
Teqball in Zaatari Refugee Camp

Background

Sustainability is one of the most important attributes of every single **FITEQ** project, especially our social impact programmes.

In April 2018, FITEQ signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with **Peace and Sport**, an international, neutral and independent organisation based in Monaco that contributes to peace using the power of sport.

The MoU was signed in **Zaatari Refugee Camp in Jordan**, where Peace and Sport run the inspiring **Live Together programme**. Upon the signing of the MoU, both organisations confirmed their intention to join forces to promote teqball as a tool for social development and equality.

Two Teq tables were donated to the citizens of Zaatari Refugee Camp, which is Jordan's fourth biggest city. Residents there had the opportunity to play on the tables and receive two days of training.

Train-the-Trainer programme

From the outset, FITEQ was committed to using teqball to strengthen social cohesion in the Zaatari Refugee camp in the long-term. Therefore, FITEQ joined Peace and Sport's Live Together programme, which aims to use sport to positively influence social cohesion among refugees in Zaatari, and began to implement its **Train-the-Trainer programme**.

Creating a sense of community and togetherness, FITEQ's Train-the-Trainer programme has the capacity to involve between 100-500 participants. It also provides potential pathways within teqball, with participants offered the opportunity to become certified teqball coaches.

FITEQ initially provided equipment, training materials and education courses within the Zaatari Refugee Camp, and online with FITEQ officials.

Over two years on, two successful participants from the programme are now certified teqball coaches and are responsible for leading the training in the Zaatari Refugee Camp.

As a result, FITEQ has established an ongoing, self-sustainable programme with active teqball coaches providing free daily teqball training for children and youth living in the Zaatari Refugee Camp.

You can watch the video of the programme below:

<https://youtu.be/LgT1HqP3A9Y>

Long term plan

FITEQ plans to use this successful Train-the-Trainer model and introduce it to other underprivileged regions around the world.

Working together with local diplomats and non-governmental organisations (NGOs), such as Peace and Sport, local National Olympic Committees (NOCs), and in cooperation with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), FITEQ is aiming to introduce the Train-the-Trainer programme to regions that would benefit the most.