

MONITORING GROUP (T-DO)

ANTI-DOPING CONVENTION



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60th meeting of the Monitoring Group of the Anti-Doping Convention (T-DO)

Council of Europe, Strasbourg, France

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List of adopted decisions

At its 60th meeting, held in Strasbourg on 14 March 2025, the Monitoring Group of the Anti-Doping Convention (T-DO), with Michael Petrou (Cyprus) in the chair:

1. adopted the agenda [document T-DO(2025)03rev1] with an amendment regarding the request of CEADO to be granted the status of Observer;
2. adopted the report of the 59th meeting [document T-DO(2024)41];
3. took note of the update from the Council of Europe's Secretariat on the structural change in the Sport Division moving to the Directorate-General of Human Rights and the Rule of Law (DGI) and about the high-level Conference to take place in Bergen, Norway on 12 June 2025;
4. took note of the update by the Chair on the activities that took place since the 59th meeting, namely the decisions taken by Circular Letters – adoption of the Prohibited List; approval of the Observer status for the State of Qatar; approval of the proposals to the 2nd phase of the World Anti-Doping Code consultation process; as well as the meetings of the Advisory Groups on Legal Issues, Compliance and Education;
5. elected, in accordance with the procedure set out in the election roadmap T-DO(2025)04:
 - Michał Rynkowski (Poland) as Chair of the Monitoring Group,
 - Mehmet Yoğurtcuoğlu (Türkiye) as Vice-Chair of the Monitoring Group,
 - Paul Ouseley (UK) as Chair of the Advisory Group on Compliance,
 - Erik Duiven (The Netherlands) as Chair of the Advisory Group on Education,
 - Floriane Cavel (France) as Chair of the Advisory Group on Legal Issues,
 - Fredrik Lauritzen (Norway) as Chair of the Advisory Group on Science;
6. adopted the evaluation report of the visit to Armenia [T-DO(2025)06] and thanked the T-DO Evaluation Team and the Armenian authorities for their efficient and productive work, after hearing the presentations the Chair and Rapporteur of the Evaluation Team and the Armenian authorities;
7. adopted the evaluation report of the visit to Austria [T-DO(2025)05] and thanked the T-DO Evaluation Team and the Austrian authorities for their efficient and productive work, after hearing the presentations of the Rapporteur of the Evaluation Team and the Austrian authorities;

8. adopted the follow up report provided by the Dutch authorities [document T-DO(2025)08] and agreed to close the evaluation cycle with respect to the Netherlands;
9. adopted the follow up report provided by the Belgium authorities [document T-DO(2025)09] and agreed to close the evaluation cycle with respect to Belgium;
10. adopted the follow up report provided by the Italy authorities [document T-DO(2022)11] and agreed to close the evaluation cycle with respect to Italy;
11. adopted the T-DO Evaluation Schedule [document T-DO(2025)01] and noted that Canada, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Morocco, North Macedonia and Türkiye received a letter from the Chair and some of them already started the preparations for the evaluation process;
12. invited the Chair to remind Cyprus, Ireland, Portugal, Spain and Sweden of their obligation to submit a follow-up report after their evaluation visits;
13. thanked the hosts and the members of the evaluation teams for the visits to Bosnia and Herzegovina and Georgia and agreed that the evaluation reports, when finalised, could be adopted by written procedure or at the next meeting;
14. reminded about the national reports on the 2023 Annual Anti-Doping Policy Questionnaire (ADQ) that are available on the open website of the Anti-Doping Convention;
15. took note of the presentation by the Chair of Ad hoc group of experts on anti-doping in recreational sport (T-DO ADRS), Fredrik Lauritzen, and thanked them for excellent work;
16. supported the proposal of the secretariat to request comments to the recommendation on measures to address the risks of doping in recreational sport [document T-DO2024(26)rev1] by the relevant Council of Europe committees dealing with youth policies, Medicrime Convention and Pompidou Group (drug prevention); and after reviewing their feedback to consider the recommendation for adoption by written procedure;
17. welcomed the progress report of the implementation of the T-DO Strategy and Operational Programme 2024-2027 [documents T-DO(2024)10 and 25];
18. supported the proposal of the T-DO LI to advance the work on criminal legislation in the fight against doping in sport in particular to revise the CM Recommendation (2000)16;
19. supported the proposal of the T-DO LI to address the issue of vulnerability of children in the anti-doping process within the revision process of the World Anti-Doping Programme and identify areas of concern for States parties that are likely to remain outside the scope of the WADP;
20. congratulated the T-DO ED for implementing modern and effective working methods, and encouraged the other working groups to learn from their experience; and supported the work plan of the T-DO ED that will focus on emerging issues in ensuring effectiveness of education programmes;
21. supported the T-DO LI proposal to continue the same working method in organising the consultation process for the 3rd phase of updating the World Anti-Doping Code and International Standards (2027) and to request the meeting with the Code drafting team to discuss specific issues of joint interest for the States parties;
22. welcomed the draft statement on the occasion of the 35th anniversary statement of the Anti-Doping Convention and agreed to finalise and adopt it by written procedure;

23. took note of the CAHAMA report on the conclusion of the work of the Drafting Committee on Gender Equality in Anti-Doping (GECA), welcomed the proposed set of principles outlined in the document CAHAMA(2025)02 and agreed to devise further actions aiming at enhancing gender equality in anti-doping based on the work carried out by GECA;
24. took note of the request for observer status from CEADO and decided for the corresponding decision to proceed by written procedure;
25. expressed gratitude to Michael Petrou, the outgoing Chair of the Monitoring Group and Nick Wojek, the outgoing Chair of the Advisory Group on Science, for their leadership and successful outcomes of the initiatives completed under their term;
26. agreed to hold the 61st T-DO meeting on 3-4 September 2025 in Strasbourg and online;
27. thanked all delegations, observers, experts, interpreters, technicians and Secretariat for their invaluable contributions to the success of the 60th meeting of the Monitoring Group of the Anti-Doping Convention.