FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE GYMNASTIQUE



FIG Apparatus World Challenge Cup

Varna, Bulgaria 27 - 30 May 2021



ID: 16599

DIRECTIVES

Dear FIG affiliated Member Federation,

Following the decision of the FIG Executive Commission, the Gymnastics Federation of **Bulgaria** has the pleasure to invite your Federation to participate in the aforementioned official FIG World Challenge Cup.

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LOCATION	Varna, Bulgaria
DATES	From 27 to 30 May 2021
VENUE	PALACE OF CULTURE AND SPORTS Address: 115 "Knyaz Boris I" bd. 9000 Varna Telephone: (+359) 52 645 133 Fax. (+359) 52 647 785 e-mail: office@palaceofvarna.com Website: www.palaceofvarna.com Training Hall and Warm-up Hall - Palace of Culture and Sports
APPARATUS SUPPLIER	A detailed list of Spieth and Janssen-Fritsen equipment to be used for this World Challenge Cup will be published on the FIG web site. For training, warm-up and competition identical apparatus will be used.
RULES AND REGULATIONS	The competition will be organized under the following FIG rules, as valid in the year of the competition, except for any deviation mentioned inthe World Challenge Cup Rules in Artistic Gymnastics: Statutes Code of Ethics Code of Conduct Technical Regulations License Rules Code of Points and relevant Newsletters Rules for the FIG World Challenge Cup Series in Artistic Gymnastics General Judges' Rules Specific Judges' Rules for Artistic Gymnastics

Medical Organization of the Official FIG Competitions **Anti-Doping Rules** FIG Framework for Safeguarding Athletes and other Participants from Harassment and abuse in Sport during Events Media Rules **Apparatus Norms** Advertising and Publicity Rules Accreditation Rules Regulations for Awards Ceremonies and subsequent decisions of the FIG Executive Committee Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the FIG (e.g. annual membership fees, unpaid invoices, etc.) will not be allowed to participate in this World Challenge Cup. Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the Local Organizing Committee by the given deadline in these Directives may still have the possibility to participate, but the LOC will not guarantee the hotel booking, meals and local transportation. The Organising member federation may invite FIG member federations in good **FEDERATIONS** standing at their discretion, but must invite at least all Member Federations INVITED which had: gymnasts ranked 1 - 50 in the qualification competitions per apparatus at the last World Championships preceding the respective World Challenge Cup Series. Only senior gymnasts in good standing with the correct age and holding a valid PARTICIPATION AND FIG License may participate. The Organizing Committee will be responsible for **FIG LICENSE** checking the validity of the gymnasts' licenses. No gymnasts will be accepted without a valid FIG License at the deadline of the Nominative Registration. While the Organizing Member Federation may limit the maximum number of gymnasts per delegation, except for the eligible gymnasts, the maximum size of the invited delegation is as follows: **Delegation member** Men Women Joint Head of Delegation 1 1 1 2 Team Manager 1 1 3 Coach (max. 1 per gymnast*) 3 6 Gymnasts 6 4 10 Medical Doctor 1 1 1 Paramedical staff 1 2 1 2 4 Judges * including Wild card and "hors concours" gymnasts **AGE LIMITS** Age limit for MAG: 18 years (born in 2003 or before) Age limit for WAG: 16 years (born in 2005 or before) Provisional. Definitive and Nominative Registrations must be made exclusively REGISTRATION on-line via the FIG website (http://www.gymnastics.sport). These on-line **DEADLINES** registrations will only be accepted from FIG Gymnastics Member Federations. Registrations and payments made after the gymnasts' drawing of lots will not be accepted and the Delegations members concerned will not be authorized to participate. Provisional 27th January 2021 registration (4 months prior to the event) Midnight Swiss Time 27th March 2021 Definitive (2 months prior to the event) registration Midnight Swiss Time

