

EPAS activities Match-fixing

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The Council of Europe

- 🏛️ Founded in 1949
- 🏛️ An intergovernmental body, with 47 members
- 🏛️ Peace and unity through values :
 - 🏛️ Democracy
 - 🏛️ Human Rights
 - 🏛️ Rule of Law
- 🏛️ EPAS = The intergovernmental platform of co-operation on sports policies



Why a Council of Europe instrument ?

-  An issue of sports ethics, but also rule of law and fight against corruption
-  Use CoE assets
 -  Existing bodies (EPAS, GRECO, CDPC, T-PD, T-DO, T-RV, Moneyval, Cybercrime...)
 -  Experience in standard-setting
-  Possibly open to non European states
-  Pioneer role (as on corruption, doping, cybercrime, ...)

Ongoing process : “match fixing” Convention

-  Adoption of Rec/CM(2011)10
-  Green light to the negotiation of a convention on 13 June 2012
-  Drafting Groups between October 2012 and December 2013
-  Opinion of the Parliamentary Assembly and Approval by the Committee of Minister (Spring 2014)
-  Possibly opened to signatures in September 2014

Stakeholders

Identification of action to be taken by :

Governments

- Sports
- Betting regulators
- Corruption
- Criminal law
- ...

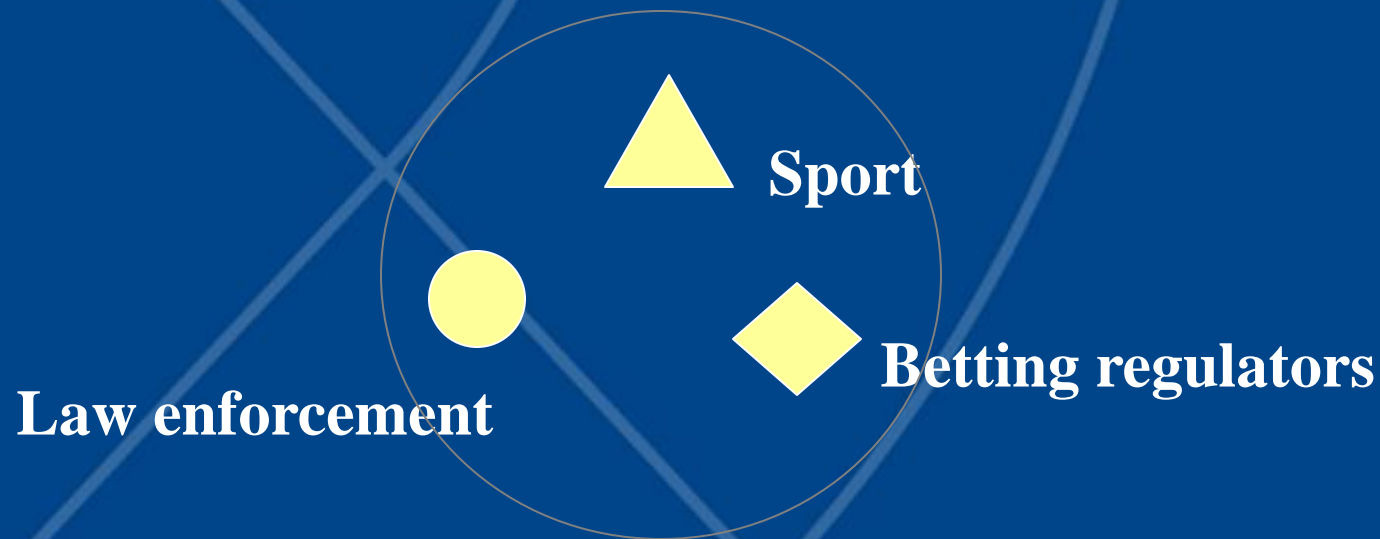
Betting operators

- Private industry
- Lotteries







Sport organisations







The drafting group : delegations with multiple expertise



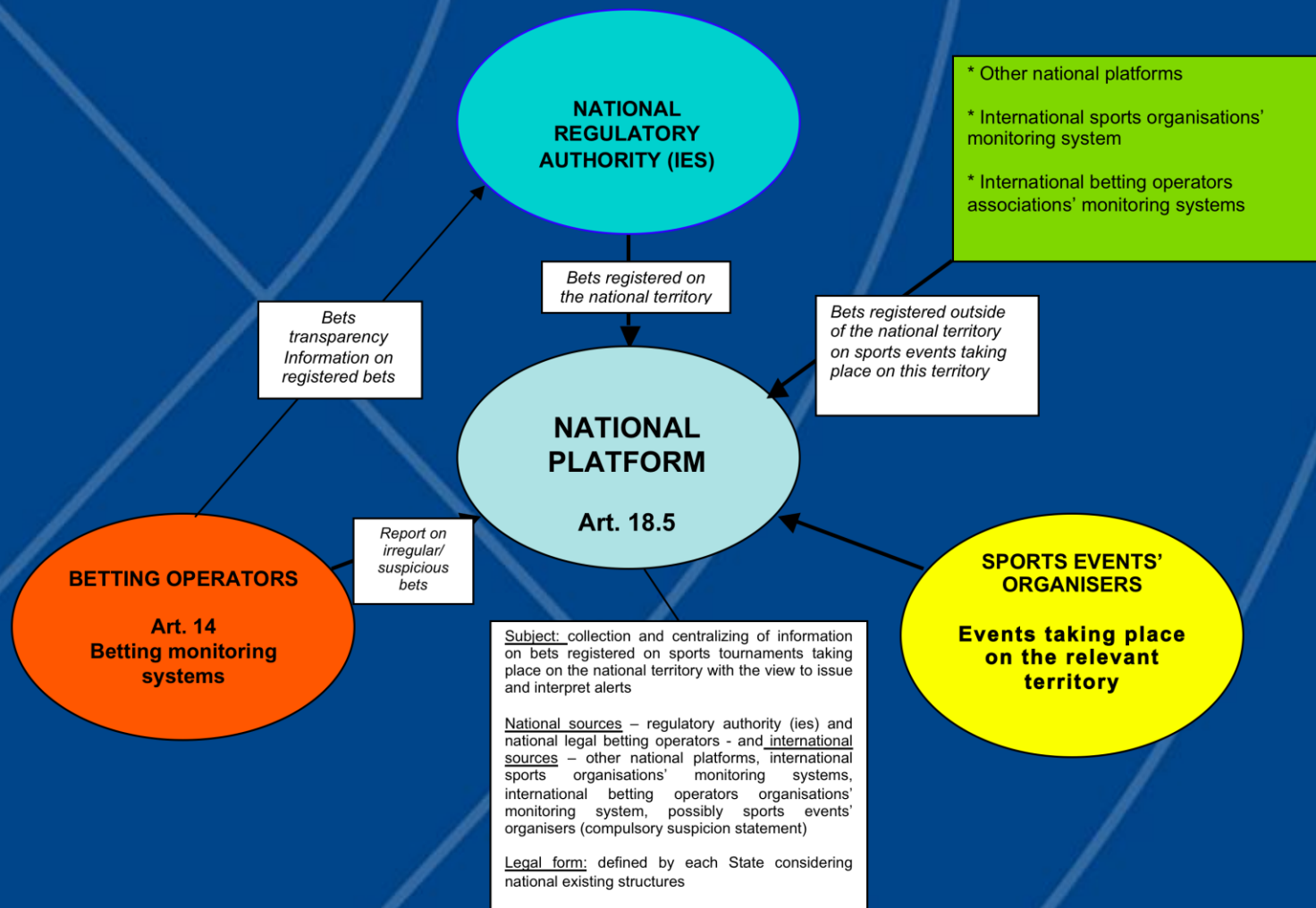
Scope of a possible Convention

-  Prevention and co-operation
-  Exchange of information
-  Implementation of criminal law
-  Sanctions
-  International cooperation
-  Follow-up

