

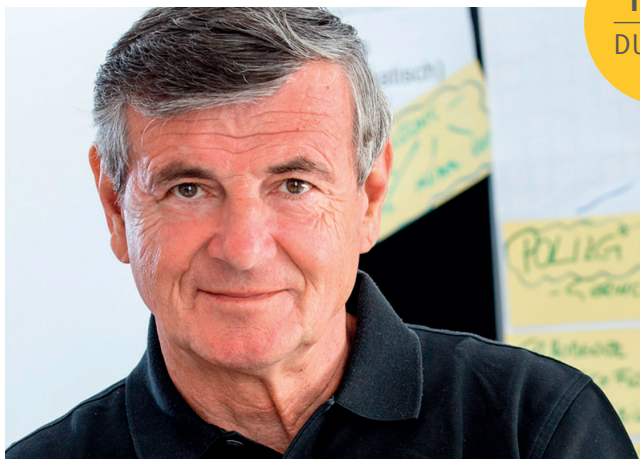


PLAY FAIR CODE
INTEGRITY WINS

2018



ANNUAL REPORT



INTRO
DUCTION

New horizons, new sporting disciplines, and new target groups in the fight against match-fixing!

A year of continuity and change

"As Play Fair Code President, I look back on the past year with much joy and approbation. With approbation because our expertise – which we have built up and developed step-by-step for more than six years in our fight against match-fixing – has been in high demand on both the national and international levels. With joy because the enlargement of our team provides even greater opportunity and capacity to take measures, implement training sessions, and projects to promote integrity in sports. In this sense, it is teamwork that makes us strong – not only internally but, above all, externally with our committed network of members, partners, and sponsors. This deserves special thanks from us!"

Günter KALTENBRUNNER

PLAY FAIR CODE PRESIDENT



HEINZ-CHRISTIAN STRACHE

VICE CHANCELLOR AND MINISTER OF SPORT

“The topic of integrity in sports has not become any less controversial. Negative media reporting on match-fixing and betting fraud continued to harm sports in 2018. As a central focal point, the Play Fair Code, in close cooperation with the Ministry of Sports and all relevant partners, was able to implement a sustained national action strategy against match-fixing across all sports in recent years. For this, President Günter Kaltenbrunner deserves my thanks and approbation!

Now and in the near future, we must build on what we have achieved and incorporate and structure this unique pan-European value-added model into a National Platform within the meaning of the Council of Europe Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions.”



JÜRGEN IRSIGLER

PRESIDENT AUSTRIAN SPORTS BETTING
ASSOCIATION & CEO ADMIRAL SPORTWETTEN

“The pursuit of fair and manipulation-free competition in sports unites the Austrian Sports Betting Association and the Play Fair Code. Nothing harms the credibility of sports, and therefore us bookmakers, more than match-fixing and betting fraud in sports. As President of the Austrian Sports Betting Association, I am especially appreciative that the Play Fair Code has created a network of all involved stakeholders, which enables us to have an exchange of technical and professional views with each other. The Play Fair Code’s commitment to the use of training in the sports disciplines where betting is common is not only a valuable contribution in terms of prevention but supports us as bookmakers in terms of the credibility of our sports betting offerings.”



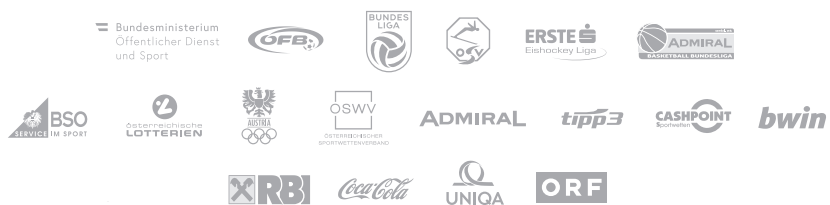
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PLAY FAIR CODE CHAIRMAN OF THE ADVISORY BOARD
AND BOARD OF MANAGEMENT CASINOS AUSTRIA

“In my capacity as Play Fair Code Advisory Board Chairman, it is important to me and my colleagues to continue further optimizing and expanding the measures taken against match-fixing and betting fraud in sports and to support the Board of Management with advice and assistance. I am personally very pleased that the Play Fair Code has again developed in a positive direction on the national and international stage in 2018 and that I and my Advisory Board team could make a contribution to this.”

CONTINUITY AND GROWTH. STABILITY PAYS OFF.

