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**Invitation
 to compete in
 2020 European Junior Team Championships
 To be organised in
 Lahti, Finland**

Venue	Pajulahti Sports Institute Pajulahdentie 167 15560 Nastola Finland
Dates of Championships	Thursday 29 October to Monday 2 November 2020
Team Managers' Meeting	The Team Managers' Meeting will be held on Wednesday 28 October 2020 at 20.00 in Pajulahti Sports Institute auditorium (main building). All participating associations must be present at the meeting.
Organisation contact	Badminton Europe Confederation: events@badmintoneurope.com Local Organiser: ejc2020@badminton.fi
Tournament websites	BEC: http://events.badmintoneurope.com/cms/?cmsid=340&pageid=5800 Badminton Finland: www.sulkapallo.fi/ejc2020
Referee	Ivanka Pokorni (CRO)
Deputy Referees	Ilkka Vainio (FIN) 2 nd Deputy Referee to be confirmed
Committee of Management	Tamara Geeraerts (BEC), Matthieu Hecker (BEC), Ville Valorinta (FIN) and the Referee.
Entry fee	Euro 450,- per team. The entry fees are payable after receipt of the invoice.



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Team Entry Closing date	<p>Team entries must be made online no later than Tuesday 11 August 2020 at 23:59 BWF HQ time (GMT +8) via the link below –</p> <p>https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=B351D63F-A04F-4145-BB94-E79418C3E5AE</p> <p>Player nominations can only be made after the entry deadline has passed.</p>
Eligibility	<p>All Badminton Europe Members are eligible to compete in the event. Participants in the 2020 European Junior Team Championships shall be restricted to players born in 2002 or later.</p>
Seeding	<p>The seeding will be made according to Appendix V (Regulations for the European Junior Team Championships) regulation 7.</p>
Nomination of players	<p>Each competing team must submit nominations of every player it intends to use in the event no later than 26 October 2020 at 23.59 CET, using the same link as for making the team entry (see page 1). Only nominated players shall be permitted to play in the event as selected players or substitutes. No additional players can be added after the player nomination deadline.</p> <p>In this connection we draw your attention to the BWF General Competition Regulations 6 on International Representation.</p>
Format of matches	<p>A team match will consist of 5 matches. 1 men's single, 1 women's single, 1 men's double, 1 women's double and 1 mixed double.</p>
Withdrawal	<p>If a Member withdraws from the Championships, after the entry deadline, but before the draw, for any reason whatsoever, such a Member shall be liable of paying its entry fee and will be penalised by an administrative fine of 1.000,00 EUR.</p> <p>If a Member withdraws from the Championships, after the draw is conducted, for any reason whatsoever, such a Member shall be liable of paying its entry fee and of disciplinary action from BEC's Disciplinary Committee with a maximum fine of 5.000,00 EUR, as per the BEC Disciplinary Regulations, reg. 8.5.</p>



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<p>Regulations</p>	<p>The Tournament will be played in accordance with the regulations of the Confederation as laid down in Appendix V – “Regulations for the European Junior Team Championships” and the “Laws and Regulations” as adopted by the Badminton World Federation.</p> <p>The European Junior Team Championships will be played in a first stage and a final stage.</p> <p>The first stage will be played in groups of three, four or five teams where each team plays all the other teams in the same group.</p> <p>The group winners, and possibly group runner(-s) up will progress to the final stage.</p> <p>After the closing date for entries, but before the conduction of the draw, Badminton Europe shall announce how many group runner(-s) up that progress to the final stage.</p> <p>The final stage shall be a knock-out draw with winning teams progressing to the next round until a winner is found.</p>
<p>Insurance</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>It is recommended that associations of players or individual participants cover these risks by medical insurance.</p>
<p>Doping control</p>	<p>According to the existing law in Finland anti-doping testing can be executed on a random basis during the tournament.</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: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/</p>