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	Nominative 27 th April 2021 (4 weeks prior to the event)			
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	Late registrations are subject to fines as follows:			
	Fine for missing or late Provisional Registration (if any) CHF 500.		CHF 500	
			CHF 750	•
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ENTRY FEES		e cost for the Entry Fee (approved by the		FUR
ENTRYFEES	per gymnast. At the time of the Definitive entry (2 months prior to the event) 100% of the entry fee must be paid to the LOC. The entry fee is not refundable. Entries without payment of the entry fees will be considered as invalid and will be refused.			
ACCREDITATION	Each federation will be taken to the accreditation desk upon arrival. In order to accelerate the accreditation procedure, please send to the Local organizing committee by email at gymnasticsevents@gmail.com a photo of each delegation member together with the Nominative registration. The specification of the photo should be as follows: File format: JPG, JPEG Dimensions: 190 pixels wide x 250 pixels high File name: NOC_Surname_Firstname If a photo has to be taken during the accreditation because none has been sent within the deadline or sent in the un official requested format, there will be a charge of 10 EUR for each photo taken at the accreditation desk.		each ation	
	During the accreditation the Head of Delegation must present the following: Passports of all members of the delegation Insurances of all members of the delegation National anthem (on CD) and national flag (150 x 100 cm) Competitors' music WAG (CD 1copy) Proof for full payment of the costs due to the LOC Transport - Departure License of the gymnast As far as the number of accreditations per federation is concerned, the World			
COMPETITION	Cup Regulation will be strictly applied. The Apparatus Competitions for World Challenge Cup competitions consist of:		et of:	
FORMAT	Qualifications and Apparatus Finals			
2	Qualifications:			
	 Participation is limited to 2 gymnasts per NF on each apparatus. The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to add (only for the qualifications) "hors concours" competitors. These competitors are in addition to the official competitors of the Organizing Member Federation, they must be named at the time of the closing of the nominative registration and they cannot qualify for the Finals. They are not eligible to receive World Challenge Cup points, they must not appear on the official results lists and they will have to start first at every apparatus. The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to name a max. of "4 hors concours" competitors in Women's Artistic Gymnastics and a max. of "4 hors concours" competitors in Men's Artistic Gymnastics for a total of 8 "hors concours" gymnasts (i.e. while one "hors concours" gymnast can compete on more than one apparatus, not more than one "hors concours" gymnast can compete on an apparatus). 			
	 FIG Competition III rules will be applied for vault. 			

	 In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up for the Olympic Games shall be applied (Technical Regulations, Section 2).
	 Finals: The best eight gymnasts per apparatus from the qualifications qualify for the Finals Participation is limited to 2 gymnasts per NF and each apparatus. In addition, the Organizing Member Federation has the right to a limited number of Wild Cards to guarantee the participation of the Host Country gymnasts in the Finals (maximum 1 man and 1 woman gymnast only at one apparatus each). These "Wild Card Gymnasts" must have participated at the respective apparatus in the qualification. "Wild Card Gymnasts" will receive medals, prize money and World Challenge Cup points. FIG Competition III rules will be applied for vault.
	 In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up for the Olympic Games shall be applied.
DRAWING OF LOTS	The gymnasts' drawing of lots for all FIG World Challenge Cup events will take place on site immediately after the orientation meeting or during a separate function organized for the draw.
	At the time of the nominative registration, the apparatus on which the gymnast will compete must be mentioned. Modifications can be made until accreditation. Gymnast may be changed and apparatus can be added as long as 2 gymnasts/apparatus/NF is respected. 25 May 2021 Delegations' arrival / Free Training
PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE	26 May 2021 Orientation Meeting / Official training per schedule/ Judges Meeting
	27 May 2021 Judges Meeting / Opening Ceremony / Qualification MAG (FX-PH-SR) & WAG (VT-UB)
	28 May 2021 Judges Meeting / Qualification MAG (VT-PB-HB) & WAG (BB-FX)
	29 May 2021 Judges Meeting / Finals MAG (FX-PH-SR) & WAG (VT-UB) /Award Ceremony
	30 May 2021 Judges Meeting / Finals MAG (VT-PB-HB) & WAG (BB-FX)/ Award Ceremony/ Farewell Party
	31 May 2021 Departure of all delegations
EVENT MANAGER	Iliya Yanev - Local Competition Director
	iliayanev@gmail.com
MEDIA	Event Media Officer: Tzveta Markova Tel.: +359 877 57 93 40
000111 145511	Email: cveta78@abv.bg
SOCIAL MEDIA	Event's website: https://gymnastics.bg/varnaworldcup2021
MEDICAL SERVICES	An ambulance, doctors and physiotherapists will be available at all stages of Training, warm up and competition
OFFICIAL HOSPITAL	Medical Center for Rehabilitation and Sports Medicine of Varna Varna, 39A Seliolu str.