We have been able to expand our network over the years and are proud to present our members and partners:



RE-ELECTION OF THE BOARD

Play Fair Code president, board, and auditors unanimously re-elected.

Continuity wins. There is broad consensus that the successful development of the Play Fair Code over the past six years was based on the **professional and effective cooperation** of and with all stakeholders.

The expansion of the Play Fair Code stakeholder network with both, new national and international partners, will continue to be the key strategic aim in the future.

The board of the Play Fair Code continues to consist of the well-established team of **President Günter Kaltenbrunner, Michael Kuhn, and Christof Hetzmanseder** (both Vice Presidents), **Nikolaus Schaffer and Axel Bammer** (both Treasurers), secretaries **Thomas Hollerer and Christian Ebenbauer**, and the two auditors **Helmut Nahlik and Gerald Weiss**.

RE-
ELECTION

NEW EMPLOYEES IN THE PLAY FAIR CODE TEAM

The team of President Günter Kaltenbrunner and CEO Severin Moritzer is steadily growing.

The Play Fair Code welcomes two new team members, **Marc Orlainsky** and **Markus Sukdolak**.

Marc until recently was active as an attorney in Vienna whereas Markus arrives from the Austrian Ministry of Sport to the Play Fair Code and already has extensive training and education experience in the prevention field. Both new entrants are highly motivated to **work together** with CEO Severin Moritzer on the constantly **growing tasks** and challenges of the Play Fair Code.

Play Fair Code President Günter Kaltenbrunner: *“I warmly welcome Marc and Markus to the Play Fair Code and am looking forward to working with them.”*

VOICES

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“The sport of skiing has a very high status in Austria. Therefore, integrity in sports, and our partnership with the Play Fair Code, is of equally high importance to us. I am glad that, during the summer outfitting of the Austrian Ski Federation athletes this year, we succeeded, for the first time, in conducting Play Fair Code training sessions—not only with the younger generation, as before—but with all our stars.”

Peter Schröcksnadel
President Austrian Ski Federation

“This training is important for players. We are addressing a very sensitive topic here. The practical examples come directly from our sports discipline and are treated very vividly.”

Christoph Freund
Director Sports FC Red Bull Salzburg



“Integrity is essential in football, as in all other sports disciplines and should be preserved. This has been the reason for our strong support for the Play Fair Code initiative from the start. It is nice to see how this project has developed on the national and international levels in recent years.”

Thomas Hollerer
General Secretary Austrian Football Association

“The Play Fair Code’s new training module is a valuable and sustainable instrument in the fight for honest sports. It is important to always keep up to date and take new developments into account so as to set the right tone in the training sessions.”

Christian Ebenbauer
CEO Austrian Football League

“As part of our cooperation with the Play Fair Code, we have succeeded in bringing training sessions to all the Austrian professional basketball clubs. We receive enormous positive feedback from the players. In particular, the authentic treatment of the manipulation case surrounding the former US college basketball star Brandon Johnson makes the topic striking and gripping.”

Karl Schweitzer
President ADMIRAL Basketball League

Fränky Schiemer
Manager SV Guntamatic Ried

“Each lecture is very good, entertaining, and informative.”

“We had the impression that our players and attendants were very well informed. Above all, these training sessions are enormously important for our young players!”

Gogo Feistmantl
Team-Manager FC Wacker Innsbruck



“The Play Fair Code seminar was very well organized, and the content was absolutely informative for our squad. Without a doubt, participation in such training modules is helpful to all sports clubs in Austria and throughout Europe.”

