

Good practice n° 12	
<b>Title</b>	Sollerö FC refugee facility integration
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<b>Type of the good practice</b>	Football team
<b>Place</b>	Margitabergsvägen 35, 792 90 Sollerön, Sweden
<b>Start date / End date</b>	2015-2017
<b>Target group of learners</b>	Young adults and adult men from a refugee facility in Gesunda.
<b>Institutions involved</b>	<p><b><u>Partners:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dalarnas Fotbollsförbund</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Sponsors:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Svenska kyrkan</li> <li>• Mora Kniv</li> <li>• Scheider electric</li> </ul>
<b>Goals</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Integrate refugees from the refugee camp using football as a tool.</li> <li>• Raise awareness of the importance of sport as a tool for social inclusion.</li> <li>• Develop the football in the area creating a team to compete in the Swedish league against other local clubs and bring back football to Sollerö in lake Siljan</li> <li>• Provide cultural and community enrichment.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Description</b></p>	<p>This is a unique project in the area in which the population is decreasing and therefore, activities like football for adults are more difficult to find, giving fewer options to young adults and adults to play football and create a community around that.</p> <p>The senior football team of the town, on Sollerö in lake Siljan, had not been played for twelve years.</p> <p>The adult team in Sollerö is a consequence of his leader Jon Böhlmarks taking over the first team in the club after seeing the possibility of integrating new arrivals into the team together with some local residents.</p> <p>The idea of the project is to integrate new arrivals who are located at the refugee facility in Gesunda and integrate them into society using the football team. There are no demands on who can join the team, making some training sessions between 30 and 55 players joining them.</p> <p>The club has arranged a mini-bus to pick up some new arrivals as the refugee facility is far from the field, and the connections are not easy. All the focus is on everyone who can join the team to join it.</p> <p>That makes a win-win situation as the local team will get players and encourage young adults from the town to play football and create a community around it. At the same time, integrate those new in Sweden by playing football and interacting with other new arrivals and local residents.</p> <p>The reciprocity of the deal goes far beyond as some of the new arrivals refugees get connections with the local players and in some cases, start working with them, as is the case with some Swedish guy on the team who is a carpenter. He could hire a couple of the newly arrived young people as trainees and extra employees to do the work.</p>
<p><b>Link to the source (if available)</b></p>	<p><a href="https://www.solleroif.se/">https://www.solleroif.se/</a></p> <p><a href="https://vimeo.com/148197064">https://vimeo.com/148197064</a></p> <p><a href="https://vimeo.com/148609993">https://vimeo.com/148609993</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uf3RAcdX47c&amp;ab_channel=SverigeUnited">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uf3RAcdX47c&amp;ab_channel=SverigeUnited</a></p>