



UNCAC Resolution 7/8

"Corruption in Sport"

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G20 ACWG Meeting



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“Sport means all forms of physical activity which, through casual or organized participation, aim at expressing or improving physical fitness and mental well-being, forming social relationships or obtaining results in competition at all levels”

The European Sports Charter, 1992



Sport and Corruption

- ➔ The sports world is a **primary laboratory** for testing prevention and repression strategies through a multi-stakeholder approach, with the contribution of the civil society, private sector and institutions
- ➔ The risk of corruption can be significantly reduced through the adoption/implementation of **integrity guidelines** and through widespread application of **governance, compliance and risk management models**
- ➔ Thus, in the era of globalization, **preventing and combating corruption** in sport becomes a **strategic endeavor** that requires in-depth assessment and implementation



Sport as a **corruption risk area**

Malfeasance in sport:

- Illegal betting
- Match fixing
- Doping
- Disturbance of public procurements
- Corruption in major public events adjudication



Broader view of corruption within sport: **links** between sport, organized crime and money laundering and its **impact** on public and private integrity



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Illegality in sport detrimental on



CRIMINAL LEVEL

Breach of a rule



VALUES LEVEL

Betrayal of fundamental
values



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EDUCATIONAL VALUES

- Sport as a key point of every educational system
- Importance of avoiding the idea of a sport-business dichotomy

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When related
to younger
generations

- Sport as a moment of fun and moral and social growth
- Rejecting the idea of winning at all costs

SOCIAL VALUES

- Sport as a tool to promote legality
- Sport useful to keep young people away from violent environment
- Improving social inclusion and aggregation

OLYMPIC VALUES

- Friendship, respect and integrity
- Health and Peace
- Fair competition



Sport as an educational tool and extraordinary catalyst for universal values



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INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK AND RECENT TRENDS

- **G20 ACWG**, German Presidency in 2017 addressed the topic dwelling on the relationship between sport and corruption.
- **OECD** activities related to major events.
- **Council of Europe**, Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions (*Macolin Convention, 2014*) and Resolution 2200/2018 “*Good Football Governance*”
- **UNODC** studies on the topic
- **IPACS** (International Partnership against Corruption in Sport), expression of a multi-stakeholder governance in the private sector at international level.



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Mandate of UNODC in the area of Promoting Good Governance and Mitigating the Risk of Corruption

To develop, in cooperation with relevant international organizations, partners and donors:

- studies
- training materials
- guides
- tools



to further strengthen measures in that area.

UNCAC CoSP resolution 6/6 of 6 November 2015



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The role of the UNCAC

The United Nations Convention against Corruption is the only legally binding universal anti-corruption instrument.

The Convention's far-reaching approach and the mandatory character of many of its provisions make it a unique tool for developing a comprehensive response to a global problem.



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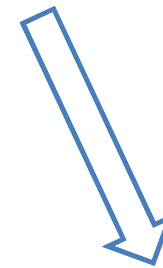
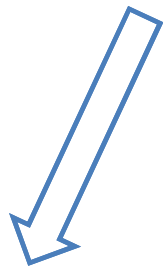
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- Initiative by the Italian MoFA, in synergy with national stakeholders
- Italy proposed and promoted the adoption of the Resolution being aware of the **crucial role** of prevention in the world of sport for shaping **legally oriented environments**



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STRUCTURE OF THE RESOLUTION



HEADING

**PREAMBULAR
CLAUSES**

**OPERATIONAL
CLAUSES**



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CONTENTS OF THE RESOLUTION

PREAMBULAR CLAUSES

RECOGNIZES

- ➔ The **important role** played, in combating and preventing corruption and promoting integrity in sport, by several actors such as
 - UNCAC
 - States parties assisted by UNODC
 - Olympic and Paralympic movements
 - Civil society, media, academia, athletes and private sector

- ➔ The **negative impact** that corruption has on the world of sport undermining its potential and its role



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OPERATIONAL CLAUSES

➔ CALLS UPON State Parties to:

- **Enhance efforts** to prevent and fight corruption in sport (*para. 2*)
- **Improve cooperation**, coordination and exchange of information (*para. 2*)
- **Promote the active participation** of individuals and groups such as civil society, private sector, academia and NGOs in the prevention of corruption (*para. 4*)
- **Raise public awareness** regarding corruption in sport (*para. 4*)
- **Encourage** interested stakeholders to promote **ethical practices** and **transparency** (*para. 9*)
- **Consider the problems and issues** of illegal betting, competition manipulation and other offences related to sport when associated with corruption, when reviewing their national legislation (*para. 10*)
- **Provide** extrabudgetary **resources** for these purposes (*para. 14*)

➔ STRESSES the importance of **robust legislative and law enforcement measures** (*para. 2*)



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Resolution 2200/2018 “Good football governance” *Parliamentary Assembly CoE*

- Sports governance must be based on the **values of democracy, human rights** and the **rule of law**, as well as the **values of living together**, such as **tolerance, respect, fair play** and **solidarity**
- Football **cannot be** a lawless zone
- Progress has been made by FIFA and UEFA in combating discrimination, promoting mutual tolerance and respect
- All partners should **work together** to promote human rights in and by sport
- Closer co-operation between sports organizations and International Organizations operating in the field of human rights