

## 'BITEFIX', EU ERASMUS+ Sport project's 2<sup>nd</sup> Transnational Meeting

*BITEFIX Collaborative Partnership directed to help tackling match-fixing in sport held its 2<sup>nd</sup> transnational meeting with all the partners on 16<sup>th</sup> of July 2021 (online) to evaluate the first results obtained – the Guide of Best Practices and the design of the Educational Program*

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The second transnational meeting of BITEFIX project was held via an online platform due to the increase of Covid-19 infections in different points of Europe. All the partners were able to attend the presentation of the first results produced, evaluate the status of the project and discuss different topics to find consensus and attain the different goals set of Work Package (WP) 2 "*Framework and Good Practices*", and Work Package 3 "*Educational Program*".

Following the identification and collection of good practices at national, international, and regional level, HASK (leader of WP 2) and ICSS-INSIGHT (project coordinator) presented the 1<sup>st</sup> draft of the Guide of Good Practices on match-fixing and anti-corruption. The partners approved the 1<sup>st</sup> version of the draft which will continue evolving in parallel to the collection of responses of the questionnaires launched in May 2021.

With the close stage of finalizing the WP2, ISCTE (leader of WP3) proceeded to do an introduction of the terms of reference of the Educational Program which aims to create a comprehensive e-learning program on exchange of information and data protection to fight match-fixing. The interaction between the partners led to the consolidation of the project's work plan.

In accordance, the project's main deliverables, marked for the next 18 months with special focus on WP3 "*Educational Program*", are:

- Launch of the BITEFIX website during the 2021 edition of the *EU European Week of Sport*
- Design of the *Educational Program* as a capacity building tool.
- Implementation of a *Pilot Experience* with key-stakeholders.

### About BITEFIX

BITEFIX is Collaborative Partnership project co-funded by the Erasmus+ Sport program of the European Union. It is led by the International Centre for Sport Security INSIGHT and the consortium includes 7 other organisations: Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne University (France), ISCTE – Associação ISCTE Conhecimento e Inovação (Portugal), Sevilla Fútbol Club Foundation (Spain), Calcio Servizi Lega Pro Srl / Lega Italiana Calcio Professionistico (Italy), Starlizard Integrity Services (UK), HAŠK Mladost (Croatia), Grupo Desportivo Estoril Praia (Portugal)



BITEFIX allows a group of committed stakeholders from different areas and backgrounds to work together in the establishment of networks and in the development of tools and materials to counter match-fixing and betting fraud, while identifying and putting in value initiatives, projects and strategies. The project has a focus in awareness raising and aims at offering quality training and education packages to grassroots levels and key-stakeholders, thus contributing to the EU strategic objectives of solidarity and prosperity through sports.

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