

A few International Inspiration updates to keep you informed of the 2012 Games legacy programme.

Tanzania: Developing a national sport and education accreditation system. Using learnings from Zone VI, led by National Sports Council a plan has been produced and it is hoped by mid-2012 a framework will have been produced.

Uganda: Kyambogo University who are mandated by Ministry of Education and Sport has been asked to develop a community coach education system with support from UK Sport and other national partners. In May this area of work will commence with the first of a number of partner meetings involving all stakeholders.

Ghana: Last year Ghana became the eighteenth country to join the International Inspiration programme, helping London 2012 achieve its aim of connecting young people with sport. Sharing an overarching mission to ensure young people have the right to access safe, quality and developmental community sport, the ICES initiative will now work with partners to sustain this legacy. Discovering the need for a participant pathway - categorising the training and support coaches need to develop their professional capacity, emphasis was placed on retaining life-long participation in sport by ensuring access to sport between grassroots and elite levels.

Organisations including UNICEF, Right To Play, Ghana Olympic Association, Paralympic Committee and BILD joined government representatives from the Ministry of Youth and Sport and the Ministry of Education to identify their community coaches and their training and development needs.

As a result of the meeting, a community coaching sub group has now been tasked to provide an outline for community sport development that will be taken to the steering group for agreement. The steering committee and Technical working groups have recently held meetings and through their lead agency – the National Sports College, Winneba will identify agencies to ‘map’ using the ICES framework as well as starting the process to create a national accreditation framework for sport. This will be the first time such a framework/policy has been considered.