## **Open Invitation for Application**

# **DISCOVER FOOTBALL Conference 2013**

For a strong and inclusive Female Football in Central Asia and Europe Berlin,  $10^{th}$  to  $15^{th}$  December 2013

We kindly invite you to apply for participation in the DISCOVER FOOTBALL Conference 2013 on women's football in Central Asia and Europe. Feel free to spread the invitation.

The conference will take place from 10<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> December 2013 in Berlin, Germany. Main goals of the conference are to exchange our experiences with and learn about how to strengthen and empower girls and women in and through football and to develop strategies for a football without discrimination/a more inclusive football in Central Asia and Europe. We also want to develop recommendations how FIFA, UEFA and national football federations can better support women's football. Results of the conference will also be collected in a good practice guide on empowerment through women's football.

The application is for women only.

Apply now!

Event host and organizer

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### **About Us**

The Association Fußball und Begegnung e.V. (Football and Exchange) was founded by committed football enthusiasts who use sport as a tool to empower women and promote intercultural understanding. We organize international exchanges, conferences and tournaments where women and girls build skills and share knowledge that will help them enhance their autonomy, mobility and power. This non-profit organization relies largely on voluntary work of women, which makes it unique in the world of football. DISCOVER FOOTBALL advocates for a world in which girls and women can do sports without being discriminated against for any reason.

DISCOVER FOOTBALL has received strong encouragement from the UN special advisor on Sport for Development and Peace, Mr. Willi Lemke, the German Football Association's Steffi Jones and Theo Zwanziger as well as German Chancellor Angela Merkel.

#### **Football Conference**

The goal of the conference is to bring different expertise on women's football together and benefit from the exchange among each other. Together we will be able to develop new perspectives and strategies and contribute to strengthening women's football projects in different countries.

Starting from your experience and knowledge we will develop strategies to enhance women's football in different countries. Through workshops on different subjects like financing of women's football projects, media skills or training methods for girls and women and through networking among each other we want to contribute to widening your scope of action and strengthen your projects and associations. We also want to develop recommendations how FIFA, UEFA and national football federations can better support women's football.

We will collect the results of the conference in the DISCOVER FOOTBALL manual on women's football in order, to spread our insights to other women's football organizations around the world.

The conference is divided into two panels: The first panel will deal with challenges of football for girls and women in general. The second panel focuses on discrimination and exclusion in football especially racism and homophobia. Please indicate in your application in which panel you want to participate.

During the conference there will also be the possibility to participate in a small football tournament with local teams from Berlin.

## **Organizational Details**

The Conference will take place from  $10^{th}$  to  $15^{th}$  December 2013.

Accommodation, meals and transportation during the event will be provided by DISCOVER FOOTBALL. Travel costs must be paid individually. In exceptional cases DISCOVER FOOTBALL can support you with the travel costs. Please contact us, in case you need financial support for the international travel costs.

Language: Conference language will be English; we will also try to organize translation for other languages.

The application is open only for women.

#### Application

If you want to participate in the conference, please fill out the application form and send it back to us no later than the 13th of October 2013.

You can send the application form via Email to <a href="mailto:info@discoverfootball.de">info@discoverfootball.de</a>

or to:

Fußball und Begegnung e.V. Solmsstr. 52 10961 Berlin

If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact us at

#### info@discoverfootball.de

Application cannot guarantee the participation. All decisions are final and not open to legal recourse.

## Application form DISCOVER FOOTBALL Conference 2013

Name (Last name, Surname)	Contact details (Email, Address, Phone)
Country	Football team/Organization/Federation etc
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Which languages do you speak?	What is your position and role in the
(Please indicate the level 3=good, 2=fair, 1=none)	Team/Organization/Association/Federation etc.
Level of English:	
Level of Russian:	
Other:	
Do you actively play football?	Do you work as a volunteer or as a professional for women's
	football?
Age and Sex	What profession or occupation do you have?
How is the general situation for women's football in your country?	
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How does your association/federation/organization support your work for women's football?	
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What is your work for women's football about? What do you do in your work?	
Why do you want to participate in the conference? (Do you have any special concern? What should change in your country in order to	
enhance women's football?)	
Which are the subjects you would like to contribute to the conference?	

Do you want to prepare an input yourself? If yes, what would be the subject of the input?	
What do you want to be an device the conference 2 What is invariant for your wall?	
What do you want to learn during the conference? What is important for your work?	
Did you already participate in a seminar or training for women's football? If yes, where and when? And who were the organizers?	
Is there any contact to other networks or associations? Which?	
Do you have any special wish for the conference? What do you want to happen? What should not happen? Anything else, we should	
know about you or your work?	
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I want to participate in the following panel	
☐ Panel 1: Strengthening Football for girls and women	
☐ Panel 2: Fighting Discrimination like Racism and Homophobia in Football	
Please give 3 recommendations what FIFA/UEFA or your national football federation should do in order to better support the	
development of (an inclusive) women's football.	