ROME 27th 28th September 2017

INTERNATIONAL MEETING

PROTECTED REPORTING SYSTEMS:
a key-leverage to contrast match-fixing and organized crime infiltration into the sport market

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In the framework of
ANTI MATCH-FIXING FORMULA PROJECT
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A. Promoter and Organizer

Italian Government Office for Sport

Partners:

- Italian Ministry of Interior - Italian Police International Cooperation Service
- ASAG (Italian Catholic University)
- Italian Betting Regulator
- Italian Commerce Chambers Network and Italian Commerce Chambers Europe Office in Brussels
- Transparency International Italy
- Commerce Chamber, City of Palermo
- Italian Betting Operators Syndicate

B. Rationale and goals

The Conference locates itself in the wide national, European and international dynamics of increasing strengthening of the policies and actions to contrast match-fixing, in the framework of the ongoing ratification and diffusion process of the Council of Europe Magglingen/Macolin Convention.

With the occasion of the presentation of the Continuous Program to prevent and contrast match-fixing in Italy, the following issues will be specifically addressed in the Conference:

- Organized crime infiltration into the sport market and anti-mafia policies;
- Protected Reporting Systems and protection of whistleblowers;
- The role of grass-root sports and pilot local areas;
- Investigative methods within the wider framework of structured private public cooperation.

At national level it represents a “momentum” to launch the innovative protected reporting system which will be piloted since July 2017 and the strengthening of the existing UISS-GISS National Platform and additional private-public cooperation mechanisms. At international level it represents a follow-up passage immediately connected to MINEPS VI Conference in Kazan (http://en.unesco.org/mineps6) and preparatory to UNODC Conference of State Parties on Corruption in Vienna (6-10th November) and to the 3rd Council of Europe International Conference on match-fixing in Strasbourg (to be scheduled).

C. Cooperation with International Organizations

With UNODC in Vienna and CIGEPS UNESCO in Paris there are ongoing talks to define a specific cooperation for the Conference. With Council of Europe a potential cooperation will be evaluated in order to make the Conference as much functional as possible to the Magglingen/Macolin process.

D. Invitees and Participants

- Main Italian actors and stakeholders of the Italian sport market and sector;
- Italian institutions and organizations involved in the fight against match-fixing;
- Main international organizations and actors;
- National European governments and actors.

E. Orientative Agenda

Wednesday 27th

Morning:
- Institutional Welcome
- Session I: Match-fixing prevention and contrast policies in Italy
- Session II: Organized Crime Infiltration into the Sport Market: implications and tools

Afternoon:
- Session III: Protected reporting systems: cases, practices
- Session IV: Grass-root sports
- Session V: Investigation methods
- Conclusions

Thursday 28th

Operational meetings in the morning (only through accreditation), bilateral or multilateral, according to requests by participants. Three meetings have been already scheduled:
- Protected Reporting Systems
- Investigation Methods
- University role in supporting public policies