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INADO Update #29

Dear Colleagues:

Membership

Our membership has grown to **36 Members** with the addition of the Estonian Antidoping Agency (EADA). Welcome to Kristel Berendsen and to her team. Here are iNADO's current Members:

- Dopingautoriteit (Netherlands)
- UKAD (United Kingdom)
- ASADA (Australia)
- JADA (Japan)
- USADA (United States)
- DFSNZ (New Zealand)
- SAIDS (South Africa)
- CCES (Canada)
- ADN (Norway)
- ADD (Denmark)
- NADA Germany
- Antidoping Switzerland
- Singapore AD
- AFLD (France)
- NADA Austria
- NADA Romania
- NADC Barbados
- FINADA (Finland)
- ISC (Irish Sports Council)
- PRADO (Puerto Rico)
- QADC (Qatar)
- BSADA (Bermuda)
- AEA (Spain)
- NOC of Slovenia
- San Marino CPA
- KADC (Kuwait)
- JADO (Jordan)
- BADC (Bahamas)
- Indian NADA
- CyADA (Cyprus)
- LTU ADA (Lithuania)
- PANDA (Poland)
- KADA (Korea)
- ALAD (Luxembourg)
- SSC (Swedish Sport Confederation)
- EADA (Estonia)

I encourage you to join iNADO as early in 2013 as possible. This will increase iNADO's influence and broaden efforts to share best practices and to raise standards. The membership application and the list of membership subscription fees are posted in the "About iNADO" section of the iNADO website under the heading "Finances": www.inado.org. It typically takes 1 -2 business days for the iNADO Board to consider and approval membership applications. Once a membership application is approved, iNADO will issue an invoice for the membership fee.

What are your Views about the Pound Report?

iNADO Update #28 provided a summary of WADA's Pound Report (into the "ineffectiveness" of testing). Through iNADO, WADA has formally asked for feedback from the NADO/RADO community by July 31, 2013. A copy of the Pound Report is attached to the covering e-mail.

The Pound report has two parts. First is an executive summary and recommendations for the major WADA stakeholder groups. Recommendations 30 – 39 are directed at NADOs and recommendations 40

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– 53 are directed to Governments. Second, there is a series of “weaknesses observed” in those same stakeholder groups.

iNADO would like to gather and share your organisation’s preliminary feedback on both parts (but especially on the recommendations). This will assist you in making your own final comments to WADA, and permit iNADO to give feedback on behalf of the NADO/RADO community as a whole. While comments on any portion of the Pound Report are welcome, could you please answer these questions:

1. Which recommendations aimed at NADOs and at Governments do you **most** support? Why?
2. Which recommendations aimed at NADOs and at Governments do you **least** support? Why?
3. What are the most important actions that WADA should be taken in light of the Pound Report?
4. What are the top three actions your NADO/RADO will take in response to the Pound Report?

It would be especially helpful to identify any further recommended changes to the proposed 2015 Code or International Standards in response to the Pound Report. iNADO will share your comments by posting them in the iNADO website, unless you ask that they not be shared. Can I hear from you by June 21st?

You should also send your feedback directly to WADA (to the Director General at david.howman@wada-ama.org).

Vance Review

Another important report that has just been released is Nicki Vance’s review of the GreenEDGE cycling team’s anti-doping programme: <http://greenedgecycling.com/news/orica-greenedge-announces-vance-report-findings>.

In October 2012, following the USADA investigation into the US Postal cycling team, and the subsequent disclosures of past doping practices in the sport of cycling, GreenEDGE wanted to reaffirm its clear stance against doping. The steps included a full external expert review of its policies and procedures, and a pro-active review of all riders and team members.

The external review conducted by Nicki Vance contains a range of analysis and recommendations that any anti-doping programme ought to consider. For example, relating to possible amnesty for cooperative riders and their support personnel (from the Executive Summary):

“The recommendations include a detailed approach as to how to handle past (and any future) doping cases from a team perspective and I would encourage [GreenEDGE] to not only agree to this approach but to also promote it to other relevant parties, in particular the UCI. One danger of not dealing more pro-actively across the board for all teams through some form of international approach perhaps including a clemency/amnesty aspect, is that doping cases from the past will continue to drip-feed as evidence is gathered or as one rider or another admits to doping and names others involved and the sport of cycling will then face the ongoing negativity of this constant association with doping, regardless of the positive work they are currently undertaking.”