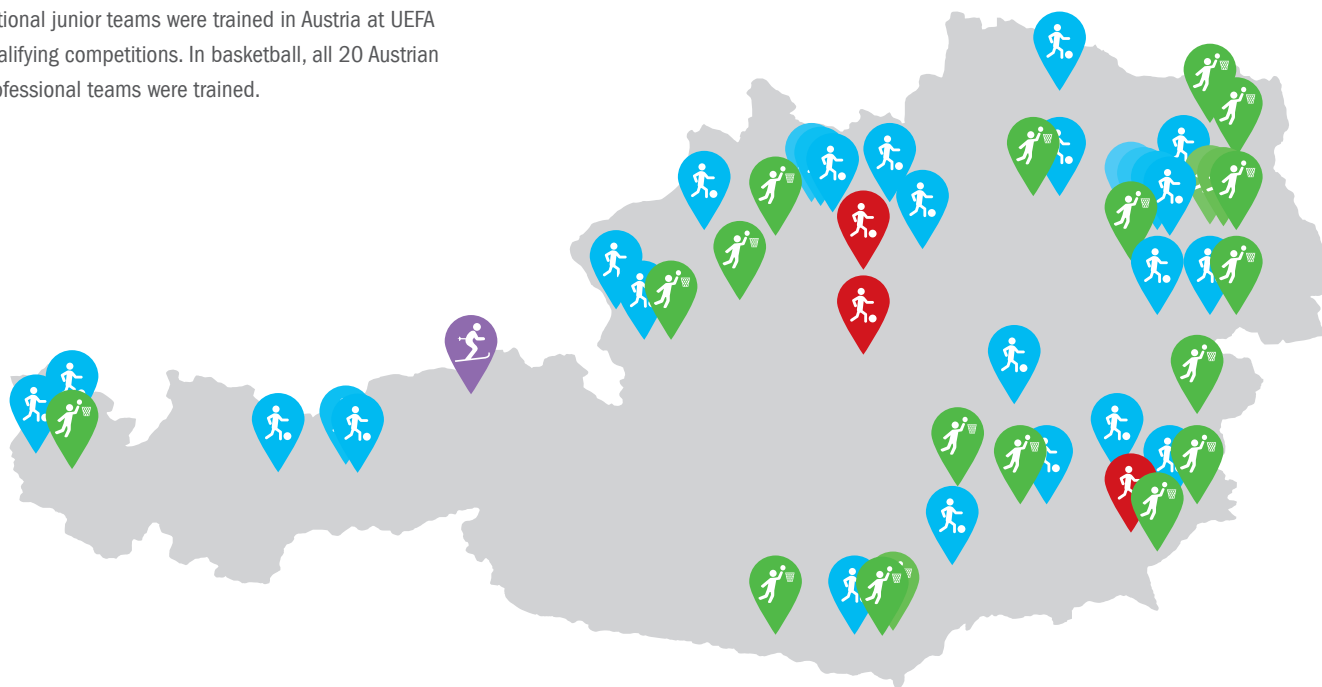
Mike Coffin
*Head-Coach of the Austrian Basketball national team and
Head-Coach Kapfenberg Bulls*

“Integrity is an important component of our international league. It is fantastic that an education training partnership for the Cracks with the IIHF at the IIHF World Championship in Budapest last spring arose from their connection to the Play Fair Code. In this sense and in my capacity as a Management Board member, I am pleased to contribute to this success story.”

Axel Bammer
COO Erste Bank Icehockey League

EDUCATION TRAININGS NATIONAL

2018 was the year of football and basketball. In football, all 28 Austrian Football League teams were trained. Above this and within the cooperation with UEFA 8 European national junior teams were trained in Austria at UEFA qualifying competitions. In basketball, all 20 Austrian professional teams were trained.



- 32x FOOTBALL**
- Vienna
 - St. Pölten
 - Linz
 - Salzburg
 - Innsbruck
 - Altach
 - Wolfsberg
 - Graz

- Hartberg
- Mattersburg
- Mödling
- Horn
- Amstetten
- Steyr
- Ried
- Liefering
- Wattens

- Lustenau
- Klagenfurt
- Kapfenberg
- Lafnitz
- Wiener Neustadt
- UEFA Bad Waltersdorf
- UEFA Windischgarsten
- UEFA Bad Hall

- 20x BASKETBALL**
- Vienna
 - Klosterneuburg
 - Gmunden
 - Wels
 - Kapfenberg
 - Fürstenfeld
 - Graz
 - Oberwart

- Traiskirchen
- Mistelbach
- St. Pölten
- Salzburg
- Dornbirn
- Villach
- Klagenfurt
- Mattersburg
- Jennersdorf

- 1x SKI**
- Kufstein

EDUCATION TRAININGS/CONFERENCES INTERNATIONAL

On an international level, the Play Fair Code is a valued and respected expert partner to various organizations and sports programs (UEFA, IOC, INTERPOL, IIHF, Erasmus+ programs, etc.).



