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1. In-competition testing

40 Due to a well working cooperation with the German IDSF Member as well as the organizer of the German Open Competitions (GOC) at Stuttgart, Germany, August 14-18 2007, we have been able to improve our in-competition record significant within the given budget. Testing was performed by a team of the IDSF Anti-Doping Commission in close cooperation with volunteers of the GOC.

45 In 2007 IDSF performed controls in the following IDSF competitions:

- GOC Youth Latin, Stuttgart, Germany, August 15th 2007;
- GOC Youth Standard, Stuttgart, Germany, August 16th 2007;
- 50 --- IDSF Grand Slam Latin, Stuttgart, Germany, August 16th 2007
- IDSF Open Senior Standard, Stuttgart, Germany, August 17th 2007;
- IDSF Grand Slam Standard, Stuttgart, Germany, August 18th 2007
- IDSF World Championships 10-Dance, Tokyo, Japan, October 20th 2007;
- no tests performed in the Formation competitions.

55 In total 48 athletes (24 male and 24 female) have been tested in-competition in 2007 by IDSF. No rule violations (adverse analytical findings, AAF) are to be reported.

Congratulations to all athletes.

60 The nationalities of the athletes tested in-competition in 2007 are:

	Belarus	: 1 athlete;
	Bulgaria	: 1 athlete;
65	Czech	: 1 athlete;
	Denmark	: 1 athlete;
	France	: 2 athletes;
	Germany	: 8 athletes;
	Hungary	: 2 athletes;
70	Italy	: 11 athletes;
	Japan	: 4 athletes;
	Latvia	: 1 athlete;
	Lithuania	: 2 athletes;
	Poland	: 2 athletes;
75	Russia	: 11 athletes, and
	Slovenia	: 1 athlete.

80 The cooperation of most of the athlete's is good (especially the top ranked couples), however we still see a tendency that some athletes do have a negative and patronizing attitude towards the anti-doping controls and the testing officials, especially younger athletes.

Providing proper identification papers by the athletes in the control rooms has improved to an acceptable level.

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Kudos:

90 --- a special thanks is to be given to the German IDSF member DTV, as well as to the organizer of the GOC Event and its volunteers, for its cooperation, also financial, for testing at the GOC Stuttgart;

95 --- at the GOC Stuttgart a total of 48 tests have been performed by a special testing team composed from DTV specialists as well as the IDSF Anti-Doping Commission. I specially thanks dr. Ineke Crijns from the Netherlands and dr. Thomas Wirth and dr. Rafael Gruninger from Germany, including the voluntary staff of the competition administration at this event;

--- also a special thanks to the Japanese IDSF member for its support, also financially, for testing at the World Championships 10-Dance at Tokyo.

100 **2. Testing by the IDSF members**

105 *Under the IDSF Anti-Doping Code, IDSF members do have the obligation to report their own anti-doping activities and testing, including the results, to the IDSF Anti-Doping Commission.*

Please note: as from January 2009 the member's obligations will be increased. See also the paragraph 6. of this report "*Obligations of IDSF and its Members under the Anti-Doping rules*".

110 In 2007 we received information about testing activities from 7 members:

--- CHINESE TAIPEI: 6 tests have been performed during the Grand Slam December 2007. All tests results reported negative.

115 --- GERMANY: 68 tests performed in national competitions and championships; all tests reported negative.

120 --- Italy: 16 tests have been performed, 1 test positive. The rule violation has been handled by the member itself.

--- JAPAN: 26 athletes have been tested in national competitions (14 ICT and 12 OCT); all tests reported negative.

125 --- NETHERLANDS: although we know that in-competition testing has been performed in the national competitions of this member, we did not receive a report.

--- USA: 4 tests performed in the national championships August 2007; all tests negative.

130 --- WRRRC: during the World Championships at Schaffhausen, Switzerland, 4 athletes have been tested; all tests reported negative.

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3. Out-of-competition testing (OCT)

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OCT by WADA/IDSF is only applicable to top ranked athletes in each sport, national as well as international. Therefore different testing pools are composed, national (by the National Anti-Doping Organization of the country) as well as international (by IDSF). The National Anti-Doping Organizations in each country deal with the national testingpool and the national top ranked athletes, all sports. IDSF deals with the international top ranked DanceSport athletes.