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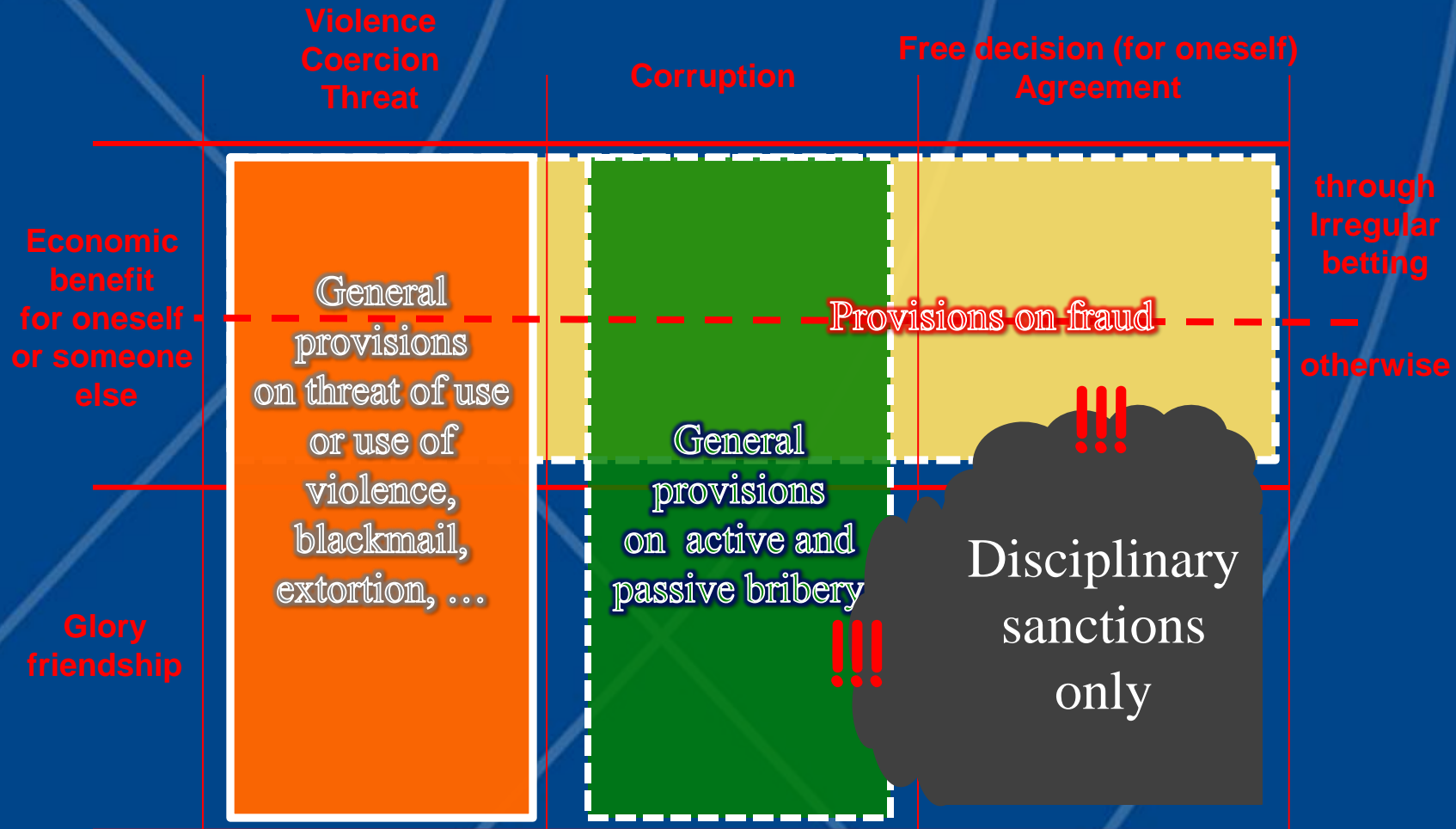
-  not on corruption of governance in sport
-  not on opening of the betting market
-  not on funding of sport
-  no request for specific offence in domestic criminal law

National monitoring systems








Scope of criminal offence Tool

Aim/Intention



Our vision (in 5 years)

-  World-wide mobilisation
-  Cooperation (Sport/BO/PA)
-  Education, prevention
-  Effective detection
(betting monitoring systems +
exchange of intelligence)
-  Clear legal provisions
-  Effective law-enforcement (incl.
cooperation with sports movement)



Thank you for
your attention

