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Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions

Group of Copenhagen – Network of National Platforms

Data base – country fact sheet

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1. Administrative issues / State of progress

State of Progress

- Not formally established yet.
- The leading actors are working on a Memorandum of Understanding to define the terms of the establishment of the National Platform.
- Informal contacts between stakeholders and exchange of relevant information to the fight against manipulation of sports competitions are already taking place.

Legal Status

N/A

Responsible Secretariat

N/A

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Organizational form and composition of NP (bodies/entities)

N/A

2. Structure / Operational Aspects

Priorities / functions of the NP

N/A

Objectives

N/A

Operational procedures N/A

Implementation

N/A

Funding of the NP (estimated yearly budget, sources)

• There is no specific funding for the time being.

Other points

3. Development Process

Origin of the initiative

• The Secretary of State for Youth and Sport and the Portuguese Institute for Sport and Youth

Leading actors involved in the development process

- The Secretary of State for Youth and Sport;
- The Portuguese Institute for Sport and Youth;
- SRIJ Gambling Inspection Service;
- The Prosecutor's Office;
- The Judiciary Police;
- SCML Santa Casa da Misericórdia de Lisboa (responsible for land-based sports betting).

Work carried out to mobilise actors? How many meetings necessary / agendas ?

- Regular meetings involving the leading actors.
- Other actors to be encouraged to integrate the National Platform, namely the gambling operators, the Portuguese Olympic Committee, sports federations, the Professional Football League and the athletes union.

Process in defining priorities and objectives (assessments, analysis, documents produced / published)

• So far, the priorities and objectives have been defined at ad-hoc meetings of the working group.

Previous situation (domestic law in application, difficulties in proceeding)

Relevant domestic laws currently in application:

- The Law on criminal responsibility for conducts that may affect the truth, loyalty and correctness of the competition and its result in sporting activity (Law nr. 50/2007), which establishes specific criminal offences in the context of manipulation, namely: passive corruption, active corruption, influence peddling, criminal association, unsporting betting and offer or improper receipt of advantage;
- The legal framework for Online Betting and Gambling (Decree-Law nr. 66/2015);
- The legal framework for Land-Based Sports Betting (Decree-Law nr. 67/2015).

Challenges in defining tasks and responsibilities / Reasons for inclusion or exclusion of main actors* (and inclusion/exclusion of representatives)

• The legal framework on data protection may require a legislative authorization for the collection and processing of information by the National Platform.