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## **Enlarged Partial Agreement on Sport (EPAS)**

### **26th meeting of the EPAS Governing Board Bureau**

Council of Europe  
55 avenue Kléber, 75116 Paris  
(1st floor, meeting room no. 2)

Friday 29 September 2017, 9.30 a.m. – 5.00 p.m.

## **List of decisions**

### **1. Opening of the meeting**

Mr Frédéric Sanaur, Chair of the EPAS Governing Board, Head of the Office for International Relations, European Affairs and Major Events in the French Ministry of Sports, opened the meeting. He said a few words of welcome and apologised for the absence of the delegates from Croatia, Ms Marija Crnković, and Slovenia, Mr Zoran Verovnik, as well as the Chair of the EPAS Consultative Committee, Mr Jens Sejer Andersen. The full list of participants appears in Appendix I to this document.

### **2. Adoption of the agenda**

The Bureau adopted the agenda with no amendments, as it appears in Appendix II to this document.

### **3. Reports on recent meetings**

**3.1. List of decisions – 25th meeting of the EPAS Governing Board Bureau, Paris, 20 March 2017**

<p><b>DECISION:</b> the Bureau adopted the list of decisions.</p>
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**3.2. Draft list of decisions – 11th meeting of the EPAS Governing Board (joint meeting with the EPAS Consultative Committee), Limassol, 9-10 May 2017**

**DECISION:** the Bureau approved the draft list of decisions.

It took note of the presentation concerning the results of the questionnaire on the level of participation of certain member states in EPAS meetings, of which account would have to be taken when preparing the next Governing Board meeting. The Secretariat pointed out that it had a list of delegations which was updated throughout the year on the basis of changes brought to its attention and this, at least, once a year.

**3.3. List of decisions – 8th meeting of the Bureau of the EPAS Consultative Committee, Brussels, 5 September 2017**

The Vice-Chair of the Consultative Committee referred to some points which had been discussed at the meeting, in particular the Play the Game conference, good governance and the key principles of governance, the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the plan to set up a working group on the subject, and said that the next meeting was due to be held in Vienna at the end of January 2018.

**DECISION:** the Bureau took note of the list of decisions.

**4. Recent news**

**4.1 Member states**

The Bureau took note of the oral presentation informing it of Austria's accession in 2017 and the more recent contacts with a view to possible accession by Slovakia, Italy, Turkey and Qatar. The Secretariat urged Bureau members to promote accession to EPAS in their bilateral contacts, which they willingly agreed to do.

**4.2 Partner organisations**

- **Proposal regarding the request for membership by EUSA in the Consultative Committee**

The Bureau noted that the request by the European University Sports Association (EUSA) had been on the agenda of the Governing Board meeting in Limassol, which had deferred it to 2018. The problem posed by the request stemmed from the fact that EUSA was a member of FISU, which itself was already a member of the Consultative Committee, and that was not allowed under the EPAS Statute.

**DECISION:** in order to enable the EPAS Secretariat to continue the negotiations, the Bureau decided that, as only one vote could be granted, it should be proposed to the two organisations that they agree among themselves whether EUSA or FISA would be the official member of the Consultative Committee; a representative of the other organisation could nevertheless be included in the delegation of the member organisation and take part in the activities.

The Chair of the Bureau said that he was in contact with the French Athletics Federation concerning the possibility of the European Athletic Association joining the Consultative Committee. The Secretariat said that six seats were currently vacant and asked Bureau members to pass on the information to the organisations known to them.

### 4.3 Sports conventions

The Secretariat gave updates on the conventions:

- the Convention on an Integrated Safety, Security and Service Approach at Football Matches and Other Sports Events was on the point of coming into force (France, Monaco and Poland had already ratified it and the Russian Federation was reported to be about to do so); the convention seemed relatively easy to ratify for states which were already parties to CETS 120;
- the Anti-Doping Convention was working to promote its recommendation on ensuring the independence of hearing panels (bodies) and promoting fair trials in anti-doping cases;
- the Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions: a seminar would be held on 28 and 29 November; the Secretariat asked Bureau members to pass on the information so as to reach the maximum number of people.

### 4.4 Council of Europe Secretariat

The Secretariat presented the EPAS Secretariat team.