	tel. +35952 613 781
	email: mcrsm@abv.bg
DOPING CONTROLS	The Organizing Member Federation will provide at its own charge a minimum of 6 doping controls, 3 for Women and 3 for Men.
VISA	Please verify immediately with your travel agent or the Bulgarian Embassy or Consulate in your country if a visa is required for your travel to Bulgaria . The Organizing Committee will be happy to assist each Delegation member with an official invitation letter, provided that the request is made before 27 th March 2021 to the LOC.
	The request must include the function, full name, gender, date of birth, citizenship and passport number, passport expiry date, the arrival and departure dates of the Delegation Member as well as the city the visa application support letter must be sent to.
INSURANCE	The Host Federation, the Organizing Committee and the FIG will not be held responsible for any liabilities in case of accidents, illness, repatriation and the like. The FIG Technical Regulations foresee that all participating Federations are responsible for making their own arrangements to have the necessary valid insurance coverage against illness, accidents and for repatriation for all the members of their Delegation. The LOC will verify the insurance upon arrival of the delegation members (e.g. cover note or photocopy of the valid policy). Delegation members with insufficient insurance cover must inform the LOC in advance.
	The LOC will subsequently offer insurance at the Federations own charge as follows: 10 EUR per person/day.
INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION	The invited participating federations must pay for the travel costs of their delegation members.
LOCAL TRANSPORTATION	The Travel Schedule Form must be returned to the LOC by 27 th April 2021. Federations that have arranged accommodation through the Organisers will be transferred by bus from Varna Airport or Varna railway station to the official hotels, and from the official hotels to and from the competition venue and vice versa. Otherwise the cost of € 50 (per delegation member) for the local transportation must be paid to the OC by 27 th April 2021.
ACCOMMODATION	All accommodation Accommodation Breakfast Dinner Banquet Transport from Varna Airport or Varna railway station to the competition venue or hotel and back Transport from the hotel to the competition venue and back. Transport from the hotel (5*) Address: Resort complex "St. st. Konstantin and Elena" Varna 9006, Bulgaria Tel.: +359 52 361 089 E-mail: marketing@grandhotelvarna.com Web site: www.grandhotelvarna.com The costs in this hotel category are as follows (price per person/per night): 140,- € (single room, including breakfast and dinner) 110,- € (double room, including breakfast and dinner) Hotel "Dolphin" – Second hotel (4*) Address: Resort complex "St. St. Konstantin and Elena"
	Varna 9006, Bulgaria Tel.: +359 52 361 089 E-mail: marketing@grandhotelvarna.com

Web site: www.grandhotelvarna.com

The costs in this hotel are as follows (price per person/per night):

110,- € (single room, including breakfast and dinner) 90,- €(double room, including breakfast and dinner)

Hotel "Lebed" - Third "low cost" hotel (4*)

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Varna 9006, Bulgaria Tel.: +359 52 361 089

E-mail: marketing@grandhotelvarna.com
Web site: www.grandhotelvarna.com

The costs in this hotel are as follows (price per person/per night):

90,- € (single room, including breakfast and dinner) 80,- €(double room, including breakfast and dinner)

The prices charged for the hotel rooms will not exceed the usual hotel rates. While the Accommodation Form must be returned to the LOC by **27**th **March 2021** at the very latest, the Hotel rooms will be allocated on a "first come, first served" basis.

The invited participating federations must pay for the accommodation expenses of their delegation members. The costs for the extra persons are the same as for the official delegation members.

