

Quest & The Sports Consultancy Launch Global Sports Investigations

- **Lord Stevens and Robert Datnow launch partnership at milestone event in London to a room of sporting heads**
- **Global Sports Investigations offers the unique combination of investigative prowess with legal and consultancy expertise in the sports industry**
- **Firm to offer bespoke and independent investigations and advice to sporting industry**

15th December 2017, London. Quest, the global investigative and advisory firm and The Sports Consultancy, leading consulting, commercial and legal advisers to the sporting world, have today announced their new partnership – Global Sports Investigations (GSI).

At an event held at The Royal Automobile Club, hosted by Lord Stevens, former Metropolitan Police Commissioner and Chairman of Quest, and Robert Datnow, Founder and Managing Director of The Sports Consultancy, GSI was formally launched to a room of leading sporting figures, including representatives from the British Athletes Commission, England Boxing, Sport England, UK Sport and many other national governing bodies and international federations.

Lord Stevens kicked off the event by saying: “there has never been a bigger need for independent investigation and consultation in the sporting industry”.

GSI’s unique offering, which is the combined expertise of both investigators, lawyers and consultants – specifically in sport – will offer sporting bodies: scoping and consultation; investigations; ongoing monitoring; recommendations, and implementation. This end-to-end offering is unique in the sports world. From expert knowledge and experience on betting, integrity and athlete welfare, to anti-doping, governance and transparency, safeguarding and commercial rights, GSI will be able to advise and investigate on all fronts.

Speaking at the event, Annamarie Phelps, Vice Chair of the British Olympic Association, said: “Sport is no different from any other sector, it has a responsibility to operate with integrity at its heart. Sports bodies should not only follow the law, they should ensure their values and the behaviours of their staff, athletes and fans set a moral standard above the law. Because sport is so important to communities worldwide, we must be flag-bearers for integrity in every aspect of what we do.”

Robert Datnow, Founder and Managing Director of The Sports Consultancy said: “This is the time to launch GSI. In the climate of increased scrutiny into behaviour, integrity transparency and the governance of sport, the need for truly independent, expert, professional, end-to-end management of investigations and inquiries, where sport can be confident of the planning, outcomes and follow through has never been more needed by the entire sports community.”

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About Global Sports Investigations

Global Sports Investigations (“GSI”) is a service offering a bespoke and independent investigations and advisory service to the sports industry, harnessing the expertise and skills of two of the industry’s leading service providers, Quest and The Sports Consultancy, alongside a network of leading experts.

In an environment where risk must be managed and mitigated professionally and effectively, GSI provides lasting solutions to all stakeholders in the sports industry to ensure that the integrity of their

organisations, people and systems is intact. The team is comprised of individuals with investigative, legal, consulting and commercial expertise, all with a deep and experienced understanding of the sports industry.

GSI can provide a tailored and comprehensive suite of investigative, consulting and legal services required to develop, carry out and implement any inquiry, as well as a full range of complementary services.

