Play the change!
Tackling discriminations in and through sports

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FAIR PLAY, TOLERANCE & SAFETY IN SPORTS FOR EVERYONE
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History of EGLSF

- Founded in The Netherlands in 1989
- EGLSF is the European advocate for Lesbian Gay Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex & Queer (LGBTIQ) people in sport in Europe
- Umbrella organisation – a network of LGBTIQ sports clubs in Europe
- Started with clubs in Western Europe
History of EGLSF


• In 25 years expanded to 100 member groups representing over 20,000 LGBTIQ athletes. Member clubs now also in CEE, including Bulgaria, Hungary, Poland, the Balkan region and Russia
Future Goals

• More visibility in sports in CEE
• Helping the creation of new lgbtiq sports clubs (all Europe), focusing on these countries with more needs
• TIQ inclusion
• More relevance to LGBTIQ Sports in Europe: it is a field with almost no institutional support
• “Let’s be out of the closet inside the changing room”
LGBTIQ sports...

- Do they exist?
- Are there male/female sports?
- Are there straight/homo sports?
- Are LGBTIQ sports necessary? (i.e. EuroGames, Gay Games, OutGames)
LGBTIQ athletes...

- Do they exist?
- In which sports?
- Are they visible?
- Is it useful/important/necessary to be out in sports?
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And you?
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Best practices on tackling discrimination in and through sports

• Sports4every1 (Çavaria)

Let’s play the change... now!
Thanks for your attention!

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