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INADO Update #15

Dear Colleagues:

Membership

Since the last Update, the Bahamas Anti-Doping Commission has joined iNADO. Welcome to Dr. Jeremy Lightbourne and to his team. There are now 28 founding iNADO members, covering all five Olympic Regions:

- 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)
- Irish Sports Council
- PRADO (Puerto Rico)
- QADC (Qatar)
- BSADA (Bermuda)
- AEA (Spain)
- NOC of Slovenia
- San Marino CPA
- KADC (Kuwait)
- JADO (Jordan)
- BADC (Bahamas)

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. A membership application is the second attachment to the distributing e-mail. 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 subscription fees. The list of those fees is the third attachment.

2013 iNADO AGM and Work Sessions, March 18

Our first AGM and Work Sessions will take place Monday March 18, 2013, in Lausanne, Switzerland, the day before the WADA ADO Symposium. The day will be open to existing iNADO members, and to non-member NADOs and to RADOs as observers. **The day will include Work Sessions free of charge to iNADO members, and at a fee to non-members. Non-members will be charged €100 for the first participant, and €50 for each additional participant.** The exact venue will be confirmed shortly and it will be convenient to the Lausanne Metro.

- The day will begin with Work Sessions focussing on iNADO, on demonstrations of important anti-doping resources, and on a review of outstanding Code and International Standards issues after the closing of the current Comment Phase.

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- There will be a strategic lunch session open **only** to iNADO member CEOs/COOs/Board members. The tentative topic is “Show Me the Money: How to Engage Government Funders and Develop New Sources of Income.” Other participants will be welcome to take lunch with each other at their own cost.
- The afternoon for all will begin with lessons learned from the Lance Armstrong case (and likely the aftermath of this week’s interview of Lance Armstrong by Oprah Winfrey).
- The AGM itself will complete that day. It will focus on minor changes to iNADO’s Articles of Association (including increasing the number of seats on the Board from 6), and elections for iNADO’s first elected Board of Directors. The members of the current start-up Board will step down, although many may stand for election.
- I am hoping to book a “cheap and cheerful” restaurant convenient to the venue to which we can all go to dinner together (at our own expense).

To help with planning for the day, could you please give me a preliminary indication whether you are planning to attend, and how many from your organisation: jcdep@me.com.

Doping Control Personnel Guides for Testing Athletes with a Disability

The International Paralympic Committee makes this request of our community:

The International Paralympic Committee (IPC) is designing a Best Practices Guide for sample collection personnel on testing athletes with a disability. Annex B of the IST (Modifications for Athletes with disabilities) provides an outline on testing but does not get into detail or address all disabilities.

Does your NADO have any tools, tips, documents, presentations, guidelines or processes that you provide to your DCOs, BCOs and/or notifying chaperones when testing athletes with a disability? If so, could you please provide this information (preferably in English) to Vanessa Webb, Anti-Doping Manager at the IPC: Vanessa.Webb@paralympic.org by Tuesday, January 22nd, 2013?

The goal is to compile all the tools used around the world to have one over-arching guide that prepares sample collection personnel for what to expect while out in the field. Once this guide is complete, it will be distributed to all NADOs to help strengthen their anti-doping programmes.

Thank you for your assistance in this key project.

Armstrong & Australia

The Government of Australia has released a report calling for improved anti-doping practices for Australian cycling. The government-backed review into Cycling Australia “concluded that the national body should introduce a doping declaration policy, and establish an anti-doping Integrity Unit as part of “16 wide-ranging recommendations” for the sport following the explosive United States Anti-Doping Agency’s investigation into Lance Armstrong and his associates.” The report calls for the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Drug Authority (ASADA) to receive greater powers. Here is a media report:

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<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/sport/cycling/review-urges-doping-financial-overhaul/story-fn8sc2wz-1226553878745>

Here is a link to the report itself:

<http://www.regional.gov.au/sport/resources/reports/review-of-cycling-australia.aspx>

This review is an example of the sort of consideration NADOs and their stakeholders need to give to the implications of the Armstrong case. Every national programme can be improved in light of lessons learned from the USADA Reasoned Decision in this matter. If you have not already made an examination of the domestic implications of the case, please plan to do so as early in 2013 as you can.

Cooperation with Police

This recent press release from UK Anti-Doping describes successful cooperation between the NADO and a police force, leading to an anti-doping rule violation and four-year suspension:

<http://www.ukad.org.uk/news/article/collaboration-leads-to-four-year-ban/>

Out-of-Competition Testing of Horses

NADA Germany has announced its new out-of-competition testing programme for horses:

http://www.nada-bonn.de/nada/aktuelles/newsdetail/?tx_news_pi1%5Bcontroller%5D=News&tx_news_pi1%5Baction%5D=detail&tx_news_pi1%5Bnews%5D=500&cHash=95f6461dfd. This is one of the first, if not the first, OOC programme for horses. In addition, the NADA website contains a section on medication controls of horses: http://www.nada-bonn.de/doping-kontroll-system/medikationskontrollen-bei-pferden/#.UO_iYqx1jql. If you would like information about this programme, including the extensive equine sample collection standard developed by NADA Germany, please contact Eva Bunthoff at eva.bunthoff@nada-bonn.de.

JADA/WADA TUE Seminar for Asia

This important seminar, including participants from all Asia RADOs and many Asian NADOs, will take place in Tokyo January 25 – 26. I will report to you on its outcomes in a future iNADO Update.

Developments in Spain

As a follow-up to last week's report on developments in Spain, the AEA provided me with a better media link: http://deportes.elpais.com/deportes/2012/12/18/actualidad/1355858090_948202.html

Cooperation with SportAccord

Last time I mentioned my meetings with SportAccord and four of its IFs, and with the WADA European Regional Office. Let me report on two matters we discussed:

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- We agreed that all ADOs need to be more accessible to each other. ADOs should make better use of their ADO “profile” in ADAMS to more clearly identify persons with key operational responsibilities (TUE Manager, Testing Manager, Results Manager, etc.). If we can find each other more easily, we can use each other’s testing services more efficiently, solve problems together, and deal with TUE and results management issues quickly and effectively. ADAMS is the most widely used anti-doping database. It gives the best possibility for an up-to-date directory of key operational anti-doping contacts. **Even if you use SIMON or some other system, please open and maintain an ADAMS account to make your NADO more accessible to colleagues of other ADOs.**
- We will seek ways to make more information available about national testing programmes and the testing, education and other services NADOs are willing to offer IFs or Major Event Organisers. This information is not always readily available and not in widely understood languages.

iNADO Website

If you have not done so already, could you please add the iNADO website (www.inado.org) to the “Links” listed on your own websites.

2013 WADA ADO Symposium, March 19-20

A final reminder about the WADA ADO Symposium in Lausanne, Switzerland, March 19-20, 2013. The online registration platform can be accessed at lausanne-tourisme.ch/WADA2013. Please note that the deadline for hotel reservations is February 5, 2013 and registration for the Symposium will close on March 5, 2013. For further information, please contact Sibylle Villard, European Regional Office Coordinator, Sibylle.Villard@wada-ama.org, +41 21 343 43 40.

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. See you March 18th.

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