It announced that a joint website was being finalised. The EPAS tab would be divided into three pillars (ethical sport, inclusive sport and safe sport). The monitoring activities would also be presented so that an overview of all the reports adopted was available.

The Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE) was preparing two reports on sport:

- one on the need for better international sports governance, by the Danish parliamentarian, Mogens Jensen, which would be published in April 2018;
- another on football governance with a focus on UEFA and FIFA, by the Luxembourg parliamentarian, Anne Brasseur.

The Secretariat also said that the Council of Europe was very concerned about the dispute with the Russian Federation, which had suspended payment of part of its contributions. To date, there had been no direct impact on EPAS, as the Russian contribution had already been paid, but there were questions about 2018 because no one knew when the situation was going to be resolved. It nevertheless seemed that the Russian Federation clearly did not intend to leave the Council of Europe.

**DECISION:** the Bureau wished to invite Mr Jensen to present his work on good sports governance at the next meeting of the Governing Board, also with a view to establishing closer ties between EPAS and PACE.

## 5. Programme of activities

### 5.1 Programme and budget for 2017

The Bureau took note of the oral presentation by the Secretariat on the implementation of 2017 activities and on forthcoming events, in particular:

- the Play the Game Conference, of which EPAS was a partner; 25 member states would be present in Eindhoven at the end of November and two select meetings of the Governing Board would be held on the sidelines of the conference on good governance and on martial arts and combat sports. The Conference itself would deal with many issues of great interest to Governing Board members;
- the Workshop on hate speech in sport to be held in Sarajevo at the end of November;
- the Secretariat also presented the benefits of active participation (co-ordination of a session) in the Peace and Sport Conference to be held in Monaco in December; two Bureau members said that they would be present at the Conference.

**DECISION:** the Bureau took note of the state of implementation of the programme of activities and approved the proposals.

## 5.2 Programme and budget for 2018-2019

The Bureau took note of the information on the budget for 2018 and the updates provided by the Secretariat. The situation was positive, which meant that it had been possible to increase human resources. The Secretariat explained that the objective was to maintain a roughly 50/50 balance between staff expenditure and other expenditure. In reply to a question, it indicated that communication expenses mainly came under staff expenditure (cf. staff member responsible for communication and participation by EPAS staff members in various events).

The planned increase in the budget from 2017 to 2018 was due to Austria's accession and, to a limited extent, to general inflation (+0.5% for the Council of Europe as a whole according to the draft budget).

The Secretariat then presented the key strategic activities planned for 2018:

- the preparation and holding of the ministerial conference in Georgia,
- continued promotion of the online platform for the integration of migrants through sport,
- continued work on the two draft recommendations which would be submitted to the GR-C in April 2018 for approval with a view to forwarding to the Committee of Ministers for adoption,
- monitoring visits in connection with implementation of the European Sports Charter,
- continued work of the IPACS (International Sports Integrity Partnership) informal working group in partnership with the OECD.

It asked the Bureau to note that no EPAS annual conference on diversity would be held in 2018.

Lastly, the Secretariat drew the Bureau's attention to the fact that some activities were becoming permanent, which mobilised resources and reduced flexibility for dealing with new requests against a background in which activity on international sport was expanding. The accession of new members to EPAS would provide some relief.

**DECISION:** the Bureau asked the Secretariat to ensure that the impact in human resources terms was assessed beforehand in the case of any new activities undertaken by EPAS.

### a) Draft recommendation on good governance – progress

The Secretariat reported on the progress of the project and presented the provisional schedule.

### b) Draft recommendation on combat sport – progress

The Secretariat presented the draft recommendation and the provisional schedule and said that the document would be supplemented by an explanatory report which was under preparation. It asked the Bureau to take a decision on the title and on the proposal to add at the end of §4 of the guidelines the phrase “*and assessing the relevant impact*”.

It said that, apart from the Governing Board's select meeting on the subject during the Play the Game Conference, the organisers would propose a session on the issue of martial arts and combat sports to all the conference participants.

