

### **Football in Norway**

Founded in 1902, the Norwegian football association can look back on an impressive, although unspectacular, history. It celebrated a string of successes in the Olympic Football Tournaments that culminated in winning the bronze medal in 1936. But other football chapters have been writing history too. Since the women's league was established in 1973, it has been enjoying one triumph after another. In 1987, they won the European championship on home ground and, in 1988, the unofficial World Cup in PR China. Their last major triumph was Olympic gold in Sydney in 2000. But Norwegian football outshines in other respects too. The association organises the world's biggest football tournament for children and teenagers through the Norway Cup. As a seafaring nation, Norway also organises a worldwide network of football matches among teams from oceangoing vessels.

### Goal Project

The Norwegian association coordinates a colossal number of more than 330,000 football matches a year - an impressive figure, given the antiquated means at its disposal. Norway's first project is therefore modernisation of its IT equipment. On 4 February 2008, the *Goal* Bureau approved the construction of a modern, football-oriented IT system designed to relieve the burden of central, regional and local activities.

#### Project

Football-oriented IT system in the association headquarters in Oslo

Project approved 4 February 2008

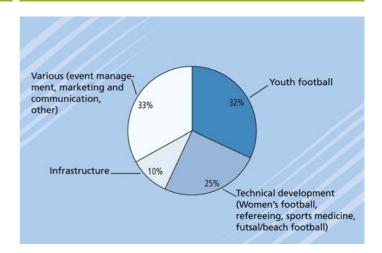
Status

Implementation

Financed by Goal Association Total cost

USD 400,000 USD 1,600,000 USD 2,000,000

# Use of FAP funds





Football education and courses	No of courses until 1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
FUTURO III regional courses																					
Refereeing (men and women)																					
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# Women's football

When, in 1995, today's FIFA President said "The future of football is feminine", it was more than mere lip service. It reflected a strong belief in the huge potential that women's football has to develop. Ever since, FIFA has given targeted support for the efforts of associations who offer women the same opportunities to develop as male players. Launched in 1998, FIFA's Financial Assistance Programme (FAP) introduced a requirement in 2004 for the associations and confederations to invest at least 4% of their FAP funding into women's football. This threshold was increased to 10% in 2005. On top of this commitment, FIFA also promotes the women's game in more general ways by directly financing women's matches and organising competitions and symposiums. Thanks to its development programmes, FIFA is also playing an active role in the training of administrators, coaches, referees and sports doctors.

Does an organised women's football set-up	exist? yes
If so, since when?	1973
From which age on, players are registered?	? 12
Women's teams (open or over 16 years)	762
Women's teams (below 16 years, youth)	4,136
National competition (or women's league)	yes
Regional competitions	n/a
University competitions	n/a
School competitions	no
Futsal competitions	no
National "A" team	yes
National youth teams: age categories	U-15-17, U-19, U-23



Long-standing hot property: the Norwegian women's national team

