced in organizing international sports events and possessing a wide network for result dissemination.





Project Objectives:

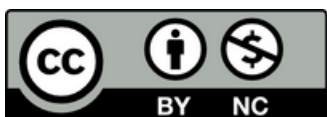
Our project, "Stop Radicalization," aims to:

- Enhance the capacity of at least 210 coaches and trainers to identify and reduce the risk of radicalization among young footballers with fewer opportunities.
- Develop and test two transferable educational tools and training methodologies for preventing radicalization and extremism in European football.
- Foster cooperation among at least 210 stakeholders in youth football to implement joint prevention strategies.
- Increase awareness among local and national policymakers on preventing violent extremism and radicalization in football.

KICK OF MEETING

Between February 3rd and 5th, 2025, the kick-off conference for the project "Stop Radicalization: Sport for Preventing and Addressing Radicalization and Extremism through Knowledge Building" took place. This initiative is funded by the ERASMUS-SPORT-2024 program. The goal of the initiative is to prevent radicalization and extremism among young athletes, particularly those with limited opportunities in football.

👏 The project is coordinated by the "Dunărea de Jos" University of Galați and brings together partners from Spain, Portugal, Turkey, Poland, and Romania, including the Romanian Football Federation.



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