



CANOE MARATHON

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018

5.- 8. July

METKOVIĆ - CROATIA





Dear competitors, esteemed guests and friends of our City, it is my great pleasure to welcome you on behalf of City of Metković and from my side; welcome to the European Championship in the Kayak-Canoe marathon!

We are proud that our beautiful city hosts this great sporting event. The powerful river Neretva has always been the "deity that flows". The City of Metković lives and breathes sport and will do everything in order to make your stay exciting and for you to feel richer with new experiences when meeting new friends, as well as creating memories of top sport results, excellent organization and good entertainment. I'm sure you will feel the warmth and hospitality of Neretva men and women on every corner and with every step, as well as experience a rich tradition and enjoy the beauties and treasures of the Neretva valley. I wish Metković stays in a beautiful memory and becomes a place that you will be happy to often return to.

To all contestants I wish a lot of sport happiness and success!

Dalibor Milan, Mayor of the City of Metković



Dear friends in sport!

It is a great honor and I am extremely happy to greet you on behalf of the Organizing Committee of the Canoe Marathon European Championship on Flatwater, Metković 2018.

I use this opportunity to welcome all of you in advance to the beautiful green valley of the Neretva.

We are extremely happy to inform you that the organization is going as planned and scheduled. All active matters are being executed accordingly and we would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all of our colleagues active in the preparations of this event.

Our valuable team works diligently to make sure that your stay at the beautiful Neretva, as well as the competition itself, remains an experience worth memorising, one that you will gladly talk about as time passes.

Because we are here for you.

Marko Ćurković, The Organizing Committee



It will be a historic occasion this year in Metkovic, Croatia where the first ever Canoe Marathon European Championships will take place.

Branko Lovrić and Marko Ćurković from the Croatian Canoe Federation will be in attendance and I look forward to seeing them in Metkovic during the Championships. I have been to Metkovic many times and I am also looking forwards to meeting my friends there. I am sure it will be a great Championships event.

Albert Woods OBE ECA President



ORGANISING COMMITTEE:

Ante Bošković, Member
Milko Bulum, Member
Antonio Crnčević, Member
Mato Glavinić, Member
Davor Gnječ, Member
Vido Jeramaz, Member
Nikola Manenica, Member
Magdalena Medar-Ujdur, Member
Ivica Popović, President of the Organizing Committee
Nedjeljko Obradović, Vice-President
Ante Zovko, Vice-President

ITOs selected for the 2018 European Canoe Marathon Championships, Metkovic, Croatia

Chief Official	Jorn CRONBERG	ECA/ICF
Dep Chief Official	Ruud HEIJSELAAR	ICF
Safety Officer / Ceremony	Jose SOUSA	ICF
Chief Course Umpire	Birger VIK	NOR
Starter / Course Umpire	Stefan SCHÖCHE	GER
Chief Finish Line	Edwige BAKKAUS	FRA
Chief Raft Marshall	Begoña RODRIGUEZ	ICF
Boat control	Han FAAS	NED
Chief Portage Umpire	Marian SARBU	ROU
Course umpire	Anne MÜLLER	GER
Course umpire	Jan BACHE-WIIG	NOR
Course umpire	Salvador FONTANA ESTEVE	ESP
Course umpire	Colette IRIGOYEN	FRA
Course umpire	Peter JANZA	HUN
Course umpire	György DENES	HUN
Course umpire	Michal HAVIAR	SVK
Course umpire	Nicola BEVILACQUA	ITA
Course umpire	Lucia Maria FERNANDEZ ESPIÑO /	ESP
Course umpire	Sarah SWALLOW	GBR
Sport Presentation	Stefan GUSTAFSSON	ICF
Ass. Sport Presentation	Brian CHAPMAN	GBR
Announcer	Jim ROSSITER	GBR
Live streaming commentator	Ivan LAWLER	GBR



PROVISIONAL EVENT PROGRAM

DAY	ACTIVITY
Monday 2 July	Masters' single races,
Tuesday 3 July	Masters' double races,