For more information, contact Nicki Vance at: nvance@ozemail.com.au.

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Forensic Science and Anti-Doping Intelligence & Investigations

Here are three interesting abstracts of articles on forensic science, which can be a major contributor to anti-doping intelligence and investigations:

Marclay, Mangin, Margot, Saugy, "Perspectives for Forensic Intelligence in anti-doping: Thinking outside of the box," *Forensic Sci Int.* 2013 Jun 10; 229(1-3):133-44. doi: 10.1016/j.forsciint.2013.04.009. Epub 2013 May 4; abstract: <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/23683919>

Jan N, Marclay F, Schmutz N, Smith M, Lacoste A, Castella V, Mangin P., "Use of forensic investigations in anti-doping," *Forensic Sci Int.* 2011 Dec 10;213(1-3):109-13. doi: 10.1016/j.forsciint.2011.07.037. Epub 2011 Aug 10; abstract: <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/21835568>

Ribaux O, Baylon A, Roux C, Delémont O, Lock E, Zingg C, Margot P., "Intelligence-led crime scene processing. Part I: Forensic intelligence," *Forensic Sci Int.* 2010 Feb 25;195(1-3):10-6. doi: 10.1016/j.forsciint.2009.10.027. Epub 2009 Nov 22; abstract: <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/19932575>

Anti-Doping Knowledge Center (Cases on Trafficking)

A reminder to use the Dopingautoriteit's Anti-Doping Knowledge Center whenever you are doing anti-doping research: www.doping.nl. In response to a recent NADO Member query, I used it to quickly find these cases involving trafficking, or commenting on the term:

http://www.doping.nl/media/kb/99/CAS%202004_A_651%20Mark%20French%20vs%20Cycling%20Australia%20S-FS.pdf

http://www.doping.nl/media/kb/412/CAS%20A1_2007%20ASADA%20vs%20Sevdalin%20Marinov%20%28OS%29.pdf

http://www.doping.nl/media/kb/150/CAS%202005_C_841%20Advisary%20Opinion%20CONI%20S-FS.pdf

http://www.doping.nl/media/kb/677/CAS%202004_O_649%20USADA%20vs%20Chryste%20Gaines%20%28OS%29.pdf

http://www.doping.nl/media/kb/617/CAS%202011_A_2678%20IAAF%20v.%20RFEA%20%26%20Francisco%20Fernandez%20%28S%29.pdf

Social Drug use by Professional Athletes

Here is an interesting commentary on social drug use by athletes in professional commercial league sport: <http://www.abc.net.au/unleashed/4696374.html>. While the commentator is speaking of sport in Australia, my sense is that his analysis would apply to similar commercial league sport in many other parts of the world.

Interesting Comment by Supplement Company

Not often that we read something thoughtful from a representative of the supplement industry, in this case, from South Africa: <http://www.health24.com/Fitness/News/Doping-in-professional-sport-20130517>

Possible Anti-Doping Legislation: Horse Racing Integrity and Safety Act Proposed in U.S. Congress

Four members of the U.S. House of Representatives have introduced H.R. 2012, the *Horseracing Integrity and Safety Act*. Read more: <http://fox43.com/2013/05/17/pitts-others-introduce-bill-to-end-doping-of-racehorses/#ixzz2TnCYdsjy>

The bill would provide the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency with authority to clean up the sport and enforce anti-doping standards in races with simulcast wagering. Under the new legislation, USADA would develop rules for permitted and prohibited substances and create anti-doping education, research, testing and adjudication programs for horseracing. It would also:

- Put an end to race day medication;
- Set a harmonized medication policy framework for all races with interstate simulcast wagering;
- Require stiff penalties for cheating, including “one and done” and “three strikes, you’re out” lifetime bans for the worst cases; and
- Ensure racehorse drug administration complies with veterinary ethics.

Last year, committees in the U.S. Congress held hearings where jockeys, veterinarians and owners testified that abuse of legal and illegal substances are contributing to increased breakdowns of racehorses and deadly accidents.

Office Move

iNADO is now sharing space and services with the NADA Germany at Heussallee 28, 53113 Bonn.

Concluding Words

Never hesitate to contact me if you need assistance. Let me know what is happening in your country and in your organisation. Tell me how iNADO can help you do a better job.

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