

Socialdepartementet**Undertecknande av överenskommelse om internationellt samarbete mot dopning på idrottsområdet****Regeringens beslut**

Regeringen beslutar att en överenskommelse om internationellt samarbete mot dopning på idrottsområdet ska undertecknas.

Ärendet

Nederländerna, som för närvarande är ordförandeland i det Internationella samarbetet mot dopning på idrottsområdet (IADA) har den 24 januari 2025 inkommit med en förfrågan till Sverige om att ingå en ny överenskommelse om IADA samarbete. Sverige ingår sedan 1998 i IADA som är ett mellanstatligt samarbete i antidopningsfrågor. Överenskommelsen ersätter tidigare överenskommelse (Ku2021/02044) och ska gälla till och med den 28 februari 2027. De som har för avsikt att underteckna är företrädare för regeringarna i Australien, Danmark, Finland, Japan, Kanada, Nederländerna, Norge, Nya Zeeland, Storbritannien och Sverige. Överenskommelsen har den lydelse som framgår av *bilagan*.

Enligt punkt 25 i överenskommelsen ska denna träda i kraft i och med att företrädare för samtliga 10 regeringar undertecknat densamma.

Utdrag till

Utrikesdepartementet/FMR
Finansdepartementet/BA
Utbildningsdepartementet/AI
Folkhälsomyndigheten
Antidoping Sverige
Sveriges Riksidrottsförbund

The International Anti-Doping Arrangement (IADA) 2025-2027

Background

1. The International Anti-Doping Arrangement (hereafter "IADA") has been in place since 1991 and has enhanced work in the field of anti-doping. Under the Arrangement, the governments of the signatory countries (hereafter the "Participants") have collaborated on enhancing their national programmes, the programme (hereafter "WADP") of the World Anti-Doping Agency (hereafter "WADA"), actively participated in developing the UNESCO International Convention against Doping in Sport (hereafter the "UNESCO Convention"), developed the International Standard for Doping Control, which further evolved into the International Standard for Testing and Investigations as part of the WADP, developed several Models of Best Practice of the WADP, and played a lead role in advocating an improved international response to issues and opportunities for collaboration related to doping in sport. These achievements provide the foundation for future work under the Arrangement.

Philosophy

2. This Arrangement is based on the conviction of the Participants that international cooperation in the field of anti-doping and high-quality standards in anti-doping programmes will contribute to ensuring an ethical and healthy sports environment, which provides for mutual trust and shared values where athletes can compete without the use of prohibited doping substances or methods.

Principles

3. The Participants are dedicated to clean sport. They firmly believe that anti-doping policies and programmes must be periodically reviewed and revised accordingly to serve the sport community. The Participants recognise the sport community as a crucial ally in anti-doping work and thus develop policies and programmes in a cooperative manner with the sport community.

4. The Participants acknowledge and support the lead role of WADA in the field of anti-doping and emphasise the essential relationship between WADA and its stakeholders. The Participants wish to promote harmonisation and best practices in national and international anti-doping policies and programmes, as reflected in the WADP, through the unique cooperation of committed governments and National Anti-Doping Organisations (hereafter "NADO").

5. The Participants support the objectives of the UNESCO Convention by promoting greater international cooperation, and are united in their commitment to further strengthen the UNESCO Convention and its implementation where possible. Recognising that each of the Participants has ratified the UNESCO Convention, actions taken under the Arrangement should be consistent with and contribute to the requirements of the UNESCO Convention.

6. The Arrangement aims to enhance the international fight against doping in sport through effective and transparent anti-doping policies and programmes. This should be guided by a practical and cost-effective approach.

Purpose

7. The Arrangement provides a useful mechanism for the sharing of information, expertise, consultation and the development of advice on key issues among governmental officials and experts from the NADOS of the Participants. The advice and decisions made by the Participants will be based upon informal consensus and are not binding on the Participants or the NADOS.

8. By their commitment to high quality anti-doping policies and programmes, the Participants seek to contribute to practical, constructive, and consensus-based proposals to address key issues in the international fight against doping in sport. The aim of the Arrangement is to complement and influence the work of existing international organisations.

