

## **UNI World Athletes**

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– the role of athletes in delivering the good  
governance of sport**

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- ***“The global voice of the athletes”***
  - *UNI World Athletes is the exclusive collective voice of the world’s elite athletes.*
- ***The global union of players and athletes across professional sport***
  - *UNI World Athletes unites 85,000 athletes through major player associations including FIFPro (the world footballers’ association), the Federation of International Cricketers’ Associations, the International Rugby Players’ Association, EU Athletes, the National Football League Players Association, the National Hockey League Players Association, the National Basketball Players Association, the Japanese Professional Baseball Players Association and the Australian Athletes’ Alliance.*

## Delivering good governance

1. Partnership with the athletes
2. Accountability
3. Athletes as 'owners'
4. The rule of law
5. Social dialogue
6. The 'autonomy of sport' is conditional:
  - Sport is an economic activity
  - Good governance
  - Social dialogue
  - Respect for the rule of law
  - Protection of young people / education

*Thank you*

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