Invitation

Dear friends, athletes, coaches, teams, organizers and volunteers,

In behalf of Slovak Canoeing we would like to welcome you in Slovakia, in the city of Bratislava at Olympic Hopes 2019.

We are very pleased that we can finally organize this event in the newly built “ZEMNÍK” canoeing and rowing venue. This course exists already several decades, but just five years ago, we managed to get the venue into long-term lease, and we have large building plans with it. Canoeing history began here three years ago when, under provisional conditions, we organized qualification races and national championships in canoe sprint and rowing. The Olympic Hopes Competition will be the first international event here at Zemník in Bratislava and we would like to build great sports venue with perfect conditions for training and competing so we can host all kind of races, from national championships to the world championships.

The Olympic Hope Competition is an event for young people aged 15 to 17 and gives athletes the chance to race at international competition with other successful athletes from over 30 countries around the world and gives them an opportunity to meet new friends. We can say today this event is like unofficial world championships for these young athletes.

At last, we would like to thank the organizing committee, the volunteers and the officials for the effort to organize a quality competition worth the title of “Olympic Hopes”. Thanks also to our supporters Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport, Slovak Olympic and Sport Committee and other supporters such as sports clubs, sports centres as well as the manufacturer of paddles JANTEX and VAJDA boats and of course Slovak Canoeing sprint section.

We would like to wish you to the successful competitions, satisfying results of your athletes and a pleasant stay in Slovakia in the capital city Bratislava.

PaedDr. Robert Petriska  
Vice-President Slovak Canoeing

Ing. Boris Bergendi  
Chairman of organizing committee
Bratislava is capital city of Slovakia located in the Central Europe. City is well connected with neighbouring capitals and international airports by international highways. Population 520 000. The capital of Slovakia attracts visitors with its rich history and landscape, as well as its modern buildings. Visitors can’t miss Bratislava Castle, with its own Historical Museum and surprisingly quaint gardens overlooking the city. Stroll down the picturesque streets of the district under the Castle towards the Old Town, featuring the remarkable St.Martin’s Cathedral. This Gothic Cathedral witnessed the coronation of 19 Austro-Hungarian kings and queens, including Maria Theresa, whose importance was felt throughout Europe. The Main Square, extremely rich in historical and cultural monuments, draws visitors in with its charming atmosphere. Here, you can also find several palaces, the Bratislava City Museum, the Old Town Hall, and Roland’s Fountain, all serving to enrich the atmosphere. Visit the Primate’s Palace, with precious English tapestries from the 17th century and beautiful displays in its Art Gallery. We must mention the nearby Blue Church, an Art Nouveau gem with blue plaster and roof. For sightseeing in Bratislava, you can also hop on the small historical train and explore the entire city, beginning from the Castle and ending in the streets of the Old Town. This train runs throughout the year. On the right bank of the Danube, relax in the oldest public park in Central Europe called Sad Janka Kráľa, which was founded by Maria Theresa. At the end of the park, you will see the suspension Bridge of Slovak National Uprising, whose UFO café offers amazing views of the city’s surroundings. Enjoy a trip down the Danube on a sightseeing boat. You can choose from among several different routes, like a cruise around Bratislava, one up to Devín, a cruise on the other side to Gabčíkovo and much more.
Zemník
Canoeing Sport Center is located about 5 km south east from city center.

GPS COORDINATES
Latitude 48.090257
Longitude 17.138144

Weather Information

The month of September presents moderate sunny weather with average temperature about 20 - 25°C.

• Temperature
  Daytime temperatures will generally reach highs of around 20°C. At night the average minimum temperature drops down to around 10°C.

• Relative Humidity
  The average daily relative humidity for September is around 60%.

• Precipitation
  The average monthly amount of precipitation is 50 mm.

• Wind
  The average daily wind speed in September is 10 km/h.
  The average number of windy days in September is 11.

How to get to the Venue

City is well connected with neighbouring capitals and international airports by international highways.

BY ROAD

Bratislava is situated directly on country boarders with Czech Republic, Austria and Hungary. Bratislava is well connected to neighbouring capitals by international multilane highways. Within Slovakia, the D1 motorway connects Bratislava to the east of the country (direction Košice, Krakow), the D2 motorway connects Bratislava with Hungary to the south and the Czech Republic to the north and D4 motorway connects Bratislava with Vienna.
BY AIR

If you want to fly to Bratislava, you can choose between the city’s own international airport and Schwechat airport in Vienna, which is about 45 km from Bratislava and connected by regular shuttle buses. Regular flights link these airports with many major European destinations.

Vienna international airport (VIE)
www.viennaairport.com
Bratislava airport (BTS)
www.bts.aero

BY TRAIN

International trains to Bratislava’s main railway station run from Vienna (1 hour), Budapest (3 hours), and Prague (4-5 hours) several times a day. There are less frequent direct connections to Berlin, Bucharest, Kiev, Moscow and Warsaw. The main railway station is a short distance from the centre and there is a good connection to city public transport; alternatively, walking takes 15-20 minutes. Trains from Vienna also arrive at Bratislava–Petržalka Station, which is to the south of the city centre across the Danube River.

BY BOAT

Perhaps the nicest way to arrive in Bratislava is by riverboat, via the Danube. The Rhine–Main–Danube Canal links Bratislava with the North Sea; the Danube River connects it to the Black Sea. Cruises along the Danube have been a big hit with tourists for many years. River cruises go to and from Budapest, and a scheduled passenger service, the Twin City Liner, connects Bratislava and Vienna by high-speed catamaran several times a day during summer.
Visa Requirements

The Organizing Committee will assist in processing Immigration visa applications for all participants of the Championships.

