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For the attention of  
the President and the General Secretary

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## **New anti-match-fixing and anti-doping education concept for UEFA youth competitions as of 2023/24**

Dear President, dear General Secretary,

We are pleased to inform you of the revamped anti-match-fixing and anti-doping education concept, which will be implemented as of the 2023/24 season in the following UEFA youth competitions:

- UEFA European Under-17 Championship
- UEFA European Women's Under-17 Championship
- UEFA European Under-19 Championship
- UEFA European Women's Under-19 Championship
- UEFA European Under-19 Futsal Championship<sup>1</sup>

### **Current concept**

Until the end of the 2022/23 season, teams competing in UEFA's U17/WU17 and U19/WU19 competitions usually attended anti-match-fixing sessions delivered by the integrity officer of the host national association during the mini-tournaments in the first two rounds of each competition. Additionally, UEFA also delivered an integrity session on anti-doping and anti-match-fixing to all participating teams during the final tournament of each competition.

### **New concept as of 2023/24**

From the 2023/24 season onwards, every team competing in a UEFA U17/WU17 or U19/WU19 football competition must take part in face-to-face anti-match-fixing and anti-doping sessions organised by their national association (NA) before their first match of the competition. In addition, following an evaluation of the risks, it has been decided that every U19 futsal team must participate in a face-to-face anti-doping session organised by their NA.

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<sup>1</sup> Anti-doping only.

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In accordance with UEFA's goal to empower its NAs as much as possible, the organisation and delivery of these sessions will be delegated entirely to the NAs of the competing teams, under UEFA's supervision. UEFA will not deliver any sessions relating to anti-match-fixing or anti-doping during the final tournaments.

The goal of the new concept is to ensure that all participating teams receive tailored sessions adapted to the local context and delivered in their native language by trained educators appointed by their own NA. Furthermore, this new concept will minimise overlap and repetition, ensuring that no teams receive sessions on the same subject more than once throughout the season.

UEFA's anti-match-fixing and anti-doping units will contact the person responsible for these matters within each NA in due course with more specific guidance and support to ensure that the sessions are successfully delivered to all teams. NAs are strongly encouraged to use the HatTrick funds designated for integrity and anti-doping matters to cover the costs of organising these sessions.

We thank you for your continuous support and specifically for your efforts to ensure the smooth implementation of the revamped education concept for youth competitions as of the 2023/24 season.

Yours faithfully,

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