



NORDIC SPORTS LAW²⁰²⁶ CONFERENCE

8. – 9.5.2026
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FRIDAY 8.5.2026



PROGRAM

10:00 REGISTRATION & OPENING

Mika Poutala, Minister of Youth, Sport and Physical Activity

10:45 JURISPRUDENCE

Latest Jurisprudence

Hannu Kalkas, Attorney (FIN)

CAS AD Hoc Winter Olympics in Milano & Cortina d'Ampezzo

Member of the Ad Hoc Panel (Not confirmed yet)

12:15 LUNCH

13:15 COMPETITION LAW, PANEL DISCUSSION

Moderator: Mikko Kohtala, Lawyer (FIN)

Antti Aine, Professor (FIN)

Benoit Keane, Solicitor (IRE)

Lars Halgreen, Attorney (DEN)

Stefano Bastianon, Professor (ITA)

14:30 COFFEE BREAK

15:00 ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN SPORTS: BALANCING INNOVATION WITH THE PROTECTION OF FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

Ida Laakkonen, LL.Lic., Doctoral Researcher (FIN)

16:00 THE NEW WADA CODE, PANEL DISCUSSION

Moderator: Jens Evald, Professor (DEN)

Ulrich Haas, Professor (GER)

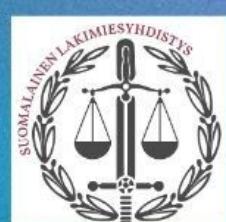
Markus Manninen, Attorney (FIN)

Jessica Wissmann, Lawyer, Head of Legal Antidoping Sweden (SWE)

Anna Thorstenson, Lawyer, Wada Athletes' Anti-Doping Ombuds (SWE)

19:00 GALA DINNER & THE TRADITIONAL AFTER PARTY

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SATURDAY 9.5.2026



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9:30 LEGAL CHALLENGES FACING THE ATHLETES' RIGHTS, PANEL DISCUSSION

Moderator: Pia Ek, Attorney (FIN)

Emma Terho, Chair of the IOC Athletes' Commission (FIN)

Michele Bernasconi, Attorney (SUI)

Janie Soublière, Attorney (CAN)

Eirik Monsen, Attorney (NOR)

10:45 FUTURE LEGAL CHALLENGES OF MAJOR SPORTING EVENTS, PANEL DISCUSSION

Moderator: Sean Cottrell, CEO LawInSports (UK)

Ian Scott, Attorney (AUS)

Antti Pihlakoski, Chairman of WA Championships' Bid Evaluation Panel (FIN)

3rd Member: TBA

4th Member: TBA

12:00 CLOSING

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