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The National Anti-Doping Organizations in each country do have an own responsibility and authorization in this respect. You, as a member of your National Olympic Committee, must realize that your National Anti-Doping Authority can and will have his own policies that you have to adhere to. National Anti-Doping Organizations can and will order anti-doping tests in-competition as well as out-of-competition in your national competitions. IDSF Members, as recognized national sports organization, must adhere also to the requests for information and activities of their National Anti-Doping Organization and cooperate with them.

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So far we only have information that the German and Austrian National Anti-Doping Organizations has selected DanceSport athletes in their national OCT pool.

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We do know that some National Anti-Doping Organizations (USA, Italy) did perform in-competition testing in national championships. Further information is presently not known to us. If you, as IDSF member en member of your NOC, do have more information about your own situation please let us know.

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As known by you, so far OCT in DanceSport is done by WADA and paid for by WADA. In the near future (during 2008) IDSF will also have to start out-of-competition testing at its own initiative and costs. In 2009 the majority of the anti-doping tests will be out-of-competition.

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IDSF and its athletes have to provide detailed whereabouts information as an obligation under the World Anti-Doping Code and the IDSF Anti-Doping Code. The IDSF 2008 OCT pool contains 27 top-ranked couples of 11 countries, based on the IDSF world ranking lists: standard, latin, 10-dance and senior I. Starting in 2008 the whereabouts information of the athletes will be shared with the National Anti-Doping Organizations who will also perform out-of-competition testing.

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Submittal of the whereabouts information remains a major headache with some couples for several years now. In spite of numerous instructions, guidance and requests for improvement, the quality of the information of some of the athletes is very, very pour. Its almost impossible for the test officials to locate such athletes and therefore such information is hardly to use.

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Its costing a lot of energy and administration to obtain the information. Also the majority of the submittal of the information is not in time.

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The danger of such behaviour of the athletes, as said before, is that WADA and the NADO's will perform testing anyway on the inaccurate information provided by an athlete and that athlete is not available for testing at the given location. The result

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will be a missed test and reported as such. In 2009 the sanctions on not providing whereabouts information or not timely providing information or inaccurate information will be standardized in the Anti-Doping Code.

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Not providing *correct and detailed* whereabouts information is a violation of the athlete's duties according to the IDSF Anti-Doping Code.

And, WADA and the NADO's will follow up the result management of such violations closely or even handling the rule violation themselves.

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Please instruct your athletes that they are fully responsible and accountable to provide full and correct whereabouts information when selected in the OCT pool. Any missed test due to incorrect whereabouts information must and will be sanctioned.

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In 2007 WADA performed 10 OC tests in DanceSport:

--- Lithuania, May 27th 2007, 1 athlete;

--- Russia, October 7th 2007, 1 athlete;

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--- Taiwan, November 30th 2007, 6 athletes;

--- Hungary, December 10th 2007, 2 athletes;

Two tests are reported by WADA as a missed test. The rule violation has been reported to the IDSF Disciplinary Council as such for further handling.

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4. ADAMS

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Over the last years WADA developed the Anti-Doping Administration and Management System (ADAMS) as a mechanism in order to administrate and manage all anti-doping activities and administration. ADAMS is a web based data management system that simplifies the activities and administration of all anti-doping authorities and athletes in all countries in all sports, involved in anti-doping activities.

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All information (as whereabouts information by the athletes themselves) can be loaded and updated in the program and is ready for use at once. The system knows multi-level access and security systems so that the confidentiality and privacy of data is protected.

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In April 2007 yours truly participated in a two days training course by WADA at Lausanne, Switzerland, in order to familiarize himself with the system. This was necessary to obtain a users agreement from WADA for IDSF.

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Many International Federations and NADO's, among these major IF's like UK Sport and USADA, are using ADAMS already. In the new World Anti-Doping Code 2009 the use of ADAMS is mandatory.

