

Press release

The French national platform during the Euro 2016

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ARJEL President Charles Coppolani speaks at the International Conference on the fight against the manipulation of sports competition.

Charles Coppolani, the President of ARJEL, the French online gambling regulatory authority, spoke at the Council of Europe for International Conference on the fight against the manipulation of sports competition. He made a presentation of the French national platform against match fixing, launched in January 28th, by Thierry Braillard, State Secretary of Sports, which was operational for the Euro 2016.

He emphasized the importance of *evolving* risk analysis to target the high-risk matches with greater efficiency, saying “platform is not blind. It knows what to look for”. He then went on to speak about the outstanding 24/7 monitoring of the competition, thanking its national and international counterparts.

He said the efficiency of the national platform and the international cooperation was due to these key points:

- A common process known to all (three levels of alert).
- Ongoing monitoring scheme (analysis twice a day of bets and odds, and conference call with all the participants of the national platform every morning).
- A secured system for data exchange (put in place by UEFA).

Euro 2016 demonstrates national platforms’ utility as national coordination schemes and necessary tools for efficient international cooperation.