- 01** WARSAW
Erasmus+ Projekt - Against Match-Fixing
- 02** SALZGITTER
eSports - Study project
- 03** MADRID
Erasmus+ project - Anti Match-Fixing Top Training

- 04** BUDAPEST
IIHF World Championship
- 05** SOFIA
EU Presidency Bulgaria
- 06** FRANKFURT
IOC - Interpol Workshop

- 07** MUNICH
Sportradar MUNICH
- 08** LONDON
Sportradar London
- 09** THESSALONIKI
Erasmus+ project - W.H.I.S.T.L.E.

6 YEARS
EDUCATION

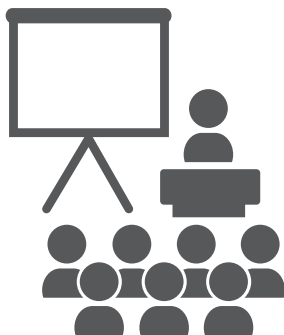


15.000+ participants

Over 15.000 athletes, coaches, referees, staff, officials, and sports stakeholders have participated in direct and personal training sessions so far. In addition, we provide training content online.



500+ training sessions



The Play Fair Code has raised awareness in 500+ training sessions on the topics of match-fixing and betting fraud on national and international level.





23
countries



The Play Fair Code was active in 23 countries so far.

AT A
GLANCE



4 sporting disciplines



In the past six years the Play Fair Code has built solid expertise in several sporting disciplines. Training modules have so far been developed and rolled-out in four different sporting disciplines.



ERASMUS+
PROJECTS

PLAY FAIR CODE - AN INNOVATIVE LIGHTHOUSE ON THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL.



EUROPEAN ROOKIE CUP (ERC)
2015 - 2017



Project Lead:

Erste Bank Icehockey League (EBEL)

Results:

Junior tournament for young ice hockey athletes from seven European countries with awareness-raising sessions on integrity in sports (match-fixing, doping, and discrimination).

FIX THE FIXING (FTF)
2016 - 2017



Project Lead:

Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

Results:

Creation of innovative training modules on the topic of match-fixing, and the conduct of a scientific study with European athletes in Greece, France, Austria, Ireland, England, and Cyprus.

ANTI MATCH-FIXING
TOP TRAINING (AMATT)
since 2017



Project Lead:

Transparency International
Chapters Portugal and Italy

Objective:

Development of a training methodology for top decision-makers in national and international sports associations and media companies.

AGAINST MATCH FIXING (AMFIX)
since 2018



Project Lead:

Polish Football League Ekstraklasa

Objective:

Academic and practical development of internationally applicable action guidelines to combat and prevent match-fixing and betting fraud.

Erasmus+: New challenges and great awards.

The Erasmus+ collaborations are an integral part of the work of the Play Fair Code. The cooperations with top international partners within the projects “Anti Match-Fixing Top Training” and “Against Match Fixing” in 2018 again highlighted that the expertise of the Play Fair Code is welcomed at the European level.

SUCCESS Story and BEST PRACTICE EXAMPLE

Erasmus+ project “European Rookie Cup” awarded as SUCCESS Story and BEST PRACTICE EXAMPLE by the European Commission.

It was with great pleasure for the **Austrian Erste Bank Icehockey League**, project coordinator of the **European Rookie CUP** and passionately supported by the Play Fair Code since day one, announcing the **European Commission’s high-quality awards**.

Fourteen project partners (among them the Ice Hockey Federations of Italy, Slovenia, Hungary, Austria, and the International Ice Hockey Federation IIHF) as well as the Austrian expert partners of the **Play Fair Code**, the **NADA**, the **Fairplay Initiative**, and the **Finnish elite icehockey school Vierumäki** were proved right in presenting a win-win format combining a unique icehockey rookie-event with awareness-raising and education training sessions for young athletes on the topic of integrity in sport (match-fixing, doping, and discrimination). The **focus** in the awareness raising and education sessions by NADA Austria, the Fairplay Initiative, and the Play Fair Code among approximately 1,100 junior athletes, coaches, and referees was clearly **set to sensitize to the dangers** of doping, discrimination, and match-fixing.

Günter Kaltenbrunner, President Play Fair Code: “These awards are truly a fantastic recognition for the sustainable, european-wide, and multi-stakeholder joint effort brought to the table from all project partners!”

**Kick-off on the Erasmus+ project “Against Match Fixing”**

Günter Kaltenbrunner, President Play Fair Code: “Meanwhile, we have been able to gather some routine in our work on the Erasmus+ program of the European Union. We are now in the position to transfer the expertise of our national and international activities as real added value into the new Erasmus+ projects.”

