

## 2002

#### Situation:

- National teams not performing internationally
- National league not delivering talent
- Clubs not offering proper training program

"If you continue doing what you do, then you'll get what you got"



## **Dutch Handball Vision**

- Quick
- Dynamic
- Effective
- Surprising

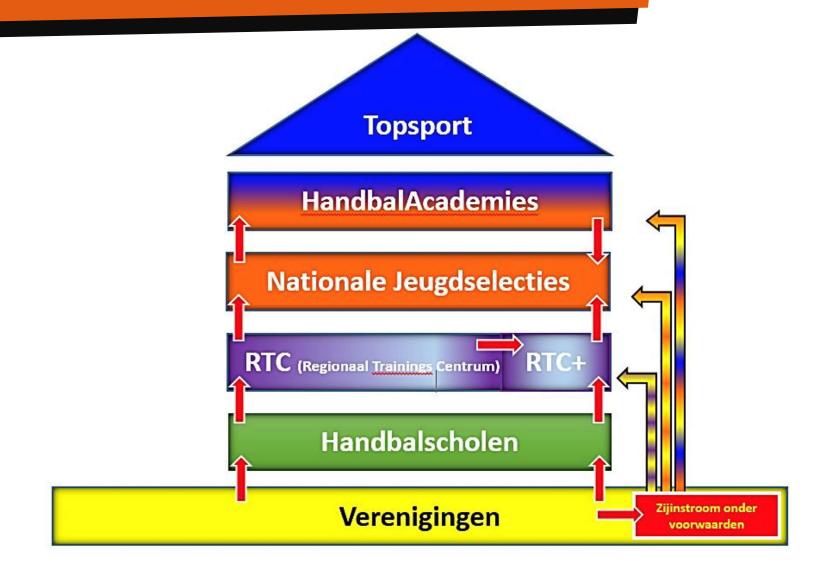
Basis for all handball development

• U-7 → National Team





# Talent Roadmap





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#### Objectives:

- Federation-led training program
- Deliver players (with international potential) for international leagues

#### Desired results:

- Higher levels of trained talent
- More players with international experience
- Long-term result: international success!
- Indirect result: more girls playing handball



## Plan

- Centralized academy @ Papendal (NTC)
- Full time training program (18-20 hrs)
- Living
- Training
- Studying
- High Performance environment
- LONG-TERM INVESTMENT!
- Not mandatory for national selection!





## Results

- Competitive in youth competitions
- Period to adapt to senior level
- International (club) experience
- Winning at top level
  - 2015 WC Silver
  - 2016 OS 4th
  - 2016 EC Silver
  - 2017 WC Bronze
  - 2018 EC Bronze





# Not all good news

### Dutch National women's league:

- Level of competition
  - In discussion with clubs
- Players leaving at younger age
  - Contactual agreement
  - RTC+



# **End Result**







# THANK YOU!

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