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Invitation
to compete in
2021 European U17 Team Championships
To be organised in
Podčetrtek, Slovenia

Venue	Multipurpose sport hall Podčetrtek Zdraviliška cesta 23 3254 Podčetrtek Slovenia
Dates of Championships	Friday 3 to Tuesday 7 September 2021
Team Managers' Meeting	The Team Managers' Meeting will be held on Thursday 2 September 2021 at 20.00 . All participating Members must be present at the meeting.
Organisation contact	Badminton Europe Confederation: events@badmintoneurope.com Local organiser: Badminton Association of Slovenia
Tournament website	BEC: http://events.badmintoneurope.com/cms/?cmsid=340&pageid=5801 Local organiser: www.badminton-zveza.si
Referee	Ewald Cejnek (AUT)
Deputy Referees	Jožef Kuprivec (SLO), Aleksandar Dzhurov (BUL)
Committee of Management	Matthieu Hecker (BEC), Tamara Geeraerts (BEC), Matevz Srekl (SLO) and the Referee.
Team Entry Closing date	Team entries must be made online no later than 13 July 2021 at 23.59 CET via the link below – https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=c235ea6a-59ab-4a5a-8ee7-f00def39db4a Player nominations can only be made after the entry deadline has passed and until 31 August 2021 .



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Entry fee	Euro 450,- per team. The entry fees are payable after receipt of the invoice.
Eligibility	All Badminton Europe Members are eligible to compete in the event. Participants in the 2021 European U17 Team Championships shall be restricted to players born in 2005 or later .
Seeding and draw	The seeding will be made according to Appendix VII (Regulations for the European U17 Team Championships) regulation 7. The seeding will be announced on 20 August 2021 . The draw of the group stage will be conducted and published on 26 August 2021 .
Nomination of players	Each competing team must submit nominations of every player it intends to use in the event no later than 31 August 2021 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. In this connection, we draw your attention to the BWF General Competition Regulations 6 on International Representation.
Format of matches	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.
Regulations	The Tournament will be played in accordance with the regulations of the Confederation as laid down in Appendix VII – Regulations for the European U17 Team Championships and the Laws and Regulations as adopted by the Badminton World Federation. The European U17 Team Championships will be played in a first stage and a final stage. 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. The group winners, and possibly group runner(-s) up will progress to the final stage. After the closing date for entries, but before the conduction of the draw, Badminton Europe shall announce how many group runner(-s) up progress to the final stage. The final stage shall be a knock-out draw with winning teams progressing to the next round until a winner is found. The draw for the final stage shall be conducted immediately after the conclusion of the group stage.



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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 3.000,00 EUR, as per the BEC Disciplinary Regulations, reg. 8.5.</p>
Clothing and advertising	<p>Members need to ensure that their players' clothing complies with the existing BWF Regulations and Badminton Europe's Appendix VII – "European U17 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). 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>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>
Medals	<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>
Shuttles	<p>YONEX AS-50</p>



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Stringing	YONEX will provide stringing service at the event.
Doping control	<p>According to the existing law in Slovenia, 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>
Insurance	<p>First aid in case of injury during the event, will be provided by organizer.</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. It is recommended that associations of players or individual participants cover these risks by medical insurance.</p>
Badminton integrity	<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>
Visa Application	<p>It is the responsibility of any nation or player needing a visa to travel to Slovenia to make sure that visa applications are made not later than 30 July 2021.</p> <p>Send your request for a visa support letter: matevz.srekl@gmail.com 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>



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Official point of arrival	Zagreb Airport (ZAG) or Ljubljana Airport (LJU) Free transport will be provided from those airports to the tournament venue/hotel.
Transport info	More information about transport will be made available on the event's website. There is no need for transport between the hotel and the venue during the tournament, as everything will be in walking distance.
Accommodation info	Full board accommodation in the official tournament accommodation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hotel Breza: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Double/twin room: 90€/person/night (+ tourist tax) ○ Double room for single use: 115€/person/night (+ tourist tax) • Village Lipa: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Room/apartment for 2/3/4/5 people: 65€/person/night (+ tourist tax). Please note that unused beds will be charge 50€/person/night. <p>Please click here to book your accommodation during the event: Accommodation EU17C21</p> <p>The deadline to book accommodation is Thursday 29 July 2021. There will be enough rooms for all teams but please note that the number of rooms in each accommodation (Hotel Breza and Village Lipa) is limited so please book as soon as possible to get your preferred option.</p> <p>It is mandatory to stay at the official tournament accommodation due to Covid-19 safety measures.</p>
Accreditation	More information will be sent in due time.
Practice requests	An online practice booking form will be made available on the BEC event's website and should be done before 23 August 2021 .
Travel/Covid-19 testing protocol	The Covid-19 protocol of the event is available on the BEC website .



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Covid-19

Please note that the tournament takes place during the turbulent Covid-19 period.

BADMINTON EUROPE and the Badminton Association of Slovenia are not liable for any costs incurred by third persons because of a cancellation of a tournament.

Should the event be cancelled with short notice by the Slovenian 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.

It is strongly recommended that all participants book flight tickets and hotel rooms with a cancellation insurance.

Some national or global epidemiological restrictions might be in place in the sports hall, hotel, transport etc.

If applicable, such information will be published on the official event's website and circulated to announced Team Managers.