



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE and FOUNDATION BOARD MEETINGS

16 and 17 May 2018
Montreal, Canada

SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES

Further to the [media release](#), which was published by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) on 17 May following the above-noted meetings in Montreal, this Summary of Outcomes has been compiled **as a complement to the release** for the benefit of all WADA stakeholders.

GOVERNANCE WORKING GROUP

The Board approved Dr Ulrich Haas, an eminent law professor from Germany, as the new chair of WADA's Governance Working Group after the previous chair, Judge Gberdao Kam of Burkina Faso, stepped down from that position in March. In addition to Dr Haas, the Board approved the replacement of Angela Ruggerio (USA) and Tony Estanguet (France) by Kirsty Coventry (Zimbabwe) and Danka Bartekova (Slovakia), respectively. The Board were informed that the Working Group was now actively working towards making its recommendations to the November 2018 Executive Committee (ExCO) and Foundation Board (Board) meetings.

WADA's HEADQUARTERS

The ExCo and Board were updated on developments regarding the continued location of WADA's headquarters in Montreal after the current agreement with Montreal International runs out in 2021. The Board had taken the decision at its [November 2017 meeting](#) to extend an agreement with Montreal to host the Agency from 2022-2031. While the full agreement for the extension had not yet been completed, WADA Management was confident it would be signed shortly.

ANTI-DOPING TESTING EQUIPMENT

Members received an update in relation to the issues that had been experienced in recent months with some sample collection equipment manufactured by Swiss provider Berlinger Special AG. It was reported that WADA had received no further reports of cracked Berlinger bottles following freezing from any accredited laboratory, Anti-Doping Organization or sample collection provider. Mid-April, Berlinger had also announced its intention to continue production of its equipment for at least the next 12 months. In the meantime, WADA has been actively promoting the development of alternative sources of sample collection kits to ensure that the dangers of a monopolized market do not occur again in the future. At the same time, WADA has advised its stakeholders that it had formed a small working group specifically to review the sample collection equipment criteria contained in Article 6.3.4 of the [International Standard for Testing and Investigations \(ISTI\)](#). The objective would be for the group to propose amendments, which would undergo consultation before submission to the ExCo for approval.

ETHICS PANEL

Following a presentation by Ethics Panel Chair Dr Bartha Maria Knoppers, the ExCo decided not to authorize the use of geolocation technology when tracking athletes for the purpose of out-of-competition testing. The decision was an endorsement of a recommendation by the Panel, which had carried out an in-depth study of the subject followed by an extensive debate into the possible pros and cons of introducing such technology for the fight against doping in sport.

On 28 February, the Panel published a position paper in the British Journal of Sports Medicine titled '[Geolocation of athletes: ethical considerations](#)'.

HEALTH, MEDICAL AND RESEARCH (HMR)

The ExCo approved the [Technical Document on Endogenous Anabolic Androgenic Steroids](#) measurement and reporting, which will come into effect on 1 September 2018, and the Technical Document on Blood Analytical Requirements for the Athlete Biological Passport, which will come into effect on 1 July 2018. A third Technical Document related to Athlete Passport Management Units was deferred for further review.

COMPLIANCE

In addition to what was outlined in the [media release](#) regarding RUSADA compliance, it should be noted that members were told that, shortly before the ExCo meeting, WADA received a letter from the Russian authorities. The ExCo asked the Agency's [Independent Compliance Review Committee \(CRC\)](#) to review this letter and express a recommendation as to whether it fulfills the first criterion outlined in the media release. The ExCo also asked the CRC to reassess the status of RUSADA and come up with a recommendation after its next meeting to be held on 14 June.

The ExCo considered the CRC recommendation to assert that the International Boxing Association (AIBA) be non-compliant with the Code for awarding the 2019 Men's World Championships to Russia in 2017, in violation of Article 20.3.11 of the Code, after RUSADA had been declared non-compliant. As is its right under Article 10.2.2 of the [International Standard for Code Compliance by Signatories](#), the ExCo referred the matter back to the CRC for further discussion at its next meeting on 14 June. The ExCo will consider the subsequent re-submission of a recommendation from the CRC.

OTHER MATTERS

In addition to matters outlined above, the Board received updates in relation, in particular, to: the latest legal cases involving the Agency; the Laboratory Accreditation Working Group; WADA's Annual Symposium; the U.S. Foundation for Clean Sport established in 2016 to target additional funding for research and other activities; and, the [Independent Observer \(IO\) and Athlete Outreach programs at the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games in PyeongChang](#) earlier this year (see [Olympic IO report](#) published 10 May).

FUTURE MEETINGS

The dates and locations of future meetings were agreed and noted as follows:

- ExCo – Thursday 20 September 2018, Seychelles
- ExCo – Wednesday 14 November 2018, Baku, Azerbaijan
- Board – Thursday 15 November 2018, Baku, Azerbaijan
- ExCo – Wednesday 15 May 2019, Montreal, Canada
- Board – Thursday 16 May 2019, Montreal, Canada
- ExCo – Monday 23 September 2019, Tokyo, Japan
- ExCo – Monday 4 November 2019, Katowice, Poland
- World Conference on Doping in Sport – Tuesday-Thursday 5-7 November 2019, Katowice, Poland
- Board – Thursday 7 November 2019, Katowice, Poland.