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EUROPOL AND SPORTRADAR JOIN FORCES TO PROTECT SPORT'S INTEGRITY

The European Union's law enforcement agency Europol has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Sportradar, a company behind a Fraud Detection System assisting to combat match fixing in European sport.

Under the terms of the MoU, both parties will actively engage in the exchange of expertise, statistical data, information and/or trends as they relate to sporting integrity. Moreover, the two parties will now begin exploring projects that they can collaborate on or support each other on.

Right after the official MoU signing, Europol's Deputy Director, Wil van Gemert said: "In order to try and stop match fixing stakeholders from many different areas need to work closely together. I look forward to our cooperation with Sportradar, and the aim is to make it more difficult for match fixers and manipulators to hide".

Sportradar CEO Carsten Koerl had this to add: "Europol have long played an active role in discussions, projects and investigations around the issue of match-fixing. The recent Operation VETO that they led with the involvement of police teams from 13 European countries identified 425 individuals suspected of fixing 380 matches across 15 countries! Their commitment to stamping this scourge out is self-evident. The fact that we have today signed this agreement to share information and collaborate on projects is a huge distinction for our Security Services and our Fraud Detection System. We are in little doubt that working together, in the spirit of the Macolin Convention, we will start making further breakthroughs and will continue closing the net on those who would undermine the credibility of the sports we all love and follow".

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ABOUT EUROPOL

As the European Union's law enforcement agency, Europol's mission is to support its Member States in preventing and combating all forms of serious international crime and terrorism.

Its role is to help achieve a safer Europe for the benefit of all EU citizens by supporting law enforcement authorities through the exchange and analysis of criminal intelligence.

Since the work as part of the Joint Investigation Team that culminated in the conclusions announced in 2013, Europol has taken an active role in combatting match-fixing and signed a MoU with UEFA in May 2014.

850 staff at Europol headquarters in The Hague, the Netherlands, work closely with law enforcement agencies in the 28 EU Member States and in other non-EU partner states such as Australia, Canada, the USA and Norway.

For more information about Europol, please visit: www.europol.europa.eu

ABOUT SPORTRADAR

Sportradar is the global leader in understanding and leveraging the power of sports data and digital content for its clients around the world. We provide cutting-edge solutions and services to media companies, bookmakers, sports federations and state authorities.

Partnering with the likes of the International Tennis Federation (ITF) and the International Basketball Federation (FIBA) as their Official Data Partners, we have provided numerous rights holders with the tools and services to unlock the full power and impact of their data. These have all increased the efficiency of their data collection and distribution, broadened the reach and impact of their data, and enabled them to grow revenue and engagement. Besides market leading companies in the sports betting and media industry, Sportradar also operates a unique Fraud Detection System (FDS) for several federations, including the AFC, CONCACAF and UEFA.

More than 600 businesses in over 80 countries rely on Sportradar's data depth and quality services in their daily business. Headquartered in Switzerland, Sportradar has offices in 30 other cities and employs over 1,000 highly experienced staff worldwide.

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