

**WADA NADO EXPERT ADVISORY GROUP  
3 November 2021  
Meeting Outcomes**

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WADA's National Anti-Doping Organization (NADO) Expert Advisory Group (EAG) held its second meeting of 2021 on 3 November. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting was held virtually. The key outcomes of the discussions are outlined below and have been submitted to WADA Management for further consideration.

For the outcomes of the April 2021 meeting please refer to the [WADA website](#).

**WADA Governance**

- The NADO EAG welcomed the opportunity to meet with the [Working Group on the Review of WADA Governance Reforms](#) (GRWG) for a second time on 19 October. The NADO EAG is encouraged by the GRWG's recommendation to include NADO representatives on the WADA Foundation Board and submitted a proposal to the GRWG on how this could be done.
- The NADO EAG remains available to provide additional input into the process as required.

**Russia**

- The NADO EAG received a brief update on WADA's monitoring of the implementation of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) award related to the Russian Anti-Doping Agency's (RUSADA) non-compliance, including the protection of RUSADA's independence; the results management of LIMS cases; and the hosting/awarding of events by International Federations and Major Event Organizations.
- The NADO EAG emphasizes the importance of following up and closely monitoring RUSADA over the next year, i.e. for the remainder of their non-compliance period (until December 2022).

**ADAMS**

- The NADO EAG received an update on the status of ADAMS '[Next Gen](#)', including the plans for APIs (Application Program Interface - where communication and the exchange of information can occur between ADAMS and external systems).

- The NADO EAG recommends that WADA continue to work on developing the APIs as it will improve efficiencies related to NADOs meeting the reporting and sharing of information requirements of the World Anti-Doping Code.
- The NADO EAG, including the individual member NADOs, offered their assistance to WADA in the overall further development of ADAMS 'Next Gen'.

### **Substances of Abuse**

- The NADO EAG continued its discussion on Code article 10.2.4.1<sup>1</sup> related to substances of abuse.
- iNADO presented the outcomes of a survey of its members related to the impact of this new Code article and how they are implementing it in practice.
- The WADA Legal Department recognizes the challenges in implementing this Code article and thanked iNADO and the NADO EAG for its feedback. The WADA Legal Department encouraged the NADO EAG to continue to provide feedback on this article, as well as any others, moving forward.

### **Supplements**

- The NADO EAG discussed the various challenges faced by NADOs, and athletes, related to supplements.
- The NADO EAG recognizes the dilemma NADOs face in terms of providing a list of supplements that are "safe". The majority of the NADO EAG did not believe that NADOs should be providing such a list.
- The NADO EAG recommends that WADA consider prioritizing research on the contamination of supplements and encourages the scientific community to pursue this type of research.
- The NADO EAG recommends that NADOs follow up with their respective governments to determine ways in which they can help address this issue; while at the same time encouraging WADA to follow up with UNESCO to see if they can help address some of the challenges related to supplements given its inclusion as a requirement for governments to address within the UNESCO International Convention against Doping in Sport.
- The NADO EAG also recognizes the importance of education and recommends that NADOs ensure information on supplements is included within their education programs.
- The NADO EAG will develop guidelines / principles addressing the issue of supplements for WADA's consideration.

### **NADO / RADO Program Strategies**

- The NADO EAG received an update on the implementation of WADA's [NADO](#) and [Regional Anti-Doping Organization \(RADO\)](#) Program Strategies.
- The NADO EAG congratulated WADA on the work achieved thus far and encouraged WADA to continue to focus its efforts the development of NADOs and RADOs, including the overall framework (i.e. legal, structure, legislation/regulation, resources, etc) and operational independence of NADOs.

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<sup>1</sup> Code article 10.2.4.1 "In addition, the period of Ineligibility calculated may be reduced to one (1) month if the Athlete or other Person satisfactorily completes a Substance of Abuse treatment program approved by the ADO with Results Management responsibility."

- The NADO EAG agreed to review the revised 'Guideline for ADO -ADO Cooperation' being developed by WADA.

#### **NADO Expert Advisory Group Strategy**

- Given WADA's current governance review process, the NADO EAG agreed to postpone until its next meeting the discussion of developing an overall strategy for the group.

#### **Sample Collection Equipment**

- The NADO EAG recommends that the providers of anti-doping sample collection equipment discuss their policies related to expiry dates on their equipment with the NADO community in order to address the impact that these policies may have on NADOs.