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The first Goal Project

At its meeting on 22 September 2004, the Goal/Bureau gave the go-ahead to the Burundi association to submit a draft project for association headquarters in Bujumbura. The building will be erected next to the Prince Luis Rwadasore national stadium, for which the government has promised to donate the land. The budget will keep within the limits of the donation from Goal and, at the time of the award, work was expected to start in August 2005.



Financing of Goal project

Project

Association headquarters in Bujumbura

Project approved on

22 September 2004

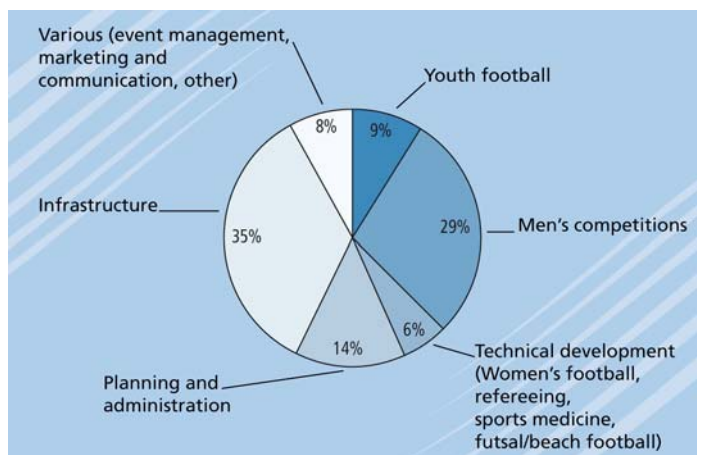
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Second Goal project

Even before its new headquarters, whose construction had been approved in September 2004, could be officially opened, the Burundi football association had already submitted plans for another project. The envisioned national training centre in Bujumbura will enable the association to run training programmes, especially for young players. The Goal Bureau gave the project the go-ahead on 21 March 2007 and the Burundi government has agreed to donate the required plot of land.



Financing of Goal project

Project

Training centre in Bujumbura

Project approved on

21 March 2007

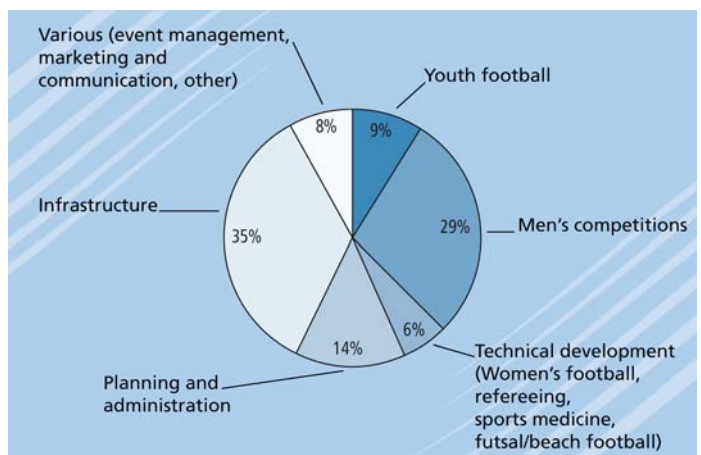
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Football education and courses	No of courses until 1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	FUTURO III regional courses																				
Refereeing (men and women)																☐					
Coaching (men)																					
Coaching (women)																					
Administration and management																					
Football medicine																					
Seminars																					
Women's football																					
Futsal																					
Com-Unity																					
MA Seminars																					
MA courses																					
Administration (Win Africa)																					●
Refereeing (men and women) (Win Africa)							●														● ●
Coaching (men and women) (Win Africa)																					●
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?	yes
If so, since when?	2000
From which age on, players are registered?	12
Women's teams (open or over 16 years)	17
Women's teams (below 16 years, youth)	0
National competition (or women's league)	yes
Regional competitions	yes
University competitions	no
School competitions	no
Futsal competitions	no
National "A" team	yes
National youth teams: age categories	U-20

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/goalprojectWinAF_E.pdf



The Stade Prince Louis Rwagasore, Bujumbura before the playing surface was renovated.



During the renovation work.



The eight-team CECAFA U-17 international tournament was played on this surface in August 2007.