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Sport Integrity Systems' Organizational Footprint

The past decades' exposure of sport's underbelly and the much disturbing conduct residing there, has led to calls for organizational instruments that alleviate the risk of integrity breaches, whilst ensuring detection and disciplining when it nevertheless occurs. The good intentions underpinning integrity instruments are undisputable. However, because instruments are a type of institution, they are prone to generating effects beyond their stated aims.

Taking its point of departure in the adoption of integrity instruments in Swedish voluntary sport, this talk will report on a study on the organizational implications of integrity instruments, and the type of transformative potential they harbour. Thus, rather than being concerned with whether sport is 'doing a good job' in fighting integrity breaches (i.e. instrument effectiveness), the talk deals with the organizational footprint left by integrity systems, and the promises and pitfalls of rendering sport integrity a managerial and organizational quest.

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