Following the completion of the two Erasmus+ projects “Fix the Fixing” and “European Rookie Cup” in 2017, the cooperation with the Polish football league Ekstraklasa underlines the **continuing interest** of high-profile international partners in the Austrian **best practice approach of the Play Fair Code**. “Against Match Fixing” is the fourth Erasmus+ project with the participation of the Play Fair Code. The kick-off event took place in Warsaw in February 2018.

The general objective of “Against Match Fixing” is the academic and practical development of internationally applicable guidelines in the educational field. In addition to a detailed **overview of the European legal situation** in the fields of criminal and disciplinary law, for the first time also jurisdictions in South America and Asia, will also be included in the analysis.

In addition to the Ekstraklasa and the Play Fair Code, the National Sports Academy NSA (Sofia, Bulgaria), the European Sport Security Association ESSA (Brussels, Belgium), the Centro Universitario Sportivo CUS (Palermo, Italy), the European Institute for Interdisciplinary Research EIIR (Paris, France), and the German Sport University (Cologne, Germany) are further distinctive and valuable project partners.

IIHF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

IIHF integrity education seminars at the IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship in Budapest



The IIHF World Championship Division I Group A is the **second highest tournament in international ice hockey**. In 2018 out of the total of the six participating nations (Kazakhstan, Italy, Great Britain, Slovenia, Poland, and Hungary), the top two teams will qualified for the next IIHF World Championship featuring the 16 most prestigious hockey nations in the world in 2019. The IIHF commissioned the Play Fair Code to conduct integrity workshops for players and officials of the participating nations

In the workshops general **information** about **competition manipulation and match-fixing, the related consequences** and specific cases including exemplary video footage from the world of ice hockey as well as from other sports globally are presented and analysed with the players while explaining the huge impact of betting related and non-betting related activities on the modern world of sport. Moreover the workshops **aim** to give an **understanding** of concrete means of self-protection and measures to **safeguard individual careers** including a practical insight into the relevant sections of the IIHF Statutes and the IIHF Code of Conduct.

Play Fair Code President Günter Kaltenbrunner confirmed the positive impression from the training sessions and said: "The issue of match-fixing has become important for the IIHF not least because of a match-fixing attempt by two players at the last year's IIHF tournament."



Play Fair Code President Günter Kaltenbrunner: "It is a special honour to participate in this top-class event together with representatives of the Austrian Federal Ministry for the Civil Service and Sport as external experts and to present the strategy and structure of an European best practice model."

MEETING OF EU SPORT DIRECTORS IN SOFIA

Play Fair Code at the informal meeting of the EU Sport Directors in Sofia



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Upon the invitation of **Viktoria Slavkova, chairwoman of the working group** for sports of the Bulgarian EU Council Presidency, CEO Severin Moritzer participated at the informal meeting of the EU Sport Directors in Sofia in mid-June.

As part of the forthcoming handover of the EU Presidency to Austria, **Barbara Spindler-Oswald**, as delegate of the Austrian Federal Ministry for the Civil Service and Sport, spoke about the priorities of the Austrian Presidency in European sports.

In addition to a presentation on the latest efforts against match-fixing and integrity in sport in the Austrian and international context, **Severin Moritzer** presented the Play Fair Code as an established and Europe-wide recognized association in the prevention work against match fixing and betting fraud. Special attention was drawn to a brief look into the world of eSports and the strategic direction of the Play Fair Code in terms of this economic and social phenomenon.

INTERPOL-IOC WORKSHOP

Play Fair Code at the INTERPOL-IOC Integrity in Sport Regional Workshop



Following the invitation of INTERPOL and the International Olympic Committee (IOC), which initiated this event, the Play Fair Code together with top representatives of the Austrian NOC and the Austrian Federal Police was pleased to contribute from a best-practice perspective in Austria.

The focus of the two-day event in November 2018 was to identify key stakeholders involved in setting up National Platforms in the three participating countries Germany, Switzerland and Austria to facilitate national, regional and international cooperation. The clear goal of all participants was to create a common ground to prevent and investigate competitive manipulation and other threats to the integrity of sport.

Thomas Arnold, Chief Financial Officer of the German Olympic Sports Confederation (DOSB), said: "Protecting the integrity of sport is the key to the future of sport."

