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## **Council of Europe adopts recommendation on match-fixing**

28 September, Strasbourg - The Committee of Ministers has today adopted a [recommendation](#) to member states on promotion of the integrity of sport against manipulation of results, notably match-fixing.

After the adoption, the [Ministers' Deputies](#) held an exchange of views, in the framework of the activities of the Enlarged Partial Agreement on Sport ([EPAS](#)), with [UEFA](#) President Michel Platini and the Minister of Youth and Sports of Serbia, Snežana Samardžić-Marković. The outgoing French Sports Minister, Chantal Jouanno, addressed a written statement to the Committee of Ministers.

"The Council of Europe has today taken the political lead in the fight against match-fixing. I hope the EU Institutions will follow", said Michel Platini.

He recalled moreover, that the Council of Europe had set a reference landmark in tackling hooliganism, violence, and discrimination in stadiums across Europe, with the European Convention on Spectator Violence and Misbehaviour at Sports Events and in particular at Football Matches ([CETS n° 120](#)).

"The merits of this text are numerous. However, more than a quarter of a century after its adoption, it is perhaps necessary to update it, reinvigorate it and adapt it to the demands of the 21st century" - declared Platini to the Committee of Ministers. "This is what we are committing ourselves to do today, hand in hand with the Council of Europe."

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