REGIONAL DIRECTOR’S MEETING – URUGUAY, JUNE 2016

Uruguay hosted the 10th WADA Regional Director’s Meeting on 13-14 June 2016. This was the third Director’s Meeting held in the country.

Led by WADA Director General, Mr. David Howman, the meeting was attended by Regional Directors, Mr. Rodney Swigel from the African Regional Office, Mr. Kazu Hayashi from the Asia and Oceania Regional Office and Mr. Fred Donzé, from the European Office.

A Press Conference was held on 14 June, hosted by the Secretary of Sport of Uruguay, Prof. Fernando Caceres, and with special guest Dr. Julio Maglione, President of FINA, Vice President of PASO and President of the Uruguayan Olympic Committee.

ARGENTINA NADO - AGREEMENTS

Argentina entered into a number of key agreements; with a strong commitment from the Argentine NADO.

A multilateral agreement was made with WADA and Colombia; as well as a bilateral cooperation agreement with Colombia, in order to enhance their NADO’s anti-doping programs. This is an important milestone which will undoubtedly be replicated in the South American region as cooperation comes naturally to Latin American countries. Also, Chilean NADO is supporting Argentina.

This type of cooperation is an example of solidarity, which should be emulated by other countries in order to find ways to overcome difficulties and progress towards more effective anti-doping programs.

CADE MEETING – PUERTO RICO,

Puerto Rico hosted the 21st CID-CADE Assemblies, joining different countries from Central America, the Caribbean, South America and Europe (Spain and Portugal). The Regional Office Director attended the meeting, giving a presentation and taking the opportunity to engage Ministers and sensitize them to the way WADA operates as well as exchange opinions on anti-doping programs. Also WADA Director General, Mr. David Howman participated of these important meetings where interesting discussions took place.

V ANTI-DOPING LEGAL SEMINAR, CHILE

The Seminar took place from 8-10 March 2016 in Santiago Chile, jointly organized by the World Anti-Doping Agency and the Chilean Anti-Doping Organization, an organization within the Ministry of Sport of Chile.

The main goal of the seminar was to train legal professionals from the different NADOs of South America, promote the exchange of ideas, discuss best practices and identify the difficulties encountered by each country.

As the Seminar is held on an annual basis, most of the participants had attended last year’s edition and were familiar with each other and with the cases that are common to their home countries. Also, some of them participated as trainers since they have been taking advantage of this capacity building in past years, and we are planning to continue to do so in future editions.

Next edition will be held in Lima, Peru, 28th to 30th March, 2017

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