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Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions

Group of Copenhagen – Network of National Platforms

Data base – country fact sheet

NORWAY

1. Administrative issues / State of progress

State of Progress

- ❖ Operational;

Legal Status

- ❖ Mission letter (mandate) given by the Ministry of Culture to the Betting Regulatory Authority;
- ❖ Necessary exemptions from relevant data protection laws are granted. This was necessary in order to perform the tasks stipulated in the Convention.

Responsible Secretariat

- ❖ Norwegian Gaming Authority (national betting regulator). There will be an evaluation in four years to assess the progress made and to possibly extend to a permanent mandate.

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Organizational form and composition of NP (bodies/entities)

- ❖ The National Platform consists of two full time employees recruited for this specific purpose.
- ❖ The National Platform has both an intelligence mandate and inquiry mandate.
- ❖ The model of national strategic cooperation is through the National Cooperation Forum. The Forum is led by the National Platform and consists of the NOC, the Football Association of Norway, the Norwegian Gaming Authority, Norsk Tipping (national betting operator), the Norwegian National Tote (horse betting), the Norwegian Trotting Association, the National Criminal Investigation Service; the Norwegian Ministry of Culture.

2. Structure / Operational Aspects

Priorities / functions of the NP

- ❖ Coordinating the fight against match-fixing;

- ❖ Conduct inquiries and information processing in order to uncover possible violation of existing laws or sports regulations;
- ❖ Conduct risk assessments;
- ❖ National and international cooperation with all relevant organizations and authorities on all levels;

Objectives

- ❖ Provide sports organizations and relevant authorities with decision support to keep crime out of sports;
- ❖ Help to maintain the integrity of sports internationally

Operational procedures

- ❖ Operational procedures are in place for all aspects of the platform's responsibilities. All procedures have been tested in practice.

Implementation

- ❖ Action plan 2013-2015 is implemented and will remain in force until a new is made.
- ❖ Maintain an open-source knowledge database open to the public.
- ❖ Participate in relevant international cooperation forums
- ❖ Mapping vulnerabilities inside sports and betting to limit risk of manipulation and conduct threat assessments.

Funding of the NP (estimated yearly budget, sources)

- ❖ Funded by the Ministry of Culture

Other points

3. Development Process

- ❖ Point 3 should be well covered by the Oxford Research program.

Origin of the initiative

Leading actors involved in the development process

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

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

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

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