



INTERNATIONAL FLOORBALL FEDERATION (IFF)

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The IFF applied for funding from the European Union Erasmus projects to plan and develop a Street Floorball concept and the IFF school curriculum for the use of the IFF and especially for the IFF member associations. The funds were granted according to the application and contained 11.070 € for working hours of the IFF office staff and 13.300 € for travels, accommodation, printing etc.

The staff members involved with the project were decided to be Mr. John Liljelund, the IFF secretary general, Mr. Veli Halonen, the IFF operations coordinator and Ms. Minna Nurminen, the IFF office assistant intern.

The project was launched in May 2015 and the project leader is the Latvian Sports Confederation. There were nine separate national organizations and two international federations involved with the project.

National Floorball Federations from Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland. National Handball Federations from Czech Republic, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland. The Polish National Olympic Committee has acted as a partner and of the international federations IFF and SportAccord were in with the project.

SportAccord withdrew from the project after the issue with IOC and SportAccord in the beginning of June 2015.

The first project meeting was held in Warsaw in Poland from the 2nd to 3rd of June 2015 and it was clear during the first meeting that it was not very clear for the participants what was expected from each and every federation. During the meeting the Latvian Sports Confederation also showed the plans they had and that meant that the role of the IFF turned out to be bigger than the IFF originally planned.

The IFF's workload increased in the project and extra task was mainly to collect the case studies from the national Floorball and Handball federations together with the Czech Handball Federation, which was a very time consuming task, because it also included a lot of text corrections and it was quite difficult to get the information on time especially from the smaller federations, which don't have that many employees or no employees at all.

The timing for collecting for the information was not the ideal due to the fact that most of the deadlines were in the end of July/beginning of August. Eventually the material was collected



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and put together and will now be presented to a selected group of PE teachers in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland for their feedback.

The Latvian Sports Confederation organized a seminar in Liepaja in Latvia from the 7th to 9th of September and Latvian PE teachers and city representatives were invited for the seminar and there were presentations from all the nations involved. Mr. Liljelund gave a presentation of Floorball and especially about the ways to activate youth to be part of Floorball.

In general the project has so far been interesting, but there have been some problems with the lack of the project management and it was not clear in the beginning to any of the participants what was expected from each and every one.

The IFF has received so far approximately 13.500 CHF from the project, which are the personnel costs and some travel costs. We have not had any accommodation costs. There are ongoing discussion to increase the amount for IFF in personnel costs, since the role of the IFF has increased and is different what original agreed.

The project will end in May 2016 and then everything related to the project should be ready. The original plan for the project management was to have everything ready by the end of the year 2015, but due to the withdrawal of the SportAccord the Latvian Sports Confederation applied for extra time from the EU and EU granted that.