

# Preventing Violent Extremism: Webinar on Good Practices for Engaging Young through Sports Programs

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More than half of the world's population is under the age of 30 and the global agenda increasingly recognizes

the role of young people as key actors in powerful social movements. While youth are often the most affected by

violent extremism and considered particularly vulnerable to radicalization and to joining violent extremist groups,

most young people will never participate in any type of violence. On the contrary, youth can play important roles as agents of positive change and are generally much better positioned to promote a culture of tolerance and peace

amongst their peers.

An effective youth engagement in the prevention of radicalization and violent extremism can and should be

pursued, through both formal and informal education. Positive and enjoyable activities, including sports, art or

theatre have all proven to be fruitful.

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This webinar will bring together policymakers, civil society organizations, youth representatives and international

organizations to discuss existing practices to prevent radicalization and violent extremism through an effective

youth engagement.

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At the end of this virtual roundtable, participants will be able to:

- 1. Understand how sports can act as a tool to prevent violent extremism among youth
- 2. Identify the differences between rural and urban settings within the context of violence prevention

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This event brings together representatives from these key stakeholder groups to discuss in practical terms the measures governments and other stakeholders can take to ensure that this vital component of our societies is not left behind – now more than ever.

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Participation is open to government officials, diplomats, staff of international organizations, development practitioners, faculty members, and administrators of educational institutions.

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This webinar has English/Spanish interpretation available.