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HIGH LEVEL WORKSHOP

TACKLING CORRUPTION IN SPORT

Towards a robust private-public
alliance based on the UNCAC
Resolution 7/8

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RATIONALE, GOALS AND GENERAL FRAMEWORK

The world of sport is a source of shared values, a factor of progress and human fulfillment, a global economic and social feature that significantly affects billions of people and generates, in Europe, an annual turnover higher than that of important economic sectors such as agriculture and fishing.

Malpractices, illegal behaviors and crimes in this area are unfortunately particularly widespread and dangerous. Its consequences are harmful and impact also on the values inspired by the Olympic Charter, besides the specific criminal aspect. In this regard, their effects are so dangerous that cannot be fully estimated or weighted.

Illegal betting, match fixing, bribes in the adjudication of major sport events and disturbance of the related public procurement and concessions, doping are all forms of illegality in this area.

These crimes highlight the need of a broader view of the risks of corruption affecting sport, taking into account not only the links among sport, organized crime and money laundering, but also how such phenomena impact on public and private integrity.

Especially in the era of globalization and multilayered legal systems, preventing and fighting corruption in sport environments becomes a strategic endeavor that requires in-depth assessment and implementation.

The central relevance of this objective at policy level has inspired several multilateral initiatives of legal diplomacy: such as, among others, the UN Resolution 5/4 of November 2013 welcoming the establishing of a global alliance for integrity in sports; the Council of Europe Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions signed in Macolin/Maggingen on 1 September 2014; the launch of IPACS initiative at the UK Anticorruption Summit in London; the focus on this issue under the German G20 Presidency.

These actions were integrated by the adoption of a thematic Resolution on corruption and sport, proposed by Italy, at the last UNCAC Conference of States Parties on 10 November 2017 in Vienna.

<http://www.unodc.org/documents/treaties/UNCAC/COSP/session7/V1800228e.pdf>

The most significant feature of sport, as for its governance, is embodied in the fundamental role played by the private sector. The complexity of the sports system implies a private-public approach to ensure an organic capacity to prevent and fight corruption, that must also rely on effective criminal proceedings. As a matter of fact, these have promptly reacted in some jurisdictions.

At global level, sports system is ruled by associations such as the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the sports international federations (for example, FIFA the international football federation). Briefly, these subjects represent associations of private law, entrusted with technical-sporting standardization.

Therefore, the world of sport is also a privileged and natural laboratory of a multi-shareholder approach to corruption prevention in a broad sense, with the contribution of the civil society, the private sector, research and the institutions.

AGENDA

8:00 – 8:45

WELCOME AND REGISTRATION

9:00 – 9:30

INTRODUCTORY SESSION

Welcome

Gennaro Vecchione

*Gen. Div. of the Italian Guardia di Finanza,
Director of the “Scuola di Perfezionamento delle Forze di Polizia”*

Introduction

Massimo Gaiani

Director General for Global Issues, Italian MoFA

The Italian commitment to bilateral and multilateral legal diplomacy for the creation and support of legally shaped economic environments. The fight against corruption in sport: the action of the G20 Anti-corruption Working Group and the adoption of the UN Resolution on corruption and sport at the UNCAC Conference of States Parties. Rationale and architecture of the seminar: a day of assessment and comparison, a shared effort in the search and definition of a harmonized context where to improve the prevention and the fight against corruption, in all its forms, in the sports environment.

9:15 – 11:15

Round Table

The international framework and main trends

The topic is central in the debate of all the main global and regional anticorruption fora.

The G20 Anti-corruption Working Group (ACWG), under German Presidency in 2017, addressed the issue by dwelling on the relationships between corruption and sport. The global interest in preventing corruption in a crucial sector such as sport is also relevant for OECD activities regarding especially major events. Within the international regulatory level, the most influential precedent in these matters is represented by the Council of Europe Macolin/Maggingen Convention on match fixing of 2014. The UNODC has investigated the issue and developed specialized tools until the adoption of the aforementioned Resolution at the last UNCAC CoSP.

Recently, the third meeting of the International Partnership against Corruption in Sport (IPACS) working group was held, as a clear expression of the multi-shareholder governance in the international sports sector, with the participation of civil society.

IOC has been significantly committed since years in strengthening the internal compliance systems, the training and prevention programs, the fight to sport frauds and illegal behaviors.