Type C Schengen visa: entry visa
The visa entitles its holder to enter and stay in the Schengen area for not more than a total of 90 days within a six-month period subsequent to the date of the first entry. This visa may be issued for one or several entries (single entry and multiple entry visa).

Further information can be found at www.foreign.gov.sk/en/home

Customs Regulations

Slovak customs procedures are regularly reviewed and follow European Union legislation, where applicable.

Slovak Canoeing will provide support and guidance to support this process, particularly in connection with licensed Sport and Medical equipment, however, we are unable to guarantee all exceptions.
Events

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Each national federation can enter max. 2 boats for each event.

Competition programme

11.09.2019 (Wednesday)  Trainings, Self boat control
12.09.2019 (Thursday)    Trainings, Team Leaders’ meeting, Self boat control
13.09.2019 (Friday)      1000m heats, semifinals, finals
14.09.2019 (Saturday)    500m heats, semifinals, finals
15.09.2019 (Sunday)      200m heats, semifinals, finals

CUP OF NATIONS
Each country will receive points according to the results in the Final A races as follows:

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Participation Fee and Services

Participation fee:

All participants (athletes, coaches, attendants, etc.) have to pay a participation fee of 30€/day, that includes:

- Accreditation card
- Shuttle bus: on the competition days according to the timetable to be published

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• Training bus running according to the timetable to be published
• Security service at the course
• Medical care at the course
• Fees for the use of the regatta course and its facilities

The participation fee does NOT include:
• Transfer from and to the Airport

In case accommodation is booked through the HOC, then all team members of that national federation will not have to pay a participation fee as it is already included in the accommodation price.

Payment
The participant’s fees are to paid after coach meeting, or before the competition via bank, only in EUR:

Beneficiary: Slovenska kanoistika, Junacka 6, 831 04 Bratislava
Bank: Slovenská sporiteľňa, a.s.
IBAN: SK64 0900 0000 0051 2488 5114

Entries
In order to assure a very good organization and accommodation we would be obliged if you could confirm your participation by fill forms:

• ELECTRONICAL Preliminary entry form / request for boats 14th July 2019 at the latest
  On http://oh2019.canoe.sk/
• ELECTRONICAL Nominal Entries on our website deadline 4th September 2019
  On http://oh2019.canoe.sk/

After deadline of nominal entries will be every change charged by 2,- € / one change.

Training before competitions
For teams coming not only from oversees we will be able to arrange for training camp before (or after) the competition. Please contact hujsova@canoe.sk.

Boat rental
A limited number of boats can be rented. Your request must be send till 14th July 2019 in the online preliminary form. After this date should be problem to provide boats. The fee will be 40 EUR per single boat and day, 45 EUR per double boat / day and 50 EUR per K4/C4 /and day.
Description of Competition Venue and sport infrastructure

Zemník Canoeing Sport Centre is a natural course near the river Danube suitable for canoeing and rowing. It is located 5km south east of the Bratislava city centre. This course is used for water sports since 2013. It is 2.2km long and 200m wide.

Services for Athletes

The following services will be provided to all accredited athletes and team personnel:

- Refreshments
- Local transport
- Athlete’s Village
- Boat Storage
- Rest Room
- Security
- Medical
- Car Parking
- Drink Water
- Flatwater Training
Type and standards of accommodation

Accommodation for athletes and teams
Accommodation costs pro person/night, including full board and local transportation.

After the preliminary entries we will send you invoice with 10% advanced payment for accommodation based on the hotel you choose. After the payment we will confirm booking. Until 5th August we need exact number of persons for accommodation and after the 1st September there is 100% cancellation fee.

**Category 1:** Double room: 95 EUR/ person  Single room: 105 EUR/night
Barok Apartments - 3 minutes drive, http://www.barok.sk
Melrose - 3 minutes drive, http://www.melroseapartman.sk
Viktor - 10 minutes drive, https://www.hotelviktor.sk
Berg - 10 minutes drive, https://www.penzionberg.sk
Lindner - 20 minutes drive, location in city centre
https://www.lindner.de/sk/bratislava-hotel-gallery-central/vitajte.html

**Category 2:** Double room: 85 EUR/ person  Single room: 95 EUR/night
Pension Raki - 10 minutes drive, http://penzion-bratislava-raki.com
Dominika - 10 minutes drive, http://www.hoteldominika.sk
Divoká voda - 15 minutes, https://www.divokavoda.sk/ubytovanie/
Category 3: Person: 65EUR/night, Single room: 75EUR
Raki Hostel - 10 minutes drive, http://penzion-bratislava-raki.com
Modrá čajka - 15 minutes drive, http://www.yachter-cajka.sk

Accommodation for V4: Double room: 50 EUR/ person
Remy - 20 minutes drive, http://hotel-remy.mozello.com

Category 4: Quadruple room: 40 EUR/ person  Single room: 60 EUR/night
Bungalows Divoká voda - 15 minutes drive, https://www.divokavoda.sk/ubytovanie/

Airport Transport for all participants
Bratislava airport 10€/person
Viena airport 20€/person
Groups up to 3 person will have a special price

Transport of athletes and team officials during the competition
Shuttlebus from hotels will be provided according a specific timetable and will be free of charge.
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