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The first Goal Project

At its meeting on 1 May 2003, the Goal Bureau added Tunisia to the list of beneficiaries of the Goal Programme and, just three months later, went on to approve the association's proposed project on 15 October. The project involves constructing new headquarters for the association in Tunis and will help to provide appropriate facilities for the organisation's wide range of activities. The new building, situated within the Elmenzah sports complex (cité olympique), will serve as a focal point for Tunisian football, where, in addition to committee meetings, seminars and conferences, public events will also be held.



Financing of Goal project

Project

Association headquarters in Tunis

Project approved

15 October 2003

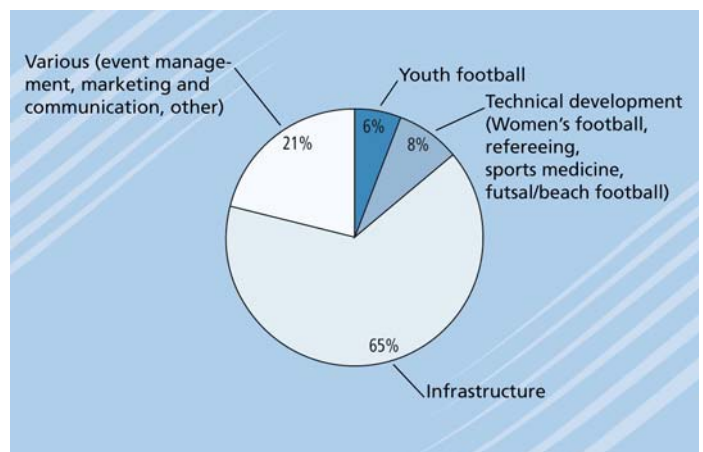
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Opened on 27 March 2006

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
FAP	USD	250,000
Association	USD	185,616
Total cost	USD	835,616

Use of FAP funds



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Second Goal project

The second phase of the *Goal* project consists of the provision of special training facilities for coaches and referees in particular. On 4 February 2008 the *Goal* Bureau approved the Tunisian FA's proposal to build a specialised technical centre for referees.

Project

Specialised centre for football coaches and referees

Project approved

4 February 2008

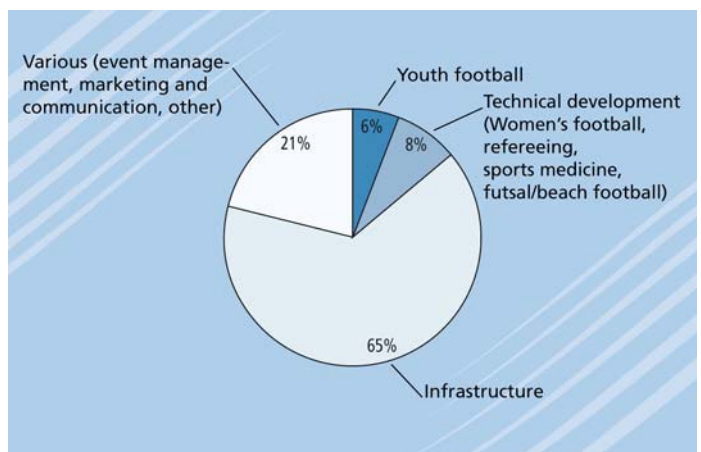
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Implementation

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
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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																					
Refereeing (men and women)			●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●				●							
Coaching (men and women)															●	●			●		
Beach soccer																					
Futsal																		●			
Olympic solidarity coaching courses																					
Development courses and academies (1975 - 1990)																					
FUTURO I-II courses for all football branches	2					●															

●: 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?	2004
From which age on, players are registered?	9
Women's teams (open or over 16 years)	26
Women's teams (below 16 years, youth)	16
National competition (or women's league)	yes
Regional competitions	yes
University competitions	yes
School competitions	yes
Futsal competitions	no
National "A" team	yes
National youth teams: age categories	

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



Preparation of the ground.



This football turf was laid in the specialised technical centre for referees, built within the Goal programme's second project