

## World2Win – a year in the project

*In 2026, the first Olympic event in history takes place on the African continent: the Youth Olympic Games. World2Win (W2W) uses this momentum to build a strong connection between Europe and Africa. It serves as a catalyst for development in Senegal and between Senegal and Europe. The international dimension of sport will be promoted by the support of learning mobilities, exchanges and knowledge transfer and has a strong focus on the development of (beach)volleyball in Senegal. [Read more](#) about all our activities.*

***Due to Covid-19 the Youth Olympic Games have been postponed to 2026. [Read more](#). The project is also on hold for 6 months, until august 15<sup>th</sup> 2021. Nonetheless, the World2Win project is able to execute the activities in the project and continue working on the development of (beach)volleyball in Senegal.***

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#### World2Win works on:

- Establishing a long-term network between Africa and Europe
- Management development; knowledge transfer and exchange through several workshops in Senegal and Europe
- Preparing athletes for the Youth Olympic Games via a long-term placement of an EU coach
- Training Senegal coaches by a professional volleyball coach
- Training athletes in the Back2School programme so they visit their former school and inspire children
- Organising school tournaments
- Training coaches in Volleyball4Life in order to give V4L at schools
- Creating sustainable deliverables (manual/curricula)

## Successful project kick-off in Senegal

From 9-11 March 2020 the project consortium had their kick-off in Dakar, Senegal. The aim was to start the exchange, visit sites like volleyball centres, meet the players and coaches and plan the project for the upcoming two years. The EU partners learned about Senegal and the ambitious YOG plans. The first workshop was a great success and resulted in concrete plans and a strong team. A lot of interested stakeholders came to the opening at the residency of the Dutch Ambassador. This resulted in a strong network and opportunities for future partnerships. Have a look at [this video](#) to get a good impression of the kick-off workshop. Since the first workshop the project team has had 2-weekly online meetings to work on the different activities.

## Ndeye Fatou Sall – project manager in Senegal

To develop a strong federation, a good organisation with competent people is necessary to execute a project. Part of the W2W project is to assign a project manager in Senegal for local coordination of all the activities. Ndeye Fatou Sall was appointed as project manager and is now part of the World2Win project consortium. Ndeye is a law student at Cheick Anta Diop University in Dakar. She is a former international volleyball player and currently the Secretary General of the Senegal Volleyball Federation.



## New board for Senegal Volleyball Federation

The Senegalese Federation of Volleyball organized its general assembly on Sunday, December 27, 2020 in Dakar. At the end of the elections which took place in a calm atmosphere, Mr. Amadou Anna SEYE was elected for a 4 years mandate. The former Secretary General Mrs. Ndeye Fatou SALL BA was re-elected and remains the only one left of the former executive committee. The board currently has 18 members who all have one goal: the promotion and development of volleyball in Senegal. One of the objectives of the new board remains the implementation of a sustainable development policy with a strong priority given to youth. This among other things demonstrates the place given to the W2W project which is registered in the heart of the steps of the new Federation. The President who is a former international volleyball player has just finished his career as an international referee. He was also vice-president of the FSVB in the past.



## Volleyball4Life coaches manual developed

As part of the Volleyball4Life project of the project, a coaches manual has been developed. The manual, together with a training, will educate coaches so they can offer a grassroots volleyball programme, especially for girls. We provide the coaches and girls with volleyball drills and games, coaching and community support to build new skills, self-insight and the

opportunity to share their stories and problems. All of this results in personal development and increased decision-making power for the girls. A summary of the coaches manual can be found in [English](#) and in [French](#). The manual is currently translated in French. Do you want to know more about it or a possible collaboration? Email to [volleyball4life@nevobo.nl](mailto:volleyball4life@nevobo.nl)

*“It is also about creating awareness. That they can participate equally. That’s an aspect we really want to focus on. But also: what is coaching of girls really about and how can you do this in a way that they also benefit from it in their daily life? This programme is much more than sport only, which makes it so interesting.” - Joan Wiegman, Dutch Ambassador to Senegal*

## 2 online webinars for volleyball trainers in Senegal

Kristof de Loose will give one of the webinars on May 19<sup>th</sup> 2021, 5 p.m. Belgium Time / 3 p.m. Senegal time. In the “Be creative with exercises” webinar series, we train children in the different skills they need to play volleyball. We’ll focus on 3 different points, Fun Move and Learn. This webinar will inspire you to create lots of variations with the same materials without repeating the same exercises week after week. Kristof’s webinar can be followed by this Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86488519393>

Nicolas Sauerbrey will give a webinar, on June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2021, 5 p.m. French time / 3 p.m. Senegal time, on the different ways of playing: how to play easily, how to compete fast and have fun in playing. The presentation is linked to an experience led in France some years ago, and reproduced all around the country. Nicolas’ webinar can be followed via this zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85933529869>



## Volley Vlaanderen donates jerseys

Volley Vlaanderen donated unused volleyball jerseys to Let’s Keep The Ball Flying which will distribute them to Senegal to give the unused gear a new life. Let’s Keep The Ball Flying is a global community that believes every child deserves to play volleyball. [Read more](#).

## Fédération Française de Volley donates volleyball balls

Taking part in the World2Win project, the French Federation has decided to send 200 balls to Senegal, to help grassroots project begin, specifically with volleyball activities in schools. Shipment is on the way, coordinated by [Let’s Keep the Ball Flying](#).

## Partnerships

6 organisations (Olympic Committees & Volleyball Federations from 4 countries in 2 continents) got inspired to start the World2Win project. We already work together with the European Union and the International Volleyball Federation FIVB. The last month's also a lot of stakeholders have showed interest in partnering or collaborating with the World2Win project. The collaboration with Let's Keep The Ball Flying is a nice concrete example. We are very excited about this and expect to show a few more example in the next month's. We believe that together we can have more sustainable impact. If you are interested in partnering or collaboration, please contact [ingrid.vangelder@nocnsf.nl](mailto:ingrid.vangelder@nocnsf.nl).

## Meet the project consortium – Bertrand & Alain

In each newsletter members of the project consortium will be introduced. In this edition, you will get to know Alain and Bertrand.



### **Alain Louis Kisito FAYE – Federation Senegalaise de Volley-Ball**

Alain is part of the Senegal Volleyball Federation. He is a volleyball instructor, manager of Olympic sports organizations and director of educational communities. Currently also the National Director of Senegalese volleyball. He is in charge of the technical development and coordinates the link with the World2Win project. "I'm enthusiastic about the W2W project and the doors it will open to success for volleyball in Senegal".

### **Bertrand Leys – Fédération Française de Volley**

Bertrand is the deputy national technical director of the French Volleyball Federation and is in charge of the federal performance project and international relations. His technical expertise is of great value to the project. Together with Alain, which he supports throughout the process, they have a good eye for the technical side of the project.



*"We have identified that there are quite a few players with many qualities physically and technically" – Bertrand Leys, French Volleyball Federation*

## Want to join our community?

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