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1 GREETINGS

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CANOE KAYAK IT'S CRAZY! THAT'S THE SLOGAN OF THE 2014 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP IN BRANDENBURG.

THE EUROPEAN ELITE OF CANOE RACING ARE GUESTS OF BRANDENBURG AN DER HAVEL

1.1 PRESIDENT OF THE GERMAN CANOE FEDERATION

Just a year after the successful participation in the World Championships held in Germany, the German Canoe Federation is again the host of an international championship.

From 10th to 13th July the natural regatta course of Lake Beetzsee in Brandenburg an der Havel will be the venue for determining the ranking of canoe competition the second time after 2009. In collaboration with the organizing team of Brandenburg Beetzsee we are looking forward of being the host and again arranging title bouts.

The present European championship bears a particular importance given that it serves as qualification for the Continental Games, including canoeing, which is organized next year for the first time. In my capacity as acting president of the German Canoe Federation I'm pleased to be able to say welcome to all the athletes, doctors and coaches as well as to all the official representatives of the European canoe associations.

To begin with I would like to thank the European Canoe Federation for authorizing us to arrange the European championship and also the city of Brandenburg at the Havel, the federal state of Brandenburg and the lo-

cal organizers whose support rendered such an internationally exalted event possible after all. Also I would like to express my gratitude to the multitude of promoters, supporters and sponsors which are all contributing their share to enable us to witness professionally organized matches.

Let us witness together the proceeding of the success story of canoe racing and be present when our athletes play an essential part in it. Not only do I wish our guests enchanting days in Brandenburg but especially that their personal favorites do live up to their expectations.

German Canoe Federation

With best regards

Thomas Konietzko
President



1 GREETINGS

1.2 LORD MAYOR OF BRANDENBURG AN DER HAVEL

Dear Athletes, Coaches and Officials,
Dear Representatives of the ECA and the national Canoe Federations,
Dear friends of canoeing,

it is a great honor for us, the citizens of Brandenburg, to be able to welcome you, Europeans best canoeists, again to our city for your title matches five years after the successful European Championships in 2009.

We are greatly looking forward to this international regatta and we will do everything possible to make you, the competing teams, the Officials and all the guests, feel at home to celebrate a unifying sports meeting.

Lots of changes occurred on the regatta course Beetzsee since the last European Championships. In collaboration with the federal state of Brandenburg we - the city of Brandenburg - did a huge investment to further improve the conditions for athletes, organizers and guests. For example the addition of a judge tower and the extension of the race course can be mentioned here. Also the video screen on the water is now twice as large as the previous one. Highly modern technical equipment, efficient communication links and data connections which already delivered an optimal performance at the national and international championships have been installed to ensure the smooth and fair operation around the prestigious awards in the summer of 2014. Furthermore, much attention has been focused on taking into full


account the special needs of handicapped sports-women and sports-men as well as on improving working conditions for media representatives.



But not only the outstanding conditions offered by our traditional natural regatta course but also the intense commitment and the wealth of experience of our organizing team will guarantee a successful European Championship. We will wholeheartedly fulfill the confidence placed in us by the ECA.

I cordially invite you to Brandenburg an der Havel from 10th to 13th of July 2014. We, a host open to the world, are at your side looking forward to the European Canoe Sprint Championship 2014.

Yours



Dr. Dietlind Tiemann
Lord Mayor of Brandenburg an der Havel



2 GENERAL INFORMATION

BRANDENBURG AN DER HAVEL — THE CITY ON THE RIVER

Located just a few kilometers from Berlin, the capital of Germany, Brandenburg an der Havel lies at the heart of Europe in one of the most dynamic regions for growth. The origins of the town, which gave its name to today's Federal State of Brandenburg, go back well over 1.000 years. For historians, the special historical role Brandenburg an der Havel has played in the development of the entire region is an undisputed fact. The town has consistently provided a key stimulus for the economic development of the region over the centuries. Ernst Paul Lehmann's mechanical tin toys, "Brennabor" bicycles, motorcycles and cars, Arado aircraft and the legendary "Opel Blitz" truck are just a few of Brandenburg's products that account for the impressive industrial history of the oldest town in the state.

Today, the town is an unitary authority in the western part of the State of Brandenburg, with 72.000 inhabitants and is a modern business location enjoying constant growth. More than 2.500 students now study at the modern University of Applied Sciences, which was erected just 15 years ago on the site of former tank barracks. A large technology and start-up center provides the ideal opportunity for graduates and other young entrepreneurs starting out on their careers as self-employed professionals.

