

Our Objectives for the iNADO CEO Forum in Katowice (Nov. 4)

For iNADO to be effective we must understand the differing needs and expectations of our members. We have developed three areas which (subject to your input that we will be seeking over the next few weeks) we think summarise what Members want as our core objectives:

- 1. Promoting the needs and views of NADOs to our wider community
- 2. Sharing best practices
- 3. Providing practical assistance to (in particular) smaller poorly resourced NADOs (in partnership with WADA)

To discuss these and other key issues impacting on our work we are convening a forum for our CEOs on Nov., 4 from 1-5 pm - one day prior to the World Conference in Katowice. Registration link will be shared via Basecamp.

During the forum, we hope to, firstly, develop and reinforce the sense of collegiality within our community. More practically we want to share progress on a new strategic plan and receive your input before finalising. We want to understand which issues you believe are of the highest priority and how we can best advocate for them.

If we are to be an effective organisation on your behalf your input is vital and we hope you will be able to attend and participate. Looking forward to seeing you all in Katowice.

Last Draft Versions of 2021 Code and International Standards

WADA has posted the results of the past round of the Code Review process. In our view, the process has achieved a much-improved document which, even if it does not meet all expectations, makes the Code substantially more sensitive to the circumstances of the full range of athletes and others subject to the Code.

Based on a review of the issues which WADA itself has commented on, a small number of matters which we believe remain unsolved are (for more complete explanations refer to the Code review section of Basecamp):

- 1. **Substance of Abuse 10.2.4.1** "If the Athlete can establish that any ingestion or Use or Possession occurred Out-of-Competition and was unrelated to sport performance, then the period of Ineligibility shall be three months Ineligibility". This raises a fundamental philosophical question around the legitimacy of sport rules being applied to circumstances which are, explicitly and by definition, "unrelated to sport performance".
- 2. **10.13.2.1 Failure to respect a provisional suspension is not a separate anti-doping rule violation**. The only consequence of failing to respect a provisional suspension is a loss of all credit for any part of the provisional suspension served, as provided in Article 10.13.2.1. This appears to open the possibility that an athlete, in a team sport, could compete in contravention of provisional suspension and assist a team to qualify for the following round (with no subsequent team penalty under the sport rules).
- 3. **TUE Standard and Recreational Athletes.** A serious anomaly remains whereby recreational athletes are granted no structural relief from complete compliance with the TUE Standard. The whole purpose of having the category of Recreational

Athlete is to acknowledge that they are unlikely to be aware of all the detailed Rules under the Code such as the expectation that they must keep a medical file or e.g. that a common asthma inhaler is prohibited. The explanation is that this might be saved by the Provision for WADA to grant exceptionally a TUE under these circumstances. Athletes should not have to put such cases in the lap of the gods (WADA) and there should be more explicit relief (provided advantage is negligible).

Questionnaire on Athlete Involvement in your NADO

We remind the members who have not completed the <u>Questionnaire on Athlete Involvement</u> to support this important piece of work of WADA's NADO Advisory Group. The survey aims to establish the degree to which NADOs currently work with athletes. Its purpose is not to "expose" any NADOs but rather to genuinely measure what is the current status. The questionnaire will be open until Aug. 7 and we hope all will complete it.

NADA Germany and German Athletes together for a better Anti-Doping System

This is a very positive example of how ADOs can respond to one specific demand on the current anti-doping system: the German NADA and German Athletes have agreed that anti-doping programmes should be comprehensive and not only athletes but all parties involved should be the target of integrity standards. It will be interesting to see what practically this means in terms of the powers NADOs might have (or seek).

This is a (slightly edited) copy of the press release available at www.nada.de

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Representatives of the German athletes' association Athleten Deutschland e.V. and the NADA Germany recently met in Bonn to analyse the consequences of the current findings from "Operation Aderlass" in Seefeld and Erfurt.

Both parties emphasize, (...), that the measures to be taken now have to be comprehensive and include all parties involved in topclass sport. Athletes and athlete support personnel, i.e. trainers, physiotherapists, doctors, etc., as well as officials, equally have to regularly reaffirm their commitment to clean sport without doping, consistently implement and sustainably practice their commitment.

Specifically, this means that the principle of "prevention and control" implemented by NADA not only applies to athletes, but that athlete support personnel in the widest sense are to be included as well. NADA and Athleten Deutschland e.V. agree that all top officials involved in top-class sport and leading responsible officers in the sport associations are included in this. This is an indispensable step to ensure credibility in the fight against doping.

NADA and Athleten Deutschland e.V. therefore aim to establish consistent and valid standards for athlete support personnel and sport associations. In light of deployment of support personnel at large international sport events, NADA strives to introduce anti-doping "clearance checks" for athlete support personnel in future. These are to be completed by any athlete support before they can be nominated, e.g. for the Olympic Games. This review expands the current practice of formal statements and commitment declarations in order to treat athletes and athlete support personnel equally in this respect.

NADA will take the lead in developing concept and implementation approaches with the involvement of Athleten Deutschland e.V. It will approach the competent contacts at the Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community and the German Olympic Sports Confederation.

