



THE PROJECT

The vision of the three-year STEADY project is to increase sports participation of Displaced Youth with Disabilities (DYD) by promoting volunteering and equal access of migrants & minorities to organized and grassroots sport.

STEADY is a project that focuses on changing the paradigm, bringing migrants and refugees with disabilities from the margins to become integral members of the sporting community.

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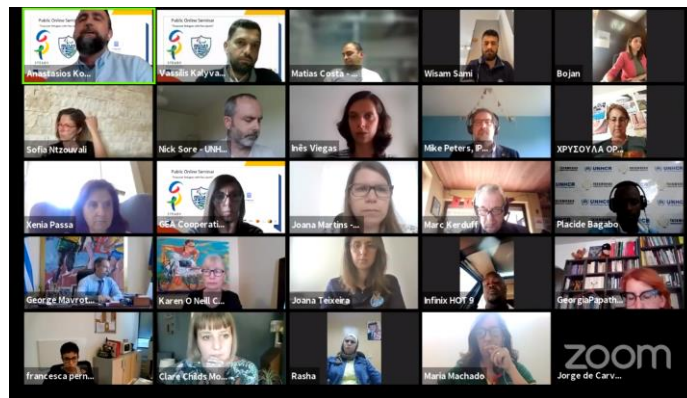
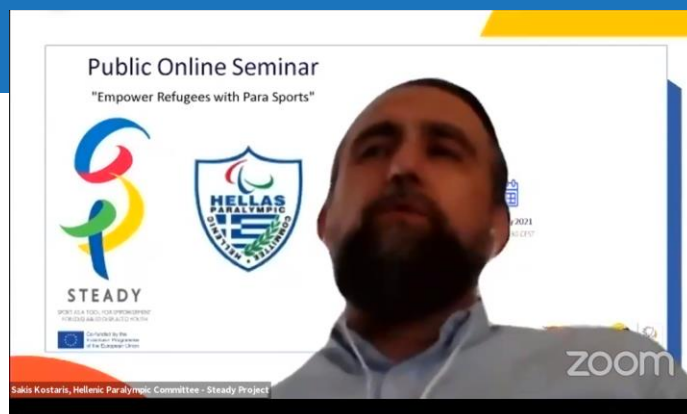
STEADY Public Webinar

The Greek Paralympic Committee as coordinator of the European STEADY Programme, organized an online seminar "Sport as a tool to empower displaced young people with disabilities - Sport as a tool for the Empowerment of (Un)Abaled & Displaced Youth", was a successfully public webinar, by zoom, at May 27th, 2021 from 15.30 - 17.30, with about 100 participants.

Objectives:

- Information on the importance of inclusive sports for refugees and immigrants with disabilities.
- Presentation and discussion on how National Paralympic Committees, International Federations and Unions use sport as a tool to cultivate tolerance to diversity and social inclusion.
- Presentation of good practices among stakeholders and individuals (federations, sports clubs, refugee operators, coaches, sports professionals and social inclusion).
- Creation of a network of organizations and entities that will work together to combat discrimination and empower refugees with disabilities through sport.

The seminar has been welcomed by the General Secretary of Sport Giorgos Mavrotas, the CEO of International Paralympic Committee Mike Peters, the Chairman of the Greek Paralympic Committee Christos Kaloudis and the representative of High Commissioner for Refugees in Geneva, Nick Sore.



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WP3.2 Establishing opportunities for DYD in the host community sport initiative

The aim of the activity is to pilot methods and tools that stakeholders can use to identify evidence-based and/or innovative actions for promoting voluntary activities in sport, together with social inclusion, equal opportunities and awareness of the importance of health-enhancing physical activity, through increased participation in, and equal access to sport for all. Each partner will develop an action under one of the 4 types of Pilot Actions that will help in drawing inspiration/testing out/taking action: **including DYD in sports activities, promoting opening and coordination of innovation programmes of raising awareness on STEADY, training of NGO professionals and sports instructors in the design and delivery of sports activities for DYD, help national and regional NGOs by promoting the establishment of objectives and cooperation agendas to involve DYD in sport initiatives.** This pilot actions involve training of sport professionals or volunteers of sport organizations/NGOs, open positions for involving DYD in participants organizations, a movie to promote STEADY; research, strengthen and communicate routes to raise awareness on Sports as a Tool for Empowerment of DYDs.

The partners have already taken the first steps towards their pilot actions.

The International Paralympic Committee and the Agitos Foundation participate in the STEADY-Project pilot actions by organizing a public chat with Wisam Sami about how his parasport experience helped him to overcome difficulties related to his refugee story. Through this activity the public had the opportunity to address questions to Wisam and learn about the STEADY Project and its contribution to refugees with disabilities empowerment and inclusion.



<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1155671434857018>

STEADY Project's news

The International Paralympic Committee Paralympic Games announced the Paralympic Refugee Team for Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games!

The STEADY-Project is proud of being a pioneer in the field of promoting the use of Parasports as a tool for empowerment and social inclusion of Refugees and Migrants with disabilities! It is with great pleasure to see that six refugee athletes will be able to participate and compete in the highest competitive level of the Paralympic Games and we are even prouder to have contributed to the inspiration and building up of this initiative!

Go Paralympic Refugee Team, GO, and inspire more refugees with disabilities to shape a better future for their lives through parasports experience!



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dhlCevI-vIM>

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