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Invitation
to compete in
2021 European Club Championships
To be organised on behalf of Badminton Europe by the
Polish Badminton Association

Venue	Sports Hall of Agricultural School Complex St. Suchowolca 26 15-567 Białystok Poland
Dates	21-25 June 2021 (both days inclusive)
Organization contact	Badminton Europe Confederation: events@badmintoneurope.com Podlaski Okregowy Zwiasek Badmintona: lenkiewicz@sportlen.pl
Website	http://events.badmintoneurope.com/cms/?cmsid=340&pageid=5798
Referee	Erik Ligtvoet (NED)
Deputy Referee	Tomasz Rogowski (POL)
Committee of Management	tbc (BEC), tbc (BEC), Pawel Lenkiewicz (POL) and the Referee.
Entry fee	Euro 450,- per team, The entry fees are payable after receipt of the invoice.
Intention of participation	All Members are kindly asked to announce their intention to nominate teams for the 2021 European Club Championships by 1 April 2021 . Please read the attached letter for more information.

<p>Team Entry Closing date</p>	<p>Entries must be received in the Badminton Europe Office by 3 May 2021.</p> <p>Please send the entries to events@badmintoneurope.com</p> <p>Members 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>Entries</p>	<p>As per the regulation 6 of the Appendix VIII (Regulations for the European Club Championships):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Members can nominate a maximum of 2 teams for the event • The hosting Member (Poland) can enter a maximum of 3 teams for the event <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 31 May 2021.</p> <p>Due to the Covid-19 situation, each Member can nominate any 2 (or 3 for Poland) clubs to participate in the event.</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>Withdrawal</p>	<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 €.</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 3.000,00 € as per the BEC Disciplinary Regulations, reg. 8.5.</p>
<p>Seeding</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 7 June 2021.</p>

Draw	The draw of the group stage will be conducted and published on 9 June 2021 .
Nomination of players, team managers and other officials	<p>Players nominations must be received by the Badminton Europe Office no later than 7 June 2021 (please use the nomination form).</p> <p>The nominations must be certified by the relevant Member, who must satisfy themselves that each player nominated fulfils the conditions for participation (European Club Championships Regulations 11.1). Due to the Covid-19 situation, it has been decided that to be eligible, players must have played for their club in 2019/2020 and/or 2020/2021.</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>”. Due to the Covid-19 situation, it has been decided to allow each club to nominate up to 2 males and 2 females that did not play at least one team match for the club.</p>
Format of matches	A team match will consist of 5 matches: Men’s singles, Women’s singles, Men’s doubles, Women’s doubles and Mixed doubles.
Shuttles	YONEX AS-50
Regulations	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>Doping control</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. 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). For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/</p>
<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. 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. For more information, please refer to BWF's website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/</p>
<p>Medals</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>Clothing and advertising</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>Insurance</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>
<p>Visa Application</p>	<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 20 May 2021 to sekretariat@pzbad.pl.</p> <p>Please use the VISA form available here: http://events.badmintoneurope.com/cms/?cmsid=340&pageid=5798</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>
<p>Transport</p>	<p>Transport shuttle will be provided by the organisers, free of charge, from/to 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 ecc2021@sportlen.pl for more information.</p>

<p>Accommodation</p>	<p>For more information about accommodation go to Badminton Europe's official event website.</p> <p>Due to the Covid-19 situation, it is possible that it will be mandatory to book accommodation (including full board) in the official tournament hotel. More information will be sent to all Members in due time.</p> <p>Hotel Golebiewski **** https://golebiewski.pl/en/bialystok-page-101210</p> <p>Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Buffet breakfast - Free outdoor parking - Fast free WiFi - Airport transportation to the hotel and back. - Access to the TROPIKANA water zone: swimming pools, sauna, jacuzzi, salt cave - access to the gym
<p>Practice Facilities</p>	<p>For more information about practice facilities go to Badminton Europe's official event website.</p>
<p>Covid-19</p>	<p>Please note that the tournament takes place during the turbulent Covid-19 period.</p> <p>BADMINTON EUROPE and the Polish Badminton Association 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 Polish authorities, due to the Covid-19 situation, beyond the control of both Badminton Europe and the hosting Member, 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>