GOOD GOVERNANCE in SPORT

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One of the project outputs is a research report following a survey on good governance in sport that consists of different stages of analysis of the public face of the sport organizations, in particular their public websites – the easiest way for the citizens to find out what are their activities. The report is based on independent research of project team experts on 56 web pages of European sport organizations and National sport organizations.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE RESEARCH REPORT:

- **Almost 80%** of the analyzed sport organizations **can be considered "social media friendly"** and have indicated clear link between their websites and the social media channels they use for communication of their messages and updates.
- **44.6%** of analyzed sport structures **have published their strategic documents such as vision**, strategy, goals and milestones on their webpages.
- **62.5% of analyzed sport organizations haven't published the values of their organization on their webpage**. On national level only 25% of the organizations ensured that such data available online.
- **76.8%** of the analyzed **websites include list of members** of the organization for public review.
- **Only 48.2%** of the analyzed organization **had traces of safety and security, inclusion** and anti-discrimination policies and initiatives on their webpages and more than half of the analyzed websites do not contain any information about such policies.
- **71.4%** of all analyzed organizations **has published in their webpages their Statute** or other basic document that regulates how the organization works as a indicator for transparency and open government.
- **Separate news section for publishing decisions and news** about the management of the organization **is available in 50%** of the analyzed organizations and is missing from the webpages of another 50% of sport structures that has been analyzed.
- **57.1%** of the organizations **haven't published any board decisions on their public portals** in any way and this information is hardly reachable from both project researchers and wide public that might be interested to see how the concrete organization operates. 42.9% of all analyzed organizations have published relevant information and it is available with possibility to be traced over the time.
- **The information is updated** at least every six months only by **37.5%** of all analyzed organizations, while 62.5% of analyzed sport structures update their websites less regularly or even do not update the website at all.
- Almost **70%** of the analyzed sport organizations haven't published any **documents from their management meetings** – minutes or conclusions.
- **83.9%** of overall analyzed sport organizations **had published list of their management**/management boards.
- Data for the **biographical background of board members is available in 33.9%** of analyzed websites and is missing on 66.1% of the portals.
- **Educational and profesional path of board members** until their present position in the analyzed sport organization is available only at 13 of them that are forming **23.2%** and it is missing in 43 organizations, 76.8% of all analyzed sport federations.
- Only 9 organizations **(16.1%) have considered publishing the scope of responsibilities of their management** and 83.9% doesn't included such division on their webpages.
- Only 8 organizations has published **information about the participation/functions**, held by each board member in other institutions, forming **14.3%** of all analyzed organizations and in 48 of the analyzed structures such information is unavailable that forms 85.7% of sport organizations that result with missing data on this indicator.
- Almost **70%** of the analyzed sport organizations have **developed supporting/controlling** bodies and information about those structures and their activities is available on the public portals.
- **64.3%** of analyzed organizations **haven't published information regarding the board management** change process and mandate.
- **Publication of financial reports** has been found in the public portals of 12 of the analyzed organizations, forming **21.4%**. Almost 80% of the organizations (78.6%) haven't published such data.
- **75%** of analyzed public platforms of national and European sport organizations **do not include their annual report**. The annual report for each year of the existence of the organization is available for only 4 sport organizations, representing 7.1% of all 56 analyzed federations.
- **21.4%** of all analyzed organizations **ensured the availability of information regarding the different funding sources that form their budget**, while 78.6% of the organizations haven't published documents that ensure tracing this data.

In the full report you will find out more information about the details of the implemented research and different information regarding the good governance in sport. Project team strongly believes that the research will serve for improvement of the public portals of sport related organizations and will contribute to the overall improvement of governance processes in sport sector.

Full report is available at: www.eusport.org/GoodGovernance