



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. Further details: www.farenet.org

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BACKGROUND

The Fare network (<https://farenet.org/>) is an umbrella organisation that brings together individuals, informal groups and organisations to combat inequality in football and to use sport as a means of social change.

The strength of the network lies in the diversity of its members (fan groups, NGOs, national football federations, trade unions, amateur clubs and grassroots groups, among others). With their experience and concerted effort they contribute to making discrimination in football a thing of the past.

Farenet is carrying out the project "**Tackling hate speech and radicalisation narratives around online football**". The aim of the project is to address the issue of online hate speech leading to extremism and violence in football in the offline world (stadiums, fan meetings...). Through the development of an online monitoring tool and educational activities and materials, the project aims to create a safer environment for youth and children, foster resistance to radicalisation narratives in football online and offline, and tackle the influence of extreme right-wing groups in football.

In the framework of the project, FARE has designed an **online hate speech monitoring tool aimed at professional football 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, European Championship, 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.

ORGANISATION

On the occasion of the presentation of this project, Farenet is organising the Workshop: **The Fight against Racism in Football: Tools, Initiatives and Projects**" on 1 December at the San Mamés Stadium of the Athletic Club of Bilbao.

For this purpose, Farenet has in Bilbao the collaboration of :

- Athletic Club Foundation.
- Bilbao City Council.
- Spanish Observatory on Racism and Xenophobia (OBERAXE) of the Secretary of State for Migration.
- Consejo Superior de Deportes (CSD).
- Cidalia, Diversity Consulting.
- [Score](#) (Sporting Cities Opposing Racism in Europe) [project](#) funded by the European Commission under the CERV-2021-CITIZENS-TOWN call.

This workshop has the following **OBJECTIVES**:

1. Present the tool designed by FARE for online hate speech and hate speech.
2. Promote a dialogue between stakeholders in Spain to address the situation of racism in Spanish football.
3. Discuss the roles and responsibilities of the different stakeholders.
4. Proposing solutions that include short-term measures and the 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 football, both in and around the stadiums and in the online environment (mainly social networks).

A dialogue and coordinated effort between all stakeholders is needed to address the complexity of the phenomenon of racism in the field of football.

PARTICIPATION

The Workshop will be attended by panellists from Europe and Spain, and will involve organisations and institutions from all over Spain that are involved in the objectives of the conference. Among the most significant organisations, among others, are:

- UEFA.
- Professional Football League.
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- Royal Spanish Football Federation.
- Autonomous Football Federations.
- Professional clubs.
- Professional Footballers' Unions (AFE, FutPRO, etc.)

- FASFE - Shareholders and Members of Spanish Football.
- Local authorities - Network of Municipal Antennae against Racism.
- ECCAR - European Cities Against Racism.
- RECI - Intercultural Cities Network.
- National Hate Crimes Office (ONDOD) - Ministry of Interior.
- Ertzaintza.
- Social organisations and foundations.

LIMITED SPACE

The proposal is that the Workshop could 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 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 by clicking on the link:

<https://www.tfaforms.com/5096458>

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

Agenda

8,50 h.	Welcome and registration of participants
	Institutional Welcome.
9,10 h.	Welcome by Galder Reguera, Head of Athletic Foundation Piara Powar, Executive Director of Fare network Juan Mari Aburto, Mayor of Bilbao
9,30 h	Welcome and presentation. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Galder Reguera, Head of Athletic Foundation• Vania Bonalberti, Project Advisor EACEA, Executive Agency of the European Commission• Raul Rodríguez Porras, Subdirector General of the Legal Regime of Sport, Superior Sports Council (CSD). On line• Karoline Fernández de la Hoz, Director of the Spanish Observatory on Racism and Xenophobia (OBERAXE). Secretary of State for Migration. Ministry of Inclusion, Social Security and Migration.
9,50h	Dialogue and Reflection on the European Context, political analysis. Iban García Blanco, MEP William Gallart, Fare network board
10.15 h	Perspectives on discrimination in football stadiums: on and off the pitch. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Amanda Gutiérrez, President of Futpro• Raúl Granado, Onda Cero Editor• Maria Teixidor, founder of VUCA, advisor to PIMEC, chairwoman of the Board of Directors. Moderator: Andrew Bonich, Fare network
11,00 h	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11,30 h.	Monitoring hate crime online. Presentation of tools. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marcos Sánchez Santiago, head of online monitoring at the Spanish Observatory against Racism and Xenophobia (OBERAXE).• Ángel Fernández, Brand and Strategic Advertising Director of LALIGA.• Olivier Cauberghs, TextGain, online Moderator: Jesus Migallón, Cidalia diversity consultancy

12,15 h.

Actions to prevent and report racist incidents in football stadiums.

- Pilar Muniesa, **National Office for the Fight against Hate Crimes (ONDOD) of the Ministry of the Interior.**
- Hugo Carlos Prieto Adámez, **Commissioner. Head of the Ertzaintza's Incidents and Hate Crimes Team.**
- Emilio Abejón, **Federation of Shareholders and Members of Spanish Football (FASFE)**
- Paul Reidy, **AS Journalist**

Moderator: Raúl Martínez-Corcuera, Universitat de Vic- Universitat Central de Catalunya (UVIC-UCC)

13,00 h

Sports law reform to combat racism

- Jorge Núñez García, **Consejo Superior de Deporte (CSD)** technician and secretary of the **State Commission against Violence, Racism, Xenophobia and Intolerance in Sport.**
- Carlos del Valle Alonso, **Director of Security and Integrity of LALIGA.**
- Esteban Ibarra, **Observatory on Violence, Racism, Xenophobia and Intolerance in Sport. *On line***

Moderator: Salvador Moya, PhD in Humanities for the thesis "Racism in Professional Football", Journalist and Writer

13,45 h.

Mechanisms for the prevention of racism and the promotion of inclusion in cities through sport.

- Evein Obulor, **European Coalition of Cities Against Racism (ECCAR) *on line***
- Noemi Garcia Arjona, **Score Project**
- Dolores Galindo, **President of Dragons Lavapiés**

Moderator: Ekain Larrinaga Muguruza, Technician for Immigration, Bilbao City Council

14,15 h

End of the day. Closing by Athletic Bilbao.