**DECISION:** the Bureau agreed to “*Martial arts and combat sports*” so as to have a broad generic title, given that the terms of the recommendation went into the details, in particular regarding the issues of the health risks of knock-outs. The Bureau approved the Secretariat's proposal to add the phrase “*and assessing the relevant impact*”. It agreed to the Consultative Committee members present at the conference taking part in the two select meetings.

### c) International Partnership against Corruption in Sport (IPACS) – Task force 3

The Secretariat said that the working group's first meeting had been held on 21 June 2017 and the next would be held at the OECD in Paris in December. In this connection, three task forces had been set up concerning:

- public procurement in the context of major international sports events (body responsible: OECD),
- selection processes for major international sports events and international standards on conflicts of interest (body responsible: OECD),
- compliance with good governance principles to reach a consensus on certain subjects such as conflicts of interest, the length of terms of office, etc. (body responsible: EPAS).

The Secretariat hoped that all EPAS member countries which were not currently members of the working group could ultimately be included in a plenary body still to be set up, for instance. The terms of reference of the three task forces could be distributed to Bureau members for information in one or two weeks' time.

**d) Follow up to Action 3 from MINEPS VI (*Kazan Action Plan*)**

The Secretariat said that this involved working under the direction of the EPAS Governing Board and that the Bureau had to approve the guidelines which specified that the working group would be open to all countries wishing to take part.

DECISION: the Bureau agreed to play a practical part in implementing the guidelines adopted in the summer in Kazan and to supervise the progress of the work under Action 3.

**e) Evaluation visits – compliance with commitments**

The Bureau was invited to note that three positive replies had been received for visits under the European Sports Charter in 2018 (from Norway, Iceland and Georgia) and that around ten other states had indicated great interest. The Secretariat said that it now had enough information to be able to restart the process of monitoring visits and could plan the visits.

DECISION: the Bureau asked the Secretariat to arrange the evaluation visits for the European Sports Charter before the next ministerial conference was held so that the conclusions could be presented on that occasion.

## 6. Voluntary contribution projects and joint projects

### 6.1 EU (DG Home): Keep Crime out of Sport (KCOOS) (2016-2017)

The Secretariat announced that the accounts of this project, which had run 18 months until the end of June 2017, had been settled.

### 6.2 EU (direct grant agreements):

The Bureau took note of the explanations given by the Secretariat concerning various ongoing projects:

- the Pro S4+ project would continue until mid-2018,
- the Sexual violence in sport project (PSS+) (2017) was geared to the long term and helped develop communication tools that could be reused by states and organisations; the next meeting would be held on 25 October on the occasion of a meeting on child protection in Lanzarote,
- the Balance in Sport 2 project (BIS 2) (2018-2019) would be used to start large-scale data collection from all Council of Europe member states.

### 6.3 Calls for voluntary contributions:

- **Sports Governance Observers (SGO) (2018)**

The Secretariat announced that a reminder had been issued: 2017, Montenegro – 2018, other states.

- **KCOOS+ (2018-2019)**

The Secretariat said that several countries and organisations were willing to contribute; the budget should be finalised shortly.

## **7. Conferences of Ministers responsible for Sport**

### **7.1 14th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport, Budapest, 29 November 2016**

The Secretariat gave an update on the state of implementation of the resolutions: most were in the process of being implemented.

### **7.2 15th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport (Georgia)**

#### **a) Organisational aspects – possible venue and dates**

The Georgian co-ordinator for the organisation of the ministerial conference would be Ms Manana Kavtaradze, Head of the International Relations and European Integration Department of the Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs of Georgia.

The conference would be held in Tbilisi. The date was still to be confirmed: it was due to be in October 2018, before the presidential election in the country, for which the date had not yet been set.

The Vice-Chair of the Consultative Committee said that the Junior World Sambo Championship was being held in Tbilisi in October 2018 and proposed that a link could perhaps be established between the two events (for instance, a demonstration of Sambo and promotion of the recommendation on martial arts and combat sports).

The Secretariat pointed out that planning for the event involved reverse planning and that the date would therefore have to be agreed as quickly as possible.

DECISION: the Bureau agreed with Ms Manana Kavtaradze that if the Georgian authorities had not announced a date by the end of October 2017, the week of 15 October 2018 would be chosen for the ministerial conference. In addition, for the sake of coherence, the Secretariat was instructed to check that no EU ministerial meeting was scheduled for that time.

