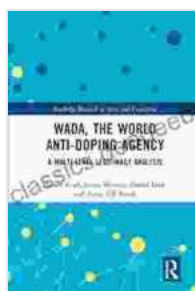


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The World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) is an independent international organization responsible for promoting, coordinating, and monitoring the fight against doping in sports. It was established in 1999 as a result of the Festina Affair, a major professional cycling doping scandal. WADA works in partnership with governments, sports organizations, and athletes to develop and implement anti-doping rules and regulations.

Mission and Vision

WADA's mission is to protect "the integrity of sport and the health of athletes." Its vision is "a world where sport is free from doping."



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Code and International Standards

WADA's main tool for fighting doping is the World Anti-Doping Code. The Code is a set of rules and regulations that define what substances and methods are banned in sport, and how anti-doping testing is conducted. The Code is updated every four years to reflect the latest scientific and technological advancements.

In addition to the Code, WADA also develops and publishes a number of International Standards, which provide detailed guidance on specific aspects of anti-doping, such as testing, laboratory accreditation, and athlete education.

Governance

WADA is governed by a Board of Directors, which is composed of representatives from governments, sports organizations, and athletes. The Board meets twice a year to make decisions on WADA's policies and strategies.

WADA's headquarters are located in Montreal, Canada. The Agency has a staff of approximately 100 people, who work in a variety of areas, including testing, compliance, education, and research.

Funding

WADA is funded through contributions from governments, sports organizations, and the International Olympic Committee (IOC). In 2022, WADA's operating budget was approximately \$30 million.

Accreditation and Recognition

WADA is recognized as the world leader in anti-doping. The Agency has been granted observer status by the United Nations, and it works closely with a number of international organizations, including the IOC, the World Health Organization (WHO), and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC).

Major Initiatives

WADA has implemented a number of major initiatives to combat doping in sports, including:

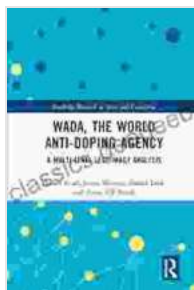
- The Athlete Biological Passport (ABP): The ABP is a longitudinal monitoring program that tracks an athlete's biological markers over time. This allows WADA to detect subtle changes in an athlete's physiology that may indicate doping.
- The WADA Intelligence and Investigations Department (I&I): The I&I is responsible for investigating doping violations and intelligence gathering. The I&I works closely with law enforcement agencies around the world.
- The WADA Anti-Doping Education and Learning Platform (ADEL): ADEL is an online platform that provides athletes, coaches, and other stakeholders with education and resources on anti-doping.

Challenges

WADA faces a number of challenges in its efforts to combat doping in sports, including:

- The increasing sophistication of doping methods
- The difficulty of detecting certain substances and methods
- The lack of resources in some countries
- The pressure on athletes to win

WADA is an essential organization in the fight against doping in sports. The Agency's work has helped to level the playing field for athletes and protect their health. WADA will continue to play a vital role in the future of anti-doping.



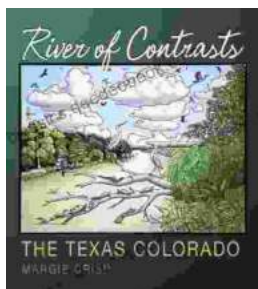
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