



Dear Colleagues and Friends,

The first few months of 2019 were quite eventful for our team, and this newsletter is an efficient way to update you on our recent initiatives, share new tools which are available for you to use, and spread the word about the good work of our stakeholders - you - who help us to promote integrity at all levels of sport.

This edition takes a closer look at our awareness-raising activities implemented during the biggest-ever International Athletes' Forum (IAF), organised by the IOC last month. In particular, the event offered an important opportunity for us to promote the International Partnership Against Corruption in Sport and the Believe in Sport campaign. Athletes are at the heart of everything we do, and if we can enlist them as ambassadors for the cause of integrity in sport, helping us to raise awareness among their peers, our activities will have a lot more impact.

You will also find updates from events in which we took part and an overview on what will be coming up.

Happy reading, and please share your integrity stories and any feedback you may have in regard to future editions of our newsletter.

Yours sincerely,

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## INTERNATIONAL ATHLETES' FORUM



### ENGAGING WITH ATHLETES ON INTEGRITY

The biggest-ever International Athletes' Forum, organised by the IOC in Lausanne from 13 to 15 April, offered an excellent platform to raise awareness among the 350 athlete representatives in attendance about the importance of fighting corruption and competition manipulation.

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## NEWS FROM OUR INTERNATIONAL FEDERATIONS

In March, the Ethics Hearing Panel of the **Badminton World Federation (BWF)** decided to suspend Danish badminton player Joachim Persson for 18 months after he was found guilty of four violations of the sport's code of conduct in relation to betting and irregular match results.

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The Council of the new Gymnastics Ethics Foundation held its first ever meeting in February in Lausanne. The new body, set up by the **International Gymnastics Federation (FIG)** and chaired by Micheline Calmy-Rey, former President of Switzerland and former Swiss Foreign Minister, is tasked both with assisting victims of harassment and abuse and with monitoring good governance principles in the sport.

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The **International Hockey Federation (FIH)** recently created a new Integrity Unit (FIU), which met for the first time earlier this year under the chairmanship of Australia's Wayne Snell. The role of this new independent body is to protect the integrity of hockey and to establish both effective mechanisms to enforce the FIH Integrity Code and sanctions for any infringement.

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FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE  
DE VOLLEYBALL

In April, the **International Volleyball Federation (FIVB)** launched its **Prevention of Competition Manipulation E-Learning Course**, which is targeted at athletes, coaches, referees and FIVB officials and aims to minimise the threat of manipulation in future competitions. Completing the course is a mandatory requirement to participate in FIVB and world competitions.

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The newly formed **Ethics Commission** of the **International Biathlon Union (IBU)** discussed good governance and ethical compliance within the federation at its inaugural meeting in January. The IBU has also amended its Code of Ethics, which "is aligned with international best practice and includes a whistleblower policy". More recently, **Global Sports Investigations (GSI)** was **appointed** to operate both the IBU's independent whistleblowing hotline and the independent ethics office.



The **International Tennis Federation (ITF)** recently announced four appointments to the independent ITF Ethics Commission, established in November. The ITF Ethics Commission was formed to "uphold the ITF's commitment to the highest standards of integrity, governance and transparency".

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The Olympic Movement Unit on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions (OM Unit PMC) is collaborating with IFs and other sports organisations to support their integrity initiatives at major events. The

International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) is one of several IFs which has made good use of this service. During its World Junior Championships in Australia in December, the ITTF implemented integrity sessions with players, coaches and referees by using content provided by the IOC's Believe in Sport campaign.



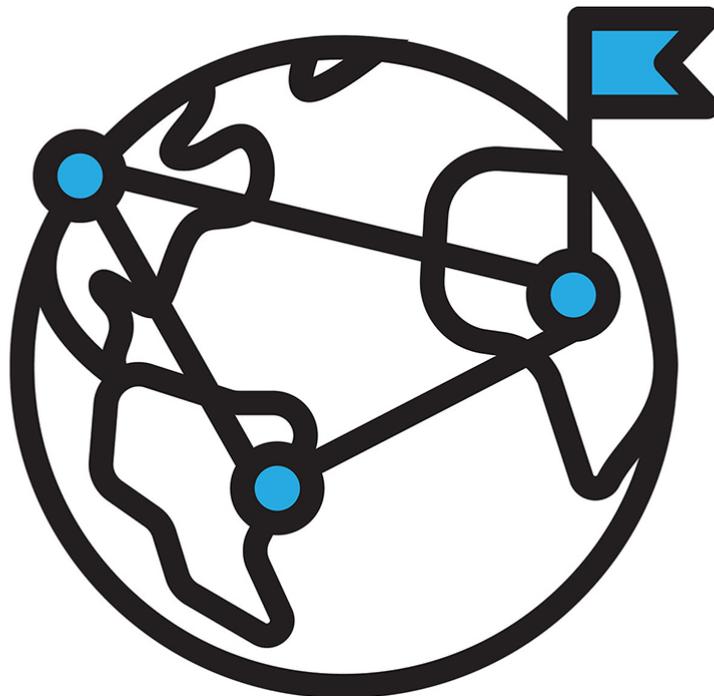
TELL US YOUR INTEGRITY STORIES SO WE CAN HIGHLIGHT THEM IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER!



### TAP INTO OUR RESOURCES...

Learn about the new educational resources and information tools which are available to sports organisations and experts working on integrity in sport at different levels. The aim is to form synergies, facilitate access to important material and avoid duplication of effort.

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## ON TOUR

Over the past few months, the IOC's Ethics and Compliance team has been on the road a lot working with a number of key stakeholders on enhancing integrity in sport, and there is more to come soon. In this section you can learn more about the upcoming activities below and check out what happened at recent events.

- 15-16 May:** IOC-INTERPOL Workshops, Tokyo (Japan)
- 4 June:** IOC-INTERPOL Partnership Development Meeting (PDM), Lisbon (Portugal)
- 5-6 June:** IOC-INTERPOL Investigators Training, Lisbon (Portugal)
- 1 July:** IPACS Steering Committee Meeting, Paris (France)
- 2-3 July:** IOC-INTERPOL Law Enforcement Investigators Training, Tallinn (Estonia)
- 26 July-11 August:** Pan-American Games, Lima (Peru)

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