Status Report - EOTO Bi-lateral projects

When the EachOne – Teach One was launched by the IFF CB in September 2014 most of the IFF member associations were really enthusiastic and active with the starting of the project. Several meetings were agreed to be held in Gothenburg in connection with the IFF GA and many meetings also took place. Especially the IFF member associations from Europe had their first meetings in Gothenburg.

12 European bilateral pairs had their first meetings in Gothenburg and after that there has been three more starting meetings organized via skype and the IFF office has participated to those skype meetings. Smaller member associations, such as Denmark, Great Britain and Slovenia have been really active with the project and they have already decided the next steps to have mutual educations in April/May.

Among the bigger IFF member associations the Finnish Floorball Federation has been active and has started all the three projects. Czech Floorball Union also has some good plans, but has faced some problems in activating the other part of the project and they also have some other educational projects with other member associations in the region. Swedish Floorball Federation is starting first actions in May in an educational meeting meant for the referees.

Problems with some bilateral projects have been the difficulties to activate the other of the member associations involved and it seems that not all participating member associations have totally understood the deeper purpose of the project and the need for their own active actions nor have they been able to define what help they would eventually need.

In Asia the development in the EOTO has on the other hand been slow and only few member associations have had their first meetings regarding the project. No actual plans have so far been made. Some existing projects have been added to be part of the EOTO projects.

During the last months there have been more projects coming up, mainly concentrating on the educations and organizational issues. The IFF office is actively being involved with the starting, ongoing and upcoming projects, but there is still lot to be done mostly in supporting the member associations to proceed.