ADAMS has 5 primary functions:

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230 --- *athletes demographic information*: basic information about the athlete, its IF and sport to be entered by the IF administrator;

235 --- *athlete whereabouts information*: the function allows the athletes to enter their own information, daily or hourly if required, from anywhere in the world into the designated pages. The information is secured and be entered and changed by the athlete only (user account and password). The information is at instant available to those who need such information;

240 --- *TUE management*: ADAMS allows for on-line management of TUE applications as well of those involved in the TUE approval process. Proper forms are available in the system;

245 --- *doping control platform*: the doping control database provides an essential tool for developing and managing a doping control and testing program, both in- and out-of-competition. ADAMS can be used to plan, order (also NADO's and other testing officers are connected) and coordinate testing as well as management of all results (also accredited laboratories are connected). Such information can be directly attached to the athlete's demographic information;

250 --- *information clearing house*: the clearing house is where all data are stored such as lab results, TUE's, rule violations, etc;

--- *reporting functions*: a huge number of reports can be made and printed.

255 We started the system by entering the athlete's information and now use the system for submittal of the OCT whereabouts information by January 1st 2008. Step by step we will guide the athletes to use the system also for other functions. We will use the system the coming years also for test planning, administration and clearance of controls and results.

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5. Issuance of TUE's

265 Once again I do ask your attention for the application and issuance of Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUE's, medical exemptions to use forbidden substances).

270 Its remarkable that some members that do have a minor group of international athlete's do request regularly TUE's and that members that do have a large contingent of international athlete's don't. It cannot be that the athlete's in such countries are more healthy than the athlete's in the other countries. We believe that the reason is that the athlete's are not sufficiently aware and informed about the possibilities of the TUE. Its one of the major obligations of the IDSF members to provide information and education to their athlete's.

275 We therefore kindly request you to pass on this information to your athlete's, preferably on your website in your own national language. All information and forms are available on the IDSF web site.

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280 Afore mentioned situation can lead to the situation that many DanceSport athlete´s do compete using medicines without the protection of the TUE Certificate and therefore violate the rules.

One of the principles of anti-doping policies is to keep the sport healthy. However, anti-doping policies are not meant to exclude people from sport because they are ill or have a medical condition.

285 Therefore the IDSF Code and WADC includes a system of Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUE´s), i.e. the use of certain forbidden substances by athletes, who need those substances for health reasons, without being sanctioned.

290 Only the National Anti-Doping Organization in each country (for national competing athletes only) or the International Federations (for international competing athletes) do have the authority to issue TUE Certificates.

A prescription of the athlete´s family doctor or specialist is not valid and will not protect the athlete from a rule violation.

295 **Without a valid TUE Certificate, the use of forbidden substances (medicines, food supplements) in sport is not allowed and no excuse will be accepted in Anti-Doping controls when a forbidden substance is found.**

300 **A special warning must be given to your athlete´s not to use any food supplement unless such supplement is absolutely clean.**

Please warn your athletes also not to purchase any of such products on a web site.

305 In 2007 the IDSF Anti-Doping Commission issued in total 11 TUE Certificates by following nationalities:

310 --- Germany : 3 certificates
--- Netherlands : 2 certificates
--- UK : 2 certificate
--- Sweden : 3 certificates
--- Switzerland : 1 certificate

315 Op top of these numbers the respective NADO´s issued 10 TUE Certificates to DanceSport athletes of following nationalities:

320 --- Finland : 4 certificate
--- Germany : 1 certificate
--- Hungary : 1 certificate
--- Netherlands : 3 certificates
--- Slovakia : 1 certificate

325 **We kindly request all IDSF members once more to inform the athletes about these procedures to avoid unnecessary Anti-Doping rule violations**

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due to the use of prescribed medicines without a valid TUE Certificate and/or food supplements.

330 ***6. Modification of the World Anti-Doping Code and the IDSF Anti-Doping Code***

The slightly modified IDSF Anti-Doping Code for 2008 (approved by your AGM 2007), together with the List of Prohibited Substances 2008, was published on the
335 IDSF website in December 2007.

On November 15-17, 2007 the 3rd World Congress on Doping in Sport was held at Madrid, Spain, organized by WADA with the support of the Spanish High Council for Sport.

340 The Conference was attended by more than 1.500 representatives of the World Sport Family as well as many Governments and National Anti-Doping Organizations of the World.

