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67 cases over 114 countries

1/3 of cases involved 2 or more countries

Around 140 people involved

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- Around main sport events
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A typology of corruption and fraud in sport

EXAMPLES

Directly impacting on sport results

- Doping & Mechanical Doping
- Match-fixing & Spot-Fixing (Gambling related and not) / Tanking

Impacting on adjudication, preparation and management of sport events

- Vote-buying / Collusion / Corruption in the awarding of the public contract for sport facilities
- Overbilling works and services / Ticketing / Embezzlement

Impacting on appointments and management of sport bodies

- Falsification of Financial Reports

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