Play Fair Code President Günter Kaltenbrunner said: *"Especially in the prevention field a lot has already been achieved in Austria over the last years. We are building on this foundation now to take the next steps."*



KNOW
HOW

AGREEMENT WITH SPORTRADAR

Strengthen ties with Sportradar

The Play Fair Code has signed a memorandum of understanding with Sportradar as one of the world's leading supplier of sports integrity solutions.

The relationship between Play Fair Code and Sportradar will strengthen the ties between the two organisations and will incorporate the exchange of know-how and best-practices with a strong focus in the education and prevention field to reach their common objectives of fighting corruption in sport across Austria and worldwide with joint approaches. Moreover, the cooperation will also ensure mutual coordination and support of their efforts and advocacy before international and European authorities and institutions.

Sportradar's Managing Director of Integrity Services Andreas Krannich said: *"We are very proud to be sharing our expertise with the Play Fair Code. The information we can provide from our monitoring and detection system including our advanced intelligence, investigation, education, and consultancy will cover all bases. Combined with PFC's in-depth expertise in the education field we will mutually support each other."*

Play Fair Code President Günter Kaltenbrunner said: *"We are very pleased to strengthen our relationship with Sportradar. We are both united in our aims and our joint efforts will ensure that we can be more confident in helping to diminish the risks of potential manipulation in sports."*

Play Fair Code President

Günter Kaltenbrunner: *"We are very happy about this project and, above all, that the students are evaluating eSport and our existing core expertise in a neutral way. We want to be prepared for an education start in the field of eSport and build up the necessary background knowledge."*

eSports

Kick-off on the first eSport project

The eSport study project in cooperation with the Ostfalia University of Applied Sciences in Germany was launched in April 2018. A student group developed a project report about the points of reference and the relevance for the Play Fair Code with and to eSport.

eSport, the competitive playing of computer games, has gained enormous relevance in recent years. In addition, eSport will be an Olympic discipline for the first time at the Asia Games 2022. In Germany, the government has emphasized in the current coalition program that eSport should be promoted and recognized as sport.

The project goal is the evaluation of similarities, points of reference, and possible risks and chances in a training and information activity of the Play Fair Code in Austrian and international eSport. In addition to a presentation of the project results, the students will provide a final project report, which will serve as an understandable processing of the results and can be used for further specializations about the topic. The conclusion of the project group, together with concrete recommendations for action from a neutral and scientific perspective, will be used for the operational activities of the Play Fair Code as well as for the information of the Play Fair Code partner network.

**KNOW-HOW
TRANSFER**






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AUSTRIAN TENNIS FEDERATION

The Austrian Tennis Federation and the Play Fair Code – Integrity partnership and prevention

As part of an invitation from the Austrian Tennis Federation executive board, the Play Fair Code had the opportunity to present the global problem of match-fixing in the world sport tennis from an expert's perspective. At the same time prevention strategies for Austrian tennis were presented in the field of awareness raising and education.

From 2019 on, an intensive cooperation between the two institutions has been agreed on.

The invitation to the Play Fair Code reflects the value and sustainability attached to the subject of integrity in tennis by the top executives within the Austrian Tennis Federation and shows the proactive approach in Austrian tennis.

Günter Kaltenbrunner, President of the Play Fair Code, sums it up:

“Being a single sport, tennis by far is the easiest to manipulate sporting discipline. With more than 200 annual suspected cases worldwide and numerous manipulations that have actually been proven, tennis unfortunately is in a negative leader role.

Tennis is enormously popular in Austria. It is therefore very positive having top sports associations such as the Austrian Tennis Federation to recognize the need for active prevention.

Our thanks go to the entire Board and in particular to President Werner Klausner and CEO Thomas Schweda.”

IN BLACK AND WHITE

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Bestätigung für unseren Weg!

Neues vom Play Fair Code: Präsident Kaltenbrunner und Geschäftsführer Moritzer über erreichte Meilensteine sowie operative und strategische Ziele.

► Seit dem spektakulären „Fall Taboga“ ist es rund um das Thema Wettmanipulation in Österreich ruhig geworden – Gott sei Dank! Auch ein Verdienst des 2012 gegründeten Play Fair Code, der sich auf die Fakten geschrien hat, Präventionsarbeit zu leisten und auf die Gefahren und Risiken dieser Art des Betruges hinzuweisen. Bereits im Wettguide vergangenes Jahr haben Präsident Günter Kaltenbrunner und Geschäftsführer Severin Moritzer erklärt, wie sie ihre Arbeit anlegen. Im Mai wurden Präsident und Vorstand für eine weitere dreijährige Amtszeit einstimmig wiedergewählt. Im aktuellen Wettguide sprechen die beiden „Macher“ des Play Fair Code über ...