PROVISIONAL RACE SCHEDULE

DAY	Proposed ECH time	ACTIVITY	Number of laps	Winning time 2017
Wednesday July 4	09:00 – 17:00	Training ECH paddlers at the course		
	14:00	Team Leaders' meeting.	1 lap = 3,6km 1 small lap = 1 km	
Thursday July 5	08:00:00	K1 Women Juniors	5 laps + 1 small lap	1:34:29
	08:05:00	C1 Women Juniors	3 laps + 1 small lap	1:13:00 **
	10:00:00	K1 Women under 23	6 laps + 1 small lap	1:49:35
	10:05:00	C1 Men Juniors	5 laps + 1 small lap	1:35:51
	17:00:00	K1 Men Juniors	6 laps + 1 small lap	1:42:12
Friday July 6	08:00:00	K2 Women Juniors	5 laps + 1 small lap	1:26:53
	08:05:00	C1 men under 23	6 laps + 1 small lap	1:49:31
	10:10:00	K2 Men Juniors	6 laps + 1 small lap	1:38:47
	10:15:00	C2 men Juniors	5 laps + 1 small lap	1:31:31
	17:00:00	K1 Men u23	7 laps + 1 small lap	1:54:43
Saturday July 7	07:45:00	C1 Women	4 laps + 1 small lap	1:28:00 **
	09:30:00	C1 Men	7 laps + 1 small lap	2:03:15
	09:40:00	K1 Women	7 laps + 1 small lap	2:03:15
	17:00:00	K1 Men	8 laps + 1 small lap	2:11:54
Sunday July 8	08:00:00	C2 Men	7 laps + 1 small lap	1:59:30
	10:10:00	K2 Women	7 laps + 1 small lap	1:56:55
	16:45:00	K2 Men	8 laps + 1 small lap	2:00:14

****Results (time) C1 women based on one lap less compare with the ECH 2017**



ITO conditions

All ITOs for the Championships are expected to arrive to be able to attend the Team Leaders Meeting on Wednesday at 14:00.

Your accommodation will be covered by the organiser from Tuesday 3 July to Monday 9 July.

Place of accommodation

ITOs will be accommodated in Hotel Naron, Trg kralja Tomislava 1, 20 350 Metkovic
Tel: +385 20 681-444, Fax: +385 20 681-732
<http://www.hotelmb.com/en/>

More information

Bulletin 1 is available on the Website: <http://www.kajak.hr>

CEREMONIES

Opening Ceremony

4th July 2018. 18:30
Summer Cinema Metkovic

Team Leaders Dinner

Saturday, 7th July 19:30
Hotel Naron

Each team will receive invitations to Team Leaders dinner. Transport will be provided to and from the hotels.

Closing Ceremony

Sunday, July 8th

Closing ceremony will be held at the venue, right after the last podium ceremonies of the event.



EVENTS

Marathon Canoe European Championships

- Normal Distance Race
 1. K1 Junior Men
 2. K2 Junior Men
 3. K1 Junior Women
 4. K2 Junior Women
 5. C1 Junior Men
 6. C2 Junior Men
 7. C1 Junior Women
 8. K1 under 23 Men
 9. K1 under 23 Women
 10. C1 under 23 Men
 11. K1 Senior Men
 12. K2 Senior Men
 13. K1 Senior Women
 14. K2 Senior Women
 15. C1 Senior Men
 16. C2 Senior Men
 17. C1 Senior Women

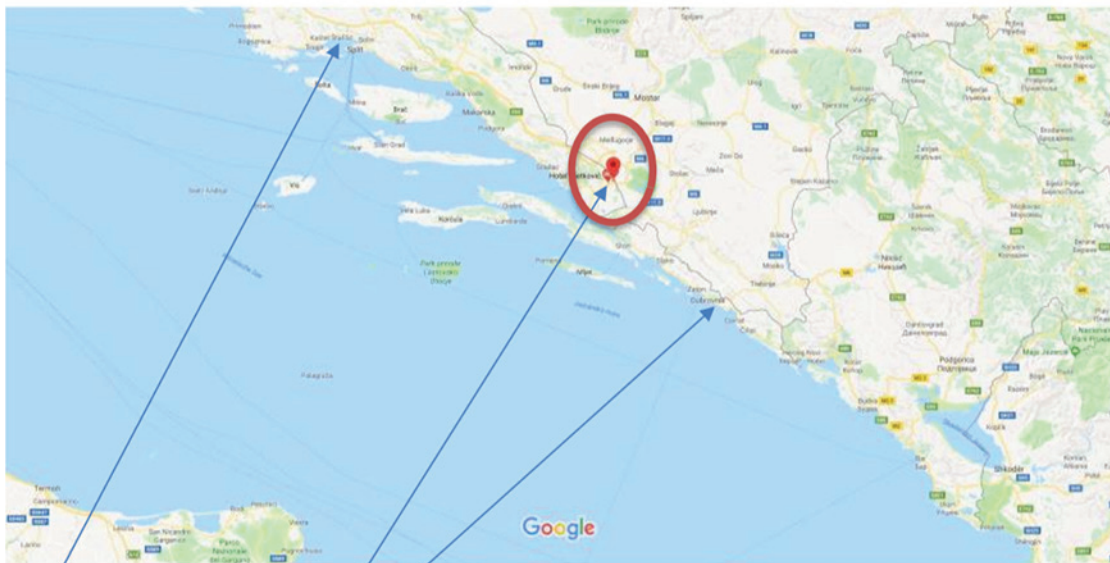
- Masters Race
 1. K1, K2 Men and Women, C1 and C2 men
 2. Mix



