

Call for Participants (CEV Solidarity Fund Type II)

CEV Volleyball Management Programme - Powered by LUNEX

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CEV has partnered with LUNEX to deliver an Advanced Learning Programme designed as a capacity-building opportunity for staff members of CEV-affiliated National Federations. The programme aims to strengthen continuity, leadership, and long-term development within National Federations and the wider regional volleyball community by equipping participants with practical skills that can be applied immediately in their daily work.

All programme costs for candidates selected through CEV Solidarity Fund Type II support are fully covered by CEV, meaning that neither the National Federation nor the participant will incur any programme fees. **Should the selected candidate be invited to attend the closing ceremony in Luxembourg, the National Federation must agree to cover the candidate's flight expenses.** CEV will cover the participant's accommodation for one (1) night and meals in Luxembourg. If a selected participant attends less than 60% of the sessions, CEV may request the respective National Federation to reimburse the programme fee of €2,500.

There will be three pathways to participate in the programme:

1. National Federation Support – CEV Solidarity Fund Type II

Each CEV-affiliated National Federation may recommend up to two (2) candidates for CEV-funded participation through the CEV Solidarity Fund Type II. Candidates may be either National Federation staff members or athletes. Where a National Federation recommends two candidates, one candidate must be male and one candidate must be female.

Candidates selected through this pathway will have all programme costs covered by CEV. Neither the National Federation nor the participant will incur any programme fees. Should a selected candidate be invited to attend the closing ceremony in Luxembourg, the National Federation must agree to cover the candidate's flight expenses. CEV will cover the participant's accommodation for one (1) night and meals in Luxembourg.

Programme places are limited, and submitting a recommendation does not guarantee selection. Depending on the number and quality of applications received, it is possible that no candidate from a given National Federation will be selected.

[\[click here to apply for CEV Solidarity Fund – NF Support\]](#).

2. Athlete Support – CEV Solidarity Fund Type II

A separate pathway is available specifically for CEV athletes. Athletes may apply individually for CEV-funded participation through the CEV Solidarity Fund Type II and **do not** require endorsement or financial support from their National Federation

[\[click here to apply for CEV Solidarity Fund – CEV Athletes\]](#)

3. Open Registration

Applicants who are not selected through the NF endorsement process will still have the opportunity to apply through open registration [\[click here for open registration\]](#).

Eligibility Criteria

Candidates must meet all of the following requirements:

- Currently employed or officially endorsed by a CEV-affiliated National Federation;
- Minimum of three (3) years of professional experience in the sports sector OR a proven record of participation as an athlete in CEV competitions;
- Proficient English skills, spoken and written (minimum B2 level);
- Full commitment to attend the programme from mid-January to March 2027 (see Annex I for schedule).

Required Application Documents

Each candidate must submit the following:

- First name / Surname;
- Email address;
- Mobile number;
- CV;
- Motivational letter;
- Endorsement letter from the National Federation;
- Picture;
- Topic/issue the National Federation plans to address in the candidate's applied project (assessment) at the end of the programme.

Please note: Only applications submitted through the official online link will be considered. Applications sent via email will not be taken into account.

Candidates must upload their applications along with the endorsement letter. CEV will cross-check each endorsement directly with the relevant National Federation.

Application Deadline:

The deadline for applications is **1 December 2026**.

Late submissions will not be accepted.

For any questions, please contact: development@cev.eu

[ANNEX I]

Programme Schedule

The programme will be conducted primarily online, combining live sessions with learning materials available on demand at any time through the LUNEX e-learning platform. This flexible format will allow students to organise their learning around their professional and personal responsibilities.

Students who successfully complete the programme will receive a certificate from LUNEX, equivalent to 20 ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System). Should the selected candidate be invited to attend the closing ceremony in Luxembourg, the National Federation must agree to cover the candidate's flight expenses.

Modules:

1. Strategic Management & Digital Transformation
2. Governance & Sustainability
3. Marketing & Sponsorships
4. Finance & Economics
5. Media Relations & Events Management

Timeline:

- **Module 1: Strategic Management & Digital Transformation**
08.01, 11.01, 13.01, 15.01, 18.01
- **Module 2: Governance & Sustainability**
20.01, 22.01, 2 sessions on the week of 25.01 (TBC)
- **Module 3: Marketing & Sponsorships**
29.01, 02.03, 02.05, 02.10, 02.12, 15.02
- **Module 4: Finance & Economics**
17.02 (TBC), 19.02, 22.02 (TBC), 24.02 (TBC)
- **Module 5: Media Relations & Events Management**
26.02 (TBC), 01.03 (TBC), 03.03, 05.03, 2 sessions in March/April (TBC)

More information can be found here: <https://lunex.lu/en/study/cev-volleyball-management-programme>