

# Reflections on Russia – the good, the bad, and the things we know now

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# Context

- December 2014 – Russian Whistle-blowers and ARD documentary
- November 2015 – Pound Report, Suspension of RUSADA and Moscow Lab
- Nov 2015 - WADA approach UKAD
- February 2016 – UKAD commences RUSADA project
- May 2016 – Sochi allegations made by Dr Rodchenkov. Further WADA report
- July 2016 – McLaren Report Part 1. IOC do not ban Russia from Olympic Games
- Aug 2016 - IPC ban Russia from Paralympic Games
- May 2017 – UKAD start handing over certain responsibilities to RUSADA
- February 2018 – Pyeongchang Winter Olympics & Paralympics – Russia banned from both
- September 2018 – WADA declare RUSADA compliant. UKAD ceases role with RUSADA

# UKAD's Role

1. Delivery of a testing programme for Russian athletes
2. Management of Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUEs)
3. Training of Doping Control Officers (DCOs)



# Opportunities and threats

## Opportunities

Protecting clean sport  
for British athletes

International influence

‘Doing the right thing’

## Threats

Reputational

Operational

Cyber

Financial

# Logistical differences

- Landscape
- Population
- Doping Control Personnel resources
  - Numbers
  - Coverage
- Travel/transportation



# Restricted access



# Statistics

4790 UKAD  
directed tests

36%  
cancellation  
rate

79 Adverse  
Analytical  
Findings

21 Non-  
analytical

240  
Whereabouts  
failures

86 TUEs  
reviewed

4 DCO training  
sessions

Approx. 10,000  
tests at project  
completion

# Landscape





# Outcomes

