

Reforming The Governance Of International Sport Federations

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Since the beginning of the 21st century, international sport governing bodies and in particular the international federations (IFs) have encountered many issues designated as "governance problems". The FIFA (football IF) and IAAF (athletics IF) scandals in 2015 come immediately to mind, following the Salt Lake City-IOC scandal in 1999 and other less reported ones. In December 2015, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) declared that "enough is enough" and enjoined the Olympic IFs to review and improve their governance. As a result, the Association of Summer Olympic International Federations (ASOIF) set up a Governance taskforce which prepared governance indicators and issued in April 2017 a report to assess the IFs governance. This article presents the process started in 2015, in which the author took part, and its planned evolution in the future.