9. The Participants will seek to optimise cooperation with WADA, UNESCO, the Institute of National Anti-Doping Organisations (iNADO), and the bodies associated with the Council of Europe's Anti-Doping Convention.

Scope

10. The Participants will focus on the priority areas listed below (as well as wider issues as and when they arise):

10.1 International Advocacy.

The Participants will discuss key and strategic doping issues which could be used in preparation of advice and positions for governmental representatives (e.g. at the Executive Committee and/or Foundation Board of WADA, other key international meetings and conferences, national policy, etc.). Furthermore, the Participants will discuss issues relating to the UNESCO Convention and support the work of the secretariat of the UNESCO Convention in improving the global fight against doping in sport;

10.2 Sharing of Best Practice.

The Participants will share their knowledge, expertise and experience with each other with the aim to further develop their anti-doping policies and programmes.

Such best practice will be shared with WADA, UNESCO, iNADO, the bodies associated with the Council of Europe's Anti-Doping Convention and other relevant actors.

Management of the Arrangement

11. Any participants with new initiatives or changes to their structure/remit are invited to share these with the rest of the group in a form most suitable for the purpose.

12. Each Participant will cooperate with its NADO in order to fulfil the purpose set forth in this Arrangement. All Participants will play an active role in meetings held under the Arrangement and contribute in full to the furtherance of the Arrangement's purposes.

13. The Participants will aim to convene once a year, whether in person, by virtual videoconference, or by email at the discretion of the Secretariat and with the agreement of the rest of the Participants. The Secretariat should attempt to organise any meetings in conjunction with other relevant meetings. Additional meetings may be held as mutually determined by the Participants. Communications will mainly be based on email and telephone conferences.

14. Decisions will be based upon informal consensus among the Participants.

15. The Chairing of meetings held under the Arrangement will rotate among the Participants on a two-year cycle in the order of the signature list below. The Participant chairing meetings will be responsible for providing the Secretariat during its term as IADA Chair.

16. Participants will be responsible for their own costs related to their participation in the Arrangement.

17. The Secretariat will be responsible for costs associated with the general administration of the Arrangement.

18. The working language for activities under the Arrangement is English.

19. All activities undertaken in the context of the Arrangement will be subjected to the applicable laws and policies of the Participants.

Membership of the Arrangement

20. Participants will demonstrate their commitment to the principles of the Arrangement. Such commitment includes regular and timely payment of WADA dues and ratification of the UNESCO Convention. The Participants' NADOS will be World Anti-Doping Code-compliant and have an ISO-certificate or other form of quality system. These minimum requirements will be used in the assessment of countries seeking to become a Participant to the Arrangement. Participants will decide, by consensus, on the addition of new Participants to the Arrangement.

21. In considering the addition of new Participants to the Arrangement, Participants will seek to broaden the pool of expertise and enhance the strategic, cultural and geographical mix of the Arrangement.

22. A Participant may withdraw from the Arrangement at any given time by providing six months' advance notice, in writing, to the Secretariat.

23. Participants may jointly decide to invite other countries and organisations to participate in specific activities under the Arrangement.

Amendment and Duration of the Arrangement

24. This Arrangement may be amended at any time during its term by unanimous consent of the Participants.

25. This Arrangement will become effective upon signature by representatives of all Participants and will apply to those Participants and all parties whose representatives subsequently sign the Arrangement, until its expiration.

26. The Arrangement will expire on 28 February 2027, in line with the rotation of the Secretariat. Prior to its expiry, the Secretariat will review and reissue the Agreement for signing.

Signatory Governments to the International Anti-Doping Arrangement:

For the Government of the Netherlands

Signature Date
(Name, title)

For the Government of New Zealand

Signature Date
(Name, title)

For the Government of Sweden

Signature Date
(Name, title)

For the Government of Denmark

Signature Date
(Name, title)

For the Government of Finland

Signature Date
(Name, title)

For the Government of Canada

Signature Date
(Name, title)

For the Government of Norway

Signature Date
(Name, title)

For the Government of Australia

Signature Date
(Name, title)

For the Government of the United Kingdom

Signature Date
(Name, title)

For the Government of Japan

Signature Date
(Name, title)