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## INVESTIGATIONS

### Argentina

#### Soccer Match-Fixing Scandal in Argentina Larger Than Thought

A recent match-fixing scandal involving an Argentinean football team may be larger than anticipated with new details coming to light that have prosecutors searching for answers.

Source: 6 May 2022, *Casino*

Football

<https://www.casino.org/news/soccer-match-fixing-scandal-in-argentina-larger-than-thought/>

### Australia

#### Vic pair accused of Esport match fixing

In Australia, two Melbourne gamers have been charged with match fixing at an Esports tournament after a year-long Victoria Police investigation.

Source: 17 May 2022, *7 News*

eSports

<https://7news.com.au/news/crime/vic-pair-accused-of-esport-match-fixing-c-6829386>

### France

#### Roland Garros qualifying match under investigation for match-fixing

A first-round match at this week's Roland Garros qualifying tournament is being looked into after an abnormally high number of bets was placed on it according to an established French newspaper.

Source: 21 May 2022, *Tennis Update*

Tennis

<https://tennisuptodate.com/atp/roland-garros-qualifying-match-under-investigation-for-match-fixing>

### India

#### IPL Match Fixing In Hyderabad: CBI Books 7 For Betting

The CBI searched four locations in Delhi, Hyderabad, Jaipur, and Jodhpur in connection with a suspected case of betting and match-fixing in the 2019 Indian Premier League (IPL). According to the CBI, seven persons have been charged in two distinct FIRs.

Source: 17 May 2022, *Sakshi Post*

<https://english.sakshi.com/news/sports/ipl-match-fixing-hyderabad-cbi-books-7-betting-155247>

### Ireland

#### Fans betting against own team aroused suspicion in match-fixing investigation

Current and former League of Ireland footballers, including some who have played professionally, are among a group of men suspected of conspiring to fix matches as part of an alleged betting scam. Ten suspects, including two current and five former players, were arrested in Dublin and the southwest on Wednesday in connection with the matter.

Source: 18 May 2022, *Irish Examiner*

Football

<https://www.irishexaminer.com/sport/soccer/arid-40875371.html>

## SENTENCES/SANCTIONS

### Brazil

#### Justiça americana condena 'Rei Arthur' a prisão domiciliar por compra de votos para Olimpíada do Rio

Justiça americana a prisão domiciliar por compra de votos para Olimpíada do Rio. Empresário, apesar de ordens de prisão já expedidas no Brasil, vive em Miami, onde já foi flagrado vivendo vida de luxo e ostentação.

Source: 4 May 2022, *Globo*

<https://g1.globo.com/rj/rio-de-janeiro/noticia/2022/05/04/justica-americana-condena-rei-arthur-por-compra-de-votos-para-olimpiada-do-rio.ghtml>

### El Salvador

#### El Salvador tennis player banned for five months

The International Tennis Integrity Agency (ITIA) has confirmed that unranked El Salvador tennis player Alberto Emmanuel Alvarado Larin has been banned from the sport for five months after failing to co-operate with an ITIA investigation. The player declined to engage with the ITIA in its investigations.

Source: 20 May 2022, *ITIA*

Tennis

<https://www.itia.tennis/news/sanctions/alberto-emmanuel-alvarado-larin-banned/>

## France

### Two French tennis players provisionally suspended

The International Tennis Integrity Agency (ITIA) has confirmed that two French players, Mick Lescure and Jules Okala, have been provisionally suspended from, pending the full consideration of allegations against them of breaches of the Tennis Anti-Corruption Program.

Source: 18 May 2022, ITIA

Tennis

<https://itia.tennis/news/sanctions/okala-and-lescure-provisionally-suspended/>

## Portugal

### Tennis umpire handed lifetime ban for match-fixing

The International Tennis Integrity Agency (ITIA) has issued a lifetime ban to Portuguese tennis chair umpire Daniel Zeferino after he was found guilty of match-fixing charges. The charges related to Zeferino manipulating scores inputted into his electronic scoring device at an ITF M15 event in 2020, which facilitated guaranteed wins by bettors on those points.

