

In June 2022, a group of National Anti-Doping Organizations proposed the adoption of the Declaration of ‘Guiding Principles for the Future of Anti-Doping’ to ensure quality and leadership in the movement for doping-free sport. The initiative-taking NADOs have invited iNADO to join in and co-organize a follow-up of the guiding principles in the NADO Community. In 2026, iNADO dedicated a series of Webinars to these Guiding Principles.

We kicked off our 2026 webinar series on the “Guiding Principles for the Future of Anti-Doping” with the first principle: the Athlete’s Voice. Athletes are the main focus of anti-doping, and quality anti-doping requires a strong emphasis on the voice of athletes to ensure their careers, health, and rights are respected.

Athletes are the main focus of anti-doping – the athletes’ voice should therefore be given a prominent position in anti-doping, reflecting their importance and demonstrating respect for the burden of responsibilities they bear in the name of clean sport.

In this webinar, we:

- Provided background information on the value and importance of the Guiding Principles
- Share the outcomes of the iNADO Athlete Representation Survey (published June 2025)
- Addressed the revised Athletes' Anti-Doping Rights Act
- Presented actual athlete-centered anti-doping initiatives
- Addressed views on athlete representation from a NADO-perspective, as well as from the perspective of professional athlete unions

These topics were addressed by:

- Anders Solheim, iNADO Chairperson
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- Gabriela Garton, Player Relations Coordinator, World Players Association
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