A Resolution was adopted by the Conference in which the participants renewed their
345 joint commitment to the fight against doping in sport.

Also a large number of modifications of the World Anti-Doping Code were accepted to strengthen the Code and to advance anti-doping harmonization and programs world wide.

350 Since its initial adoption in 2003 by Sport Organizations and Governments as the frame work for the global fight against doping in sport, the World Anti-Doping Code has proven to be a fair and effective tool for combating doping.

Now Governments and the sports Movement have committed to take their efforts to the next level, by adopting and ratifying the UNESCO Convention 2006 against
355 doping in sport.

As a result of the revision of the World Anti-Doping Code 2007 also the IDSF Anti-Doping Code has to be revised in great detail. Although we do have knowledge of the proposed changes (our Commission also contributed in the consultation rounds)
360 at the moment this report is written we do not have the required approved revision of the Code to enable us to provide you the details of changes as required.

All IF's **must** implement the revisions of the Code into their own Anti-Doping Code by January 1st 2009 at the latest. This means that all acceptance procedures must
365 be fully completed by that date.

We will receive the Model of best Practice from WADA only in May 2008. Still we hope to be able to present to your AGM 2008 the revised IDSF Anti-Doping Code 2009 for acceptance and approval. If not we must seek for another way of approval and acceptance since the deadline of January 1st 2009 will be postponed as per IOC
370 and WADA instructions.

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The status of compliance of all IF's with the World Anti-Doping Code at the end of December 2008 must be reported by WADA to IOC. IOC will review the recognition of the various IF's, and all related consequences, during 2009 accordingly.

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For now I will repeat a few of the major changes for your information:

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--- more authority for the internal Disciplinary Counsels of the IF's to apply nuances in sanctioning in case of a rule violation because much more forbidden substances will be headed under "specified" substances. This we expect will also mean that more Decisions of a DC will be subject to CAS Appeals (more costs for the IDSF);

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--- all IF's **must** plan, implement, evaluate and monitor **information and education programs** for a doping free sport, **especially by their members**, starting also with young people in school and sports clubs, parents, officials, coaches etc., in accordance with the principles as consistent with the UNESCO Convention 2006.

This topic will become a major issue the coming years;

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--- IF's and its members must implement professional **Codes of Conduct** and Good Practise and Ethics for **athlete support personnel** such as adjudicators, trainers, coaches, parents, etc. All athlete support personnel (adjudicators, trainers, coaches, medical and para-medical, etc.) must be bound by the anti-Doping Rules.

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7. Education and information

7.1 Obligations of IDSF-Members under the Anti-Doping rules

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Since this topic will be a major obligation of the IDSF towards its athletes and members we will make it an annual topic the coming years. Each year one of the major topics of the anti-doping policy will be highlighted.

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Article 5 sub 5 of the IDSF statutes read: *It is a condition of membership of the IDSF that the policies, Rules, Statutes and programs of the member comply with the World Anti-Doping Code (WADC).*

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The foregoing results in the following **obligations of IDSF members** according to the IDSF Anti-Doping Code (IDSF ADC) and the World Anti-Doping Code (WADC):

(Please note: also your National Anti-Doping Organization (NADO) can and will play a role in this. Also NADO's will control the compliance of the national federations in their country with the Code.)

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1. Each and every IDSF member must adapt and implement Anti-Doping policies and rules conform to the WADC and the IDSF ADC.

2. All members are obliged to enforce the IDSF ADC (or an Anti-Doping Code developed by their NADO) within their own jurisdiction.

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3. All members must inform and educate its athletes, athlete support personnel (trainers, adjudicators, medical and para-medicals, etc.) and other officials about the requirements of the IDSF ADC by handing out a copy of the IDSF ADC and providing information and education about policies.

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4. Any member that nominates a participant to any IDSF granted competition is to ensure that such participant is deemed to have recognized the IDSF ADC (participant means any athlete, adjudicator, coach, trainer, official, medical or para-medical, or any person working with or treating athletes). Members will only nominate a participant to any IDSF granted competition that has signed the respective Forms of Consent.

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5. Each and every IDSF member must ensure and require as a condition of membership and participation in the member's national competitions, that athletes, coaches/trainers, adjudicators and other participants and athlete support personnel recognize and be bound by the Anti-Doping rules.

