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## The first Goal Project

On 22 August 2002, FIFA President Joseph S. Blatter inaugurated an artificial turf pitch laid within the Vadul lui Voda technical centre. The pitch is approximately 20km outside of the capital city of Chisinau and was financed by the *Goal* Programme. It is part of a newly constructed facility, built with the help of the FIFA Financial Assistance Programme. As well as this new artificial turf pitch, the complex also has two grass pitches, a hotel, dressing rooms, study rooms, a restaurant, a medical centre. The national teams will hold their training camps in this new complex, which will save the national association a great deal of money in terms of accommodation and pitch rental fees. Moldova has 12 national/representative teams, which will ensure that the new facilities are used on a frequent basis. The national association will also take the requirements of clubs into account, allowing any interested teams to train on the artificial pitch.



## Financing of Goal project

### Project

Artificial pitch and medical equipment for technical centre in Vadul-liu-Voda (Chisinau)

### Project approved

13 February 2001

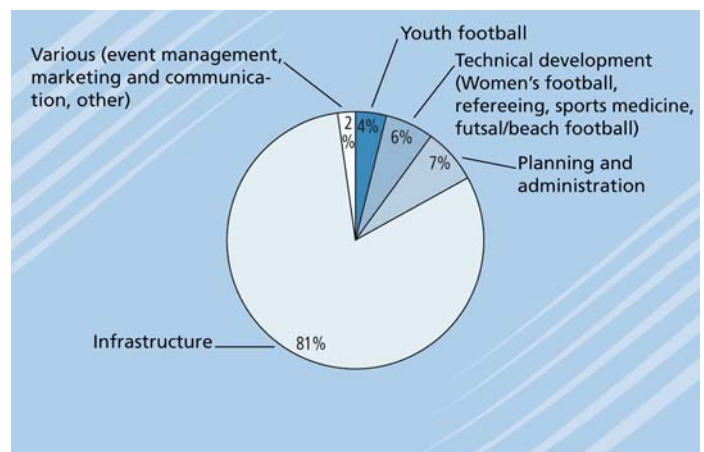
### Status

Opened on 24 August 2002

### Financed by

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

## Use of FAP funds



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## The second Goal project

The second Moldovan project comprises the refurbishment of the association's office complex and upgrading of existing equipment. The measure is designed to improve working procedures and bring the communications system in line with international standards.



## Financing of Goal project

### Project

Refurbishment of the association headquarters and installation of modern equipment

### Project approved on

7 November 2005

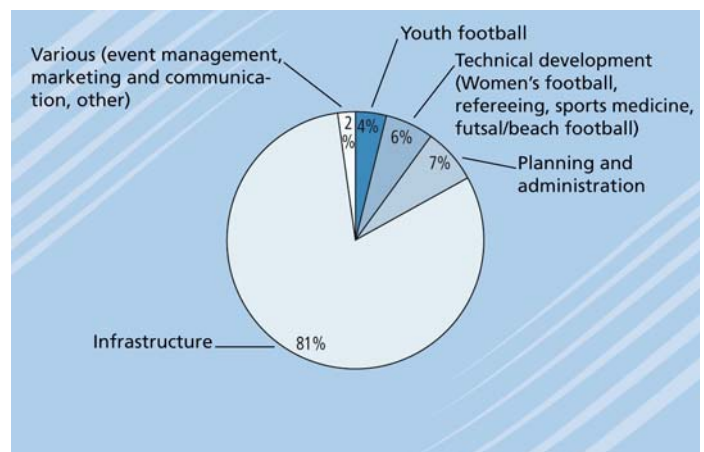
### Status

Implementation

### Financed by

<b>Goal</b>	USD	400,000
<b>Total costs</b>	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
		<b>FUTURO III regional courses</b>																			
Refereeing (men and women)																					
Coaching (men)																					
Coaching (women)																					
Administration and management																					
Football medicine																					
<b>Seminars</b>																					
Women's football																					
Futsal																					
Com-Unity																					
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Coaching (men and women)																					
Beach soccer/Futsal																					
Youth																					
Olympic solidarity coaching courses																					
<b>Development courses and academies (1975 - 1990)</b>	<b>0</b>																				
<b>FUTURO I-II courses for all football branches</b>																					

●: 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?	yes
If so, since when?	1989
From which age on, players are registered?	11
Women's teams (open or over 16 years)	10
Women's teams (below 16 years, youth)	12
National competition (or women's league)	yes
Regional competitions	no
University competitions	no
School competitions	no
Futsal competitions	yes
National "A" team	yes
National youth teams: age categories	U-17, U-19



The Moldovan women's national team in full action