

M i n u t e s

of the meeting on the construction of school swimming pools in Serbia

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On the initiative of the Association of Water Polo Trainers of Serbia, a working meeting was held on the preparation of an analysis of the condition of the swimming pools, the construction of school swimming pools and the training of managers of sports centers in Serbia. Participating representatives of the Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development of the Republic of Serbia, the Public Procurement Chamber of Serbia, the International Association of Infrastructure Managers for Sport and Leisure, the Water Polo Coaches Association of Serbia, Waterpolo Club "Radnički" Kragujevac and the companies from sport industry, were:

P r e s e n t

Dejan Savić, National team coach and president of the Association of Water Polo Coaches of Serbia, **Gabrijela Grujić**, Assistant Minister of Education, Science and Technological Development, Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development of the Republic of Serbia, **Vesna Nedeljković**, Assistant Minister for Pre-primary and Primary Education, Ministry of Education, Science and technological development of the Republic of Serbia, **prof.dr. Marko Špiler**, President of the Public Procurement Chamber of Serbia, **Jože Jenšterle**, Secretary General of the International Association of Infrastructure Managers for Sport and Leisure, **Tomica Stojanović**, Secretary General of the Water Polo Association of Serbia, **Jugoslav Vasović**, Director of Water Polo Club "Radnički" Kragujevac, **Aleksandar Obradović**, Company director Alex Engineering & Construction Ltd. Belgrade, **Tatjana Janežič**, Business Secretary of the International Association of Infrastructure Managers for Sport and Leisure, **Goran Tupegaza**, coach and **Nebojša Orlić**, Manager of Virtus d.o.o.

A g e n d a

1. Analysis of the current state of existing pools in the RS and recommendations for construction according to the priority analysis with the primary purpose for school sport.
2. National construction plan for small school swimming pools in Serbia and developing a school water polo league according to the model of the American education system.
3. The program of professional training of managers of sports centers.

D I S C U S S I O N & C O N C L U S I O N S

Tomica Stojanovic, Secretary General of the Water Polo Association of Serbia

The Secretary General of the Water Polo Association of Serbia presented goals of the Association and proposals of trainers for the preparation of three projects, with which the sports profession wants to participate in the preparation of the development strategy prepared by the Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development of the Republic of Serbia. An analysis of the current state of existing pools in Serbia will show real needs for the construction of the swimming pool infrastructure. An integral part of the analysis will be assessment of the impact on public health and the prolongation of working abilities as well as the impact of water polo on the growth and development of school-age children. The Association wishes to continue excellent cooperation with the Ministry of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Serbia, as well as with the Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development of the Republic of Serbia. The Association wants to cooperate with the International Association of Infrastructure Managers for Sport and Leisure in areas of transfer of knowledge, standards of management and maintenance of sports infrastructure, preparation of projects for joint participation in the Erasmus + program and development of the program for professional training of managers of sports centers.

Dejan Savic, National team coach and president of the Association of Water Polo Coaches of Serbia,

The National team coach of water polo representatives of Serbia emphasized the need for coordinated action of all actors, ministries, cities, municipalities, schools and sports organizations in the preparation, financing and implementation of new school sports education programs, inclusion of pupils in school sport and inclusion of young prospective athletes in clubs and representative selection. For the proper implementation of the program, schools need adequate infrastructure and training facilities. Successful implementation of these activities will improve conditions for achieving international success of national teams of Serbia.

Vesna Nedeljković, Assistant Minister for Pre-primary and Primary Education, Ministry of Education, Science and technological development of the Republic of Serbia

The Ministry has made decisions regarding the preparation of the national development strategy, cross-sectoral cooperation and coordination of activities. In cooperation with the sports profession the Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development of the Republic of Serbia is preparing a strategy for the development of Serbia in various fields, including health, education, sports and infrastructure. School sport

and "sport for all" take an important place in shaping a strategy to improve the conditions for human health. School sports education is important for the development of sports and a healthy lifestyle for children and pupils. We will achieve the desired goals with new programs, which include sports profession and the construction of new school sports facilities. It will be necessary to make an analysis of the condition of existing sports facilities and programs. Based on the analysis, public tenders will be prepared for the project of pool construction.

Jugoslav Vasovic, Director of Water Polo Club "Radnički" Kragujevac

We need quality facilities for training and competitions in the cities for the development of sports, clubs and regular funding of educational and sport programs. Sports clubs in Kragujevac were founded as companies that provide conditions for successful development of sports in the city and achieving sports results. The city finances sports programs and the use of sports infrastructure through these companies. The system is unique in the country.

Aleksandar Obradovic, Director of the company Alex Engineering & Construction d.o.o. Beograd

The Director presented possible forms of cooperation between enterprises and the public sector. For successful cooperation, standards of infrastructure for leisure and sports will be adopted, which will include technological systems such as filtering systems for bathing water in the swimming pools.

Jože Jensterle, Secretary General of the International Association of Infrastructure Managers for Sport and Leisure

The Secretary thanked for the invitation to participate in the analysis of the condition of the existing swimming pools, the preparation of programs for the construction of school swimming pools and the professional development of managers of sports centers in Serbia. Planned projects include diverse and broad areas of activity: physical culture, school education, sports, infrastructure and sports industry. For the preparation and implementation of projects it will be necessary to include:

- ministries with development strategies and regulations in various areas,
- towns and local communities with urban planning and investment financing,
- schools with educational programs "All children swim" and school facilities,
- sports organizations with swimming courses and water polo programs,
- sports industry with the supply of goods and services necessary for the construction, operation and maintenance of infrastructure for sports and leisure (recreation).

Sport programs and school swimming pools in Serbia

For the successful implementation of projects, it will be necessary to ensure full transparency of the use of public funds through the public procurement system and the adoption of standards for the management and maintenance of infrastructure for sport and leisure (a rulebook adopted by the ministry). Cities will develop a public-private partnership in the investment and management of sports infrastructure. An analysis of the status of existing pools and the development of professional training programs for the managers of sports centers in Serbia will be made in cooperation with the Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development of the Republic of Serbia, the Ministry of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Serbia, the Association of Water Polo Coaches of Serbia and the International Association of Infrastructure Managers for Sport and Leisure. The International Association is already helping the Water Polo Association of Serbia to prepare and report projects in the Erasmus + program.

Tomica Stojanovic, Secretary General of the Water Polo Association of Serbia

Participants in the meeting support the preparation of projects: (1) Analysis of the current state of the existing pools in the RS and recommendations for construction of the facilities in the cities according to the priority analysis with the primary purpose for school sport. (2) National construction plan for small school swimming pools in Serbia and developing a school water polo league according to the model of the American education system. (3) Program of professional training of managers of sports centers. The Association will continue with project development activities.