

Disability Sport in Europe: policy, governance, provision & participation

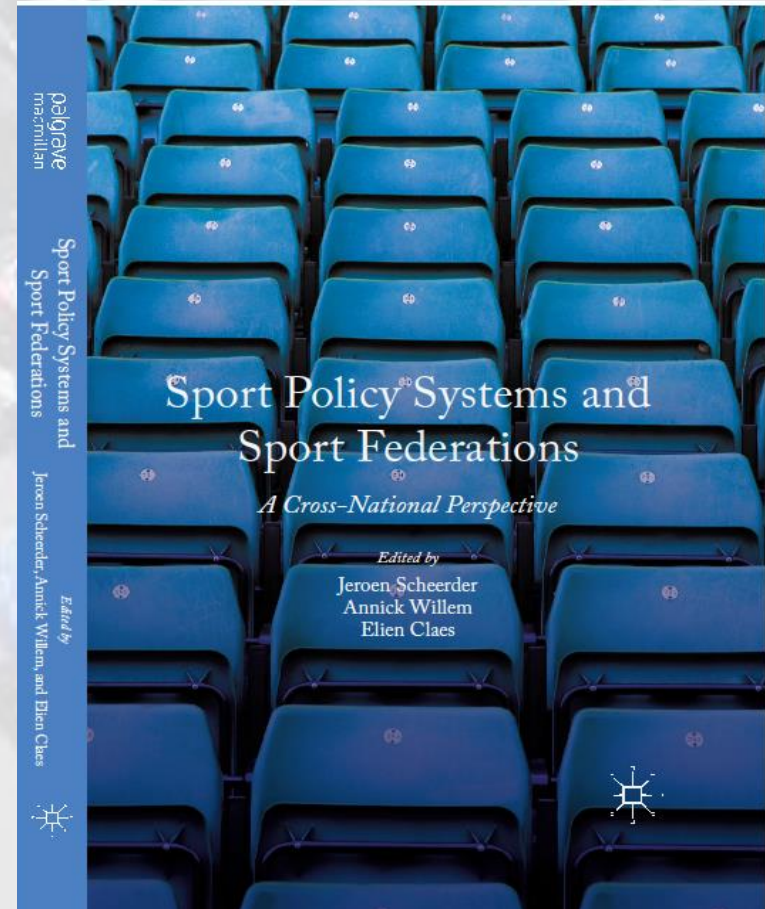
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A book on disability sport?

- Policy on disability sport & governance, organisation and structure of sport for people with disabilities
- Sport participation people with disabilities (if data available)
- Main focus on grass roots level
 - But, interconnectedness with Paralympic Sports
- Cross-national (European) comparison



Why a book?