The costs for the accommodations must be paid to the LOC as follows: At the time of the Definitive registration, **27**th **March 2021**, 50% of the accommodation costs must be paid to the LOC. Entries without the payment of the 50% of the Accommodation costs will be considered as invalid and will be refused.

The remaining 50% of the Accommodation costs must be paid by 27th April 2021.

Cancellation policy:

By 27th March 2021 – 100 % refund

From 28th March 2021 to 27th April 2021 – Cancellation fee: 50% of the total price of the cancelled rooms for the requested period of accommodation From 28th April 2021 – no refund

Only written cancelations sent by e-mail or fax are accepted.

Refund will be made only by bank transfer. All costs for the bank transfers will be at the charge of the participating federations

MEALS

The invited participating federations must pay for the meals' expenses of their delegation members.

Delegations that book their accommodation through the LOC have accommodation, breakfast and dinner in their package.

Tickets for lunch (15,-€/person/lunch) can be purchased through the LOC.

The Meals Form must be returned to the LOC by **27**th **April**, **2021** at the very latest. The costs for the meals must be paid to the LOC by the same date, **27**th **April**, **2021**.

No refund will be made after the deadline of the Nominative registration.

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FINAL BANQUET	Delegations that book their accommodation through the LOC are invited free of charge to the Final Banquet.			
		tions having not booked their accommodation through the LOC may se tickets to the Final Banquet at 30 euro per person.		
		the Final Banquet will be available for purchase at LOC office for nust be paid to the LOC during the accreditation at latest.		
FIG TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND	The FIG Techr	nical Delegates will be de	esignated by the FIG.	
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JUDGES AND	Each Judge's p	panel will be composed a	as follows:	
PANELS				
	• 2 D judges,	minimum 4 E judges, plu	us 1 Supervisor	
	federation dependence than one and line judges. The judges' page.	udges' panels are set up by a draw from the judges present at the event.		
	The draw must be directed by the MAG and WAG Technical Delegates. The participating member federations must send minimum one qualified judge for MAG if they participate with male gymnasts and one qualified WAG judge if they participate with female gymnasts.			
	The Organizing Member Federation will apply a fine of CHF 2'000 per missing judge (to be paid to the LOC) should a federation fail to bring the required number of judges. This fine must be paid to the LOC by 27 th April 2021 .			
	brevetted judge function. Shou registration, the approval the new reserves, 1 material at the cost of the through the refederation fail consultation with (in terms of in	ganizing Member Federation is responsible that there are enough FIG ad judges present with the appropriate valid category of brevet for their should there not be sufficient judges as per the on-line nominative sion, the Organizing Member Federation must propose to the FIG for all the name of neutral additional judges to complete the panels (plus 2 s, 1 man and 1 woman). These judges, once approved, have to be invited out of the Organizing Member Federation. Such invitation must be made the respective Member Federation. Should the Organizing Member ion fail to propose names for additional judges, the FIG Office in ation with the TC Presidents concerned will invite these judges at the cost is of international and local travel, accommodation and meals) of the ing Member Federation. For additional judge's requirements see the Judges' Rules.		
VIDEO CONTROL SYSTEM	Should IRCOS not be available, the Organizing Member Federation will provide another video control system which allows to treat inquiries and records all exercises of the competition in a quality which allows to judge the exercises.			
PRIZE MONEY	The organising member federation must pay the following minimum Prize Money (amounts in Swiss Francs – CHF): CHF 2'800 per apparatus.			
	The Prize Money, free of any deductible taxes, will be distributed in CHF as follows:			
	World Challenge Cup - Prize Money in CHF			
		Ranking	Apparatus	
		1	800	
		2	600	
		3 4	400 300	
		5	250	
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6	200
7	150
8	100

No prize money, medals and World Challenge Cup Ranking Lists points will be given, if there are less than 4 participating federation in per apparatus.

ASSIGNMENT OF WORLD CHALLENGE CUP POINTS FOR THE WORLD CHALLENGE CUP RANKING LIST

In principle, the results and the updated FIG World Challenge Cup Ranking List will be published on the FIG web site within 24 hours after the end of the competitions provided that all the requirements before and after the competitions are duly respected by the Organizing Member Federation.

