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## 18th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport

Porto, Portugal  
8-10 October 2024

**DRAFT PROGRAMME**

prepared by

**Tuesday 8 October 2024**

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Venue: Alfândega Congress Centre, R. Nova da Alfândega, Porto, Portugal

- 9.00am - 12.30pm**  
Infante room
- 10th Anniversary of the Macolin Convention**  
See the full programme, document MSL18(2024)10
- 9.00am-9.45am**
- Setting the scene**  
*Bjørn Berge*, Deputy Secretary General, Council of Europe  
*Pedro Dias*, Secretary of State for Sport, Portugal  
*André Villas Boas*, President of FC Porto  
*Pâquerette Girard Zapelli*, Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer, IOC  
*George Mavrotas*, Chair of the Follow-up Committee of the Macolin Convention and Secretary General of Sport, Greece
- 9.45am-10.30am**
- Major Achievements over the past decade**  
*Cláudia Cruz Santos*, Academic professor, University of Coimbra, Portugal  
*Jean-Luc Moner-Banet*, General director, Lotterie Romande,  
*Madalina Diaconu*, Professor, University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland  
*Guy Reinenbergh*, National coordinator sports fraud, Federal Police, Belgium  
*Vincent Ven*, Head of Anti-Match-Fixing, UEFA
- 10.30am - 10.45am
- Coffee break
- 10.45am - 11.45am**
- Obstacles faced and challenges overcome**  
*Corentin Segalen*, Chair of the Group of Copenhagen and Coordinator of the National Platform, France  
*Luca Esposito*, General director, World Lottery Association and General Secretary, ULIS  
*Philippe Auclair*, Investigative journalist  
*Valentin Ramognino*, Lawyer  
*Francisco Portugal*, Criminal Intelligence Officer, INTERPOL
- 11.45am - 12.30pm**
- Future perspectives and emerging opportunities**  
*Younes El Mechrafi*, General manager, La Marocaine des Jeux et des Sports, Morocco  
*Graciela Garay*, Director of ethics and compliance, CONMEBOL  
*Christian Kalb*, Independent expert  
*Friedrich Martens*, Head of OM Unit PMC, IOC  
*George Mavrotas*, Chair of the Follow-up Committee of the Macolin Convention and Secretary General of Sport, Greece
- 12.45pm - 1.00pm
- Presentation of the Exhibition - Women in Sports: Pioneering, Challenges, Inspiration, Equality*
- 1.00pm - 2.00pm
- Lunch/Bufferet offered by the Portuguese authorities*
- 2.00pm - 4.00pm**  
Infante room
- Meeting of Senior Officials**  
See Agenda (MSL18(2024)7)
- Participants:** Representatives of the 46 Council of Europe member States, EPAS non-Council of Europe member States (Israel, Morocco), Holy See and Kazakhstan, who are Advisers to their Ministers or Heads of Delegation (one representative per delegation)
- 2.30pm - 4.00pm**  
Dom Luis room
- Meeting of the EPAS Consultative Committee**
- 3.00pm - 3.30pm
- Coffee break

**(Tuesday 8 October 2024, continued)**

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Venue: The Lodge Hotel, Magnum room

- 5.30pm - 6.30pm**                      **Restricted ministerial gathering of EPAS member States**  
Update on EPAS' working priorities  
Welcoming addresses by:  
*Gianluca Esposito*, Director General for Human Rights and the Rule of Law,  
Council of Europe  
*Pedro Dias*, Secretary of State for Sport, Portugal  
*Alexandre Husting*, Chair of the EPAS Governing Board
- Participants:** Ministers/Heads of delegations from EPAS member States only
- 8.00pm - 10.30pm**                      *Dinner - Porto Leixões Cruise Terminal, Matosinhos*

**Wednesday 9 October 2024**

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Venue: Alfândega

- 9.00am - 9.30am**                      **OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE**  
Welcoming addresses by:  
*Pedro Duarte*, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs responsible for Sport, Portugal  
*Bjørn Berge*, Deputy Secretary General, Council of Europe  
*Linda Hofstad Helleland*, Chairperson of the Committee on Culture, Science,  
Education and Media of the Parliamentary Assembly, Council of Europe
- 9.30am - 10.00am**                      **SPOTLIGHT ON THE EUROPEAN SPORTS CHARTER**  
Video address by Thomas Bach, President of the International Olympic  
Committee, Olympic Champion in Fencing  
Panel on the European Sports Charter  
*Pedro Duarte*, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs responsible for Sport, Portugal  
*Raymon Blondel*, President, European Paralympic Committee  
*Benny Bonsu*, Director of Daily Content at Olympic Channel Services (OCS)  
*Morten Schmidt*, Global Director of Programmes and Grants, Laureus Sport for  
Good  
*Gévrise Emene*, Lifestyle Athletes Manager, National Institute for Sport,  
Expertise and Performance (INSEP), France  
Video on the European Sports Charter
- 10.00am - 10.20am                      *Coffee break*
- 10.00am - 10.20am                      *Press point*
- 10.20am - 10.30am**                      **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**  
**ELECTION OF THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**
- 10.30am - 12.30pm**                      **SESSION 1 – COLLABORATIVE GOVERNING:**  
**TIME TO ADAPT THE RULES OF THE GAME?**
- 10.30am - 10:45am                      Introductions by:  
*Gil Avérous*, Minister for Sports, Youth and Non-Profit organisations, France  
*Maja Włoszczowska*, WADA Athlete Council  
*Cécile Chaussard*, Specialist in sports law and senior lecturer in law, University  
of Bourgogne, France
- 10.45am - 12.30pm                      Discussion