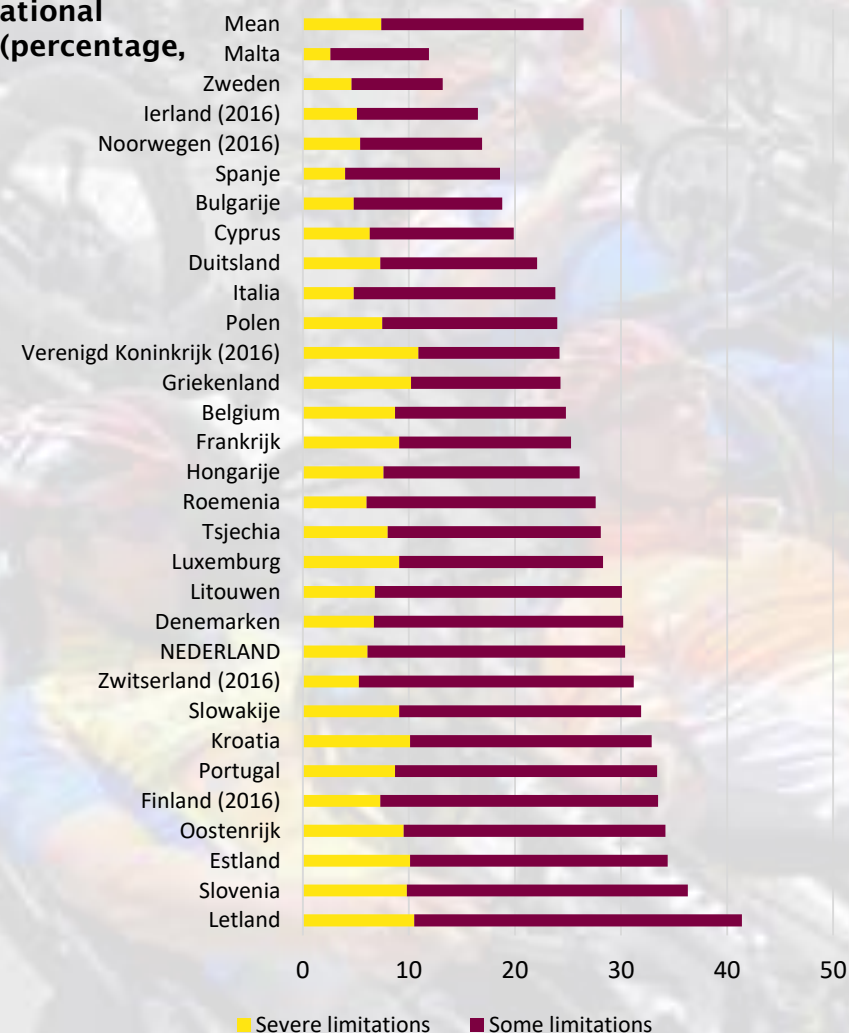
Self reported long standing limitations in usual activities due to health problems, population 16 years and older, international comparison (percentage, 2017)

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1) Considerable share population in European countries experiences limitations in daily activities due to health problems.

- Netherlands: 12% population one or more severe or moderate disabilities (physical, hearing, visual) (source: CBS GE)
- 1% population has an intellectual disability (Woittiez et al, 2014)



Source: Eurostat; EU-SILC Survey

Why a book?

- 2) Right to participate (UN rights) >> BUT
- 3) Participation in sport lags far behind >> AND
- 4) Literature/research on disability sport is scarce:
 - Lack of data on sport participation data. Statistical evidence.
 - Disability sport policy, governance and provision is under researched area.
 - Need for new book?

Aim of the book

- Provide information and data regarding:
 - How national and regional/local (sports)policies contribute to stimulation of sport participation and improvement of provision of sport (POLIS);
 - Way in which sport for people with disabilities is governed, structured and organised (MEASURE/POLIS);
 - Extent to which and how people with disabilities participate in sport (MEASURE);
 - Methods/challenges data collection.
- Fill gap in literature
- Gain more understanding/awareness
- Provoke interest and further research

