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## The first Goal Project

During the first phase, the Goal Programme financed ten offices distributed across the whole country. These offices should improve the administration of Russian football and coordinate the various regional championships and development programmes in conjunction with the national association, based in Moscow. An artificial turf pitch has been laid within the grounds of a technical centre in Bronnitsy and was opened in August 2003. The pitch will primarily provide a boost to youth development work. The complex will host training camps of the youth national teams, as well as youth tournaments and get-togethers as part of a talent-spotting programme.



## Financing of Goal project

### Project (parts I and II)

Regional offices and artificial pitch for youth teams in Bronnitsy

### Projects approved

15 february 2001 and 4 march 2002

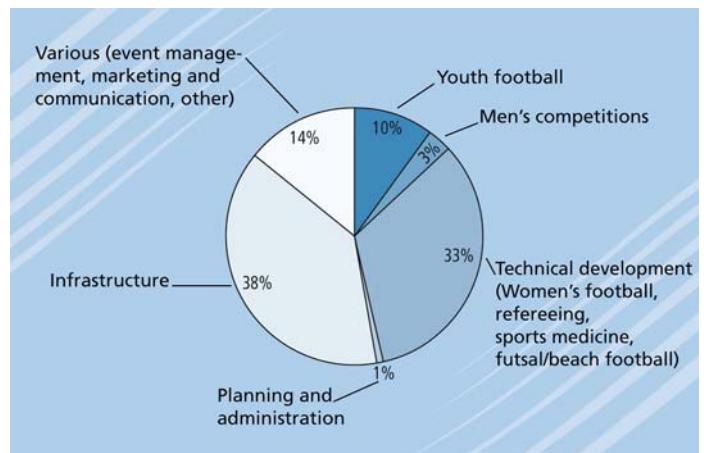
### Status

Opened on 2 August 2003

### Financed by

<b>Goal</b>	USD 150,000 + USD 400,000
<b>Government</b>	Land
<b>Total cost</b>	USD 550,000

## Use of FAP funds



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## The second Goal project

Following the taking into operation of the artificial pitch installed under Project I in 2001, the Goal Bureau approved a second project for the construction of an association headquarters building in Moscow at its meeting on 22 September 2004. The Football Union of Russia (RFU) was housed in a state institute along with other sports associations. On completion of this project the entire football administration is now united under one roof in a dedicated building, which will improve cooperation between the various departments. The project was financed using funds from the Goal Programme, the UEFA HatTrick Programme and the RFU.



## Financing of Goal project

### Project

Headquarters in Moscow

### Project approved on

22 September 2004

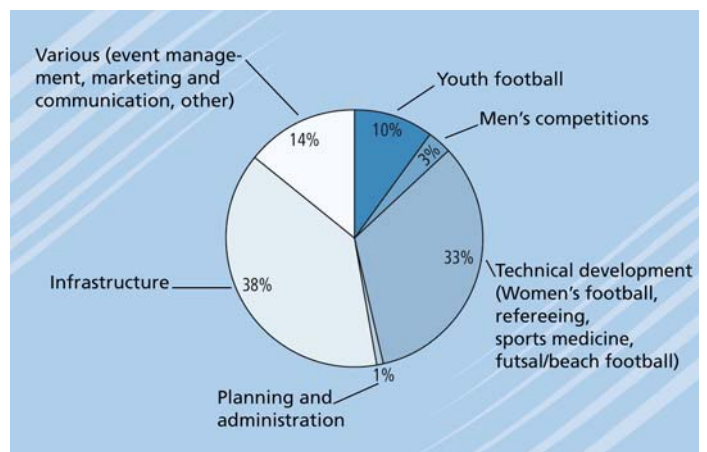
### Status

Opened on 25 January 2008

### Financed by

<b>Goal</b>	USD	400,000
<b>Total cost</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																					
MA Seminars																			●		
<b>MA courses</b>																					
Administration																					
Refereeing (men and women)			●																		
Coaching (men and women)																					
Beach soccer																					
Futsal																			●		
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?	1987
From which age on, players are registered?	12
Women's teams (open or over 16 years)	298
Women's teams (below 16 years, youth)	168
National competition (or women's league)	yes
Regional competitions	yes
University competitions	yes
School competitions	yes
Futsal competitions	yes
National "A" team	yes
National youth teams: age categories	U-15, U-17, U-19



The Russia U-19 women's national team