

SECURING SPORT VIRTUAL EDITION 2020

'BUILDING RESILIENCE IN AN EVER-CHANGING WORLD'

1 – 4 DECEMBER 2020

AGENDA: DAY 1

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 01, 2020 (TIME ZONE: GMT+3)

1:00 – 1:15 PM	Introduction to Securing Sport
1:15 – 1:25 PM	Opening Remarks
1:25 – 1:45 PM	Featured Remarks
1:45 – 2:00 PM	Keynote Speech

POLICY DIALOGUES

2:00 – 3:00 PM Safeguarding Sport in the Post-COVID-19 Era

The COVID-19 pandemic has been a traumatic experience for the whole international community, a validation of the butterfly theory. The pandemic has caused a global economic downturn, it has changed the way we live, work, and interact with one another. No part of the economy remains untouched by the impact of COVID-19, including sport.

The panel interventions will explore what the world of sport will look like in the post-COVID-19 era, an era where the use of technology has rapidly accelerated, the organisation of major sporting events and sports competitions has been called into question and the new dynamics of social interaction have been imposed.

The panel will address the main challenges and the role of sport in the post-COVID-19 period, discussing how the sports industry can protect itself to keep moving forward and how the world of sport should position itself in this new global scenario.

3:00 – 4:00 PM The Integrity of Sport: Achievements, Existing Gaps and Future Perspectives

Over the past ten years, the international community has produced several frameworks to protect the integrity of sport, such as the international declarations, action plans and treaties. Despite such efforts and the widespread recognition of the problem, there is no indication that the severe integrity breaches, such as corruption, are on the decline. Panelists will discuss how to bring the capacity of the international community to the next level, and how to further empower the stakeholders involved to identify possible new players and mechanisms to protect the integrity of sport.

4:00 – 5:00 PM

Major Sporting Events - The Crossroads of Security and Legacy

This policy dialogue will provide a high-level reflection of the geopolitical relevance of major sporting events and how the preparations of such events today require taking into account major global challenges such as those associated with environmental issues, pandemics and international security matters.

While observing increases in systemic threats, compared to the traditional man-made threats, major sporting events remain a unique opportunity to promote a positive change in the international landscape, creating legacies in host nations and the overall international community. With this in mind, and while learning from the experiences and viewpoints of the panelists, this panel aims at raising awareness among policy-makers regarding the need to approach the preparation of major sporting events from a holistic approach while ensuring proper international cooperation in order to protect these events as a common good of international community.

5:00 – 6:00 PM

Protecting Sport in Regions in Turmoil

This session will explore ways to restore sport competitions in post-conflict countries and regions affected by turmoil, and how sport can contribute to prosperity and stability in areas affected by crises. The discussion will focus on methods of re-building relevant capacities required for staging and managing sporting events, at all levels, from grassroots to professional sports, and the possibility of organising sporting events with an international dimension.

6:00 – 6:45 PM

Taking a Stand Against Racism

The session will focus on the roles of sport and athletes in the fight for racial justice in the society, and on how racism still negatively impacts the world of sport. The aim of the discussion is to identify ways which go beyond raising awareness but rather focus on the promotion of policies for combating all contemporary forms of discrimination to ensure equal opportunities in the world of sport, at all levels.

6:45 – 7:00 PM

Policy Dialogues' Conclusions

AGENDA: DAY 2

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 02, 2020 (TIME ZONE: GMT+3)

EXPERT DEBATES

3:00 – 4:30 PM

The Use of Big Data in Combatting the Infiltration of Transnational Organised Crime in Sport

The objective of this panel is to present an open debate on the current challenges, opportunities and experiences, including but not limited to, public-private partnerships (PPPs) on the use and analysis of Big Data in combatting the Infiltration of Transnational Organised Crime in Sport.

4:30 – 6:00 PM

The Role of Sponsors in Safeguarding Sport

The business sector, including sports sponsors, represent a key element in the organisation, sustainability and legacy of sport events of national, regional and international interest. Sponsors have become a major source of expertise, knowledge and information. At the same time, sponsors deploy important assets and personnel in preparation and during sporting events, being therefore a major resource to safeguarding sport.

6:00 – 7:30 PM

Developing an International Framework on Private Security at Major Sporting Events

The main objective of this expert debate is to confirm the need and set the basis for the development of such a framework from which bidding and host nations, events' organisers and the private security industry can develop their private security strategies for MSE's.

AGENDA: DAY 3

DAY 3, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 03, 2020 (TIME ZONE: GMT+3)

EXPERT DEBATES

3:00 – 4:30 PM

The Use of Technology in Sport - Protecting Places and People

This expert debate will discuss and highlight the key role that technology can play in the protection of sport, from grassroots to major sporting events, from young players to elite athletes, and the broader sporting ecosystem. The debate will also analyse the risks associated with a greater dependency on technology and suggest ways to promote the development of sustainable technological solutions to better protect places and people.

4:30 – 6:00 PM

Safeguarding Children in the Context of Sport

It is widely recognised amongst sports organisations and policy-makers at national and international levels, that children should be encouraged to participate in sport and while doing so, should be provided with a safe and positive environment throughout their involvement in sport. The aim of this expert debate is to offer an updated picture of the existing instruments regarding the protection of children in the context of sport and to identify ways to arrive at the best possible, robust global approach to protection in this domain.

6:00 – 7:30 PM

eSports: Mitigating the Risks and Maximising Opportunities

The modern eSports ecosystem is a relatively new field, it is complex and fast-growing, and indicates a need for the promotion of a common global agenda in this domain.

The objective of this debate is to identify challenges within the eSports ecosystem in order to mitigate the risks which could affect both players and the industry from a safety, security and integrity perspective, as well as to maximise the opportunities it can generate from a social and educational aspect.

AGENDA: DAY 4

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 04, 2020 (TIME ZONE: GMT+3)



YOUTH CONSULTATIONS HOSTED BY SAVE THE DREAM

3:00 – 3:30 PM

Keynote Speech

3:30 – 5:30 PM

Youth Consultations Breakout Sessions (open to ages 15 - 29 only)

- Protection of Grassroots Sport as a Community Building Tool during the COVID-19 Pandemic
- Stand Against Racism in Sport: The Importance of the Youth Voice
- eSports: Breaking Down Barriers – The Fusion of Online and Physical

5:30 – 5:45 PM

Youth Consultations Conclusions

5:45 – 6:00 PM

SECURING SPORT 2020 CLOSING REMARKS