

European Sectoral Social Dialogue Committee in the Professional Football Sector

Work Program 2008- 2009

Introduction

Under the rules of procedure of the European Sectoral Social Dialogue Committee in the Professional Football Sector this work program sets the framework for the coming two years.

This work program sets out the strategy and goals we want to achieve and the themes to jointly react on.

The Committee may address, however, other issues of relevance to the sector that are not included in this work programme, as agreed by the EPFL, FIFPro-Division Europe, ECA and UEFA from time to time.

EPFL, FIFPro Division Europe, ECA and UEFA accept the social dialogue as a valid instrument for the implementation of agreements on labour matters reached within the Professional Football Strategy Council.

Objectives

The EPFL, FIFPro-Division Europe, ECA and UEFA shall aim to strengthen the possibilities of social partners to shape the future developments regarding employment in the professional football sector and to articulate European levels of social dialogue.

The EPFL, FIFPro-Division Europe, ECA and UEFA shall in particular:

- Discuss and, where agreed, promote and develop the concept of "the European Professional Football player contract minimum requirements" (hereafter called MRSPC) throughout the European Union Member States. It is not the intention to reduce the existing level of minimum employment conditions put already in place in different European Member States. It is noted that implementation has to take into account the principle of subsidiarity and the legal environment on labour law, which differs from country to country.
- Conduct studies and hold conferences, workshops and round tables in the year 2008 in new member states or candidate countries.

EPFL, FIFPro Division Europe, ECA and UEFA agree on the following procedure for additional items for discussion within (EU) social dialogue:

- a) the item is submitted to the European football dialogue within the Professional Football Strategy Council;
- b) once agreed by the Professional Football Strategy Council the item may proceed to any formal (EU) social dialogue.

Who is doing what?

Issues	Methodology/who		Output
Players' Contract Minimum	Working	Group/steering	Discussion and approval of
Requirements	committee		the Players' Contract
			Minimum Requirements and
			implementation at the EU
			and national level