With a unique style, the town's three historic districts have been lovingly restored and feature imposing churches and historical monuments. A network of river creeks and channels branches out directly into the town center

which is surrounded by a landscape rich in forests and lakes. In recent years, Brandenburg an der Havel has once again become an attractive destination, bringing in more and more tourists. There are all kinds of opportunities for discovering the town on the Havel. Take a guided tour through the streets of the Old Town and the New Town, a walk around Cathedral Island or take to the water on a cruise of discovery and you'll wonder at the succession of sights which give testimony to the town's history. The many fascinating sights include the famous Brandenburg Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, the great churches of St Katharine, St Gotthardt and St Nikolai, the Old Town Hall guarded by the statue of Roland the Knight, the four gate towers and the remains of the original town walls. A visit to the many museums and exhibitions is also recommended. Build time into your schedule and be inspired by the precious treasures in the Cathedral Museum and the displays at the State Museum of Archaeology in the restored Pauli Monastery. The Industrial Museum also has much of interest, including information on Brandenburg's long tradition of steel production and the last Siemens-Martin furnace in Western Europe.

Also worth a visit is the Museum of Local History with its exhibits from the town history, a display of the history of Brandenburg's tin toy industry and a variety of special exhibitions. Theatre fans are well-rewarded in Brandenburg an der Havel and can choose

from in-house productions staged at the Studiobühne playhouse or in the grand setting of the Brandenburg Theatre or guest performances by visiting companies. Recommended for fans of classical music are the organ recitals at the town's churches which are popular as well as performances by the Brandenburg Symphony Orchestra. Every year, lots of visitors from near and far flock to Brandenburg's summer in the Cloisters event or to the popular town festivals. But while Brandenburg an der Havel is always worth a visit, it's the national and international water sports championships on Brandenburg's lake Beetzsee that makes it a very special destination, not only because of the exciting competitions at the regatta course but also with the wide range of attractions offered during events in the town center.



4 THE REGATTA VENUE OF BRANDENBURG AN DER HAVEL

The "Beetzsee" regatta course, a modern competition venue is more than 40 years old. Visiting the modern and lavishly designed sports facilities today, you would hardly believe that national and international championships have been held here for four decades now. In this region, enthusiasm for watersports is a tradition that goes back more than 120 years.

The facility became an increasingly popular competition course. Proof of this are the many events it hosted, including about 70 canoe regattas, among them 2 World Cups Canoe Marathon, seven German canoe sprint and dragon boat championships, 20 state championships and 20 Eastern German canoe sprint championships, as well as other events, not forgetting the annual Brandenburg Grand Canoe Regatta.

Emphasizing the multi-purpose nature of the "Beetzsee" regatta course are the regular sailing regattas, triathlon events and even the traditional Beetzsee Run which are all held here. In addition to sporting events, the site

of the regatta course is also used for trade fairs and cultural events. After the successful Under 23 World Rowing Championships in 2008, the 2009 European Championships Canoe Sprint and the 2011 ICF Junior Canoe Sprint World Championships was the next in the series of major international events. The face of the regatta course continues to change substantially, with the expansion of the rail network and other modernization projects being undertaken. These include the extension of the spectator stand, the completion of the broadcasting and media system, a newly designed press and media area, the extension of the judges' tower, the construction of new athletics facilities, modifications to the accreditation area and improvements to the display screen. The venue is also built for Paracanoeing and the facilities are prepared for disabled persons in athletes and spectators venue.

The waterway features are some of the most placid and beautiful water to paddle on in the world.

3 TRAVEL INFORMATION

The airport Berlin-Brandenburg International is 120 km far away and it takes 1 h by bus and highway. It is also possible to travel to Brandenburg by train. It takes about one hour from the main station in Berlin and two hours from Hannover main station. As to be seen in the map, the motorways A2, A10 are not far from the city centre of Brandenburg.

GOOGLE MAPS: <http://bit.ly/brbkanu>



ACCOMMODATION

CATEGORY 1 (★★★★ star hotel)

150 beds are available in Category 1 in 3 Hotels
 Price: single room 145,00 EUR/person/day
 double room 115,00 EUR/person/day

CATEGORY 2 (★★★ star hotel)

400 beds are available in Category 2 Hotels
 Price: single room 125,00 EUR/person/day
 double room 110,00 EUR/person/day

CATEGORY 3 (guest houses and cabin or hostel)

Price: single room 95,00 EUR/person/day
 double room 90,00 EUR/person/day
 3 and 4 bed rooms 85,00 EUR/person/day

Accommodation includes breakfast in the hotel, lunch and dinner at the regatta course. Shuttle service is available for all kinds of accommodation. The hotels are situated in the city of Brandenburg an der Havel and nearby the city of Brandenburg an der Havel. It takes no longer than 45 minutes from all hotels to the regatta course.

