

EUROPEAN CHART OF



WOMEN'S RIGHT IN SPORT

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art. 2 LEADERSHIP

Women and men must have the **same opportunities** to participate in **decision-making** at all levels as well as in all **areas of sport.** They must be **EQUALLY** represented on boards, committees and in managerial positions.

THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND MEMBER STATES must take concrete measures to **ENSURE equal representation of women and men** in **DECISION-MAKING** positions in sport organizations and institutions, as well as in **ADMINISTRATIONS AND AGENCIES** dealing with sport. A **QUOTA SYSTEM** and **PRO-ACTIVE ACTION** are needed to attain this **goal.**



art. 1 PARTICIPATION IN SPORT

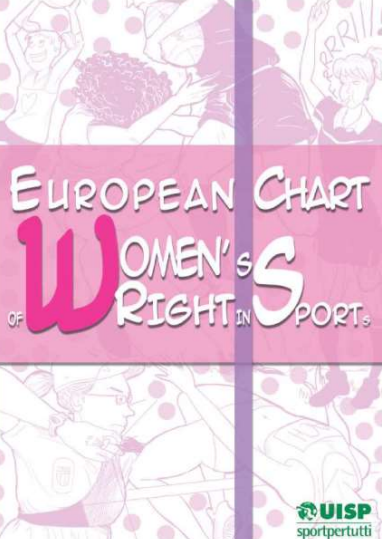
Everyone has the **RIGHT** to participate in **SPORT** in a **safe environment** that preserves **HUMAN DIGNITY.** Women and men of all ages coming from a **DIFFERENT social & ethnic** background **MUST HAVE THE SAME OPPORTUNITIES** to practice **SPORT.** Sports organization and institutions must be **RESPONSIBLE** for implementing **gender equality** and find means of governance to **PROMOTE women's participation** **ZSPORT** at all **LEVELS.**

art. 3 EDUCATION AND SPORT PHYSICAL EDUCATION

GIRLS AND WOMEN, as well as boys and men, must have the **SAME RIGHT** to learn various **sports and skills** and to develop **physical literacy and fitness.** Both gender should be given the **chance to develop a life-long commitment** and to the **physical activities** of their **choice.** Physical education teachers, coaches health **professionals** and other groups working in **educational environments** should be **MADE AWARE** of **GENDER DISCRIMINATION** in sport and should **adopt** and **implement** the **principles of EQUALITY.**



The European Chart of Women's Rights in Sport was created in 1985 thanks to the work and the commitment of Uisp's women, (Uisp - Italian sport for all association). In 1987, the Chart became heritage of the European Community, after a resolution voted by the Assembly. It's the first time that women's rights to have access to physical activity, the recognition of women players in different disciplines, the equal economical treatment between men and women are discussed. Since 1980s, a lot has been done, still it is not possible to talk about gender equality in sports yet. In 2010, through the Olympia project, the Chart has been updated according new and different cultures and needs, the ones coming from countries always more multicultural and with different sports. In 2016, Italy celebrated the 70th anniversary of women's participation, with the right to vote, at the elections, recognizing that the new Republic, born from the resistance a through the institutional referendum of June 2nd 1946, were the result achieved by the struggle of both men and women. In those years, it starts the road to the self-determination and it starts to raise the awareness that important civil rights have to be conquered in order to have full gender equality. The European Chart of Women's Rights in Sports is nothing more than that, on one side, it keeps alive the memory of a great organization as Uisp is, the first organization to fight for the raise of a sport for women in Italy and Europe; on the other side, to keep scream, as it happens to some characters of the comics, that the path to an equalitarian sport, capable to assign to women the leadership, the activity, the economical treatment, and the representation, is still arduous and full of barricades, even cultural barricades. To the future Uisp we are trying to build, more open, inclusive, welcoming and supportive, must give our active contribution to the "female quest", by removing all the obstacles which avoid its real crossing.



art. 5 WOMEN, SPORT AND THE MEDIA

Mass media has an **enormous impact** on the **of culture** of the **European Union** and must be the first to embrace the **principles and values of GENDER MAINSTREAMING**, not least the **priorities & recommendations** established by this Charter. **FEMALE athletes** must have the **same opportunities** as **men** to be **represented** in mass media. Media coverage should respect the **dignity** of the individual. **WOMEN** should be **EQUALLY** represented in **MEDIA-RELATED POSITIONS** such as **journalist, photographers or editors.**



art. 4 RESEARCH AND SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITIES

WOMEN & MEN should have the **same opportunities** to become members of **SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITIES** and to **influence** theories, methods and research topics. **EQUAL PARTICIPATION of WOMEN & MEN** and **TREATMENT** at all levels and in ALL FIELDS of **SPORTS SCIENCES** should be **promoted.**

art. 6 AUDIENCES AND FANS

Women should have the **SAME OPPORTUNITY** as **men** to express their **LOVE OF SPORT** by being **FANS** and through their participation as **FAN COMMITTEES.** **Female fans** should be **RESPECTED** as **experts,** given access to the **core activities of supporters groups** and **not considered** as **merely uninformed spectators** or consumers who don't share the **group's CORE IDEALS.**