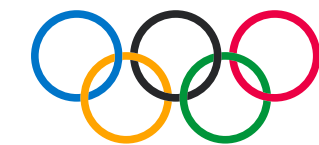




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# INTERPOL - IOC INTEGRITY IN SPORT



# GLOBAL CAPACITY BUILDING AND TRAINING

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## OVERVIEW

In recent years, the manipulation of sporting competitions and illegal gambling has dramatically increased as a mechanism for profit of organised crime. Competition manipulation, or what is frequently referred to as match-fixing, is:

‘an intentional arrangement, act or omission aimed at an improper alteration of the result or the course of a sports competition in order to remove all or part of the unpredictable nature of the aforementioned sports competition with a view to obtaining an undue advantage for oneself or for others’

Sports organisations are faced with a significant number of competition manipulation incidents and allegations of corruption. The sums of money being bet on sport have increased dramatically and the use of the internet has made it extremely easy to bet on sporting competitions throughout the world. With large profits to be made and relatively little risk of detection, competition manipulation has become more and more attractive to criminals and organised crime groups.



## STRATEGY

The International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the International Criminal Police Organisation (INTERPOL) have entered into a Global Partnership that adopts a holistic approach to the protection of the integrity of sport as this is essential for both the prevention and investigation of competition manipulation nationally and internationally. INTERPOL and the IOC work in partnership with national, regional and international stakeholders in law enforcement, government, sports governing bodies and sports betting operators and regulators to implement the strategy. The strategy targets three levels:

- Regulatory Framework – to encourage and support the implementation of legislation and sports regulations to protect the integrity of sport, prevent competition manipulation and empower effective regulatory enforcement including support for the implementation of the Olympic Movement Code on the Prevention of the Manipulation of Competitions.
- Awareness Raising and Training – to educate and train key targets within sport to Recognise suspicious activities and approaches, and motivate targets to Resist and Report approaches and suspicions to the appropriate authorities.
- Regulatory Enforcement – to build capacity for stakeholders to effectively gather and utilise information to conduct coordinated sport fact-finding inquiries and law enforcement investigations into competition manipulation.



## FOCUS ON GLOBAL CAPACITY BUILDING AND TRAINING

To respond appropriately to competition manipulation attempts, key actors in sport must know how to Recognise, Resist and Report this corruption. The strategic training element of the programme therefore aims to provide a broad understanding of the problem and its consequences.

INTERPOL commissioned a training needs assessment report to review the current situation with regards to competition manipulation, as well as the training needs and other measures necessary to reduce corruption in sport. The report made the following conclusions:

- There is a clear link between competition manipulation and organised crime, as the ability to launder the hundreds of millions of dollars which go into sports betting annually attracts organised criminal groups;

- The individuals most vulnerable to competition manipulation are players and competition officials. Other target groups include retired players, agents, coaches, club executives and bookmakers;
- Various modus operandi used by match-fixers include bribes of money, expensive merchandise, sexual favours or threats and use of violence;
- There is a need for training on anti-corruption and integrity aimed at young athletes, especially from economically disadvantaged backgrounds, which highlight the dangers and consequences of corruption;
- There is a need to train sports and law enforcement officials on how to identify, investigate and prosecute competition manipulation and other corruption in sports.

## MAIN ACTIVITIES

With the ultimate aim of preventing corruption in sport, the IOC and INTERPOL:

- Raise awareness and share information amongst all stakeholders of the threats to the integrity of sport and the link between competition manipulation and organised crime;
- Facilitate intelligence exchange through the INTERPOL Match-Fixing Task Force and the IOC Integrity Betting Intelligence System (IBIS);
- Establish and build partnerships with relevant entities, including within sports organisations, law enforcement and government;
- Conduct and disseminate analytical research to identify trends, modus operandi, legal requirements, good practice and other relevant information through Handbooks that are being developed for the various stakeholder groups;
- Undertake tailored capacity building and training in countries around the world.

The following Capacity Building and Training activities are conducted, nationally, regionally and internationally:

- National Integrity in Sport Partnership Development Meetings (PDMs): to bring together key national stakeholders in order to assist in the development of a coordinated national approach within a national sports integrity platform that protects the integrity of sport and enables the regional and international cooperation required for the prevention and investigation of competition manipulation.



- Regional/National Integrity in Sport Workshops: for sport, law enforcement, government, betting and other stakeholders involved in preventing the infiltration of crime into sport with the aim of raising awareness about competition manipulation and initiating collaboration between the different stakeholders nationally and regionally. The workshops also endeavour to identify current gaps in national and regional processes in dealing with manipulation and to share good practice in protecting integrity in sport from other jurisdictions.
- Integrity in Sport Train the Trainer Workshops for key targets within sport to deliver integrity training to players, referees and coaches by providing training materials that reflect latest trends and modus operandi of criminals.
- Sport Fact-Finders and Law Enforcement Investigators Trainings: to prepare and train persons tasked with conducting a fact-finding inquiry within sport for disciplinary purposes to establish the facts in relation to reports or suspicions of competition manipulation and to be able to conduct an effective inquiry and to present the results for consideration by a disciplinary panel. For Law Enforcement Trainings, the aim is to train law enforcement in the investigation of competition manipulation with a specific focus on transnational investigations, evidence evaluation and coordination with sports organisations.