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The first Goal Project

At its meeting on 15 October 2003, the *Goal* Bureau approved a project to build a technical centre in Rabat. Work at this football complex will primarily focus upon educating coaches, referees and officials and on developing young players. The association already pays a great deal of attention to the development of promising players and the new facilities will allow these efforts to be raised to another level. Funds from the FIFA Financial Assistance Programme have also been earmarked to cover part of the costs for the technical centre.



Financing of Goal project

Project

Technical centre in Rabat

Project approved

15 October 2003

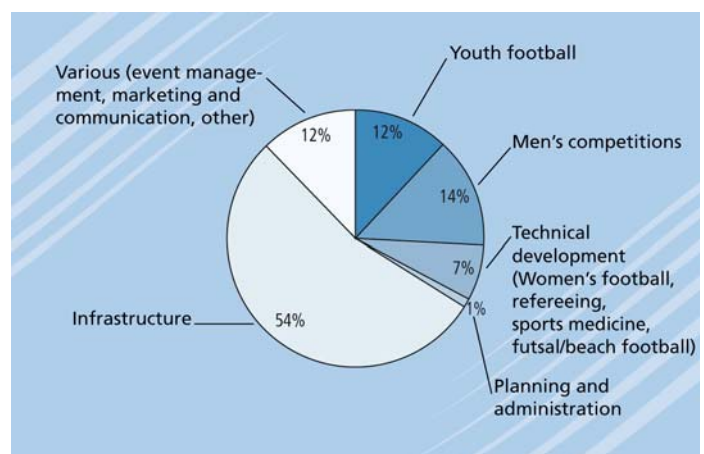
Status

Opened on 30 April 2006

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
FAP	USD	286,500
Total cost	USD	686,500

Use of FAP funds



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Second Goal project

The main aim of the project approved by the Goal Bureau on 4 February 2008 was to lay an artificial turf pitch at the technical centre in Rabat opened in 2006, thus providing youngsters in particular with good training facilities that would remain constant all year round. Furniture for the centre is also to be provided. The Moroccan FA is using funds from FIFA's Financial Assistance Programme (FAP).

Use of FAP funds

Project

Artificial turf pitch at the national technical centre in Rabat

Project approved

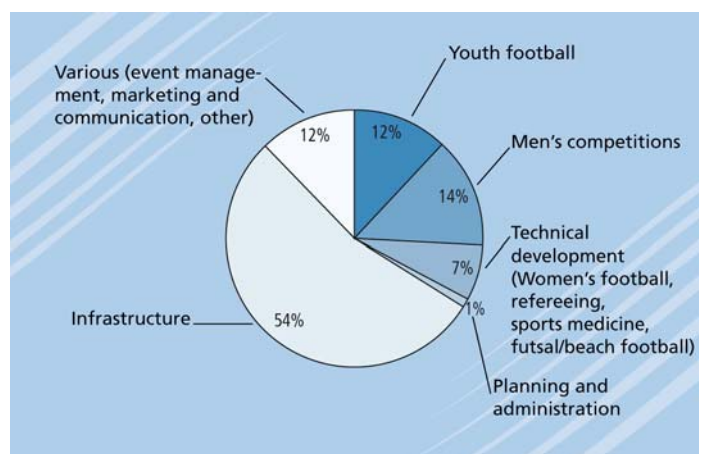
4 February 2008

Status

Implementation

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
FAP	USD	100,000
Total cost	USD	500,000



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	4					●															

●: 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?	n/a
Women's teams (open or over 16 years)	66
Women's teams (below 16 years, youth)	n/a
National competition (or women's league)	yes
Regional competitions	n/a
University competitions	yes
School competitions	n/a
Futsal competitions	no
National "A" team	yes
National youth teams: age categories	n/a

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



Municipality Stadium of Kénitra. Capacity: 15,000 spectators



Intensive work on the preparation of the ground



The football turf is laid and the stadium nearly ready for use