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6. Require from their athletes to be available for testing, out- or in-competition, and provide accurate whereabouts information if placed in the registered testing pool.

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7. Organize and conduct Anti-Doping controls at the members national competitions and championships.

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8. Result management and sanctioning of Anti-Doping rule violations (might be in cooperation with the NADO) and provide such information to the IDSF Anti-Doping Commission.

9. Take appropriate actions to discourage non-compliance with the WADC and the Code.

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10. Withhold funding and support to members, athletes, coaches/trainers and other athlete support personnel that are not in compliance with the WADC and the Code.

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11. Provide education and information programs and provide information to the IDSF Anti-Doping Commission about such activities.

12. Authorize and facilitate independent observers (at the members costs) from WADA and IDSF.

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IDSF has the obligation under the WADC to monitor its member's efforts and progress in this respect and report such situation annually to WADA. Such information must be fully incorporated in the Code compliance reports of WADA to IOC.

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We therefore issued in July 2007 a small Questionnaire (1 page A4 only) to all IDSF members to answer some simple questions and provide some numerical and factual data information to us about the situation in your own federation/country in 2006.

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It is the duty of each IDSF member under the *IDSF Statutes* to reply to such requests without unreasonable delay.

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However, although completion of the questionnaire could be done in some 15 minutes at a maximum, and although reminders have been issued by the IDSF Office (General Secretary), the response to the questionnaire was poor: only 38 members out of 86 replied.

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Of course it's possible that your federation is not ready yet for anti-doping policies and controls for a number of complete legal en legitimate reasons. However, please let us know by replying to our questionnaire. Maybe we can help you. At least inform us about your problems.

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It must be clear to all IDSF members that the information requested by IDSF from its members is necessary to do the Anti-Doping work correctly. The Anti-Doping work is, as you all know, so vital for IDSF's recognition by the IOC and the membership of the GAISF and IWGA.

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IDSF cannot accept the suggestion that it cannot perform Anti-Doping controls in some countries because the IDSF Anti-Doping Commission does not have the required and requested information from that member.

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At the 2002, 2003 and 2004 IDSF Annual General Meetings, former IDSF President Rudi Baumann and the IDSF Presidium have emphasized that cooperation with the Anti-Doping Commission's work is necessary as a part of your membership in IDSF. Also IOC Honorary President mr. Samaranche was very clear during his visit and information at IDSF's AGM 2007 at Barcelona.

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IDSF, and you as members, must work very close together in order to work out afore mentioned obligations and be compliant with the World Anti-Doping Code.

7.2 Anti-Doping Controls in National Competitions

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One of the duties of the IDSF members under the WADC and the IDSF Anti-Doping Code is to implement a system that Anti-Doping controls will be conducted and performed in competitions at national level.

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This means at your national competitions and championships.

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Your Federation has to develop your own Anti-Doping regulations in accordance with your national legislation and the IDSF ADC, establish a national testing pool for your national and international competing athletes and conduct and perform Anti-Doping controls.

You can contact your NADO for assistance and guidance for correct anti-doping rules in your native language.

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If your Federation is a member of your NOC, your NOC and NADO can help you to overcome problems for testing in your own competitions because it is the duty of all

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NOC's under the WADC to introduce and conduct Anti-Doping controls within their jurisdiction (that is national). The NOC's and NADO's have to set-up national testing pools for each recognized sport. You are advised to try your hardest to include Dance Sport in your country in such a NOC testing pool.

520 It can save you a lot of money and time.

7.3 Binding athletes, coaches/trainer etc. to the Code

525 It's an obligation of IDSF (and therefore of its members) according to the WADC that all athletes and athlete support personnel must be knowledgeable of and be bound by the Anti-Doping rules and regulations. This means each and every person involved in DanceSport including coaches/trainers, adjudicators, organizers, as well as all other athlete support personnel, not one excluded.

