



Jaime Lissavetzky, Spain's Sport Secretary, is designated European representative to World Anti-Doping Agency

Athens, 12.12.2008 – Jaime Lissavetzky, Spain's Secretary of Sport, has been designated at the 11th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport as the European representative in the World Anti-Doping Agency's (WADA) Executive Committee. Mr. Lissavetzky, Spain's Sport Secretary since April 2008, chaired from 2004 to 2007 the Ibero-american Council for Sport, an institution that groups 22 countries.

The ministerial conference during which this designation took place was co-organised by the Council of Europe and the Greek government on 11 and 12 December in Athens. It brought together over 100 participants from 44 countries, including sports ministers, sports federation and organisation officials ([see our press release](#)).

An international independent organisation created in 1999 to promote, coordinate, and monitor the fight against doping in sport, WADA is composed of a Foundation Board, an Executive Committee, and other committees. The 12-member Executive Committee is composed equally of representatives from the Olympic Movement and governments.

As European representative, Lissavetzky will aim to promote the European position prepared by the European Co-ordination Forum on the World Anti-Doping Agency (CAHAMA).

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Sport can be seen to show universal human values which, at major sports events, are understood and shared by all. Having realised this, the Council of Europe policy is to "promote sport and the social and health benefits which it brings to individuals and to society, thanks to the policies based on the same principles across Europe". In the Council of Europe, the Sport Department co-operates with governmental and non-governmental organisations and carries out initiatives which both benefit the practice of sport and make it accessible across Europe.

EPAS

After more than 30 years of experience in the field of international sports legislation, the Council of Europe adopted [Resolution CM/Res\(2007\)8](#) on 11 May 2007 creating the **Enlarged Partial Agreement on Sport (EPAS)** in order to give new momentum and dynamism to pan-European sports co-operation.