

**Follow-up Committee on the
Manipulation of Sports Competitions
(T-MC)**

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**9th meeting of the Follow-up Committee on the
Manipulation of Sports Competitions (T-MC)**

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List of decisions

I. OPENING

1. WELCOME

The Chair welcomed the participants to this 9th meeting, organised on the sidelines of the 18th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport (8-10 October). He thanked the Portuguese authorities for hosting the meeting on this important occasion and for their kind hospitality.

2. AGENDA

The Follow-up Committee adopted the agenda of the meeting as appearing in Appendix I. The list of participants features in Appendix II.

3. RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AT COUNCIL OF EUROPE LEVEL

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Secretariat, notably:

- ✓ The election of the new Secretary General, Alain Berset, who took up his duties on 18 September 2024.
- ✓ The transfer of the Sport Division from Directorate General on Democracy and Human Dignity to Directorate General on Human Rights and the Rule of Law.

The Committee adopted the 2025-2027 strategic vision and encouraged the Secretariat to establish links with other entities of the Council of Europe, including notably those focusing on combating money laundering, corruption, cybercrime, etc.

II. STANDARD SETTING AND LEGAL ISSUES

4. STATE OF SIGNATURES AND RATIFICATIONS

The Follow-up Committee took note of the information provided by the Secretariat. It welcomed the upcoming ratifications announced by several countries, such as Spain and Morocco, and is pleased with the potential upcoming signatures from Romania and Sweden.

The Committee also noted the interest shown by several South American countries, particularly Brazil and Mexico. It also thanked CONMEBOL for its active support in promoting the Convention.

The Committee approved the declaration marking the 10th anniversary to be endorsed by the Conference to be held on 8 October, which aims to mobilise all countries to sign or ratify the Convention.

The Committee took note of the study carried out on the history of the legal and institutional deadlock.

5. INFORMATION SHARING AND DATA PROTECTION

The Follow-up Committee took note of the draft data-sharing agreement aimed at facilitating the exchange of information between public authorities. It also took note of the draft agreement facilitating the exchange between sports organisations and regulatory authorities and held an exchange of views on some specific matters such as data retention limits.

The working group is encouraged to continue its efforts by finalising the agreements and further developing the Macolin data protection toolbox.

6. REASONABLE BETTING

The Follow-up Committee took note of the presentation by Christian Kalb and invited the Working group to finalise the guidelines for the next plenary meeting.

7. ILLEGAL BETTING

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8. MONEY LAUNDERING AND SPORTS BETTING

The Committee took note of the presentation by Pim Verschuuren and invited the Secretariat to publish the report once finalised based on the latest comments provided.

III. MONITORING OF THE CONVENTION

9. NATIONAL EVALUATION

The Committee took note of the draft report on the evaluation of Norway. For the next meeting, the Committee proposed to continue with the evaluations of Portugal and the Republic of Moldova as outlined in the strategy.

IV. NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

10. DEVELOPMENTS AT INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL LEVEL

The Follow-up Committee took note of the developments of the last months during the roundtable by the States Parties, the invited countries and the observers.

11. ADVISORY GROUP

The Follow-Up Committee took note of the activities implemented and of the objectives of the 7th meeting to be held on 14 and 15 November 2024 in Strasbourg.

12. ACT PROJECT (ADDRESSING COMPETITIONS' MANIPULATION TOGETHER)

The Follow-up Committee thanked Switzerland for its additional contribution to be provided at the end of 2024. It invited other countries and organisations to provide such a financial support.

It took note of the possible organisation of the project's closing event in Canada during the first half of 2025. It welcomed the preparation and launch of the ACTII project, which is essential for the effective implementation of the Convention.

13. NETWORK OF MAGISTRATES/PROSECUTORS (MARS)

The Follow-up Committee took note of the information provided on the development of country profiles on national judicial systems and the content of the annual meeting held on June 18-19 at INTERPOL headquarters.

V. CLOSING

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Follow-up Committee decided to address the issue of the criteria and the process for integrating new observers during its next plenary meeting.

15. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Follow-up Committee took note of the tentative date of its 10th meeting, to be held in the week of 5 May 2025.