#### **b) Principal theme of the conference**

The Secretariat announced that the principal theme of the conference would be corruption and related issues (good governance, transparency and conventions, etc.). It also presented a table summarising all the topical issues so that those which were most relevant for inclusion on the agenda of the ministerial conference could be determined.

The Secretariat invited the Georgian authorities to take the necessary steps to ensure that the Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions was ratified before the conference; its entry into force during the conference could be a highlight of the event.

Ms Manana Kavtaradze added that a working group comprising several ministers and the capital's mayor would meet to discuss preparations for the conference.

DECISION: the Bureau proposed that consideration be given to human rights as a second theme for the conference: it would bring together various issues and would have substantial political potential.

#### **c) Conference programme and format**

The Secretariat gave details of the arrangements for the conference:

- one day would be given over to the ministerial part with a substantive discussion in the morning on issues relating to corruption and a further discussion in the afternoon on a subject still to be determined; a small reception for EPAS member ministers would also be held;
- the meeting of senior officials would be held the previous day;

- the inter-institutional meeting with representatives of the EU would be held the day after (the aim was to expand EU participation beyond the usual Commission representatives; to be clarified).

It also proposed that an exhibition area be made available to the Secretariat to present EPAS publications and projects.

In addition, it was worth noting that the ministerial conferences were opportunities for bilateral meetings between ministers responsible for sport and that the Secretariat had a key part to play in facilitating such bilateral meetings, hence the need to be able to make arrangements for them beforehand with the Georgian organisers in terms of the availability of appropriate venues, in particular.

### **7.3. Informal ministerial network event (on the occasion of the FIFA World Cup, 2018, Russian Federation)**

The representative of the Russian Federation announced the following:

- the World Cup would be held from mid-June to mid-July 2018, with the closing ceremony on 15 July,
- the opening ceremony would be held in Moscow,
- various events were to be held on the occasion of the opening, including, for instance, a roundtable on the manipulation of sports competitions in Moscow on 14 June 2018.

## **8. Statutory issues**

### **8.1 Election of a Gender Equality Rapporteur (Rule 7, para. 4, of the Rules of Procedure)**

- **Candidates**

The Secretariat said that the gender equality rapporteurs had been introduced under the Council of Europe's 2012 Transversal Programme on Gender Equality. Given the renewal of the Bureau and the fact that Montenegro whose representative had been the previous rapporteur was no longer on that body, a new rapporteur had to be found. All the Council of Europe rapporteurs met once a year for one day in Strasbourg.

**DECISION:** the Bureau noted that there were no candidates among the members present and asked the Secretariat to offer the position to the two members absent.

- **Voting procedure**

**DECISION:** the Bureau agreed that if one of those two persons was interested, the Secretariat would confirm the fact by email. Otherwise, the Secretariat would have to issue a new call for candidates, this time to Governing Board members.

## **9. Visibility materials**

### **9.1 Publications**

- **Good Practice Handbook – Sport and Human Rights**

The Secretariat announced that the handbook was being printed and should be published in both languages by the end of 2017.

- **Sport Policy and Practice – Exchange of information on the fight against the manipulation of sports competitions**

The Secretariat said that this handbook, which was larger, was part of the “blue books” collection. Drafting was being co-ordinated by Professor Laurent Vidal. Proofreading, translation and layout work

would be performed in 2018. The handbook would be very useful to authorities involved in taking action in the relevant field. For the time being, it was not possible to anticipate the date of publication, as the schedule was constantly being updated.

**9.2. Sport website:** see 4.4 above.

## **10. Promotion of diversity and fight against discrimination**

### **10.1 Priorities (2017)**

- **“Working together to build and consolidate democracy, tolerance and inclusion”, Annual conference, Cyprus, 11 May 2017**

The Bureau noted that the conference report had been produced. One of the proposals had been that a conference on diversity should not necessarily be held every year. The next conference would be held in 2019 on a topic still to be determined (sport by prescription? Vulnerable groups?). The matter would be discussed again at the Bureau’s next meeting.