Structure of the book

Chapter 1

- Introduction

Chapter 2

- Theoretical framework

Chapter 3-8/9

- Country chapters

Chapter 9/10

- Cross national comparative perspective

Content theoretical framework

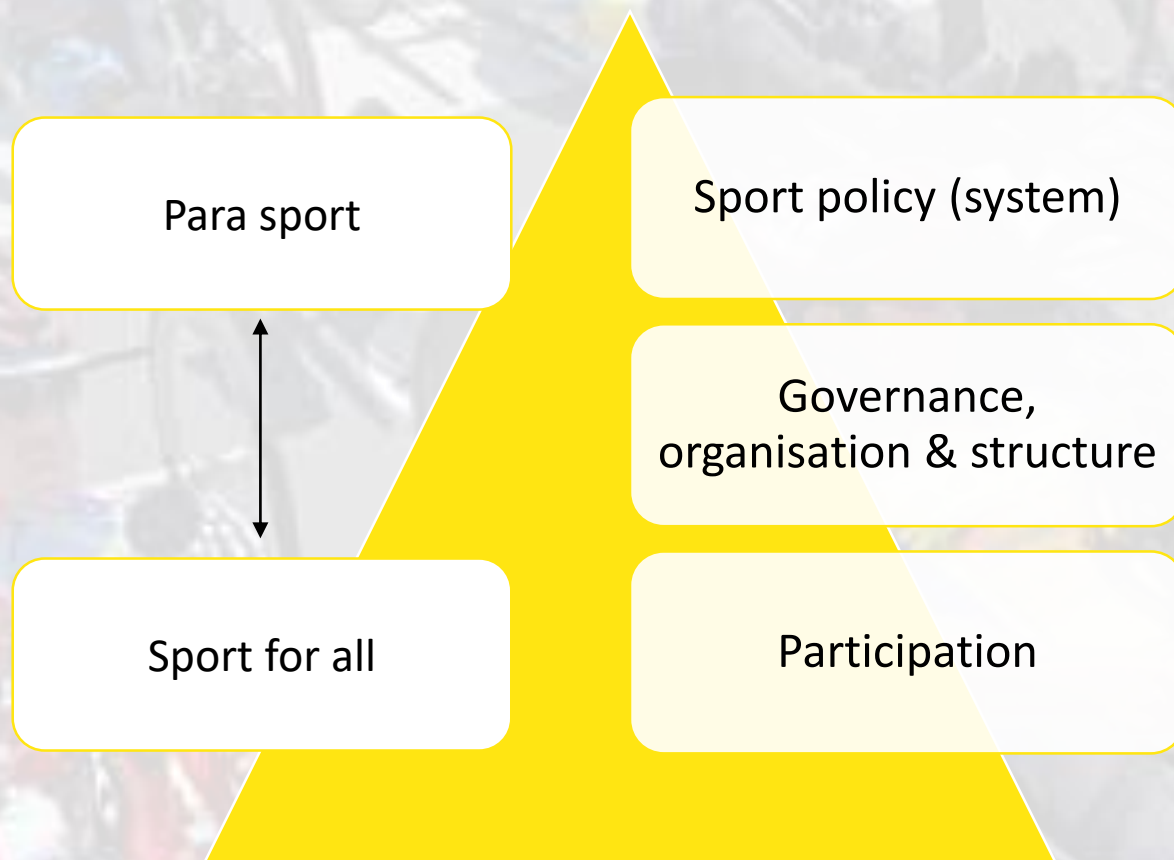
- Images on disability (sport) through time
 - (disability models: medical, social, integration, human rights model; Brittain, 2004; Wuyts, 2010; Smith & Bundan, 2018)
- **Policy (systems/law) on disability sport in European perspective** (human rights, EU, UN)
- Explaining disability: definitions (International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health,; OECD indicator WHO,
 - Physical, Hearing, Visual & Intellectual (and/or other?)
- Share of population with disabilities (European data)
- Model(s) to explain barriers and facilitators (optional)
- Methodological challenges data collection on sport participation

