

- Association founded 1936
- Affiliated to FIFA in 1962



Flag



Association emblem



World map



## Football in Liberia

Despite ongoing political unrest, football has experienced an upturn in Liberia, which can be attributed, at least in part, to close cooperation with organisations such as the West African Football Union (WAFU), CAF and FIFA. This positive trend has been accompanied by a number of successes at international level, such as the Lone Star's first appearance at the African Cup of Nations in 1996 (a feat that was repeated in 2002). Liberia's most famous player is of course George O.M. Weah, who was voted African Player of the Year on several occasions and whose clubs included Paris Saint-Germain (France) and AC Milan (Italy). He also had a spell as coach of the Liberian national team and is currently playing club football again in the United Arab Emirates. Other household names are Nyenetu «Santos» Brown (ASEC Mimosas, Côte d'Ivoire), James S. Debbah, Joe Nagbe and Kelvin Sebwe.

## The Goal Project

Liberia was awarded one of the eleven pilot *Goal* projects. The artificial turf surface at the national association's Antoinette Tubmann Stadium was inaugurated personally by FIFA President Joseph S. Blatter on 23 November 1999. The stadium has become the hub of all national football activities. It serves as the venue for all matches in the various national championships (senior, youth, and women's) and also hosts international fixtures, such as qualifiers for FIFA and CAF competitions. Women's football has benefited enormously from the new facilities. New leagues have been set up which have improved playing standards significantly. The project was financed by *Goal* and the FIFA Financial Assistance Programme. In addition to laying the artificial turf pitch, minor renovation work was also carried out on other facilities at the stadium.



## Financing of Goal project

### Project

Artificial pitch in Antoinette Tubman Stadium

### Project approved

Pilot project

### Status

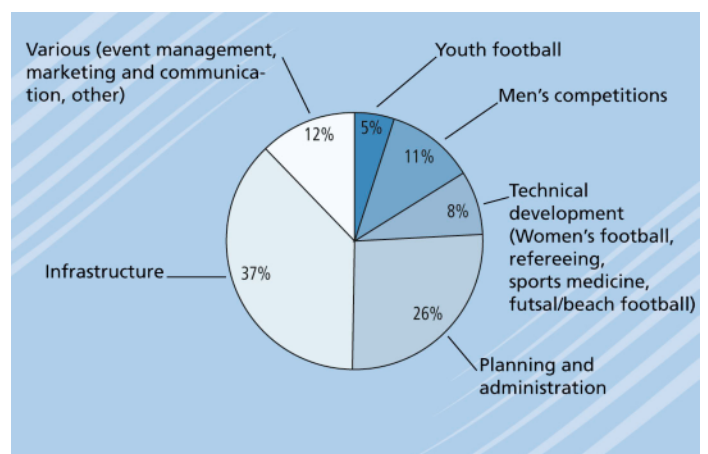
Opened on 23 November 1999

### Financed by

*Goal*

### Total cost

## Use of FAP funds



- Association founded 1936
- Affiliated to FIFA in 1962



Flag



Association emblem



World map



## Football in Liberia

Despite ongoing political unrest, football has experienced an upturn in Liberia, which can be attributed, at least in part, to close cooperation with organisations such as the West African Football Union (WAFU), CAF and FIFA. This positive trend has been accompanied by a number of successes at international level, such as the Lone Star's first appearance at the African Cup of Nations in 1996 (a feat that was repeated in 2002). Liberia's most famous player is of course George O.M. Weah, who was voted African Player of the Year on several occasions and whose clubs included Paris Saint-Germain (France) and AC Milan (Italy). He also had a spell as coach of the Liberian national team and is currently playing club football again in the United Arab Emirates. Other household names are Nyenetu «Santos» Brown (ASEC Mimosas, Côte d'Ivoire), James S. Debbah, Joe Nagbe and Kelvin Sebwe.

## Second Goal project

Liberia, where an artificial turf pitch was laid at the national stadium as a pilot *Goal* project in 2000, requested it to be renovated in the second project. The *Goal* Bureau approved this request on 21 March 2007. The new one-star generation of turf will thus enable international matches to be played at the Antoinette Tubman Stadium. The annual maintenance costs will be borne by FIFA's Financial Assistance Programme, donations from sponsors and gate receipts.



## Financing of Goal project

### Project

Renovation of artificial turf pitch at the Antoinette Tubman Stadium in Monrovia

### Project approved on

21 March 2007

### Status

Implementation

### Financing

<b>Goal</b>	USD	400,000
<b>Total cost</b>	USD	400,000

## Use of FAP funds

