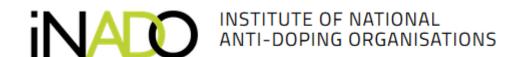
24. Nov. 2017: The article "Conditions to Participate for Russian Athletes in PyeongChang Paralympic Winter Games" contained following mistake: It states that "the LIM will allow Russian Athletes to compete as "neutrals" in in Snow Sports of the PyeongChang 2018 Winter Paralympic Games". However, the IPC GB's decision only allow Russian athletes to compete at "qualification games", not the Paralympic Games. Text is corrected further below.

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iNADO Athlete and Leader Symposium (Oct. 30-31 in Switzerland)

iNADO concluded a dynamic and thought-provoking Athlete & Leader Symposium dedicated to "Making Anti-Doping Better." This was <u>the programme</u> of the event.

Athletes and NADO Leaders exchanged many ideas to improve the work of NADOs. One of the main

conclusions of the event is that "athletes have been, and can and should be, leaders of anti-doping programmes and organisations". Read here <u>our communication</u> released right after the event.

Christine Girard is Canada's first female to win a medal in weightlifting at any Olympic Games. She was also deprived two times of a better place by athletes that were caught for doping years later. At this event, she talked to the delegates of how doping damaged her as an athlete and as a person. We share here Christine's speech with you.

SAVE the DATE - iNADO Workshop 2018 and WADA ADO Symposium

The 2018 iNADO Workshop will take place on March 20 at the University of Lausanne. As in previous years, it will immediately proceed WADA's annual symposium (March 21 - 23).

Soon, we will announce the main topics of our workshop. They will be of practical nature designed for the professional development of our member organisations and ADOs in general.

Registrations will be open soon. Hotel bookings for both events will be managed through the same platform.

Results of Survey by Top Athletes on Anti-Doping in Switzerland

One of our Member NADOs, Antidoping Switzerland (ADCH), is fully certified in ISO 9001:2015. As a consequence, ADCH regularly conducts surveys among customers and target groups. At least six general surveys about the perception of doping have been conducted since 1998. The opinion of top level athletes has also been studied repeatedly since 1995. In 2016 coaches were added to the groups studied.

Furthermore, the quality of DCOs and control procedures has been reviewed using web based feedbacks from athletes just after a doping controls in 2012, 2014, and 2016/2017.

In 2017, a comprehensive athlete survey with top level athletes has just been finished. This evaluation was intended to provide a status report about the fight against doping in Switzerland, and to establish what the athletes themselves think about testing and the availability of information. The <u>report in English</u> summarizes the key findings of the survey. It is also available in <u>German</u> and <u>French</u>.

The findings, when they are put in comparison to previous surveys, give a profile about the perception of doping, the quality of anti-doping in general, the quality and usefulness of the information available, and ultimately about the work of ADCH with the athletes.

The grades given by Athletes rank from good to very good. However, the responses also highlight several critical remarks that will help ADCH improve. If you have questions about the survey, please feel free to contact Matthias Kamber.

Last, a Swiss national TV channel showcased a report about the Dried Blood Spot Sampling in its "Sportpanorama" from last Sunday, 5 November. The report begins at the time code 21:35. It is in Swiss German but it nevertheless gives an idea about the simplicity of taking samples using the DBS method. The video could be unavailable in many countries. If you would like to see it please contact Mathias Kamber and he can provide you with a copy via Dropbox.

SAVE the DATE - Anti-Doping Seminar in Sofia, Bulgaria (Jan 24-25)

The 2018 Bulgarian Presidency of the Council of the European Union will host the <u>Anti-Doping Seminar</u> "Preventing doping in professional and grassroots sport through education and investigation" in Sofia on 24-25th January 2018.

The organisers describe the event: The event will focus on doping prevention through education and investigation. It will bring together Ministers, government officials, representatives of international and anti-doping organisations and key stakeholders in the field.

Experts from each country are expected. Individual invitations and agenda to be sent soon.

Update: Sanctions from IOC Disciplinary Commission incl. Sochi 2014

In April 2017 the IOC Disciplinary Commission (Oswald Commission) finished the reanalysis of stored samples from the Beijing 2008 and London 2012 Olympic Games. As a result, 105 athletes from sixteen nations and six sport federations including 54 medal winners were sanctioned.

For Sochi 2014 the Oswald Commission, as a direct result of the findings in the McLaren report, has focused on the tampering of samples from Russian athletes. During the last two weeks, we have heard from **ten new sanctions** including also the exoneration of one athlete. Certainly, more decisions will follow.

In the meantime, see the updated <u>list of sanctioned athletes</u> including links to the cases at the Anti-Doping Knowledge Center. Of course, the <u>summary tables</u> show sanctions by gender, sport, nation or prohibited substance for all three Olympic Games editions.

<u>Collaboration in the Development of an E-Learning Platform - NADA Germany & the German</u> <u>Sports Institute</u>

The participation of athletes on doping prevention activities using conventional formats has shown limitations in practice. Established models, such as round tables, meetings, or committee work reach their limit given the many different individual opinions to consider and the fact that the availability of the athletes may be (very) limited.

In an effort to strengthen its current prevention activities NADA Germany (NADA) initiated in September 2017 a joint project with the German Federal Institute for Sports Science (BISp) to develop the first stage of a Digital Participation Model for Doping Prevention. This tool will be designed for athletes taking into account the extensive in-the-field-knowledge of the NADA Germany and research of BISp about anti-doping and the efficiency of learning methods.

In a second step the model will be translated into a smartphone app and be part of NADA's programme "TOGETHER AGAINST DOPING" to be widely available to German athletes. We will keep the community updated about this project.

In general, E-Learning platforms in education are becoming increasingly relevant in prevention strategies. iNADO Members in our Education Expert Group have shared their experiences and challenges in establishing their own platforms. The evidence collected here will help other NADOs interested in developing their own E-Learning modules.

Conditions to Participate for Russian Athletes in PyeongChang Paralympic Winter Games

On Sept. 6, 2017 the International Paralympic Committee Governing Board decided to uphold the suspension of the Russian Paralympic Committee but issued a Limited Interim Measure (LIM) which will allow Russian Athletes to compete as "neutrals" in Qualifying Snow Sports Competitions for the PyeongChang 2018 Winter Paralympic Games.

Via <u>this communication</u> to all Membership participating in World Para Winter Sports, the IPC describes the background of the LIM and allows the Russian Paralympic Committee to register Para Athletes to the Winter Olympic Games should the RPC be reinstated in time. In particular, the athlete community has been interested to know from the IPC which measures are in place to guarantee that only clean athletes participate in competition.

Any further clarifications needed should be sent directly to the IPC.



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- WR 2016 WR vs Aleksey Mikhaltsov
- ITF 2016 ITF vs Arsan Arashov
- CCES 2016 CCES vs Tamerlan Tagziev
- FISA 2016 FISA vs Serhii Budko
- CAS 2016 A 4708 Belarus Canoe Association & Belarusian Senior Men's Canoe and Kayak team members vs ICF
- FIVB 2016 FIVB vs Alexander Markin CAS 2016 A 4643 Maria Sharapova vs ITF
- ITF 2016 ITF vs Maria Sharapova

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