

**MATCH-FIXING:
PROTECTION OF INTEGRITY THROUGH CRIMINAL LAW,
SPORTS LAW, DETECTION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT**

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ABSTRACT: This article provides an overview of sports manipulation, a complex criminal phenomenon, affecting both professional and amateur competitions. The author effectively describes purposes, forms and methods of this sports illicit act. Afterwards, he reviews the regulatory and practical concrete measures to tackling match-fixing. Then he outlines the European statutory and ordinary law framework, which presents national, different regulatory approaches for identifying the offence and sanctioning the match manipulation. This chapter offers an in-depth analysis about Italian sports and criminal law. Finally, a section focused on the evolution of CAS jurisprudence concerning match manipulation over the last 10 ears. Match-fixing requires a complex approach that includes the adoption of strong and specific measures both legislative and operative in view of updating the prevention and sanctioning actions.

Keywords: Football; Match-fixing; Corruption; Sport; Organized crime.

SUMMARY: 1. Introduction – 2. The loss of credibility – 3. Match-fixing purposes and forms – 4. Multiform crime – 5. Legal remedies in the EU are far from being uniform – 6. Italian criminal law – 7. Desirable new economic sanctions – 8. The CAS rulings and the increasing role of technology in tackling match-fixing – 8.1 Pobeda case – 8.2 The role of technology – 8.3 The Lamptey case – 9. Conclusion

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