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iNADO Update #55
Coming Events, the Asian Games IO Report and other Developments

Dear Colleagues:

Professional development is vital for NADOs. Your people cannot cope with anti-doping change having only yesterday's knowledge. Here are two events, a new report and a commentary on a new CAS decision, all providing professional development and solutions to practical issues you face.

2015 iNADO Workshop and AGM

Please save this date: Monday, March 23, 2015. iNADO will hold its third Workshop and AGM in Lausanne, Switzerland. (This is the day before the three-day WADA ADO Symposium in the same city.) As in the past, representatives of non-Member NADOs will be welcome to the Workshop at a fee. RADO representatives are also welcome on that basis. More information about the registration will be communicated in the next Update. We are also in discussions with Berlinger for a tour of its factory and headquarters on Friday, March 27, 2015, after the WADA ADO Symposium. Stay tuned for more details.

2015 Singapore I&I Seminar

Registration will soon open for the Southeast Asian RADO's Seminar on Intelligence & Investigations, February 11 -12, 2015, in Singapore, supported by the Government of Singapore, by iNADO and by WADA. This will be a practical session including review of the intelligence & investigations guidelines being prepared by WADA with NADO and IF investigator support, and examples of existing intelligence & investigations work being done by leading NADOs. Space will be limited.

WADA IO Report

WADA has published its Independent Observer Team Report on the 2014 Asian Games:
<https://www.wada-ama.org/en/media/news/2014-12/wada-publishes-independent-observer-report-for-2014-asian-games>

This IO Report is informative for its observations and recommendations about:

- Pre-Games education for athletes and athlete support personnel
- Pre-Games planning for the Games' anti-doping programme
- Communications challenges
- The importance to the organising committee building early and substantial relationships with the local NADO, and with NADOs and RADOs of participating countries
- Establishing an inter-agency anti-doping Taskforce to help plan and oversee the Games' anti-doping programme
- Better anti-doping education at doping control stations
- A TDP based more on intelligence-based testing rather than on the requests of participating IFs
- More out-of-competition testing, especially in home countries before the Athlete Village opens
- More effective collection of whereabouts information

- The training of doping control personnel and improved layout of doping control stations
- The presentation of cases to the disciplinary tribunal

Any NADO or RADO of a country hosting a major event (such as a world cup or world championships, or a regional or global multi-games event) should review past WADA IO reports early in the planning stage. This allows your NADO or RADO to provide the organising committee with complete expert advice, and to position yourselves to provide anti-doping services to the organising committee. That is the best way for major events to provide a lasting anti-doping legacy in your country and to your organisation.

Previous IO Reports can be found at: <https://www.wada-ama.org/en/resources/search?k=independent%20observer%20reports&t=resources&op=Search>

When is a Departure from the IST a “Departure”?

Here is a link to an interesting legal commentary on the recent CAS decision in *Xuen v. Olympic Council of Asia*, arising from the 2014 Asian Games: <http://wadc-commentary.com/xuen/>. The athlete alleged a “departure” from the International Standard for Testing because it took 16 hours from sample collection to sample delivery to the accredited lab. CAS found no departure, particularly in the absence of evidence of tampering during delivery. The commentary also deals with “procedural defects” generally.

UNESCO Voluntary Fund Projects

This is the list of new anti-doping projects funded by UNESCO: http://www.unesco.org/new/en/social-and-human-sciences/themes/anti-doping/sv15/news/promoting_clean_sport_through_unescos_anti_doping_fund_15_new_projects_approved/#.VIGXtcnEZfh

The UNESCO Voluntary Fund is an important source of project-funding in the current environment of budget constraint.

WADA Job Posting

WADA is seeking a new Manager for Government and NADO relations, located in Lausanne:
<http://www.jobillico.com/en/job-offer/wada-ama/manager-government-nado-relations/479774>

Season’s greetings to all entering a holiday period. And Happy New Year.

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