



# FIRE project, 4<sup>th</sup> conference

The role of Football Associations, Leagues, Foundations, grassroots clubs and civil society in the inclusion of refugees through football.

# More than a Game- Football Including REfugees Conference

Thursday 18 February 2021  
Co-organised with LaLiga FOUNDATION

**Venue:**

**Zoom webinar.** *Please note the event is carried out in English.*

**Context:**

**Thursday 18 February 2021 (11.30H-14.00H CET)**, LaLiga FOUNDATION & Sport and Citizenship will together host the fourth transnational conference of the FIRE project. The conference will discuss the role of Football Associations, Leagues, grassroots clubs, and civil society stakeholders in the inclusion of refugees through football.

**Football Including REfugees Project (FIRE)**

**The FIRE project** strives to promote football as a medium of social inclusion, participation, socialisation and access to sport for asylum-seekers, refugees and migrants. Financed by the Erasmus + programme, FIRE's main objective is to support grassroots football organisations and foster cross-sector partnerships between all involved sectors by creating a network for mutually enriching participants. We believe in fostering intercultural openness across European local football clubs and bodies, and further seek to empower, enable and support local football organisations to work with refugees and asylum-seekers through sport, and football.

By organising this event, LaLiga FOUNDATION, FIRE, and Sport and Citizenship seek to gather a variety of stakeholders to share best practices and testimonials on the topic of local social inclusion.

**Programme:**

**11.30 Welcome**

**Adriana Orbea** *International Projects, LaLiga FOUNDATION*

**11.45 Introduction to the FIRE project**

**Rodolphe Doité** *FIRE Project Manager, Sport and Citizenship Think Tank*

## **EXPERIENCES PANEL 12.00-13.15**

**12.00** Introduction to the discussion round table.

**12.15** 'LaLiga | Za'atari Social Project – LaLiga FOUNDATION refugee project

**Izzat Jandali** *Social Coach, LaLiga FOUNDATION*

**12.35** Football & CEAR (Spanish Commission for Refugee Aid)

**Paco Jiménez** *Reception Center Director, CEAR Valencia*

**Diego Montalbo** *Inclusion Technician, CEAR Alicante*

**Sara Ferragud** *Social Technician, CEAR Valencia*

**Rosa Quiñonero** *Inclusion Technician, CEAR Alicante*

**12.55** Football with Refugees Barça Foundation

**Lucy Mills** *Program Manager, Barça Foundation*

**13.15** Q&A

**13.25** How education, research and civil society can meet. Lessons from the FIRE project

**Pr. Albrecht Sonntag** *ESSCA School of Management*

**13.45** Wrap up





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