

**iNADO Workshop 2017 - Registration Open for Non-Members and Government
Representatives (as well as for iNADO Members)**

Besides Members, iNADO will welcome non-Member NADOs and RADOs, IFs, Labs, Governments, Athletes, and International Experts. Participation fees apply. [Click here to register](#). **Registration deadline is February 8th.**

Topics of the 2017 Workshop include various plenary presentations on:

- Protecting Anti-Doping
- How to Operate a Whistleblower Programme
- NADO - IF Operational Collaboration: Recent Examples
- Big Data/Informatics for Doping Control, and
- Break-out sessions on:
 - Using ADAMS to Best Advantage
 - WADA Code Compliance Challenges and Solutions
 - NADO Athlete Committees Creating Them and Benefitting from them
 - The Right Sample, the Right Athlete, the Right Time

To learn more please review the [updated draft programme](#) at our Website.

NADO Leaders Continue to Press for Anti-Doping Reform

NADO Leaders ended a day and-a-half meeting in Dublin continuing to seek reform of anti-doping: [see press release](#). "With the best interests of clean athletes at heart, it is our hope that these proposals will help sport move past these dark times and pave a path towards a brighter future – one where the promise of clean competition is fulfilled." said the leaders in a joint statement. "But in order to do so, steps must be

taken, and it is imperative that those responsible for Russia's state-supported system are held accountable, that calls for a truly independent anti-doping model are finally heeded and those athletes affected by this abhorrent behavior are given back at least some of what was taken from them.”

The [Irish Sport Minister supported the Dublin meeting outcomes](#), and urged his ministerial counterparts around the world to join him in doing so.

Why Must Clean Russian Athletes Pay the Price for a Corrupt National Anti-Doping System?

An assertions the anti-doping community confronts in its insistence that Russian athletes be excluded from international competition (until their anti-doping system is rebuilt) is that this is unfair to clean Russian athletes. Here is how I respond:

- No doubt there are clean Russian athletes. They have been betrayed by sport and government officials who operated an extensive doping programme and who corrupted anti-doping.
- Any punishment of an organisation has detrimental impacts on its individual members who may themselves have nothing to do with the misconduct. For example, if a team or a country uses ineligible athletes, and is disqualified, blameless athletes suffer.* There is a similar result when a team violates a professional league salary cap.
- This sort of collective punishment is well-recognised as an appropriate response to organizational negligence or wrongdoing that requires punishment to be fair to all the other organisations (and their individual members) which played by the rules. The Court of Arbitration for Sport upheld the legal validity and proportionality of exactly this response to organizational misconduct in rejecting the Russian Paralympic Committee's (RPC) challenge to its suspension by the IPC. CAS observed that a guilty organisation cannot hide behind its innocent members.**
- This is because the individual athlete's right to compete in international sport depends on the status of the domestic sport organisation to which they belong. If the sport organisation needs be punished, and is suspended or expelled, the individual athletes logically and inevitably bear the consequences. Their eligibility to compete is irrevocably tied to that of the organisation. In other words, those individual have no independent or greater right to participate that overcomes the disqualification or exclusion of their organisation.
- But it is also a fact that the breadth of the corrupt practices in Russia casts a shadow over all Russian competitors regardless of their “innocence.” Hundreds of samples of Russian athletes were subject to urine swapping, show signs of tampering or were subject to other corrupt practices. There are dozens of samples of Russian athletes still in storage in Moscow and at present beyond WADA control or scrutiny. They require further analysis both for prohibited substances or practices, and for tampering. There are dozens of samples in IOC control now requiring reanalysis and also examination for tampering.
- The second McLaren Report makes it clear that many Russian athletes and/or their coaches were well-aware of the corrupt practices and complicit in them. For example, by “banking” clean urine (often provided in baby or Coke bottles) for future substitution for dirty urine if their doping

was detected. So, as a practical matter, all Russian athletes are now tainted in the eyes of their competitors until all of the necessary follow-up investigations and procedures based on McLaren's evidence are completed.

- It is the inability at present of sport authorities to distinguish between individuals who participated in or benefited from corrupt practices and those who did not which justifies a presumption against all Russian athletes. The exclusion of Russian athletes should contribute to the creation of a safer environment in which the pressure is removed to dope and to participate in the subversion of anti-doping. Eradicating that pressure is a fundamental part of rebuilding Russia's anti-doping system.
- For those athletes not complicit, the fault lies with the sport and government officials who conspired to operate a corrupt doping programme including subverting anti-doping. That is reflected in another aspect of the CAS decision on the RPC. In the circumstances, the guilty sport organisation cannot legitimately assert the rights of any of its "innocent" individual members: "...in the opinion of the Panel, the RPC cannot itself seek relief as the holder, preserver or protector of these individual rights of the athletes."***

*Recently, for example, in the sanctioning of Timor-Leste for the use of ineligible Brazilian football players on its national team in international matches.

**The CAS Panel acknowledged that there was no evidence before it that the RPC participated actively in the corrupt practices described by Prof. Richard McLaren in his Second Report. But it cites the argument that the sin of omission is just as bad: "The IPC says that the assertion by the RPC that it did not know what was happening and that it had no control over those involved in the system described by Professor McLaren does not relieve the RPC of its obligations but makes matters worse." (CAS 2016/A/4745, *Russian Paralympic Committee v. International Paralympic Committee*, August 30, 2016, paragraphs 79 and 82. The Swiss Federal Tribunal subsequently declined to issue an injunction lifting the effect of the CAS award: [see here](#).)

