



Dear Sport&EU members,

The **Sport&EU 19th annual conference** will be organised by the **University of Naples Federico II** in Naples, Italy, on **30th June and 1st July 2025**. The organizing committee is now open to receiving proposals for individual papers.

The deadline to receive proposals is the 31st January 2025.

Decisions on accepted papers will be made no later than **17th March 2025**.

As each year, the Sport&EU conference strives to have a distinctly multi-disciplinary character. **Papers are invited to cover a wide variety of priority areas:**

1) The three main priorities of the EU Work Plan for Sport 2024-2027:

- integrity and values in sport
- socio-economic and sustainable dimensions of sport
- participation in sport and health-enhancing physical activity

2) The recent and current developments of international sport in relation to the following topics:

- EU Internal Market and Sport
- Sustainability and Sport
- Reform perspectives in the following fields:
 - Sport and audio-visual rights
 - Sport, fundamental rights protection, inclusion
 - The governance and regulation of football and professional sport: Legal and policy routes
 - Professions in the sports industry

3) The traditional Sport&EU topics:

- Legal issues in European sport and the impact on sport of recent rulings of the CJEU
- EU sport policy design and implementation
- Physical activity and physical exercise: EU achievements
- Transgender athletes' inclusion in elite and grassroots sport
- The impact on sport of far right/populism resurgence in Europe
- Opportunities and limits in (European) sport diplomacy (incl. sanctions)

For the 2025 conference delegates will have the opportunity to present two types of papers:

- **Short 10' papers:** floating new ideas, commenting on cases, seeking feedback at early stages of work, etc.
- **Full 20' papers:** More elaborate papers of academic nature, including research objectives, methods, results and discussion.

Please indicate in your abstract what format you wish to adopt.

Paper proposals (both short and full) will be reviewed by a Scientific Committee of the Sport&EU Association.

Following our traditional policies of equality and diversity, Sport&EU encourages PhD students and young career academics to submit their proposals for this conference. Equally, we especially encourage female and non-binary academics to submit their proposals.

How to submit your paper:

- Submit a one-page abstract with standard margins (no tables or charts, no bibliography).
- Submit in WORD format, single spaced, using the classical 12-point Arial font.
- Include your full name.
- Include your contact email.
- Please indicate clearly:
 - whether you are proposing a short or full paper;
 - which of the priority topic areas your paper belongs to.
- Each abstract must include the following sections: research objectives/questions, methodology, (preliminary) results and relevance of findings.
- Note that abstracts not following these guidelines will be returned to the authors.

Paper proposals should be submitted by email to **sporteu2025@gmail.com** by 31st January 2025.

Publication opportunities:

Presenters of accepted full papers may submit a final version for publication in the *Journal of Sports Law, Sports Policy and Sports Diplomacy* (<https://hrcak.srce.hr/ojs/index.php/slpdj>), which works in partnership with Sport&EU. Another opportunity for publication will be the *International Sport Law Journal* (<https://link.springer.com/journal/40318>) a peer-reviewed high-level journal, quality-indexed in prominent databases such as Scopus, EBSCO, ProQuest, SCImago etc.

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