

SPORTING JURISDICTIONAL ORDER AND ARBITRATION

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Sports law, by its nature, moves beyond the boundaries of various states as “non-national law” and can be expressed by the term Lex Sportiva as a law parallel to international law which incorporates elements of supra-national legal orders such as the European Community and elements of domestic law. In this field, Sport is organized at international level into a community which has developed its own margins and has its own specific institutions and rules which shape and regulate relationships that develop solely and strictly within the context of the Lex Sportiva. The concept of sporting jurisdiction respectively, viewed in that light and as recognized in law, includes the organs competent for dispensing justice in relation to sporting activities. These organs are either established in the context of the rules of Lex Sportiva internationally or within the domestic system in the context of the rules of sports law enacted by the national legislator. Those organs constitute the dimensions of sporting jurisdictional order.

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INTRODUCTION

Sport today at international level, just like the Olympic Games, is organised within a community which outside of and beyond the state-organised community under its supervision which has developed specific

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