

New RUSADA leader warns McLaren Report accusations must be tackled seriously

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Photo: Russia must tackle the issues in the McLaren Report to restore confidence, new RUSADA director Yury Ganus has warned

By Duncan Mackay for Inside the Games website, Sep 21, 2017 Russia lost credibility following the publication of the McLaren Report but it can be restored, the new head of the country's National Anti-Doping Agency has claimed. Yury Ganus, appointed director general of the Russian Anti-Doping Agency (RUSADA) earlier this month, has admitted that the country cannot ignore the explosive accusations in the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)-commissioned Report. They include claims the Government were behind a state-sponsored doping programme and that they covered up positive tests before, during and after the 2012 and 2014 Olympic and Paralympic Games in London and Sochi and at several other major international events. The number one priority is to restore trust in RUSADA, Ganus admitted in an interview with Russian news agency R-sport. Currently the credit of trust has been exhausted. McLaren's Report alleged more than 1,000 Russians, including Olympic medallists, benefited from a state-sponsored doping programme between 2011 and 2015. [⋮] [https://www.insidethegames.biz/article ... confidence-to-be-restored](https://www.insidethegames.biz/article...confidence-to-be-restored)