

## Invitation to compete in 2019 European U17 Championships To be organised in

## Gniezno, Poland Venue GOSiR GNIEZNO Sports hall Sportowa Street 3-5 62-200 Gniezno

Vende	Sportowa Street 3-5 62-200 Gniezno Poland
Dates of Championships	3 – 7 September 2019
Entry fee	Euro 30,- per player in singles and Euro 50,- per pair in doubles. The entry fees are payable after receipt of the invoice.
Tournament website	http://events.badmintoneurope.com/cms/?cmsid=340&pageid=5801
Entry Closing date	Entries must be made online no later than 6 August 2019 at 23.59 CET via the link below:  https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=ABF3296A-B47C-4DF2-8C9B-DD5585FC0EEC  Entries can only be submitted in accordance with "Eligibility" on the following page. Any submitted entries not in accordance with this section will be removed and not included into the event.  Please consult the Badminton Europe office in case of any doubt connected to the amount of entries of which your association is entitled to.
Referee	Julien Nys (BEL)
<b>Deputy Referees</b>	Aengus Sheerin (IRL), Marek Krawczyk (POL)
Committee of Management	Tamara Geeraerts (BEC), Renna Unt (BEC), Michał Langer (POL) and the Referee.



## **Eligibility**

All Badminton Europe Member Associations are eligible to compete in the event.

Member Associations entering a team in the European U17 Team Championships and placed 1-8 in the previous European U17 Team Championships\* are allowed to enter:

- -3 men's singles
- -3 women's singles
- -2 men's doubles
- -2 women's doubles
- -3 mixed doubles
- \* Denmark, Turkey, Scotland, England, France, Czech Republic, Russia and Germany finished 1-8 in 2017. They are entitled to the maximum amount of entries, as well as the host Poland.

Member Associations entering a team in the European U17 Team Championships but not placed 1- 8 in the previous European U17 Team Championships are allowed to enter:

- -2 men's singles
- -2 women's singles
- -2 men's doubles
- -2 women's doubles
- -2 mixed doubles

Member Associations not entering a team in the European U17 Team Championships are allowed to enter:

- -1 men's singles
- -1 women's singles
- -1 men's doubles
- -1 women's doubles
- -1 mixed doubles

Participants in the 2019 European U17 Championships shall be restricted to players born in **2003 or later.** 

In doubles events where two players from two different Member Associations compete together as a pair, each player will be counted as  $\frac{1}{2}$  an entry for the respective Member Association in that particular event.



Substitution	After the closing date for entries, a player who has entered may be unable to take part through illness, injury, or other unavoidable cause. That player's place in singles or doubles or both can be taken by a player from any Member Association as long as that Member Association does not exceed the quota of players for that specific event.  The Member Association withdrawing the player is given first opportunity to substitute the player.  If the Member Association withdrawing the player doesn't wish to replace the player, all the Member Associations who didn't reach their quota will be offered the spot and can nominate a player within a given deadline.  If more than one Member Association decides to nominate a player, the player with the highest European U17 Ranking (ranking date of the acceptance ranking to be used) in that event shall be selected. If two or more players have the same ranking or no ranking, Badminton Europe shall draw lots to decide which player will be accepted. If more than one player/complete pair withdraws in a particular event after the draw has been made, the position of each substituting player/complete pair shall be decided by drawing lots during the Team Managers' Meeting.  In doubles events, if only one player of a pair withdraws after the draw has been made and gets substituted, this new combination keeps their position in the draw.  Withdrawals arising after the team managers' meeting until play begins in a particular event will be dealt with as soon as they arise.
Seeding	Seeding for the 2019 European U17 Championships will be made by the BEC European U17 Ranking published on week 32 (5 August 2019).
Shuttles	The seeding will be announced on 19 August 2019. YONEX AS-50
Stringing	YONEX will provide stringing service at the event.
Regulations	The Tournament will be played in accordance with the regulations of the Confederation as laid down in Appendix VI – Regulations for the European U17 Championships and the Laws and Regulations as adopted by the Badminton World Federation.  The 2019 European U17 Championships shall be played as a simple knock-out draw.
Anti-doping testing	According to the existing law in Poland anti-doping testing can be executed on a random basis during the tournament.
Insurance	First help in case injury, during the event, will be provided by organizer.  Any medical treatment necessary away from the sports hall (e.g. at hotels or hospitalisation due to serious illness or injury) is at the players or officials own expense. It is recommended that associations of players or individual participants cover these risks by medical insurance.



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Clothing and advertising	Clothing and advertising will be permitted in accordance with the regulations of Badminton Europe's Appendix VI – "European U17 Championships", regulations 11 and 12.
	In singles matches it is mandatory that, from the quarter finals onwards, the opposing players in each match wear different colours from each other.  The player ranked lower on the European U17 Ranking will be required to wear clothing of a significant different colour. Where both players have the same or no ranking, the player listed lower in the draw will be required to change the colour of clothing.
	In doubles matches it is mandatory for double partners to wear the same colour.
	In doubles matches it is mandatory that, from the semi-finals onwards, the opposing pairs in each match wear different colors from each other. The pair ranked lower on the European U17 Ranking (total amount of points) will be required to wear clothing of a significant different colour. Where both pairs have the same or no amount of points the pair listed lower in the draw will be required to change the colour of clothing.
	The name of the player on the back of the shirt is mandatory.
	The name of the player's association on the back is optional. (If used, please note that it must comply with BWF rules.)
	The Referee is instructed to pay particular attention to uphold these regulations on clothing.
	In applying regulations on clothing and designs and advertising on players' clothing the decision of the Referee shall be final.
Host Contact Details	Michał Langer, e-mail address: m.langer@pzbad.pl
Accommodation info	For more information about accommodation visit Badminton Europe's official event website.  Contact: Ivetta Roczek techturka@techturka.com.pl
	The first deadline for booking your accommodation is <b>15 June 2019.</b> After this you can make cost-free changes until <b>31 July 2019.</b>



Transportation info	The deadline for booking your transport is 31 July 2019.
	The official pick-up point is the Ławica Air Port Poznan. There will be a shuttle service between the hotels and venue and between the venue and practice hall during the whole event. For more information about transport visit <a href="Badminton Europe's official event website">Badminton Europe's official event website</a> .
Visa Application	It is the responsibility of any nation or player needing a visa to travel to Republic of Poland to make sure that visa applications are made not later than <b>15 July 2019</b> .
	Send list of team to: Agata Lipowska, email address: <a href="mailto:visa@pzbad.pl">visa@pzbad.pl</a> Please copy: <a href="mailto:events@badmintoneurope.com">events@badmintoneurope.com</a>
	Organisers are unable to send supporting letters at a late stage and Embassies are no longer prepared to issue "last minute" visas.
	The fact that visas cannot be obtained, will NOT be accepted as an excuse for a withdrawal.