### **10.2 Priorities (2018)**

- **Network of National Ambassadors for Sport, Tolerance and Fair Play**

The Secretariat asked whether this initiative should be revived (cf. EPAS(2017)24). While networks of this kind worked very well in some countries, other countries were not interested.

DECISION: the Bureau decided to give up the network but to invite countries which wished to continue work in this area to approach the network of ambassadors for tolerance and fair play. At pan-European level, the Bureau wished to continue looking into the advisability of involving (ex) athletes in communicating about some of the themes of its work.

## **11. Any other business**

- **MESGO partnership**

The Secretariat gave some details about the initiative. It was sponsored by UEFA, which was asking EPAS to become a partner (it seemed that this was for the awarding of a scholarship of €10 000).

DECISION: the Bureau asked the Secretariat to prepare information for its next meeting, in particular concerning the added value for EPAS in the case of a mere partnership and that of the awarding of a scholarship, in order to be able to start possible negotiations.

- **SIGA (Sport Integrity Global Alliance)**

The Secretariat said that this was an ICSS initiative aimed at promoting integrity.

DECISION: the Bureau decided that EPAS as such would not take part in the work of SIGA and would not be represented on it by members of the Governing Board or the Secretariat, but that it would continue to follow its work from a distance or through members of the Consultative Committee.

- **EC Expert Group (as part of the EU Work Plan for Sport 2017-2020)**

The Secretariat explained that three groups of experts had been set up by the Commission, including one on good governance.

DECISION: the Bureau asked the Secretariat to write a letter asking to be invited to take part.



## **12. Date and place of the next meeting**

**DECISION:** the Bureau agreed to hold its next meeting in Vienna (Austria) in January 2018. The exact date during the week of 22 January would be determined depending on the meeting dates of the Consultative Committee the same week. The Bureau also approved the dates for the next meeting of the Governing Board, i.e. Strasbourg on 14 and 15 May 2018, immediately after the weekend of the Strasbourg Road Races, an event in which the members of the Governing Board and the Consultative Committee would be invited to take part.

APPENDIX I

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**List of Participants**

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**Draft Annotated Agenda**

**1. Opening of the meeting**

The meeting will be opened by Frédéric Sanaur (France), Chair of the EPAS Governing Board.

**2. Adoption of the agenda**

The Bureau is invited to adopt the agenda and its possible amendments.

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**Action:** The Bureau is invited to adopt agenda EPAS (2017) 40

**3. Reports on recent meetings**

**3.1 List of decisions – 25<sup>th</sup> meeting of the EPAS Governing Board Bureau, Paris, 20 March 2017**

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**Action:** The Bureau is invited to adopt this report.

**3.2 Draft List of decisions - 11th meeting of the EPAS Governing Board (joint meeting with the EPAS Consultative Committee), Limassol, 9-10 May 2017**

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**Action:** The Bureau is invited to take note of this draft report and propose any amendments, before circulating it to the Governing Board for adoption. The Bureau is also invited to take note of the presentation by the Secretariat on the rate of participation to EPAS meetings by certain states.

**3.3 List of decisions - 8th meeting of the Bureau of the EPAS Consultative Committee, Brussels, 5 September 2017**

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**Action:** The Bureau is invited to take note of this report.

## 4. Recent news

### 4.1 Member states

### 4.2 Partner organisations

- Proposal regarding the request for membership by EUSA in the Consultative Committee

### 4.3 Sports Conventions

### 4.4 Council of Europe Secretariat

**Action:** The Bureau is invited to take note of the oral update provided by the Secretariat.

## 5. Programme of Activities

### 5.1 Programme and budget 2017

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#### a) Play the Game conference, Eindhoven, 26-30 November 2017

**Action:** The Bureau is invited to take note of the updates to the 2017 calendar of activities, make proposals where necessary, and designate Bureau representatives for activities where EPAS representation would be advisable.

### 5.2 Programme and budget 2018-2019

EPAS (2017) 33rev

**Action:** The Bureau is invited to take note of the presentation made by the Secretariat on the status of the discussions within the Committee of Ministers regarding the 2018-2019 budget, and the proposed draft EPAS budget for 2018, and is invited to comment where appropriate.