Moderator

Alfredo Durante Mangoni

Coordinator for international anticorruption activities, MoFA

Speakers

John Brandolino (TBC or delegate)

Director of Treaty affairs Division, UNODC

Gabriella Battaini Dragoni (TBC or delegate)

Deputy Secretary-General, CoE

Nicola Bonucci (TBC or delegate)

Director Legal Affairs and Accession, OECD

Paquerette Girard Zappelli

Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer, IOC

Alexander Schischlik

Chief of Section - Youth and Sport, UNESCO

Sylvia Schenk

Transparency International

Tiziana Beghin

Intergroup Sport, European Parliament

Sebastiano Tiné (TBC or delegate)

Head of Financial Crime Sector, DG Home, EC

11:15

COFFEE BREAK

11:30 – 13:00

The Italian context

The cooperation between the State and the sport sector: focus on public-private

The relation between State justice bodies and sport justice bodies: critical points and challenges in the prevention and repression of corruption in sport. The risk of infiltration of organized crime and money laundering in the sport sector. ANAC's commitment to sport integrity. The relevant potential impact of Public Private Partnerships methodologies, of protected reporting systems and holistic approaches in order to upgrade the efficiency of policies and programs. The protection of athletes and whistleblowers. In this framework, the historic experience of the Italian system of fight against doping is a privileged background for a growing cooperation between State and sport system, with reference to the national and international governance of the contrast to doping (relations with WADA, with CONI, with FSN and with the State Justice).

Moderator

Raffaele Piccirillo

Chief of Department for Justice Affairs, Ministry of Justice

Speakers

Federico Cafiero de Raho

National Anti-Mafia Prosecutor, DNA

Nicolò D'Angelo

Deputy Chief of “Polizia di Stato”, Director of Criminal Police

Leonardo Gallitelli (TBC)

Head of Anti-doping office NADO, Italy

Luca Trifone

Adviser for International Affairs to the President, ANAC

Giovanni Tartaglia Polcini

Legal Counselor at MAECI

Paolo Bertaccini

Sport Pulito Italia AMFF Program, Office for Sport

13:00

Guide lines for the future

Giovanni Malagò

President of CONI

The world of sports is a primary laboratory for testing the relevance and importance of strategic and operational standards for preventing and combating corruption and for creating a legally-shaped socio-economic environment in a multilevel legal system.

The risk of corruption can be significantly reduced through the adoption of integrity guidelines consistent with international standards and through widespread application of governance models, compliance and risk management.

A prominent role must be given to corporate social responsibility (CSR). Participatory legality checks, in partnership between the public and private sectors, help raising the threshold of legality and the level of protection against corruption.

Thus, one of the most complex sectors among corruption risk areas may be able to receive new inspiration and ground to fulfill its mission and to provide support for sustainable and inclusive development, both in advanced and developing countries.

13:30 – 14:30

LIGHT LUNCH

14:30 – 16:30

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The cooperation between State and sport sector

Focus on procurement, match-fixing, governance

The contrast to the fraud and corruption of the “sport performance” implies solid synergies between the sport system and the State judicial system, at national and international level. Three issues appear crucial: the private and public procurement system, the contrast to match-fixing and the development of governance, risk management and internal compliance models. In this framework, the case of Cortina 2021, of the General Prosecutor’s Office of CONI in the context of the sport judicial reform, of the betting operators system, of the City of Milano and of the pilot area in Palermo, are ongoing actions which outline a growing potential capacity of cooperation between sport bodies and the institutional system moving from reference territorial cases and practices.

Moderator

Caterina Gozzoli

ASAG Università Cattolica

Speakers

Carlo Mornati

Secretary General, CONI

Luigivalerio Sant’Andrea

Government Commissioner Cortina 2021

Enrico Cataldi

National General Prosecutor, CONI

Giovanni Emilio Maggi

Sistema Gioco Italia, Betting Operators Syndicate

Alessandra Sensini

former athlete, Olympic Champion

Roberta Guaineri

Sport Assessor, City of Milano

Alessandro Albanese

President of Palermo and Enna Chamber of Commerce

Marco Befera

Chief Compliance and Internal Auditing, CONI

Representatives of the private sector and of primary Italian companies operating in the sport business may take the floor.

INTERNATIONAL SIDE-MEETING

14:30 – 17:00

With governmental or AntiCorruption Authorities’ delegates

Paolo Bertaccini

Anti-Match Fixing Formula Program, Ufficio Sport

Claudio Marinelli

Sport Integrity Unit, Interpol International Secretariat, Lyon

Discussion for drafting an operational agenda to implement the UN Resolution on Corruption and Sports adopted at COSP7, with special attention to:

- protected reporting systems;
- match-fixing;
- organized crime infiltration into the sport markets.

Reference is also made to the AntiMatchFixing Formula Program:

<http://www.anti-match-fixing-formula.eu>