An den Schulungen haben mehr als 12.000 Athleten, Trainer, Schiedsrichter, Betreuer, Funktionäre und Stakeholder des Sports teilgenommen.

unsere Mitglieder, Partner und Sponsoren. Außerdem werden wir in steigendem Maße von nationalen wie internationalen Organisationen eingeladen, unsere Expertise weiterzugeben. Auch damit bestreiten wir einen Teil unseres Budgets.

... die Wahrnehmung ihrer Arbeit bei den Sportlern: MORITZER: Für uns sind Profis wie Jugendsportler gleichermaßen wichtig. Wenn man heute einen 22-jährigen Fußballprofi fragt, wie oft er uns schon gesehen hat, wird er sagen: drei- bis viermal. In Akademien, in Nachwuchsleistungsteams, vielleicht in der Regionalliga ... Manche fragen uns, ob sie sich unseren Vortrag schon wieder anhören müssen! Wir werten das als gutes Zeichen, weil sie schon wissen, worum es geht.

... das große Ziel der kommenden Amtsperiode: KALTENBRUNNER: Fußball, Eishockey, Basketball, Skiverband – ich finde, wir sind bei unseren Mitgliedern schon relativ gut aufgestellt. Unser Ziel ist es, in den kommenden drei Jahren auch noch Handball, Volleyball und Tennis in unser Portfolio zu integrieren. MORITZER: Mit dem Handballstand gibt es

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In 20 Ländern hat der Play Fair Code bereits Vorträge gehalten.

400+ Der Play Fair Code hat national und international in über 400 Schulungen ein Bewusstsein für die Themen Spielmanipulation und Wettbetrug gebildet.



In über fünf Jahren hat der Play Fair Code eine Expertise in mehreren Sportarten aufgebaut. Schulungsmodule wurden bisher in fünf unterschiedlichen Sportarten entwickelt.

Sitz in London hat, überwacht und gefördert. Stimmt, die agiert aber international, das hat mit dem Nachwuchs in Österreich nichts zu tun. Insgesamt sollten die Eintrittsbarrieren und finanziellen Voraussetzungen für eine Mitgliedschaft beim Play Fair Code für einen so großen Verband nicht das Hindernis sein. Immerhin hätte er dann für den Fall, dass einmal etwas passiert, eine Absicherung, sodass man sagen könnte: Wir haben unser Möglichstes getan. Aber wir können niemanden zwingen, können nur unsere Vorteile in die Auslage stellen.

MORITZER: Man muss sich klarmachen: Es gibt weltweit etwa mehrere tausend Spielerinnen und Spieler, die ihren Lebensunterhalt mit professionellem Tennis bestreiten, wirklich gut leben davon könnten vielleicht 150. Da ist es doch klar, dass es eine gewisse Anfälligkeit für Manipulationen geben kann.

... den Anteil des Play Fair Code daran, dass es seit Jahren keinen Fall von Wettmanipulation in Österreich gab: KALTENBRUNNER: Wir lassen uns da auf keine Probe ein, aber es liegt ja auf der Hand, dass unsere Arbeit einen gewissen Effekt hat. Das ist aber nicht das Ziel, sondern ein

Fünf Jahre danach: Der Fall Taboga und die Folgen

Der Wettskandal und seine Chronologie

Die Geschichte und ein Blick zurück auf die Ereignisse, die den Wettmanipulationsskandal in Österreich heraufbeschworen. Ein Überblick:

2. Dezember 2012
Der damalige Sportspräsident Herbert Dostnerk beruft ein KLEINER, wie der ÖBBs-Direktor am Landesrat in der Folgezeit die Ermittlungen gegen Moritz und Kaltenbrunner zu beenden.

4. Februar 2013
Europa gibt bekannt, dass zwischen 2008 und 2011 in Europa 380 Spieler manipuliert wurden. Die höchste Zahl, an die Europameister 2012 300.000 Euro an Gehalt für die Saison 2011/12 erhalten. Der ÖBBs-Direktor Moritz und Kaltenbrunner werden für 200.000 Euro im Juli



„Wenn du niemanden sagst, kannst du nicht weiter kommen.“ Moritz und Kaltenbrunner flug aus, das ÖBBs-Direktor Taboga in die Fänge der Ermittlungen geraten war.

