



9.00 – 9.05 – Welcome

9.05-9.25: Keynote: Martin Edwards - The growth of football as a business & legal issues that arise

9.25-10.25: Sport & Employment – Is there a need for transfer systems in professional sport?

Richard Parrish (Chair)
Marcos Motta
Giovanni Branchini
Richard Cramer
Amanda Hill

10.25-10:45: Refreshments

10.45 – 11:05: The Digital Single Market - Ramunas Linartas

11.05-12.05: Arbitration – How independent are disciplinary/arbitration panels when they are appointed, trained and retained largely at the discretion of governing bodies?

Kevin Carpenter (Chair)
Sam Hillas
Despina Mavromati
Gareth Farrelly
Mark Hovell

12.05-1.:30: Lunch

1.30-1:50: Keynote: David Conn – Governance in Sport

1:50-2:45: Safeguarding: Past problems, current reforms and future litigation

Mark James (Chair)
Paul Stewart
Claire Briegal
Philip Grundy

Hayden Roberts
David Conn

2:45-3.10: Refreshments

3:10-4:05: eSports: Growth and opportunities.

Andrew Nixon (Chair)
James Watson
Anna Baumann
Thomas Kerbusch
Roberto Branco Martins

4.05-5:00: Panel 5: Equality: What role can litigation play in promoting equality in sport?

Steven Flynn (Chair)
Paul Gilroy QC
Schona Jolly QC
Richard Barker
Alan Darfi

BIOGRAPHIES

- Martin Edwards** Former Chairman and honorary life president at Manchester United.
- David Conn** Investigative journalist for the Guardian newspaper. Author of *The Premier League: The Football Business* (1997), *The Beautiful Game?: Searching For The Soul Of Football* (2004), *Richer Than God: Manchester City, Modern Football And Growing Up* (2012) and *The Fall of the House of FIFA* (2017).
- Despina Mavromati** Lawyer at SportLegis, arbitrator at Sport Resolutions UK & the IAAF Disciplinary Tribunal.
- Paul Stewart** Former Manchester City, Tottenham Hotspur, Liverpool and England professional footballer. Author of 'Damaged'.
- Marcos Motta** Partner Bichara & Motta sports law firm. Adviser to Neymar on his record-breaking transfer from FC Barcelona to Paris Saint-Germain.
- Sam Hillas** Barrister and Judicial Officer for the RFU, Six Nations and World Rugby.
- Clare Briegal** Chief Executive Officer, International Netball Federation.
- Ramunas Linartas** Policy Officer in the Sport Unit of the European Commission.
- Richard Cramer** Partner at FrontRow Legal. Advised Castleford Tigers in relation to the Denny Solomona dispute.
- Phillip Grundy** Barrister with expertise in physical and sexual abuse claims.
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Alan Darfi	Head of Legal at The Rugby Football League. Member of the FA's National Anti-Discrimination Chairman's Panel.
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Giovanni Branchini	President of the Italian Agents Association and Vicepresident of the European Football Agents Association. Previous clients include Manuel Rui Costa, Romario, Ronaldo, Jean Pierre Papin and Clarence Seedorf. He facilitated the agreement that brought Guardiola to Bayern Munich
Schona Jolly QC	Equalities lawyer specialising in all aspects of discrimination, human rights and employment law at Cloisters Chambers.
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Roberto Branco Martins	Sports lawyer, eSports lawyer and General Manager of the European Football Agents Association.
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Hadyn Roberts	Head of Elite Talent Advisory at Shoosmiths. Founder and formerly Head of Player Care & Support at Manchester City FC.
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Richard Barker	Solicitor at Mills and Reeve LLP who represented Eniola Aluko and Jonas Gutierrez.
Paul Gilroy QC	Barrister at Littleton Chambers specialising in sports-related litigation and regulatory matters in sport. Paul is retained Counsel to the League Managers Association.
James Watson	Head of eSports, Sportradar AG.
Anna Baumann	eSports lawyer.
Mark James	Professor of Sports Law at Manchester Law School. Mark specialises in the area of interaction between the criminal law and sporting events and activities. He is currently focusing his research activity on the Olympic Games in Rio and the European Football Championships in France, with a particular interest in ambush marketing, ticket touting and spectator disorder.
Mark Hovell	Partner at Mills & Reeve LLP. Mark specialises in sports law, regularly advising players' associations and their members. As a qualified insolvency practitioner he has been involved in over 50 football club insolvencies/ restructurings. Mark is also an arbitrator with the Court of Arbitration for Sport and

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