#### a) Draft Recommendation on good governance – process

EPAS (2017) 26  
EPAS (2017) 42

#### b) Draft Recommendation on combat sport – process

EPAS (2017) 41

**Action:** The Bureau is invited to take note of the proposed schedules for these two draft recommendations and, in each case, to approve the schedule and the draft text so as to proceed with the next steps.

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**c) International Partnership against Corruption in Sport (IPACS) – Task Force 3**

EPAS (2017) INF15  
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**d) Follow up to Action 3 from MINEPS VI ([Kazan Action Plan](#))**

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**Action:** The Bureau is invited to take note of the proposed actions and to comment where necessary.

**e) Evaluation visits – Compliance with Commitments**

EPAS (2017) 49rev

**Action:** The Bureau is invited to take note of the proposals received further to the Circular Letter and to comment where necessary.

## 6. Voluntary Contribution Projects and Joint Projects

**6.1 EU (DG Home): Keep Crime out of Sport ([KCOOS](#)) (2016-2017)**

**6.2 EU (Direct grant agreements):**

- [ProS4+](#) (2017)
- [Sexual violence in sport](#) (PSS+) (2017)
- Balance in Sport 2 (BIS2) (2018-2019)

**6.3 Call for Voluntary Contributions:**

- Sports Governance Observer (SGO) (2018)
- KCOOS+ (2018-2019)

**Action:** The Bureau is invited to take note of the updates given by the Secretariat regarding the state of play and follow up given to these projects, and to comment where appropriate.

## 7. Conferences of Ministers responsible for Sport

**7.1 14<sup>th</sup> Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport, Budapest, 29 November 2016**

EPAS (2016) 56rev2

**Action:** The Bureau is invited to take note of the updated actions on implementation of the resolutions.

**7.2 15<sup>th</sup> Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport (Georgia)**

- a) Organisational aspects - possible venue and dates
- b) Principal theme of the conference

c) Conference programme and format

**Action:** The Bureau is invited to take note of the presentation by the Bureau member from Georgia on the organisational aspects of the conference. The Bureau is also invited to make proposals on a principal theme of the forthcoming conference and to formulate ideas towards a draft programme.

**7.3 Informal ministerial network event (on the occasion of the FIFA World Cup, 2018, Russian Federation)**

- a) Organisational aspects - possible venue and dates
- b) Principal theme of the event
- c) Event programme and format

**Action:** The Bureau is invited to discuss the organisational aspects of the event and to make proposals for a principal theme and to formulate ideas towards a draft programme.

## 8. Statutory issues

**8.1 Election of a Gender Equality Rapporteur (Rule 7, para. 4, of the Rules of Procedure)**

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- Candidates
- Voting procedure

**Action:** The Bureau is invited to take note of the candidate(s) put forward for this role, and to ask the Secretariat to launch the election process to the Governing Board via written procedure.

## 9. Visibility materials

**9.1 Publications**

- Good Practice Handbook– Sport and Human Rights
- Sport Policy and Practice – Exchange of Information in the fight against the manipulation of sports competitions

**9.2 Sport Website**

**Action:** The Bureau is invited to take note of the updates given by the Secretariat.

## 10. Promotion of diversity and fight against discrimination

**10.1 Priorities (2017)**

- “Working together to build and consolidate democracy,

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**tolerance and inclusion”**, Annual conference, Cyprus, 11 May 2017

Action: The Bureau is invited to take note of the report

#### 10.2 Priorities (2018)

- **Network of National Ambassadors for Sport, Tolerance and Fair Play**

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Action: The Bureau is invited to decide on any concrete follow-up to be given by EPAS to this Network

### 11. Any other business

- **MESGO partnership**
- **SIGA (Sport Integrity Global Alliance)**
- **EC Expert Group (in the framework of the [EU Work Plan for Sport 2017-2020](#))**

EPAS (2017) INF07

Action: The Bureau is invited to take note of the proposals for partnership and to take a decision on the involvement by EPAS in these activities.

### 12. Date and place of the next meeting

Action: The Bureau is invited to agree to hold the next Bureau meeting on [date] in [place].

Action: The Bureau is invited to approve the holding of the 12<sup>th</sup> joint meeting of the Governing Board and the Consultative Committee on 14-15 May 2018 in Strasbourg.