5 ENTRIES AND REGISTRATION



- » Deadline for provisional entry: Sunday, 30th March 2014
- » Deadline for provisional hotel bookings: Sunday, 30th March 2014
- » Deadline for numerical entries / obligatory hotel bookings: Sunday, 11th May 2014
- » Deadline for nominal entries: Tuesday, 1st July 2014

Please use the online entry system on our website www.emcanoesprintbrandenburg.de

We would appreciate if you could submit the attached provisional hotel and entry forms at your earliest convenience to allow efficient planning of the event.

PROVISIONAL TIME SCHEDULE 6

- » Tuesday 08.07.14 Boat Control
- » Wednesday 09.07.14 Boat Control
- » Thursday 10.07.14 Team Leaders Meeting
- » Thursday 10.07.14 Opening Ceremony
- » Friday 11.07.14 – Sunday 13.07.14 Competition (provisional time schedule will be published later)
- » Sunday 13.07.14 19.00 hrs Closing Ceremony

7 ACCREDITATION FEE

Only in the case that the accommodation is not organised by the HOC an accreditation fee of **30,00 EUR per day and participant** will be charged to cover the following service:

- ✗ Shuttle Service from accommodation to the venue (from day of arrival to day of departure)
- ✗ Accreditation
- ✗ Access and common use of the venue
- ✗ Per Team parking for one (1) trailer or one (1) container, for boats, paddles and team equipment
- ✗ Per Team Access and Parking for one accredited vehicle
- ✗ Mineral water at the venue
- ✗ Security Services and secure athlete area
- ✗ Medical care at the venue
- ✗ Insurance cover of the event

The fee applies from the period July 9th to July 13th. In case of earlier arrivals or later departures please contact the organizing office regarding additional costs.

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8.1 PAYMENT DEADLINES

The following deadlines apply for payment of fees:

- » 15th May 2014: 50% of total costs
- » 30th June 2014: 50% of total costs

8.2 CANCELLATION TERMS

In the event a booking/registration is cancelled, a charge will be made equivalent to any loss suffered by the HOC:

- » Before 15th May 2014: no forfeit of costs
- » After 15th May 2014: forfeit 50 % of total costs
- » After 30th June 2014: forfeit 100 % of total costs

Details will be made available in a separate information to all national federations.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

9.1 BOAT TRANSPORTATION

Please contact your Chamber of Industry and Commerce or Customs Office to obtain the accurate information regarding the documents necessary for boat transportation.

9.2 BOAT RENTAL

It is possible to rent boats. We will forward your requests to our partner. The rental costs are the followings:

K1 / C1	15,00 EUR per day
K2 / C2	20,00 EUR per day
K4 / C4	40,00 EUR per day

Paracanoes are also available.

Please give us your requests as earlier as possible but not later than Monday, 12th of June 2014.

9.3 INSURANCE

All official participants of the competition are strongly advised to take out a medical insurance policy in their respective countries.

9.4 MEDICAL CARE

The following medical services are available for all official participants of the championships: doctor on duty, hospital and clinic assistance. A medical center will operate at the regatta venue with ambulance and first aid. The costs above the regular first aid and ambulance services are to be covered by your medical insurance policy, the Organizing Committee is not responsible to cover your expenses in connection with hospital treatment, dental treatment or any other medical treatment.

We are strongly recommended for our disable athletes to wear life vests due to the long way from the boats bridges till the starting line. The organisers offer the opportunity to pass the life vest before the start to a available motorboat and to get the life vest back after the finish line. Please consider that also our disable athletes have to cross the whole lake to the finish line.

9.5 IMMIGRATION PROCEDURE

All participants are kindly requested to contact the German Embassy or consulate in their respective countries in time regarding visa requirements or visit the official web site of the German Ministry of Foreign Affairs: <http://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/EN/>

9.6 TRANSPORTATION

Bus shuttle is available for arrival and departure from Airport Berlin Tegel or Berlin Schönefeld, Brandenburg Central train or bus station to hotel. Transportation fee for Airport bus shuttle is 30 EUR per team member for both directions. The bus shuttle between hotel and regatta venue is available daily 7-19 clock and free of extra charge.

9.7 FOOD SERVICE

Breakfast will be served in all types of accommodation. Two additional meals (lunch, dinner) will be served at the regatta course. There are different dining areas. In each area two different dishes per day are available. The cost of these meals is included in the accommodation price. Meals (except breakfast) will start with evening meal on arrival day and terminate with lunch on departure day.

9.8 ICF OFFICIAL WORKING LANGUAGE

English is the main language. The promotional material will be in both, German and English.

9.9 LANGUAGE AND INTERPRETER SERVICES

The working language is English. At the Team Information Point we give all services in the languages English, French, Spanish and Russian. An interpreter service is available for these languages.



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