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**Invitation**  
**to compete in**  
**2020 European Club Championships**  
**To be organised on behalf of Badminton Europe by the**  
**Polish Badminton Association**

<b>Venue</b>	Sports Hall of Agricultural School Complex St. Suchowolca 26 15-567 Białystok Poland
<b>Dates</b>	<b>23-27 June 2020 (both days inclusive)</b>
<b>Organization contact</b>	Badminton Europe Confederation: <a href="mailto:events@badmintoneurope.com">events@badmintoneurope.com</a>
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://events.badmintoneurope.com/cms/?cmsid=340&amp;pageid=5798">http://events.badmintoneurope.com/cms/?cmsid=340&amp;pageid=5798</a>
<b>Referee</b>	Monique Bastien (SUI)
<b>Deputy Referee</b>	Mircea Solymosi (ROU)
<b>Committee of Management</b>	Tamara Geeraerts (BEC), Matthieu Hecker (BEC), Pawel Lenkiewicz (POL) and the Referee.
<b>Entry fee</b>	Euro 450,- per team,  Payable after receipt of the invoice by the National Association.

<p><b>Team Entry Closing date</b></p>	<p>Entries must be received in the Badminton Europe Office by <b>5 May 2020</b>.</p> <p>Please send the entries to <a href="mailto:events@badmintoneurope.com">events@badmintoneurope.com</a></p> <p>Associations can enter without details of the Club Teams if the winner and runner-up of the national club competition have not yet been decided.</p>
<p><b>Entries</b></p>	<p>As per the regulation 6 of the Appendix VIII (Regulations for the European Club Championships):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All Member Associations can nominate a maximum of 2 teams for the event</li> <li>• The hosting Member Association (Poland) can enter a maximum of 3 teams for the event</li> </ul> <p>The entries should, if known, contain the name of the clubs.</p> <p>If the national league championships have not yet been decided, the name of the clubs should be given immediately after the league championships are decided, but no later than <b>2 June 2020</b>.</p> <p>Entries stating no club name are regarded as valid entries and the usual procedure in case of a withdrawal will be applied.</p>
<p><b>Withdrawal</b></p>	<p>If a Member Association withdraws from the Championships, after the entry deadline, but before the draw, for any reason whatsoever, such a Member Association shall be liable of paying its entry fee and will be penalised by an administrative fine of 1.000,00 €.</p> <p>If a Member Association withdraws from the Championships, after the draw is conducted, for any reason whatsoever, such a Member Association shall be liable of paying its entry fee and of disciplinary action from BEC's Disciplinary Committee with a maximum fine of 3.000,00 € as per the BEC Disciplinary Regulations, reg. 8.5.</p>
<p><b>Seeding</b></p>	<p>The seeding will be done according to regulation 7.2 of the Appendix VIII (Regulations for the European Club Championships) and will be published on <b>9 June 2020</b>.</p>
<p><b>Draw</b></p>	<p>The draw of the group stage will be conducted and published on <b>11 June 2020</b>.</p>

<p><b>Nomination of players, team managers and other officials</b></p>	<p>Players nominations must be received by the Badminton Europe Office no later than <b>9 June 2020</b> (please use the nomination form).</p> <p>The nominations must be certified by the relevant National Association, who must satisfy themselves that each player nominated fulfils the conditions for participation (European Club Championships Regulations 11.1).</p> <p>For clarification “team match” shall be defined as a match played as part of the national league.</p> <p>Additionally, as per the regulation 11.2 of the Appendix VIII (Regulations for the European Club Championships): <i>“A club team can additionally nominate a maximum of 1 male and 1 female player that did not play at least one team match for the club as defined in 11.1.”</i></p>
<p><b>Format of matches</b></p>	<p>A team match will consist of 5 matches: Men’s singles, Women’s singles, Men’s doubles, Women’s doubles and Mixed doubles</p>
<p><b>Shuttles</b></p>	<p>YONEX AS-50</p>
<p><b>Regulations</b></p>	<p>The Tournament will be played in accordance with the regulations of the Confederation as laid down in Appendix VIII (Regulations for the European Club Championships) and the Laws and Regulations as adopted by the Badminton World Federation.</p>
<p><b>Doping control</b></p>	<p>Anti-doping testing may be carried out on a random basis at any time, as per BWF and WADA regulations.</p> <p>Doping control in badminton, in accordance with BWF Anti-Doping Regulations, is conducted out-of-competition and in-competition with the collection of urine and/or blood samples.</p> <p>Athletes are responsible for any substance found in their body. Before an athlete takes any medication, they should check with their doctor, and if necessary, get a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE).</p> <p>For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website: <a href="https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/">https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/</a></p>

<p><b>Badminton Integrity</b></p>	<p>Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code of Conduct in Relation to Betting, Wagering and Irregular Match Results) relates to anti-corruption and anti-match manipulation, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament.</p> <p>To protect the integrity of BWF sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, respect the principle of fair play, and shall not attempt to influence the course or result of a game or match.</p> <p>Every person has an obligation to report to the BWF any approaches by anyone to gather inside information or to change the outcome of a matches.</p> <p>For more information, please refer to BWF's website: <a href="https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/">https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/</a></p>
<p><b>Medals</b></p>	<p>All nominated players of the medal winning teams, being present, shall be awarded with medals.</p> <p>In addition, one nominated representative for each of the four medal winning teams shall accompany their team at the prize giving ceremony and shall receive a token from Badminton Europe for their achievement.</p>
<p><b>Clothing and advertising</b></p>	<p>Clothing and advertising will be permitted in accordance with the regulations of the Badminton World Federation (General Competition Regulations 20-24) and in accordance with the regulations for the European Club Championships, regulations 16 and 17.</p> <p>Players must wear team colours - each player must wear the same colour and design of shirts and shorts (or other equivalent articles of clothing). The use of team names on clothing is optional.</p> <p>In applying regulations on clothing and designs and advertising on players' clothing the decision of the Referee shall be final.</p>
<p><b>Insurance</b></p>	<p>Please make sure that players (and all members of the national delegation or officials) are insured for any damage caused to third parties of any nature (liability insurance contract). Insurance shall also cover the risk of bodily injury, including medical and hospitalization expenses incurred within the host country (Poland), and all expenses and costs needed for medical repatriation to their country of residence.</p>



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<b>Visa Application</b>	<p>It is the responsibility of any nation or player needing a visa to travel to Poland to make sure that visa applications are made not later than <b>23 May 2020</b>.</p> <p>Please use the VISA form available here: <a href="http://events.badmintoneurope.com/cms/?cmsid=340&amp;pageid=5798">http://events.badmintoneurope.com/cms/?cmsid=340&amp;pageid=5798</a></p> <p>Organisers are unable to send supporting letters at a later stage and Embassies are no longer prepared to issue “last minute” visas.</p> <p>The fact that visas cannot be obtained, will NOT be accepted as an excuse for a withdrawal.</p>
<b>Transport</b>	<p>Transport shuttle will be provided by the organizers, free of charge, from Warsaw Chopin Airport (WAW), and between the official tournament hotels and the sports hall.</p> <p>For the players/teams not staying in the official tournament hotels or not booking via the organisation, you can book the transport for a fee, please contact <a href="mailto:transport@ecc2020.bialystok.pl">transport@ecc2020.bialystok.pl</a> for more information.</p>
<b>Accommodation</b>	<p>For more information about accommodation go to <a href="#">Badminton Europe's official event website</a>.</p>
<b>Practice Facilities</b>	<p>For more information about practice facilities go to <a href="#">Badminton Europe's official event website</a>.</p>