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## Football in Côte d'Ivoire

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## The first Goal Project

All coaching facilities were previously under private management (clubs) or fell under the patronage of the Ministry of Sport. However, a technical centre planned for the national association as part of Goal is set to buck that trend. The project was approved by the Goal Bureau on 1 May 2003. Thanks to financial assistance from FIFA, the national association has been able to organise a very promising, nationwide youth development initiative over the last three years. Competitions at U-10, U-12, U-15, U-18 and U-20 levels have been organised in all regions of Côte d'Ivoire in an effort to bring together the most talented players in each age group at regional and later national level and thus safeguard the future of Côte d'Ivoire football on the international stage. As part of this scheme, courses are also being held for coaches and officials.



## Financing of Goal project

### Project

National technical centre in Abidjan

### Project approved

1 May 2003

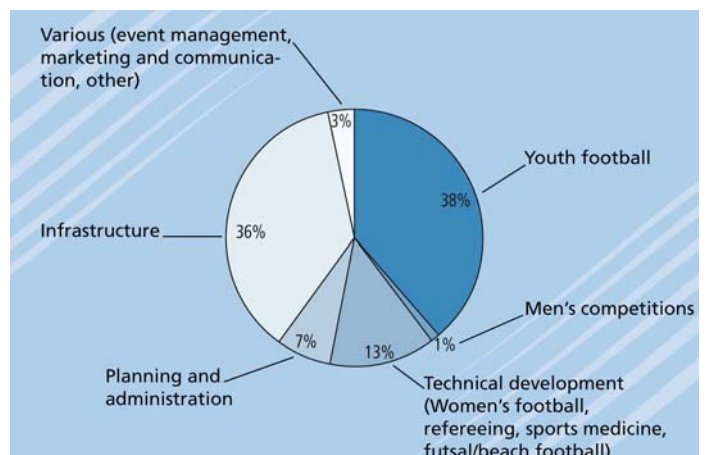
### Status

Implementation

### Financed by

<b>Goal</b>	USD	400,000
<b>Association</b>	USD	39,090
<b>Government</b>	USD	265,000
<b>Total cost</b>	USD	704,090

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## Second Goal project

On 21 March 2007, the Goal Bureau gave the green light to the second phase of operations at the Côte d'Ivoire football association's technical centre in Abidjan, which will include extending the area that it covers thanks to support from the Ivorian government and constructing additional facilities for training talented young footballers. This central complex will be used as an academy for promising youngsters from U-10 up to U-20 level as well as for training coaches and administrators. At a later stage, the centre will also be used by national teams at various levels.



## Financing of Goal project

### Project

Completion of training centre in Abidjan

### Project approved on

21 March 2007

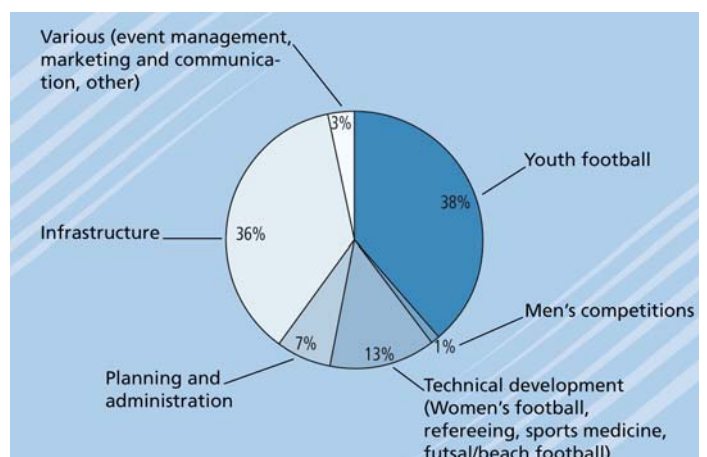
### Status

Implementation

### Financing

<b>Goal</b>	USD	400,000
<b>Association</b>	USD	275,000
<b>Total cost</b>	USD	675,000

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## Third Goal project

The first two *Goal* projects provided the Ivorian Football Association with the means to develop football autonomously. The third project, again focusing on the national technical centre in Abidjan, will equip the centre to host the senior national team during training camps. Improvements to the dormitories, training sessions and equipment will all contribute to the centre's ability to develop young players, host the senior national team and generate its own revenue.

### Project

Extension of infrastructure at the national technical centre

### Project approved on

2 June 2009

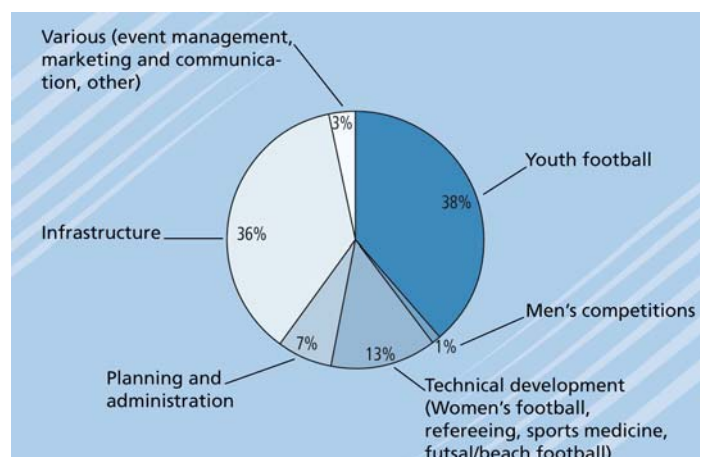
### Status

Implementation

### 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																					
Women																			●		
Olympic solidarity coaching courses																					
<b>Development courses and academies (1975 - 1990)</b>	<b>4</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.



Training session in Abidjan

Does an organised women's football set-up exist?	yes
If so, since when?	1975
From which age on, players are registered?	9
Women's teams (open or over 16 years)	36
Women's teams (below 16 years, youth)	4
National competition (or women's league)	yes
Regional competitions	no
University competitions	no
School competitions	yes
Futsal competitions	n/a
National "A" team	no
National youth teams: age categories	n/a



The Côte d'Ivoire women's senior national team

### 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](http://www.fifa.com/mm/goalprojectWinAF_E.pdf)



*The Parc des Sports, Abidjan before it was renovated.*



*United manpowers installing the new football turf.*



*The perfect football turf pitch.*