

Republic of Kosovo
Government
Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sport

MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION
BETWEEN

THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE, YOUTH AND SPORT
AND
THE OLYMPIC COMMITTEE OF KOSOVO
AND
THE ATHLETICS FEDERATION OF KOSOVO,
THE BOXING FEDERATION OF KOSOVO,
THE WRESTLING FEDERATION OF KOSOVO,
THE SWIMMING FEDERATION OF KOSOVO,
THE SKIING FEDERATION OF KOSOVO,
THE SHOOTING FEDERATION OF KOSOVO,
THE TAEKWONDO FEDERATION OF KOSOVO,
THE JUDO FEDERATION OF KOSOVO

Pursuant to paragraph 8.4 of the Annex to Regulation (GRK) No. 14/2023 on the Areas of Administrative Responsibility of the Office of the Prime Minister and Ministries, Article 17(3), Article 20, and Article 47(1) of Law No. 08/L-277 on Sport, as well as Decision No. 19/198 dated 02.04.2024 of the Government of the Republic of Kosovo and its annex entitled "High Performance Sports Grant - Supersportists", the parties agree to sign this Memorandum of Cooperation under the following provisions:

Article 1 – PARTIES

The parties agreeing to implement this Memorandum in accordance with its purpose and provisions are:

- 1.1. Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sport (hereinafter: MCYS)
 - 1.2. Olympic Committee of Kosovo (hereinafter: OCK)
 - 1.3. The sports federations included in the "Supersportists" program:
 - Athletics Federation of Kosovo
 - Boxing Federation of Kosovo
 - Wrestling Federation of Kosovo
 - Swimming Federation of Kosovo
 - Skiing Federation of Kosovo
 - Shooting Federation of Kosovo
 - Taekwondo Federation of Kosovo
 - Judo Federation of Kosovo
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Article 2 – PURPOSE OF THE MEMORANDUM

The purpose of this Memorandum is to provide financial support to selected high-potential athletes from athletics, boxing, wrestling, swimming, skiing, shooting, taekwondo, and judo under the High Performance Sports Grant – "Supersportists" (hereinafter: GPLS "Supersportists"). This support aims to sustainably develop their careers and increase the likelihood of achieving elite results in international competitions during the 2024–2028 Olympic cycle. Specifically, the program aims to:

- Increase the number of sports representing Kosovo internationally
 - Increase the number of participating athletes
 - Increase the number of medals won by Kosovo

This Memorandum implements sports policies set in the Government Program and the Ministry's development agenda, in compliance with the Law on Sport.

Article 3 – BUDGET EXPENDITURE LINES

Financial support will cover the following budget lines:

- 3.1. Participation in training camps abroad
 - 3.2. Participation in international competitions
 - 3.3. Organization of training camps within Kosovo
 - 3.4. Engagement of international coaches
 - 3.5. Provision of necessary sports equipment
 - 3.6. Provision of training facilities
 - 3.7. Medical and rehabilitation check-ups
 - 3.8. Professional sports testing
 - 3.9. Nutrition and supplements
 - 3.10. Family incentives
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Article 4 – OBLIGATIONS OF THE MINISTRY

MCYS undertakes to:

- 4.1. Provide €350,000.00 in funding to OCK as the first implementation phase of GPLS "Supersportists"
 - 4.2. The payment is from the subsidies and transfers budget, program code 80100
 - 4.3. Funding will follow the program guidelines annexed to Government Decision 19/198
 - 4.4. The High Performance Sports Commission, appointed by Government, is responsible for planning, coordination, monitoring, and evaluation
 - 4.5. Sports Department officials will closely cooperate with all involved parties regarding budget execution in line with legislation
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Article 5 – OBLIGATIONS OF THE OLYMPIC COMMITTEE OF KOSOVO

OCK undertakes to:

- 5.1. Accept €350,000.00 from MCYS
- 5.2. Deposit the funds in a dedicated sub-account for the program

- 5.3. Spend the funds in accordance with the program and Commission decisions
 - 5.4. Assign a team to manage and report on the budget (paid monthly from the grant)
 - 5.5. Spend funds according to approved plans
 - 5.6. Submit narrative and financial reports to the Sports Department no later than December 12, 2025
 - 5.7. Return or reallocate unused funds in agreement with MCYS
 - 5.8. Fully cooperate during audits and provide all necessary documentation
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Article 6 – OBLIGATIONS OF PARTICIPATING FEDERATIONS

Participating federations undertake to:

- 6.1. Cooperate with all parties and the Commission
 - 6.2. Coordinate with OCK on program implementation and financial matters
 - 6.3. Follow Commission procedures to ensure effective support for athletes
 - 6.4. Work with clubs to achieve program goals
 - 6.5. Develop individual activity and budget plans for each athlete for Commission approval
 - 6.6. Align activity plans with international competition schedules
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Article 7 – RIGHTS OF THE MINISTRY

MCYS reserves the right to:

- 7.1. Request narrative and financial reports
 - 7.2. Request investigations in case of misuse of funds
 - 7.3. Conduct audits as per applicable laws
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Article 8 – IMPLEMENTATION, MONITORING, AND PROMOTION

- 8.1. All parties must fulfill their obligations according to applicable laws
 - 8.2. The Commission will define policies and ensure transparency
 - 8.3. The Commission and parties will jointly monitor implementation
 - 8.4. The Commission will consult regularly with federations, coaches, and athletes
 - 8.5. All program participants must use the official logos in all promotional materials
 - 8.6. MCYS will appoint a responsible officer from the Sports Department to monitor implementation and reporting
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Article 9 – TERMINATION AND UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

- 9.1. The Memorandum may be terminated through written agreement
 - 9.2. In case of force majeure or other unforeseen circumstances, the parties will jointly decide on actions
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Article 10 – AMENDMENTS

This Memorandum may be amended or supplemented through a new written agreement signed by all parties.

Article 11 – DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Disputes will be resolved through dialogue. If unresolved, jurisdiction belongs to the Basic Court in Pristina.

Article 12 – DURATION

This Memorandum covers the first implementation phase of the GPLS "Supersportists" program and is valid until December 12, 2025, unless terminated or amended earlier.

Article 13 – COPIES AND LANGUAGE

This Memorandum is prepared in ten (10) original copies in Albanian. Each party shall keep one original signed copy.

Article 14 – ANNEXES

- 14.1. Government Decision No. 19/198 dated 02.04.2024 and the approved program
 - 14.2. Final list of selected athletes published on 26.08.2024 under protocol no. 4516/2024
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Article 15 – ENTRY INTO FORCE

This Memorandum enters into force on the date of its signature by the parties.

SIGNED ON 29/M/2024 IN PRISHTINA, KOSOVO

Signatories:

- Halil Sylejmani – President, Athletics Federation of Kosovo
 - Hajrulla Çeku – Minister of Culture, Youth and Sport
- Ismet Krasniqi – President, Olympic Committee of Kosovo
- Milaim Kelmendi – President, Skiing Federation of Kosovo
- Enver Krasniqi – President, Boxing Federation of Kosovo
- Naim Muja – President, Wrestling Federation of Kosovo
- Gëzim Hazrolli – President, Shooting Federation of Kosovo
- Arsim Agushi – President, Taekwondo Federation of Kosovo
- Veton Telaku – Secretary General, Swimming Federation of Kosovo
 - Agron Kuka – President, Judo Federation of Kosovo

