



Codifying a framework of Sport policy in the Iraqi Kurdistan Region

Oral Presentation

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Abstract

Introduction: Sports policy in developing countries has different conditions in comparison with developed countries, but an efficient system is basically considered a strategic necessity to prepare sports policy due to management specialization and sports governance. In this regard, the present study developed a conceptual framework for preparing sports politics for the sport of Kurdistan, Iraq.

Methods: Research method was qualitative, with systematic exploratory approach, and based on content analysis (thematic). Target participants consisted of two parts; human resources (parliament representatives, sport authority and managers, politicians, media members, professors, etc.) and informational resources (article, book, plan, documents, etc.). Sampling method was based on reaching data saturation and was done by peer review (36 people and 56 documents). The study instruments were systematic theoretical research (concept extraction checklist) and exploratory interviews (open-ended questionnaire).

Results: The results showed that conceptual framework and developing the sports policy model in Kurdistan region, included 12 landscape and 4 levels. Succession of quadruple levels of the conceptual model included sports system level of the Kurdistan region, sports policy-making framework level, sports policy-making process level, and sports policy-making realization level. Twelve perspective landscapes also included the sport system elements, sport system levels, sport development resources, sport market and industry, activities and processes, policy-making necessity and hypothesis, the situation of developing the sport of the region, policy-making and formulating a policy, performing the policies, monitoring and evaluating the policies, ecosystem capacity-building, realization of sports policies and functions and sports policies realization of results were determined.

Conclusion: Based on the findings, it can be stated that developing sports politics in Kurdistan region of Iraq contains systematic parts and levels, in which, based on knowing the sport system and efficiency of policy-making system, sports policy process can be governed to develop sports.

Keywords

Policy-Making Model; Sports Policy-Making; sport development; Kurdistan's sport; Iraq's Sport

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