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PREVENTING THE SEXUAL ABUSE OF CHILDREN IN SPORT

Unfortunately the sexual abuse of children and young athletes in sport is a reality in all countries. Spain is not an exception. Only a few countries officially acknowledge this problem and have sport-specific prevention policies in place. This seminar is divided into two sections. The first part will centre on the knowledge and experiences developed in the UK and Germany during the past decade. The second part will focus on how this knowledge might be applied to Spanish sport so that we might generate safer sport environments and models of best practice in order to safeguard children's wellbeing.

Objectives:
1. Sensitizing for the problem and different forms of sexual violence in sport.
2. Presentation of UK and German strategies to protect children and young athletes from sexual abuse.
3. Exchange of ideas and possibilities for the implementation of prevention strategies in Spanish sport organisations.

Programme

9.00 Welcome – official speeches

9.30 Organisation of the day

9.45 Child Sexual Abuse in Sport: An Introduction and UK perspective – Dr. Mike Hartill (Universidad de Edge Hill – Reino Unido)

10.30 Prevention of Sexual Violence in German Sport – Dra. Bettina Rulofs (Universidad Alemana del Deporte Colonia,- Alemania

11.15 Children and young athletes sexual abuse cases in sport in Spain. Dra. Montse Martín (Universidad de Vic) y Sra. Cristina Gallo (periodista y escritora - España)

11.45-12.15 BREAK

12.15-12.45 Discussion and reflection of the main questions raised in the three previous talks. Gaining an understanding of how each role within a sport organisation can contribute to the prevention of sexual abuse.

12.45 Workshop: Specific examples of possible tools and procedures to implement in any Spanish sport organisation, from a local club to a Spanish Federation.

14.15 Summary and conclusions of the seminar (homework for the next sport season in your organisation).

14.30 Closing