Separate men's and women's World Challenge Cup Ranking Lists are established for Apparatus Competitions (i.e. for each apparatus). These lists begin with the first World Challenge Cup event of the year and end with the last World Challenge Cup event of the year as follows:

• 6 World Challenge Cup Ranking Lists for Men and 4 World Challenge Cup Ranking Lists for Women

Men Women Floor Vault

Pommel Horse Uneven Bars Rings Balance Beam

Vault Floor

Parallel Bars Horizontal Bar

The World Challenge Cup Points are assigned to the competitors by name:

World Challenge Cup competitions		
Rank	Points	
1	30	
2	25	
3	20	
4	18	
5	16	
6	14	
7	12	
8	10	
9	8	
10	7	
11	6	
12	5	

In case of a tie at any rank, the number of points of the equal ranks are added and divided by the number of ties.

In case less than four federations participate per apparatus, no World Challenge Cup Points, no medals and no prize money will be given.

WINNER OF THE ANNUAL WORLD CHALLENGE CUP SERIES	The winner of the annual World Challenge Cup Series is the gymnast with the highest number of points for each apparatus after the last event of the Series as follows: If 4 or more World Challenge Cup Competitions take place per year, the best 3 are counted If 3 World Challenge Cup Competitions take place per year all points are counted A special award ceremony must be held at the last World Challenge Cup competition of the year in which the World Challenge Cup winners shall receive a Cup. Should there be a tie after the last competition, it will be broken as follows: The number of ranks of the counting competitions achieved by the respective gymnast will be added and the gymnast with the lowest total will prevail. If there is still a tie, the gymnast who has participated in the greater number of Finals of the counting competitions will prevail. If there is still a tie the total score of the counting exercises will be added and the gymnast with the highest total will prevail. If there is still a tie, he total execution score of the three counting exercises will be added and the gymnast with the highest total execution score will prevail. It there is still a tie, the tie will not be broken.		
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INFORMATION	Bank address: 55 Nikola Vapts 1407 Sofia, Bul Beneficiary name: Zapryanov Trav Beneficiary address: 9 Pop Bogomil 1202 Sofia, Bul IBAN: BG92RZBB915 SWIFT/BIC: RZBBBGSF Each participating member Federation is payment's purpose as follows: Country XX 2021 Example: BUL, World Challenge Cup Varna The participating federation is responsible connection with the bank transfers.	garia vel Ltd. str. garia 51086937930 kindly requested to integrate the KX, World Challenge Cup Varna	
MARKETING	FIG advertising and publicity norms must be respected		
TELEVISION	For the World Challenge Cup competitions to	elevision coverage is compulsory.	
	The Organizing Member Federation must guarantee the production of a basic feed (international signal). Please refer to Reg 12.3 of 2017-2021 Rules for the FIG World Challenge Cup Series in Artistic Gymnastics for additional information. Bulgarian National Television 29, San Stefano str., 1504 Sofia - Bulgaria International Activity Department: intl_relations@bnt.bg Sports Editors' office: sport@bnt.bg Contact person: Mr. Evgeni Nikolov Mobile phone: +359 898 710 997		
DEADLINES			
SUMMARY	Provisional Registration (on line) Definitive Registration (on line)	27 th January 2021 27 th March 2021	
	Nominative Registration (on line)	27th April 2021	
	Visa Request Form	27 th March 2021	
	Travel Schedule Form	27 th April 2021	

	Accommodation Form	27 th March 2021
	Meals Form	27 th April 2021
	Payment of the Entry Fee	27 th March 2021
	Payment of the Accommodation Costs - 50%	27 th March 2021
	Payment of the Accommodation Costs - 100%	27 th April 2021
	Payment of the local transportation	27 th April 2021
	Payment of the Meals and Banquet	27 th April 2021
	Payment of the fine for missing judge	27 th April 2021
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	We welcome your delegation members at the sea capital of Bulgaria - Varna city to experience unforgettable moments.	

Sincerely Yours,



Place and date: Sofia, 22.09.2021

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Signature of the President or Secretary General of the FIG affiliated NF