Rob Koehler presented Global Athlete (Webinar, July 10)

There is one fundamental question in high performance sport that many athletes ask: "as the ones on the field competing, shouldn't we have a say and be engaged in how sport should be run? wouldn't that be fair?" We invite ADOs to follow Global Athlete, an international athlete body which seeks to obtain a real stake in the sport movement for athletes.

Rob Koehler, director general of the organisation, explained in an iNADO Webinar to anti-doping practitioners of IFs, WADA, and NADOs that Global Athlete was founded due to the "moral breakdown" in sport:: "decades of commercial success sought at expense of real sporting values". Many NADOs will agree with this view. In their view, many Athlete Committees and Commissions are not independent and are used to artificially create a sense of credibility which is "unacceptable and not authentic".

Global Athlete is designed to be a grassroots "bottom up" approach for athletes who want to be part of a process in which change is achieved with them and not imposed on them. In the last months they have been active in media to influence decision making for the benefit of athletes. There will also be conferences and athletes will be engaged to promote Global Athlete. One of its goals is to be recognised as a solution-led "can do" Movement, proactive, supportive and inspiring positive change.

Athletes that want change are encouraged to join.



Registration opens for ICIC 2020

You can now <u>sign in</u> for the "Conference on the implementation of the revised World Anti-Doping Code (ICIC2020)". After the first edition that followed the 2013 World Conference in Johannesburg, the 2020 edition will again take place in Vaals, Netherlands from 15 - 17 January 2020.

Program:

The core business of <u>ICIC2020</u> will be the implementation of relevant changes in the World Anti-Doping Code, together with the implementation of several new and revised International Standards. The <u>preliminary ICIC2020 program</u> can be found on the conference website. Members of the anti-doping community will be sought to discuss their potential role as a speaker or moderator during the conference. The final program will be published in December after the 2019 WADA World Conference in Katowice.

Attendees:

ICIC2020 will bring together directors, senior employees and communication managers of National Anti-Doping Organisations, Regional Anti-Doping Organisations and international federations. Athlete representatives are especially welcome. Attending the conference is free of charge for the above-mentioned stakeholders. Researchers, lab managers, legal experts and other stakeholders are invited to attend as well. For these participants a moderate fee applies.

Do not miss out on this important conference and meet with fellow stakeholders and register now! I look forward to meeting you in Vaals in January 2020.

Spanish Agency helps Latin American NADOs to develop an effective Testing Programme

From June 10 to 14 in Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia, the Spanish Anti-Doping Agency (AEPSAD) held an on-site seminar for Latin American doping control managers. This was the third of three modules of <u>Intercoonecta</u>, the international cooperation programme for anti-doping.

The seminar was summoned under the title "Implementation of an effective doping control program in line with the World Anti-Doping Code" and touched on these important topics:

- Use and integral management of ADAMS
- Risk analysis
- · Configuration and management of monitoring groups
- The biological passport
- Development of intelligence
- The ISO 9001/2015 Certification
- The use of DIOCLES integral management software
- Analytical reports and training of doping control officers.

This doping control block comprises a total of 76 hours divided in an online and a face-to-face course. This programme highlights the

commitment of AEPSAD to improve doping control techniques as well as the overall capacity of anti-doping organizations in Latin America and the Caribbean.

ITA: First Year of Operations

On July 1st 2019 the <u>ITA celebrated</u> its first year of operations. ADOs are invited to consider how the operations of this new organisation affect their programmes and what are the implications. There are many areas in which the ITA depends on the collaboration of other ADOs, for instance:

- ITA and IF / NADO collaboration in pre-Games testing strategies
- Sharing information (TDP, Intelligence, Intelligence on foreign athletes, etc.).
- · Exchanging (reciprocally) notices of testing
- Use of and access to DCOs in your country
- Testing in places in the world where there are no (functioning) NADOs

iNADO has taken the view that the ITA needs support so that it can function for the benefit of clean competitions.



New at the Anti-Doping Knowledge Center

Importance of Reanalysis Strategy for Integrity of Olympic Games

The IOC recently published the full <u>list of ADRVs</u> during or after Olympic Games from the period 1972 to 2018. It also displays the results of the Anti-Doping Reanalysis Programme (2004-2018). The importance of reanalysis for catching cheats is very evident. You will find here: Factsheet number of Anti-Doping Rule violations (1972-2018), IOC Anti-Doping Reanalysis Programme 2004-2018, ADRV Results and Number of retests

The most recent (2019) cases following retesting are:

- IOC 2018 IOC vs Jevgenij Shuklin 7 Jun 2019
- IOC 2019 IOC vs Florin Ionut Croitoru 22 May 2019
- IOC 2018 IOC vs Meline Daluzyan 8 May 2019
- IOC 2018 IOC vs Ineta Radevica 8 May 2019
- IOC 2018 IOC vs Valentin Hristov 27 Mar 2019
- <u>IOC 2018 IOC vs Anis Ananenka</u> 27 Mar 2019
- IOC 2018 IOC vs Alena Matoshka 27 Mar 2019
- IOC 2018 IOC vs Davit Modzmanashvili 17 Jan 2019

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