Source: 11 May 2022, i Gaming Business

Tennis

<https://igamingbusiness.com/tennis-umpire-handed-lifetime-ban-for-match-fixing/>

## Spain

### Match-fixing Scandal Rocks Tennis World, More Than 5 Banned Over Multiple Offences

The International Tennis Integrity Agency (ITIA) on Friday imposed sanctions on six players for their involvement in a match-fixing scandal. The players were convicted as part of a wider case involving organised crime, including betting.

Source: 7 May 2022, Republic World

<https://www.republicworld.com/sports-news/tennis-news/match-fixing-scandal-rocks-tennis-world-more-than-5-banned-over-multiple-offences-articleshow.html>

## Spain

### Spanish tennis player sanctioned for match fixing

ITIA sanctioned a tennis player for one year and ten months under its 'proposal for disposition framework', which allows for a sanction upon guilt admission, and without need for a hearing.

Source: 5 May 2022, ITIA

Tennis

<https://itia.tennis/news/sanctions/fernando-bogajo-fernandez/>

## LEGISLATION

### Brazil

#### Brazil publishes sports betting rules

Brazil's Secretariat of Evaluation, Planning, Energy and Lottery (SECAP) has released its rules on sports betting in the country, following earlier legalisation of new forms of gambling and betting in the country. Operators already doing business in Brazil will have a six-month window to comply with these rules.

Source: 3 May 2022, i Gaming Business

<https://igamingbusiness.com/brazil-sports-betting-rules/>



## BETTING

### Asian Racing Federation

#### ARF finds 61% of online gambling sites illegal, with junkets fuelling growth

Global online gambling is booming, although a major new analysis has found that about 61 percent of online betting sites are effectively operating illegally, especially in Asia, where junkets are playing an increasing role.

Source: 16 May 2022, Asia Gaming Brief

<https://agbrief.com/intelligence/16/05/2022/arf-finds-61-of-online-gambling-sites-illegal-with-junkets-fuelling-growth/>

## INTEGRITY IN SPORT EVENTS

### INTERPOL

#### Global experts examine the changing face of match-fixing

The 12th meeting of INTERPOL's Match-Fixing Task Force (IMFTF) has concluded with a call to harmonize global efforts to curb competition manipulation. The three-day (10-12 May) meeting brought together integrity and intelligence specialists from some 50 countries, representing law enforcement, public authorities, sports federations, anti-doping organizations and betting monitoring services. It was the first major event held under the banner of INTERPOL's newly-created Financial Crime and Anti-Corruption Centre (IFCACC), which provides a coordinated global response against the exponential growth in transnational financial crime and corruption. Discussions focused on mechanisms to boost intelligence sharing and close legislative and institutional gaps, such as the establishment of National Platforms, as outlined in the Macolin Convention, which centralize and analyse information on irregular and suspicious trends.

Source: 12 May 2022, INTERPOL

<https://www.interpol.int/en/News-and-Events/News/2022/Global-experts-examine-the-changing-face-of-match-fixing>

## MATCH FIXING

### Spain

#### Comienza el juicio contra red de amaño de partidos y apuestas

El juicio contra los implicados en una red de amaño de partidos de tenis, para apostar sobre ellos con identidades falsas, empezará mañana en la Audiencia Nacional, con la petición de penas de 6 y 2 años para 14 acusados por los delitos de pertenencia a grupo criminal, corrupción en el deporte y estafa.

Source: 3 May 2022, Cope

Tennis

[https://www.cope.es/deportes/mas-deporte/noticias/comienza-juicio-contra-red-amano-partidos-apuestas-20220503\\_2061587](https://www.cope.es/deportes/mas-deporte/noticias/comienza-juicio-contra-red-amano-partidos-apuestas-20220503_2061587)