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Annex II – List of participants

MEMBERS

COUNTRY	SURNAME	NAME	POSITION	INSTITUTION
FRANCE	CARTON	Amandine	Legal expert in charge of sports integrity	National Gaming Authority
GREECE	KARAMANLAKI	Fotini	Executive Assistant, Ethics, Integrity & Compliance Commission	Hellenic Olympic Committee (HOC)
GREECE	MAVROTAS	Georgios	Secretary General of Sport Chair of the T-MC Committee	Ministry of Culture and Sport
ICELAND	ÓLAFSSON	Örvar	Senior Advisor	Ministry of Education and Children
ITALY	PARRILA	Antonio	Director	Customs and monopolies agency
NORWAY	TYSSE	Eirik Haugen	Coordinator of the Platform Bureau member of the T-MC Committee	Norwegian Gambling Authority
PORTUGAL	LOPES	Duarte	Chief of Staff	Cabinet of the State Secretary of Sports
PORTUGAL	SOARES	Rute	Director Integrity and Compliance Unit	Portuguese Football Federation
REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA	ARTIOM	Juciov	General director	National Anti-Doping Organisation
SWITZERLAND	RAUCH	Wilhelm	Head of strategic legal services Vice-Chair of the T-MC Committee	Federal Department of Defence, Civil Protection and Sports, Federal Office of Sport
UKRAINE	PEREVEZENTSEV	Oleksiy	First Vice-President	National Olympic Committee of Ukraine
UKRAINE	RADCHUK	Nataliia	Head of Department of International Cooperation and European Integration Bureau member of the T-MC Committee	Ministry of Youth and Sports

OBSERVERS

INSTITUTION	SURNAME	NAME	POSITION
ADVISORY GROUP/GROUP OF COPENHAGEN	SEGALEN	Corentin	Chair of the Group of Copenhagen, Coordinator of the French National Platform
INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE (IOC)	ALEXANDRAKIS	Evangelos	NOCs Contact Manager, Olympic Movement Unit on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions
INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE (IOC)	MARTENS	Friedrich	Head of Olympic Movement Unit on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions
INTERPOL	PORTUGAL	Francisco	Criminal intelligence officer
UEFA	EICHENBERGER	Stephanie	Anti-Match-Fixing Expert
UEFA	VEN	Vincent	Head of Anti-Match-Fixing
UNITED LOTTERIES FOR INTEGRITY IN SPORTS (ULIS)	ESPOSITO	Luca	General Secretary
UNITED LOTTERIES FOR INTEGRITY IN SPORTS (ULIS)	MAILLET	Gilles	President
UNITED LOTTERIES FOR INTEGRITY IN SPORTS (ULIS)	SWAN	Cristina	Project manager

INVITED COUNTRY

COUNTRY	SURNAME	NAME	POSITION	INSTITUTION
BELGIUM	REINENBERGH	Guy	Head of the Sports Fraud Team Delegate National Platform Sports Fraud Belgium	Belgian Federal Judicial Police
LITHUANIA	BANYTE	Rūta	Director	Lithuanian Antidoping Agency
LITHUANIA	TIESNESYTE	Kornelija	Advisor	Lithuanian Antidoping Agency
MOROCCO	NAILI	Khalid	Project Manager	La Marocaine des Jeux et des Sports
SPAIN	MARTORELL	Juan	Deputy Head of the Cabinet	Ministry of Culture and Sports High Council for Sports
SPAIN	RODRIGUEZ PORRAS	Raúl	Director of the Legal Affairs Department	Ministry of Culture and Sports High Council for Sports

INVITED EXPERTS

SURNAME	NAME	POSITION	INSTITUTION/ ORGANISATION
BISTRICKAITE	Ramuné	Independent expert	
KALB	Christian	Director	CK Consulting
POZZO DI BORGIO	Catherine	Independent expert	
RAMOGNINO	Valentin	Lawyer	Vlaemminck.law
VERSCHUUREN	Pim	Lecturer	University Rennes 2

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SURNAME	NAME	POSITION
ELODIE	David	Project officer
KWASNY	Sophie	Head of the Sport Division
SAYDÉ	Nicolas	Secretary of the Macolin Convention

INTERPRETERS

SURNAME	NAME	DATE
TANNER	Julia	7/10
TIELDEN	Luke	7/10