

# COVID-19 pandemic: ESA approves renewal of support to event organisers in the sports and voluntary sector

**The EFTA Surveillance Authority (ESA) has today approved renewal and amendments of a scheme to cover losses following cancellation and postponement of events.**

Events across Norway have been cancelled or postponed due to public safety measures designed to limit the spread of COVID-19. As a result, event organisers have experienced significant losses.

In April 2020, [ESA approved](#) two schemes to compensate organisers for their losses, respectively in the culture sector and the sports and voluntary sector. ESA approved a renewal and amendments to the schemes on [16 July 2020](#). Today's decision extends the approved scheme for the sports and voluntary sector until 31 December 2020.

The scheme has a budget of NOK 1 billion, in addition to the previously approved budget.

You can read ESA's decision [here](#).



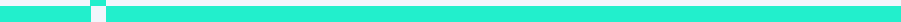
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