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<p>Clothing and advertising</p>	<p>Members need to ensure that their players' clothing complies with the existing BWF Regulations and Badminton Europe's Appendix V – "European Junior Team Championships" § 16 and § 17. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 50,00 EUR for each breach, unless otherwise stated below.</p> <p>In team matches players must wear team colours. That is each player must wear the same colour and design of shirts and shorts (or other equivalent articles of clothing) throughout a tie. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 250,00 EUR for each tie.</p> <p>In the final stage it is mandatory that the opposing teams in each tie wear different colours from each other. A team seeded lower or not seeded will be required to wear clothing of a significant different colour. Where both teams are seeded the same or are both not seeded, the team listed lower in the draw will be required to change the colour of clothing. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 100,00 EUR for each tie.</p> <p>Players must wear team colours; that is, each player must wear the same colour and design of shirts and shorts (or other equivalent articles of clothing).</p> <p>The name of the player on the back of the shirt is optional.</p> <p>The name of the player's country on the back of the shirt is mandatory.</p> <p>The Referee is instructed to pay particular attention to uphold these regulations on clothing.</p> <p>In applying regulations on clothing and designs and advertising on players' clothing the decision of the Referee shall be final.</p>
<p>Shuttles</p>	<p>Yonex AS-50</p>
<p>Stringing</p>	<p>Yonex will provide stringing service for at the event.</p>



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<p>Badminton Integrity</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: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/</p>
<p>Visa Application</p>	<p>It is the responsibility of any nation or player needing a visa to travel to Finland to make sure that visa applications are made no later than 1 September 2020.</p> <p>Send request for visa support letter: eic2020@badminton.fi Please copy: events@badmintoneurope.com</p> <p>Organisers are unable to send supporting letters at a late 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>
<p>Official point of arrival</p>	<p>Helsinki-Vantaa (HEL)</p> <p>Free transport will be provided from this airport to the tournament venue/hotel if accommodation has been booked through the organisation.</p> <p>In case accommodation was not booked through the organisation, more information about transport options and prices will be made available on the event's website.</p> <p>More information about transport will be made available on the event's website.</p>



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<p>Accommodation</p>	<p>We kindly ask all players/teams and also families & supporters to book accommodation via the official tournament organizer's website: www.sulkapallo.fi/ejc2020</p> <p>Pajulahti offers accommodation in two categories, sports rooms and hotel rooms. All accommodation comes with full board (breakfast, lunch, dinner).</p> <p>More information about the accommodation and meals, prices, and bookings & cancellation policies will be made available on the event's website.</p> <p>Please note that the accommodation offer is available already from Sunday October 25th so players and teams can arrive at Pajulahti e.g. directly from Finnish Junior (Played in Espoo 23.-25.10.) or to have a couple days for training at the institute before the tournament.</p> <p>The deadline for accommodation bookings is 25 September 2020 (full refund cancellation deadline is 3 October 2020).</p>
<p>Transport</p>	<p>We kindly ask all players/teams to book transport via the official tournament organizer's website: www.sulkapallo.fi/ejc2020</p> <p>More information about transport will be made available on the event's website.</p> <p>Please note that free transport to Pajulahti is available also from Finnish Junior (Espoo) on Sunday 25 October 2020.</p> <p>There is no need for transport within the Pajulahti area during the tournament. Please note that the organiser does not provide any transportation between the city center of Lahti and Pajulahti during the tournament and the public transportation is limited.</p> <p>The deadline for accommodation bookings is 25 September 2020.</p>
<p>Accreditation</p>	<p>For requesting any additional accreditations, please contact ejc2020@badminton.fi.</p>



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<p>Practice requests</p>	<p>An online practice booking form will be made available on the BEC event's website and should be done before 19 October 2020.</p>
<p>Covid-19</p>	<p>Please note that the tournament takes place during the turbulent Covid-19 period.</p> <p>BADMINTON EUROPE and Badminton Finland are not liable for any costs incurred by third persons because of a cancellation of a tournament.</p> <p>Should the event be cancelled with short notice by the Finnish authorities, due to the Covid-19 situation, beyond the control of both Badminton Europe and the hosting association, neither of them will be liable for any costs related to travelling or accommodation made by players / officials for this event.</p> <p>It is strongly recommended that all participants book flight tickets and hotel rooms with a cancellation insurance.</p> <p>Some national or global epidemiological restrictions might be in place in the sports hall, hotel, transport etc.</p> <p>If applicable, such information will be published on the official event's website and circulated to announced Team Managers.</p>