



## ***La Lucha Contra el Racismo en el Fútbol: Herramientas, Iniciativas y Proyectos***

### ***Tackling Discrimination in Spanish Football: Online and in Stadiums***

Bilbao, Spain | Friday 1st December | 0900 to 1400

**North Hall of The San Mames Stadium (P.º Rafael Moreno "Pitxitxi", s/n, Bilbao)**

*English Spanish simultaneous translation*



#### **BACKGROUND**

The Fare network (<https://farenet.org/>) is an umbrella organization that brings together individuals, informal groups and organizations driven to combat inequality in soccer and to use sport as a means of social change. The strength of the network lies in the diversity of its members, including fan groups, NGOs, supporters' clubs, grassroots groups and others, who contribute their expertise and act in a concerted effort to make discrimination in soccer a thing of the past.

Farenet is conducting the project "Countering hate speech and radicalization narratives around online soccer". The aim of the project is to address the issue of online hate speech leading to extremism and violence in soccer in the offline world (stadiums, fan gatherings). Through the development of an online monitoring tool and educational activities and materials, the project aims to create a safer online environment for young people and children, foster resistance to radicalization narratives in soccer online and offline and tackle the influence of extreme right-wing groups in soccer.

In the framework of the FARE project, FARE has designed an online hate speech monitoring tool aimed at professional soccer players. The tool monitors online hate speech and hate speech in real time, collecting these narratives in the context of international (World Cup, Nations League, Euro Cup, Champions League, Europa League, Conference League) and national (Spanish Football League, German Bundesliga, French Ligue 1, Italian Serie A, etc.) football matches in up to 10 European countries.

#### **ORGANIZERS**

On the occasion of the presentation of this project, Farenet with the Athletic Club Fundazioa Foundation together with the City Council of Bilbao and with the collaboration of the Spanish Observatory of Racism and Xenophobia (OBERAXE) of the Secretary of State for Migration, the Superior Council of Sports (CSD), Cidalia, Consultancy in Diversity and the Score Project (Sporting

Cities Opposing Racism in Europe) financed by the European Commission under the CERV-2021-CITIZENS-TOWN call organize the Workshop: **The Fight against Racism in Football: Tools, Initiatives and Projects" on December 1 at the San Mamés Stadium.**

This workshop has the following **OBJECTIVES**:

1. To present the tool designed by FARE for online hate speech and hate speech.
2. Promote a dialogue among stakeholders in Spain to address the situation of racism in Spanish soccer.
3. Discuss the roles and responsibilities of the different stakeholders.
4. Propose solutions that include short-term measures and development of strategies

It is the right time to develop a dialogue with all stakeholders for the development of actions to prevent racism in Spanish soccer, both in and around the stadiums and in the online environment (mainly social networks). It is necessary a dialogue and coordinated momentum among all stakeholders to address the complexity of the racist phenomenon in the field of soccer.

## **PARTICIPATION**

The Workshop will have the participation of panelists at European and Spanish State level, organizations and institutions from all over the national territory that are involved in the objectives of the conference will participate. Among the most significant organizations, among others, are:

- UEFA.
- Professional Soccer League.
- F. League
- Spanish Football Federation.
- Autonomous Football Federations.
- Professional clubs.
- Professional Football Players' Unions (AFE, FutPRO, etc.)
- FASFE - Shareholders and Members of Spanish Football.
- Local entities - Network of Municipal Antennas against Racism.
- ECCAR - European Cities Against Racism.
- RECI - Intercultural Cities Network.
- National Office for Hate Crimes (ONDOD) - Ministry of the Interior.
- Ertzaina.
- Social organizations and foundations.

## **LIMITED SPACE**

The proposal is that the Workshop can be an open space, but with a reduced participation (around 100 people) so that there can be a deep participation and dialogue between the parties involved that allows the agreement for the development of measures in the short and medium term.

## **REGISTRATION**

Given the limited capacity, we encourage you to register as soon as possible at the following link: <https://www.tfaforms.com/5096458>

**Registration period open until November 30 at 18:00h.**



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## Agenda

9,00 h.	Welcome and registration of participants
9,20 h.	Welcome from Athletic de Bilbao.
9,30 h	<b>Institutional Welcome.</b>  <b>Fare network</b>  Raul Rodríguez Porras, <b>Deputy Director General of the Legal Regime of Sport, Superior Sports Council (CSD). On line</b>  Karoline Fernández de la Hoz, <b>Director of the Spanish Observatory of Racism and Xenophobia (OBERAXE).</b> Secretary of State for Migration. Ministry of Inclusion, Social Security and Migration.  Juan Mari Aburto, <b>Mayor of Bilbao.</b>
9,50h	<b>European context political analysis</b>  Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament
10.15 h	<b>Perspectives on discrimination in soccer stadiums. Soccer players</b>  Amanda Gutierrez, President of <b>Futpro</b>

	<b>LGBTIQ community,</b>
11,00 h	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11,30 h.	<p><b>Monitoring online hate crime. Presentation of tools.</b></p> <p>Marcos Sánchez Santiago, responsible for the online monitoring of the <b>Spanish Observatory against Racism and Xenophobia (OBERAXE)</b>.</p> <p>Jesus Migallón, <b>Cidalia diversity consultancy LaLiga</b></p>
12,15 h.	<p><b>Actions to prevent and denounce racist incidents in soccer stadiums.</b></p> <p><b>National Office for Combating Hate Crimes (ONDOD) of the Ministry of the Interior.</b></p> <p><b>Ertzaintza (PC)</b></p> <p><b>Royal Spanish Football Federation (RFEF) (PC)</b></p> <p>Emilio Abejon, <b>Federation of Shareholders and Members of Spanish Football (FASFE)</b></p>
13,00 h	<p><b>Reform of the Sports Law to combat racism</b></p> <p>Jorge Núñez García, <b>Consejo Superior de Deporte (CSD)</b> technician and secretary of the <b>State Commission against Violence, Racism, Xenophobia and Intolerance in Sports.</b></p> <p><b>LaLiga</b></p> <p>Esteban Ibarra, <b>State Commission against Violence, Racism, Xenophobia and Intolerance in Sport. On line</b></p>
13,30 h.	<p><b>Mechanisms for the prevention of racism and the promotion of inclusion in cities through sport.</b></p> <p><b>Intercultural Cities Network (RECI)</b></p> <p>Evein Obulor, <b>European Coalition of Cities against Racism (ECCAR)</b></p> <p>Noemi Garcia Arjona, <b>Score Project</b></p>
14,15 h	<b>End of the day. Closing in charge of Athletic de Bilbao.</b>