530 Also participants/competitors do have obligations under the WADC and the IDSF Anti-Doping Code.

Athletes have the responsibility:

- 535 --- to be knowledgeable of Anti-Doping rules and comply with all applicable policies and regulations;
--- to be available for and accept the sample collection, including OCT;
--- to take responsibility for what they ingest and use in the context of anti-doping
--- to inform medical personnel (including the family doctor) of their obligations under the Anti-Doping rules not to use prohibited substances and prohibited
540 methods and take responsibility to make sure that any medical treatment received does not violate the anti-doping policies and rules;
--- complete and sign the Forms of Consent prior to enter a competition and provide proper identification papers to the organizer;

545 **Athlete support personnel have the responsibility:**

- to be knowledgeable of anti-doping rules and comply with all applicable policies and regulations and which are applicable to the athletes whom they support;
--- to cooperate with the athletes testing programs;
--- to use their influence on athletes values and behaviour to foster anti-doping
550 attitudes.

Trying to sanction people for violating the Anti-Doping rules has no legal power or force unless the offenders are legally bound to the rules and regulations, one way or another.

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As we explained before, legally we know three methods to bind persons to regulations and codes of an association:

- 560 1. *by membership*. The statutes and regulations of an association bind each member of that association. Membership constitutes a contract between the member and the association.

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2. *by membership construction*. A member of a member is also bound providing the member includes provisions us such in it's own statutes. For example: the members
565 of the IDSF members are bound by the IDSF statutes and regulations when that particular IDSF member include the provision thereto in it's own statutes.

3. *by contract*. This is the way IDSF has chosen by introduction of the Forms of Consent for Athletes and Adjudicators. In the future a Forms of Consent for
570 trainers/coaches etc. must be introduced.

The best way by far is of course the membership binding. Only then we can talk about a *sport association structure*. However we know that not all athletes participating in the IDSF competitions (or the national competitions of the IDSF
575 members) are members of their own national federation, the IDSF member of that country. In fact in practice many athletes have a commercial relation with a trainer/coach only. The trainer/coach only is (sometimes) a member of the national federation, member of IDSF. Some athletes have no membership binding at all with the IDSF member in his/her country.

580 In such occasions the only way to bind athletes and support personnel to the Code and IDSF regulations is a contract: the Forms of Consent. If no Forms of Consent are signed there might be no binding at all to the IDSF or your own regulations.

585 Another danger resulting from afore mentioned situation is that such a Federation, although member of IDSF and sometimes even member of it's national NOC, can not appeal legally on the freedom of association as stated in many constitutions and international treaties.

590 After all the athletes (competitors) are not member of the Federation and therefore the Federation (or any other organizer) offers services (Dance Sport competitions) to a free market! In this case the general laws of the country are applicable and superior to the regulations of the association without any protection of the constitutional freedom of association.

595 One might find itself in a position that the courts in your country declare your competition rules in conflict with the law and therefore not legal at all. That's not a pleasant position.

Also the organizers of the competitions, if not the IDSF member itself, must be bound to the IDSF statutes and Anti-Doping regulations.

600 One way for the IDSF Member is to require the correct procedures in a written agreement with the Organizer, before awarding the IDSF competition to that organizer.

605 If such Organizer does not agree to the conditions, he cannot be allowed to organize an IDSF tournament!

We advise IDSF Member Federations to use such agreements with its (professional) organizers. You can ask the IDSF Legal Commissioner Jim Fraser (Canada) or the Chair of our Commission, for help.

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After all: without a proper legal construction and administration each and every anti-doping control is useless and of no value, resulting for IDSF or its members in a violation of the WADC rules.

615 **7.4 Result Management and statistics**

All duties and activities as mentioned above have to be recorded.
This means a huge administrative obligation for IDSF and for you as IDSF member.
We, you and IDSF, will all have to work together very closely and spontaneously in
620 order to fulfil your and our duties. ADAMS (see above) can help us.

To conclude:

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I would like to thank the IDSF Presidium and the AGM Delegates for the privilege of serving IDSF as Chair of the IDSF Anti-Doping Commission and IDSF Anti-Doping Director again this past year.

630 **Kudos:** special thanks to my colleagues of the IDSF Anti-Doping Commission that did such good work over the past years.

All of which is submitted with respect.

635 Sincerely,

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640 IDSF Anti-Doping Director/
Chair IDSF Anti-Doping Commission