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The first Goal Project

Having been selected for a Goal project on 4 July 2001, Niger presented their project - the construction of association headquarters and a technical centre in Niamey - on 4 May 2002. With its own purpose-built headquarters, the association will be able to improve their organisation and supervision of football in Niger. The new technical centre will have facilities for every area of football development work: education, youth development, development programmes, etc. The head of state donated land for the association headquarters, while the technical centre was built on land provided by the Niger Government. Funds from Goal and the FIFA Financial Assistance Programme covered the costs.



Financing of Goal project

Project

Association headquarters and technical centre in Niamey

Project approved

4 March 2002

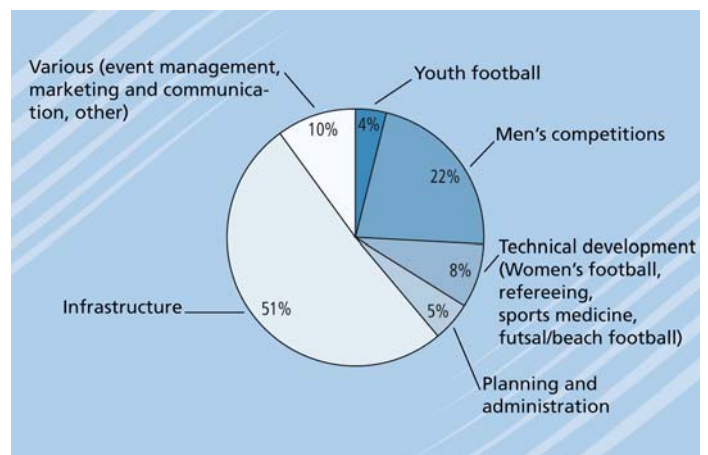
Status

Opened on 4 June 2005

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
FAP	USD	227,022
Total cost	USD	627,022

Use of FAP funds



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Second Goal project

Niger's second project will finish off the training centre that was opened in Niamey on 4 June 2005. An artificial turf pitch with international dimensions will be installed, enabling domestic league matches to be played and providing the same conditions for national teams in all categories. The Goal Bureau approved the project on 3 December 2006.



Financing of Goal project

Project

Artificial turf pitch at the training centre in Niamey

Project approved on

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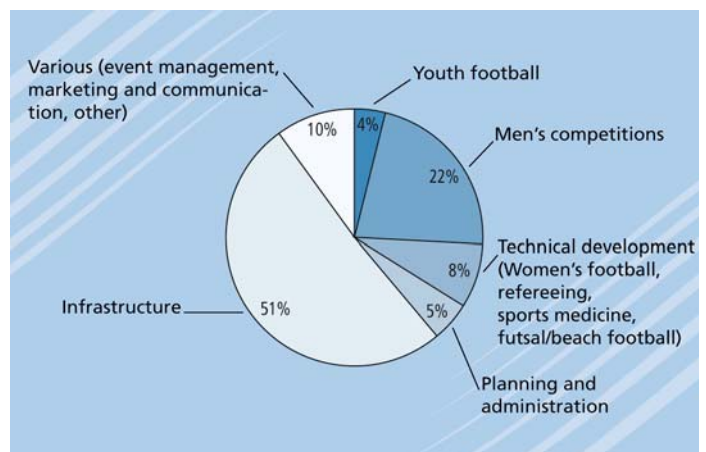
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Implementation

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
Total cost	USD	400,000

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)																					
Coaching (men)																					
Coaching (women)																					
Administration and management																					
Football medicine																					
Seminars																					
Women's football																					
Futsal																					
Com-Unity																					
MA Seminars																					
MA courses																					
Administration																					
Refereeing (men and women)					●																
Coaching (men and women)																					
Beach soccer																					
Futsal																					
Olympic solidarity coaching courses					●																
Development courses and academies (1975 - 1990)																					
FUTURO I-II courses for all football branches	0	●									●										

●: Course host country

□: Course participant in another country

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? no

If so, since when?

From which age on, players are registered?

Women's teams (open or over 16 years)

Women's teams (below 16 years, youth)

National competition (or women's league)

Regional competitions

University competitions

School competitions

Futsal competitions

National "A" team

National youth teams: age categories

Win in Africa with Africa

Under this motto, FIFA is seeking to use football pointedly as a development tool. At the same time, the governing body is aiming to focus attention on Africa in the build-up to the 2010 FIFA World Cup™ and project a positive image of a continent that is working hard for its own development.. The Win in Africa with Africa campaign was endorsed by the FIFA Congress in Marrakesh and assigned a USD 70 million budget by the Congress in Munich.

At its heart lies the initiative to provide every African nation with an international-standard artificial turf pitch. The remainder of the eight-point programme is intended to develop domestic competitions, train African sports executives, promote sports medicine and address topical issues relating to the FIFA World Cup™ in South Africa.

Further information on Win in Africa with Africa:
http://www.fifa.com/mm/goalproject/WinAF_E.pdf



Poor conditions at the Stade Municipal de Niamey led to an all-weather artificial solution.



Intensive ground work at the Stade Municipal as part of Win in Africa with Africa.



The new football turf pitch shortly before its inauguration.



Another football turf pitch has been installed at the technical centre as part of the Goal Programme.