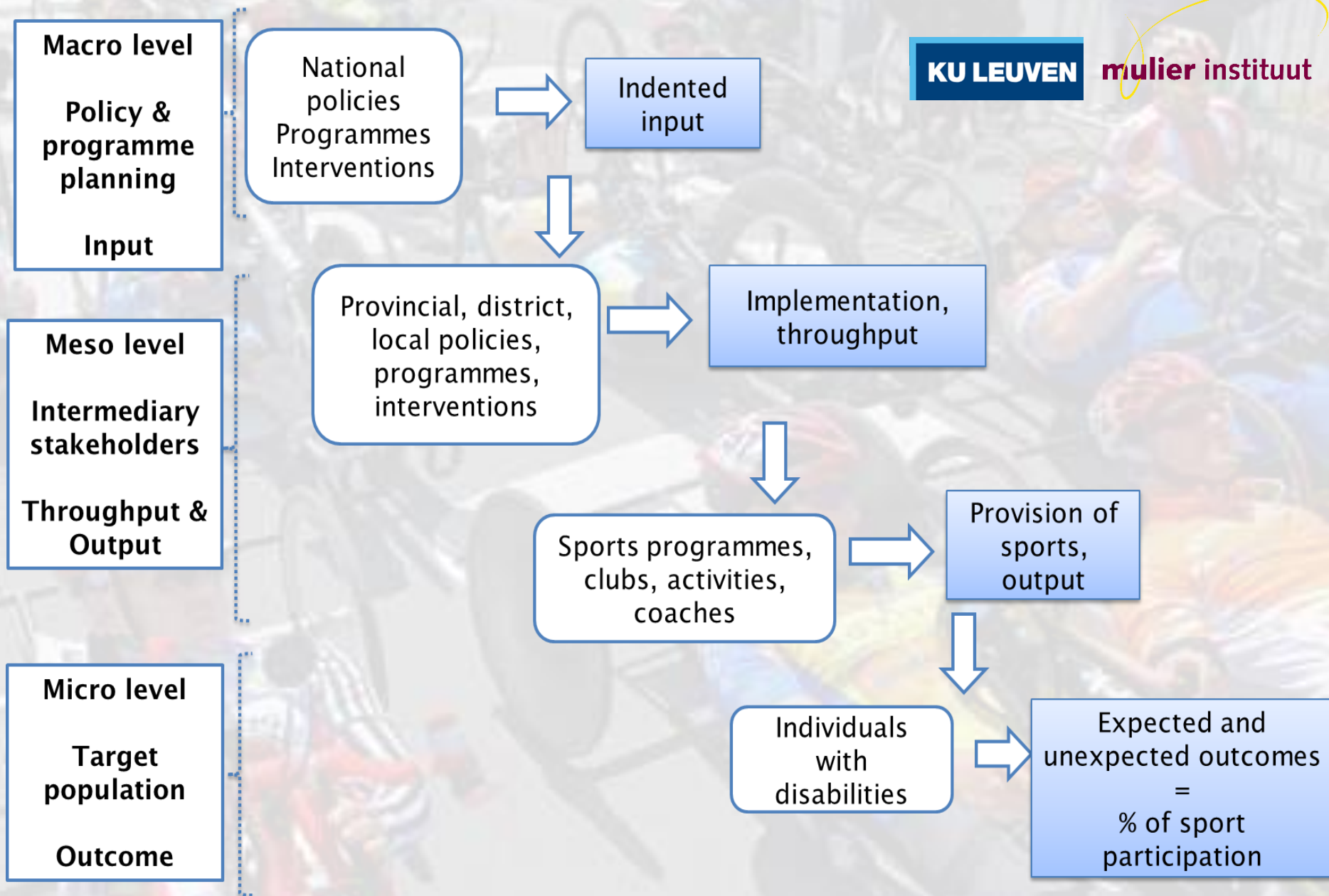
Final chapter

Cross-national comparison on disability sport in Europe

- Comparative (European) data on sport participation, if available
- Policy systems comparison: similarities vs differences
- Restrictions and challenges in collecting data on disability sport across Europe
- Opportunities for future research and awareness raising

Content country chapters (5.000 words)





National sport policy & governance (system)

National government & national sports federations & governing bodies

Sport for all vs Paralympic sport



Regional & local sport policy & governance
&

Regional & local organisation/provision of:
competitions, coaching, training, sport activities



Participation in sport

% of population
group
individual

Contents country chapters (5.000 words)

1. Introduction

- Images and position people with disabilities and disability sport, developments over the years.

2. Policy, governance and provision of disability sport in your country (developments over the years)

- National policy, governing bodies, sports clubs/provides, interventions/programmes, Sport for all vs Para sport.

3. Participation in sport people with disabilities in your country (if data are available)

- Methods data collection, challenges and restrictions
- Profile and typology of participants
- Frequency, sports, setting (comparison with average population)
- Facilitators and barriers to participate in sport

4. Conclusion and recommendations for future research

Discussion

- Main focus book
- Which countries?
- Is data available?
- Framework for national chapters?
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Questions?

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