

INFO 2019/2

Luxembourg, 11th April 2019

1. FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

While everybody is following the way the United Kingdom is 'desperately' trying to leave the European Union, on 8th and 9th April the 2019 EU Sport Forum took place in Bucharest (ROU). Some 350 participants discussing in plenary and in parallel sessions such items as doping in sport, rights and interests of athletes, schools promoting healthy lifestyles, how to finance grassroots sport etc. Although many European sports federations including ETTU have a larger membership than the European Union, there are lessons to be learned from each other.



In more than one session it became clear that there exists something like a 'European Sports Model', that is different from the (North) American and Asian way of organising and managing sport. Where the last two 'models' are more commercially and market driven, the European model is more driven by social values. This observation is not new in itself. The main lesson to be learned is of course that we should look over each other's shoulders and adapt to continentally and globally changing circumstances. Last year's initiative of the European Broadcasting Union to connect a number of European Championships into one major event (although in two cities, Berlin and Glasgow) may be an answer to the wish to strengthen our European model, as the basis for developing our sport in the most social *and* commercial way.

With this in mind, I wish our Hungarian friends good luck with the organisation of the upcoming Liebherr 2019 World Table Tennis Championships. And I wish notably the European players good luck in their matches.

I am looking forward to meeting you all in Budapest.

Kindest regards,



Ronald Kramer



02. 2019 ETTU EXTRAORDINARY CONGRESS

· The Extraordinary Congress will be held on Thursday 25th April 2019, 0930h – 1300h, at the venue of the LIEBHERR 2019 World Table Tennis Championships, Budapest HUN.

AGENDA

1. Welcome by the ETTU President Ronald Kramer
2. Opening
3. Adoption of the Agenda
4. President's Report
5. Executive Board updates
 - a 2018 Budget
 - b 2019 Development Program
 - c Future of the World Championships
 - d Reflections on the outcomes of the ITTF AGM and Board of Directors meeting
6. Constitutional Review update and discussion
7. 2nd Minsk 2019 European Games
8. European Team Championships Stage 1 review
9. 2020 European Olympic Singles Qualification
10. Regulation proposals (Nantes Ordinary Congress)
11. Any other business
12. Closure

03. 2019 ETTU ORDINARY CONGRESS – NANTES

· Please note the 2019 ETTU Ordinary Congress will be held in Nantes FRA on Wednesday 4th September 2019 (09:30) during the LIEBHERR 2019 ITTF European Team Championships Final Stage.

· Propositions for the Agenda must be received by the ETTU Secretariat (ettu@pt.lu and rcsettu@pt.lu) not later than **Wednesday 12th June 2019**.

· Notice of the Congress venue and Agenda will be sent to all member Associations not later than Thursday 1st August 2019.

04. FUTURE ETTU EVENTS – 2021, 2022, 2023

· The ETTU Executive Board will be pleased to receive applications from Associations wishing to host the Europe Top 16 Cup for 3 consecutive years (2021, 2022, 2023) at one city, one venue.

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· Associations are kindly requested to send their initial applications to the ETTU Secretariat (ettu@pt.lu and rcsettu@pt.lu) to arrive not later than **Friday 31st May 2019**.



05. 2019 ITTF EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS STAGE 2

· Stage 2 groups will be played on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th May 2019.

· Stage 2 draw and host venues:

Men group 1 Romania, Serbia, Lithuania (Bucharest ROU)
Men group 2 Denmark, Netherlands, Switzerland (Roskilde DEN)
Men group 3 Ukraine, Italy, England, Estonia (Tallinn EST)
Men group 4 Hungary, Czech Republic, Israel, Ireland (Havirov CZE)
Men group 5 Turkey, Luxembourg, Finland, Bulgaria (Helsinki FIN)

Women group 1 Russia, Turkey, Lithuania (Istanbul TUR)
Women group 2 Spain, England, Belgium (Harlow ENG)
Women group 3 Italy, Serbia, Estonia (Belgrade SRB)
Women group 4 Switzerland, Slovakia, Greece (Bratislava SVK)
Women group 5 Slovenia, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Israel (Plovdiv BUL)

06. 2019 STAG EUROPEAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

· The prospectus for the 2019 STAG European Youth Championships, to be held in the city of Ostrava CZE from Sunday 7th to Tuesday 16th July 2019, has been published online.
· The draw for the team events will take place on Wednesday 5th June 2019 in Brussels BEL.

07. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2021

· Please note the recommended dates for 2021 National Championships are Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th March 2021.

08. 2nd EUROPEAN GAMES MINSK 2019

· The latest update from MEGOC detailing the Allocated Quota Places including Universality Places has been circulated to Associations.
· The Competition Format and Special Regulations document is available with this INFO.

Best wishes from the ETTU Secretariat



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