„Tennis ist leicht zu manipulieren“

Interview. Die Spitze des Play Fair Code über den Kampf gegen die Spielmanipulation

Seit dem Fall Taboga wurden 15.000 Sportler, Funktionäre, Trainer und Schiedsrichter vom Play Fair Code geschult. Gegründet worden war der Verein auf Initiative von Sportministerin, ÖFB und Fußball-Bundesliga aber schon davor. „Und das war gut. Denn als Herbst 2013 manche den Fußball generell verurteilen wollten, konnte entgegen werden: Der Play Fair Code war schon bei allen damals 20 Bundesliga-Vereinen, um erstmals eine Schulung vorzunehmen“, erinnert sich Geschäftsführer Severin Moritzer. Gemeinsam mit Präsident Günter Kaltenbrunner hat er sich der Präventionsarbeit in Österreich Sport verschrieben.

KURZ: Fünf Jahre sind seit dem Fall Taboga vergangen. Bleibt der Kampf gegen Spielmanipulation einer guten Idee? KALTENBRUNNER: Ja



Für Fair Play: Präsident Kaltenbrunner und Geschäftsführer Moritzer

Ich würde es nicht gut finden, wenn mehr an die Öffentlichkeit dringt, weil das dem Sport an sich schaden würde. Auch wenn das vielleicht ein bisschen früher, nativer Zugang ist. Kaltenbrunner: Diese Fälle sind – so negativ sie sind – der Beweis, wie wichtig es ist, dass es uns gibt. Wir sind ein Best Practice Beispiel. Aber der Weg ist ein weiter. Früher hatte die Wettmafia ja international kaum Konkurrenz.

dann kaum erkennen.

Das spricht dafür, dass sich auch der Tennisverband dem Play Fair Code anschließt.

Moritzer: International werden in Tennis 60 bis 70 Fälle pro Quartal gemeldet. Das sagt einiges aus. Kaltenbrunner: Die Verbände für Fußball, Ski, Eishockey und Basketball sind bei uns Mitglied. Mit dem Tennis- und Handballverband sind wir in sehr guten Gesprächen. Langfristig sind auch Tischtennis und Volleyball ein Thema.

Belgien ist aktuell die Nr. 1 der Fußball-Welttrangliste und in einen großen Skandal verwickelt. Wenn dieses Land nicht davor gelernt hat, warum sollte es dann Österreich sein? Kaltenbrunner: Nur weil sie die Besten sind, heißt es nicht, dass sie nicht anfällig für kriminelle Energien sind. Oder glauben Sie, dass die Menschen in Belgien besser

Welche Sportler sind besonders anfällig für Manipulation? KALTENBRUNNER: Fußball ist

„Kann auch bei uns wieder passieren“



Mega-Manipulationsskandal in Belgien – auch beim Trainingszentrum herrschte Aufregung „Play Fair Code“-Präsident Günter Kaltenbrunner von den aktuellen Manipulations-Skandalen nicht überrascht – und er warnt, dass auch heimischer Fußball trotz intensiver Prävention weiterhin gefährdet ist



Neymar (re.) im Duell mit Roter Stern Belgrad – dieses Spiel der Champions League steht unter Betrugsverdacht



Günter Kaltenbrunner

Fünf Jahre danach

Vor fünf Jahren hat der „Fall Taboga“ Österreichs Sport erschüttert. Wie sieht die Situation fünf Jahre danach aus?

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Play Fair Code will weitere Fälle wie jenen von Dominique Taboga verhindern.

fen. Man kennt uns, schätzt uns und respektiert uns und unsere Arbeit sehr. Die mediale Präsenz dieser Fälle unterstreicht tendenziell die Relevanz und das Gesamtverständnis für die Problematik bei und in unseren Zielgruppen.

GoS: In Belgien hingegen ist vor wenigen Tagen ein Riesenskandal öffentlich geworden, der auch mit Manipulation zu tun hat. Kann man das auch „nutzen“ für Österreich, um wieder etwas mehr Wind zu machen? Kaltenbrunner: Klar hatten wir in den letzten Tagen einige Medienanfragen, natürlich auch weil der Fall Taboga gerade genau fünf Jahre her ist. Unseren Wind machen wir aber nicht mit oder über die Medien. Wenn Krisen da sind, ist natürlich eine unserer zentra-





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