



COOPERATION AGREEMENT

between

THE UNION OF EUROPEAN FOOTBALL ASSOCIATIONS (UEFA)

and

THE SPORT INTEGRITY GLOBAL ALLIANCE (SIGA)

1. INTRODUCTION AND BASIS FOR COOPERATION

- 1.1. UEFA is the governing body for football at European level with a membership of 55 national football associations, in accordance with its Statutes;
- 1.2. SIGA is the leading independent, multi-stakeholder, global coalition in the field of sports governance and integrity, in accordance with its statutes;
- 1.3. UEFA and SIGA are committed to foster cooperation and dialogue for the purpose of safeguarding the long-term integrity of football and its societal role through a joint commitment towards good-governance, transparency, integrity, ethics and youth protection in sport;
- 1.4. Specifically, UEFA and SIGA share the view that enhanced cooperation between different stakeholders is necessary to prevent, combat, investigate and prosecute match manipulation, as well as other violations of the integrity of sport, including through a robust legal framework and coordinated efforts between football bodies, public authorities at all levels and other relevant stakeholders;
- 1.5. UEFA and SIGA wish to strengthen their existing friendly relations through a Cooperation Agreement for the purpose of facilitating future cooperation on matters of common interest in a regular and constructive manner.

Now therefore, UEFA and SIGA ("the Parties") agree to enter this Cooperation Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement").

2. OBJECTIVES

- 2.1. To protect and promote their shared values and underlying principles and further structure their mutually beneficial cooperation, the Parties agree:
 - (a) To promote cooperation and positive relations between UEFA and SIGA in the interests of the long-term integrity of football throughout the European continent;
 - (b) To establish a framework for cooperation and advance the promotion and protection of the integrity of sport at all levels;
 - (c) To foster the development and implementation of the highest standards across sport in general, and football in particular, in terms of good-governance, integrity, ethics and protection of vulnerable populations throughout the European continent; and

- (d) To exchange information, knowledge and best practice on matters on the aforementioned core areas.
- 2.2. These objectives bear in mind the respective strengths, organizational structures, mandates and institutional capacities of the Parties.

3. MEANS OF COOPERATION

- 3.1. To promote cooperation and further these shared objectives, the Parties generally undertake to:
- (a) Engage in regular dialogue and reciprocal sharing of information, knowledge and best practices;
 - (b) Holding periodic meetings and appoint, upon the invitation of the other, a representative or representatives of an appropriate level and with the appropriate expertise to activities (such as events, workshops and research activities as well as capacity building initiatives and training and educational programmes) organised by the other, with the aim of contributing to and supporting the overall activity or programme related to the designated common areas of interest;
 - (c) Working together to identify and raise awareness of all threats to the integrity of football and mutually supporting their respective efforts in this regard;
 - (d) Support initiatives aimed at contributing to establish a solid legal framework protecting the integrity of football and the fight against match-fixing throughout the European continent; and
 - (e) Identifying and promoting the implementation of high standards in the protection of youth participating in football.
- 3.2. Furthermore, the Parties are committed to contribute to the development of specific projects, such as:
- (a) a "White Paper on Sport Integrity" aimed to develop an independent, holistic and fact-based analysis of the main challenges facing sport integrity; and
 - (b) the "Sport Integrity to Globally Advance the UN Sustainable Development Goals" aimed at engaging all relevant stakeholders and coordinate their efforts to promote sport integrity as a tool for human, social and economic development.

4. IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1. Each Party will designate a contact person for providing overall directions for the implementation of this Protocol and for general coordination at operational level.
- 4.2. The Parties agree to hold regular meetings to deal with the technical and operational issues related to the Agreement.
- 4.3. The Parties agree to hold a senior level meeting at least before the expiry of this Agreement.
- 4.4. The Parties will further develop their cooperation and agree to implement this Agreement through any other means, as appropriate.

5. USE OF LOGOS

Any use of the logo of UEFA or of SIGA requires advance consent from the other party.

6. ENTRY INTO FORCE, AMENDMENTS AND DURATION

- 6.1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date it is signed by both Parties.
- 6.2. Amendments to this Agreement shall be agreed by both Parties and shall be in writing.
- 6.3. Either Party may discontinue this Agreement at any time, but should endeavour to provide the other Party a one-month notice.
- 6.4. The term of the Agreement will run until 31 December 2021. In due time prior to the end of the term, the Parties may decide on an extension.

7. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 7.1. This Agreement does not create rights or obligations, including financial obligations, under international or national law.
- 7.2. Any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or in relation to this Agreement shall be settled by the Parties through good-faith negotiations.

Signed in Nyon on 24 June 2019 in two original copies in the English language.

FOR UEFA:



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Theodore Theodoridis
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For SIGA:



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