*** Ibid, Paragraph 80.

Polish Anti-Doping Agency Call for International DCOs

Polish Anti-Doping Agency invites Doping Control Officers to conduct doping tests at the World Games 2017 which will be held on 19-31 July 2017 in Wrocław.

Establishment of cooperation will be a unique opportunity to exchange experience, spend a great time in Poland and participate in the World Games 2017, an exceptional and unique event.

PANDA will be responsible for the doping test program at the event. The maximum number of DCOs, with whom we can establish cooperation, is five (5). The doping team will consist of 30 persons, including 5 international DCOs.

The recruitment process will begin on 1 March and end on 14 March 2017. If interested, please send your CV to biuro@anty doping.pl with WorldGames2017 DCO Application in the subject line.

Requirements:

- At least 3-year experience in DCO's capacity
- Experience in doping control at international competitions
- English
- Letter of recommendation from the national anti-doping organization or other anti-doping organization

PANDA will provide:

- Accommodation
- Remuneration
- Food
- Transport

PANDA will not pay for the return air flights to Wrocław.

More information about the event on: <https://theworldgames2017.com/en/>

WADA ADO Symposium Issues Special Welcome to Athletes

Stacey Spletzer of WADA has asked iNADO to spread the word that NADO / RADO athlete committee chairs are especially welcome at this year's WADA ADO Symposium. Online registration, as well as all relevant information including the latest draft agenda, can be accessed at www.lausanne-tourisme.ch/WADA2017. The Symposium fee for the athlete leader will be fully covered by WADA, and the additional person will be in addition to their current allocation for the event.

Please let Stacey know if one of your athletes can attend: stacy.spletzer@wada-ama.org. She would ideally like to have an idea of interest and numbers by February 3rd.

Your athlete would also be welcome at the iNADO Workshop if your NADO / RADO is attending. iNADO will waive its Workshop fee for the athlete committee chair of non-Member NADOs or RADOs.

Strategic Planning for NADOs

For NADOs that are governmental or quasi-governmental agencies, the new [ASADA Corporate Plan 2016 – 2017](#) could be a useful inspiration or mirror for your own strategic direction and documents.

Conference: Doping and Public Health (June 7-9, Oslo)

Anti-Doping Norway, in cooperation with the Norwegian Ministry of Health and Care Services, is organizing an International Conference entitled "[Doping and Public Health](#)". The conference is organised in conjunction by the World Anti-Doping Agency, The National Police Directorate, The Ministry of Culture and The Norwegian Directorate for Health.

The conference will benefit anti-doping organisations, law enforcement representatives, health personnel, researchers and fitness professionals, or anyone who faces the challenges of doping. The Norwegian Minister of Health and Care Services will open the Conference. The program will include Nordic and international speakers. Registration opens today. [To register click here.](#)

Jobs at IPC

The International Paralympic Committee has posted two vacancies related to field of anti-doping:

- [RUSSIA AD coordinator](#)
- [Medical Manager](#)

For more information please visit the [IPC website](#).

Summit: 2017 Macolin Anti-Doping Summit (April 28-29, Macolin)

You can now register to this year's event of the WADC Commentary which will take place the above dates in Macolin, Switzerland. The Summit is summoned under the title "[A Fresh Look at the Science, Legal, and Policy Aspects of Anti-Doping](#)". To register follow the instructions on the [registration form](#).

Doping Documentary "Icarus"

Last Friday [Icarus](#) from Director Bryan Fogel premiered at the [Sundance Film Festival 2017](#). These are a few reviews the film has received:

- Says the [L.A. Times](#): "Sundance documentary 'Icarus,' about Russian doping, could light another match under U.S.-Russia relations"
- Says [Variety](#) magazine: "A cyclist who set out to prove he could outsmart athletic doping tests stumbles upon one of the game's biggest cheaters in this game-changing documentary."
- Says [IndieWire](#): "Icarus" starts out as one kind of movie, and then becomes a much better one. At first, director Bryan Fogel seems intent on making the sporting world's answer to "Super

Size Me,” by subjecting himself to performance-enhancing drugs to see if he can avoid detection. But then he stumbles into shocking revelations about Russia’s massive doping conspiracy and the scenario gets dark, gripping, and altogether more important.”

We recommend this film to provoke a broad discussion on doping, whistleblowing and ethics in sport.

Research Articles in German Journal of Sport Medicine

[Issue 11 \(2016\) of the German Journal of Sport Medicine](#) features four interesting research papers on anti-doping (in German and English).

- Why is Anti-Doping (still) Ineffective? (Steinacker, J.-M.)
- Could Nickel Become a Novel Erythropoiesis-Stimulating Compound for Cheating Athletes? (Jelkmann W, and Thevis M.)
- Features of Blood Doping (Jelkmann, W.)
- Overview of Doping Cases among Elite Athletes from 2000 to 2013 (Wintermantel J, Wachsmuth N, and Schmidt, W.)

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- [IOC 2016 IOC vs Chunhong Liu](#)

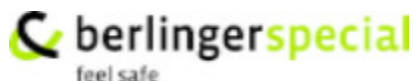
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