

iNADO Workshop 2018 (March 20) Registration Open for Non-Members

Here is a link to the <u>prelimary programme</u> of our Workshop Every new version of the programme will be available on our <u>website</u>.

The content of the workshop focuses on current compliance issues as well as critical items for the first consultation round.

Non-member NADOs, IFs, MEOs, government officials, scientists and independent experts can use this LINK TO REGISTER to our 2018 iNADO Workshop. It will be host

Non-member organisations can register up to 2 staff members at €200 each. Non-Member NADOs get an early bird discount until January 31st and pay only €150 p. P. RADOs pay only €100 each. Additional staff beyond the two seats will be put initially in a waiting list. Closer to the event, available seats will be allocated to the waiting list.

NADA Germany 15 Anniversary and NADO Leaders Meeting in Bonn

Last week here in Bonn, NADA Germany celebrated its first 15 years of existence. A representative of the German Ministry of the Interior, as well as the Chariwoman of the German Olympic Sport Confederation (NOC) reminded the audence about the long way NADA Germany has walked since its foundation. Beginning only with a handful of staff and a small budget the agency established an effective anti-doping programme over the years. This programme is now recognised natioanly and an international reference for many NADOs. It has been a long way.

In the context of the celebrations, NADA Germany invited leaders from many NADOs to Bonn for a special Leaders summit. The following statement was released after the meeting:

Leaders from 19 National Anti-Doping Organisations (NADOs) came together for a fifth special summit, this time in Bonn, to discuss the urgent questions that are still unanswered in the lead up to the Olympic Winter Games. NADO leaders are speaking out to support clean athletes who face an uncertain playing field and who have voiced their concern that clean competition has been compromised.

The International Olympic Committee (IOC) having acknowledged, on the basis of multiple international inquiries, that the presumption of innocence has been lost for Olympic Athletes from Russia (OAR) it was imperative that the IOC establish clear criteria and a transparent process to allow the inclusion of OAR in the Games. To protect the rights of clean athletes as required by the Olympic Charter it is necessary for the bar to be higher for OAR to compete in the upcoming Olympic Winter Games. Continue reading the statement

NSF International, a global public health and safety organization and latest iNADO Partner, released its newly designed Certified for Sport® app and website to help protect athletes and consumers from potentially harmful ingredients and athletic banned substances in dietary supplements. The app features enhanced search capabilities, side-by-side product comparisons and a UPC barcode scanner to find Certified for Sport® supplements tested on a lot-by-lot basis for over 270 athletic banned substances.

The newly designed Certified for Sport® app provides the functionality to browse the certified products library by name, supplement type and goal. In addition, users can mark their favorite products and receive up-to-date listings and updates through push notifications. In addition to lot-by-lot testing for over 270 athletic banned substances, products bearing the NSF Certified for Sport® mark must be produced in a manufacturing facility that is inspected twice a year to comply with the U.S. FDA's Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) requirements. Label claims are verified and products are tested to verify formulation. The product is also tested for harmful levels of contaminants or fraudulent ingredients.

For more information on NSF International's Certified for Sport® program, please visit http://www.nsfsport.com/ or download the app on the App Store for iPhone or on Google Play for Android.

Job Vacancy: Medical Director at the Union Cycliste Internationale

The UCI is currently recruiting for the following position: Medical Director (100%)

If you are interested in this position, please send a full application (covering letter, CV, references, certificates and portfolio) by email to ressourceshumaines@uci.ch no later than the February 10th, 2018.

Research Paper: How Elite Athletes experience TUEs

An interesting <u>research paper</u>* investigates the experience and perception of 645 Danish elite athletes from 40 sports regarding TUEs and their trust in the anti-doping system.

The paper appeared in International journal of drug policy, 24(6), 579-588. The athletes completed a web-based questionnaire about TUEs. The results confirm that TUE is a complex issue in anti-doping policy.

- 19 % of the respondents had been granted a TUE. <u>85% of athletes that were granted a a TUE regarded their use of a medication as necessary to compete on equal terms with other athletes.</u>
- 53% of the athletes considered that being "allowed" to dope by means of a TUE was of importance for their (hypothetical) wish to try out doping.
- 51% believed that athletes in their sport received TUEs without a medical need.
- Athletes granted TUEs were more likely to distrust the efficacy of the system than athletes never granted a TUE. The belief
 that TUEs were misused was especially common among endurance athletes, regardless of having experiences with TUEs or
 not.
- 4% believed it would be okay to receive a TUE without a medical need.

The fact that distrust in TUE administration increases once an athlete has experience of TUEs represents a challenge for anti-doping policy.

* "Between medical treatment and performance enhancement: An investigation of how elite athletes experience Therapeutic Use Exemptions" (Overbye, M., & Wagner, U., 2013)



The Anti-Doping Knowledge Center has the largest collection of anti-doping decisions. It is easily searched and makes available a wide variety of very useful information. All anti-doping personnel should have a favourites link to this site. Here is a selection of decisions your legal counsel or results management staff can find there, filtered by different topics.

IOC Sanctions to Russian Athletes following the Decision of the Disciplinary Commission

These are only a few of the decisions regarding Russian athltes that you will be able to find in the ADKC:

- IOC 2017 IOC vs Galina Skiba Operative Part 11 Dec 2017
- IOC 2017 IOC vs Ekaterina Smolentseva Operative Part 11 Dec 2017
- IOC 2017 IOC vs Anna Shibanova Operative Part 11 Dec 2017
- IOC 2017 IOC vs Ekaterina Pashkevich Operative Part 11 Dec 2017
- IOC 2017 IOC vs Ekaterina Lebedeva Operative Part 11 Dec 2017
- IOC 2017 IOC vs Inna Dyubanok Operative Part 11 Dec 2017
- IOC 2017 IOC vs Evgeniv Belov Decision 27 Nov 2017
- IOC 2017 IOC vs Aleksandr Tretiakov Decision 11 Dec 2017

WADA: Tips from Whistleblowers Increase Dramatically

The systematic doping in Russia only came to light thanks to the whistleblowers Yuliya and Vitaly Stepanov. They seem to have inspired a new wave of whistleblowers. In a recent interview to a <u>German radio station</u>, Günter Younger, chief investigator at the World Anti-Doping Agency confirmed that "Speak Up!" its tip-off line has received around 200 reports during its first year.

The WADA Whistleblower-Programme was created only a year ago but some of the tips received have already lead to investigations. "We have 10-12 investigations running at the moment, some of them in coordination with the police", said Younger. One of the explosive pieces of information relates to the data bank from the Moscow Doping Control Laboratory which paved the ground to ban the Russian Olympic Committee from the next Olympic Games.

iNADO reminds all ADOs of the importance of setting up your own report hotline (tip-off line). iNADO provides assistance to its Member Organisations setting up a proper whistleblower platform.

Evaluation of the Anti-Doping Programme in Greece

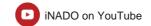
Between 30 October and 1 November 2017, the first joint evaluation visit of the Council of Europe and WADA took place in Athens, Greece. A team of anti-doping experts with one representative from WADA met the main stakeholders of the anti-doping program of this country.

The evaluation involved interviews with the Greek National Olympic Committee, the Greek National Council Combatting doping (ESKAN), athletes, representatives from the different national federations, from the police and people from the laboratory. A report on the compliance of Greece with the Anti-Doping Convention, including respective Recommendations, will be made available in due time.

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