12.30pm - 12.45pm	<i>Family photo of the Ministers and Heads of Delegations</i>
12.45pm - 2.15pm	<i>Lunch for the Ministers and Heads of Delegation hosted by the Council of Europe – Speeches by Bjørn Berge, Council of Europe’s Deputy Secretary General, and Witold Bańka, President of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)</i>  <i>Lunch/Buffer for delegations offered by the Portuguese authorities</i>
<b>2.15pm - 4.15pm</b>	<b>SESSION 2 – GOOD GOVERNANCE: MOVING THE GOAL POST FORWARDS?</b>
2.15pm - 2:30pm	Introductions by: <i>Dominique Hasler</i> , Minister of Foreign Affairs, Education and Sport, Liechtenstein <i>James Carr</i> , Deputy Executive Director, ASOIF <i>Marko Begović</i> , Associate Professor, Molde University College, Norway
2.30pm - 4.15pm	Discussion
4.15pm - 4.30pm	<b>UKRAINIAN SPORT DURING THE WAR</b> <i>Matvii Bidnyi</i> , Minister of Youth and Sports of Ukraine <i>Yaroslava Mahuchikh</i> , World and Olympic Champion in athletics
4.30pm - 4.45pm	<i>Press point</i>
4.30pm - 4.45pm	<i>Coffee break</i>
<b>4.45pm - 5.15pm</b>	<b>YOUTH INITIATIVE – ROUNDTABLE: “CHAMPIONS FOR YOUTH IN SPORTS”</b> <i>Charlotte Girard Fabre</i> , Chair of the EPAS Consultative Committee <i>Maurizio Cuttin</i> , Member of the Bureau of the Advisory Council on Youth of the Council of Europe <i>Youth delegates</i>
<b>5.15pm - 6.15pm</b>	<b>CLOSING SESSION</b>
5.15pm - 5.30pm	Adoption of the resolution
5.30pm - 6.15pm	Closing speeches by: <i>Gianluca Esposito</i> , Director General for Human Rights and the Rule of Law, Council of Europe <i>Aistė Zedelytė-Kaminské</i> , Deputy Minister of Education, Science and Sport, Lithuania, representing the Chair of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe <i>Alexandre Husting</i> , Chair of the EPAS Governing Board <i>Charlotte Girard Fabre</i> , Chair of the EPAS Consultative Committee <i>Pedro Duarte</i> , Minister for Parliamentary Affairs responsible for Sport, Portugal
8.00pm - 10.30pm	<b>Gala Dinner hosted by the Portuguese authorities</b> (São Bento da Vitória Monastery)

## **Thursday 10 October 2024 (morning only)**

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Venue: Alfândega

### **Focus sessions on leadership through gender equality in sport & dual career: effective strategies and future directions**

**9.00am - 9.30am**

#### **Welcome/Registration**

9.30am – 9.40am

#### *Opening words*

*Gianluca Esposito*, Director General for Human Rights and the Rule of Law, Council of Europe

*Pedro Dias*, Secretary of State for Sport, Portugal

#### **Focus session on gender equality**

9.40am – 9.50am

#### Keynote presentation

*Annamarie Phelps*, Chair of the UK Secretariat, Co-Chair of the Global Executive, International Working Group on Women & Sport (IWG)

9.50am – 10.00am

#### Questions and answers

10.00am – 10.45am

#### Solutions to greater leadership for women in sport: overcoming barriers and building bridges

Moderated by *Francine Hetherington Raveney*, Deputy Executive Secretary of EPAS

*Paoline Ekambi*, President and Co-founder of Sportail Community and Ex Captain of the French Basketball team

*Annamarie Phelps*, Chair of the UK Secretariat, Co-Chair of the Global Executive, International Working Group on Women & Sport (IWG)

*Ticha Penicheiro*, former professional player, Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA)

*André Seabra*, Director of the Portugal Football School

10.45am – 11.00am

#### Questions and answers

11.00am - 11.20am

#### Press point

11.00am - 11.20am

#### Coffee break

*Exhibition - New Leaders Programme - Portugal: "For a More Equal Sport"*

11.20am – 11.35am

#### **Focus session on dual career**

#### Keynote presentation

*Vitor Pardal*, National Coordinator of the High-Performance Sports Units in School, Portugal

11.35am – 12.40pm

#### Navigating dual career in sport: Proven Strategies and Future Pathways

Moderated by *Laura Capranica*, European Athlete Student (EAS)

*Duarte Nuno Fernandes Lopes*, Expert on dual career, Chief of Staff, Secretary of State for Sport, Portugal

*Gévrise Emame*, Lifestyle Athletes Manager, National Institute for Sport, Expertise and Performance (INSEP), France

*Sofia Ramalho*, SLBenfica Basketball Female Team Manager, alumna of the International Basketball Federation's (FIBA) Time Out 2.0 project

*Andrej Pisl*, Communications & Project Manager, European  
University Sports Association (EUSA)  
*Andy Criere Martin*, Professional Surfer, Spain

12.40pm – 12.50pm

Questions and answers

12.50pm – 1.00pm

Closing words

*Sophie Kwasny*, Head of the Council of Europe's Sport Division,  
Executive Secretary of EPAS