COMPETITION VENUE AND COURSE

Map of the area

CROATIA



Split (Airport)

Metkovic (Place of the race)

Dubrovnik (Airport)

The city of Metkovic is one and a half hour drive from Split airport and also one and a half hour from Dubrovnik airport. You must pass the border with Bosnia and Herzegovina twice if you travel from Dubrovnik. The route from Dubrovnik may delay the travel.



Accommodation and meals:

There will be about 300 beds in hotels in Metkovic and surroundings.

Breakfast/lunch/dinner will be available in the hotels.

Camping site will also be available - in the vicinity of the course, on the other side of the river.

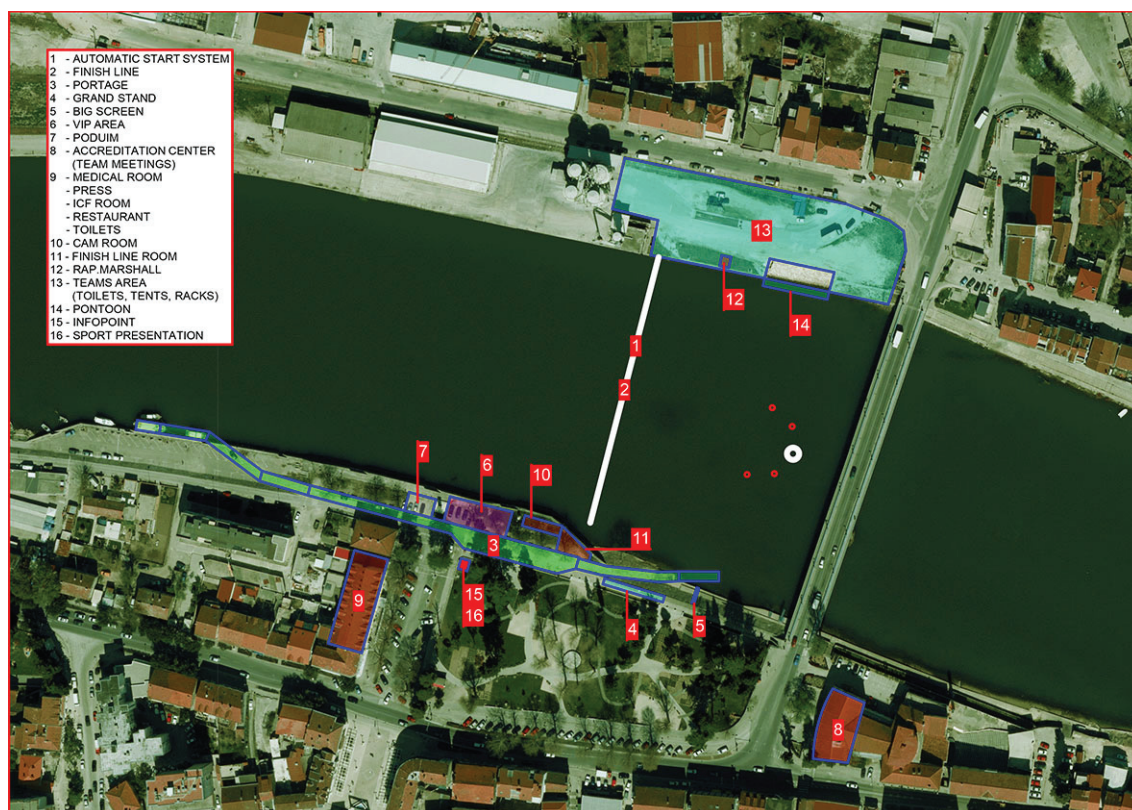
Additional venue info:

- The course is in the best location possible - in the centre of the town,
- 50 metres from hotel Naronas,
- The Naronas hotel will be the central place for the accreditation,
- The Naronas hotel will also be the place for the meals and a special lunch,
- Restaurants are available in a walking distance from the main area,
- The temperature will be high during the month of July:

High between 25° - 36° C, humidity 20% - 55% / Sunrise 5 am and sunset 9 pm

- For current actual forecast please refer to <https://www.worldweatheronline.com/metkovic-weather-history/dubrovacko-neretvanska/hr.aspx>

VENUE PLAN

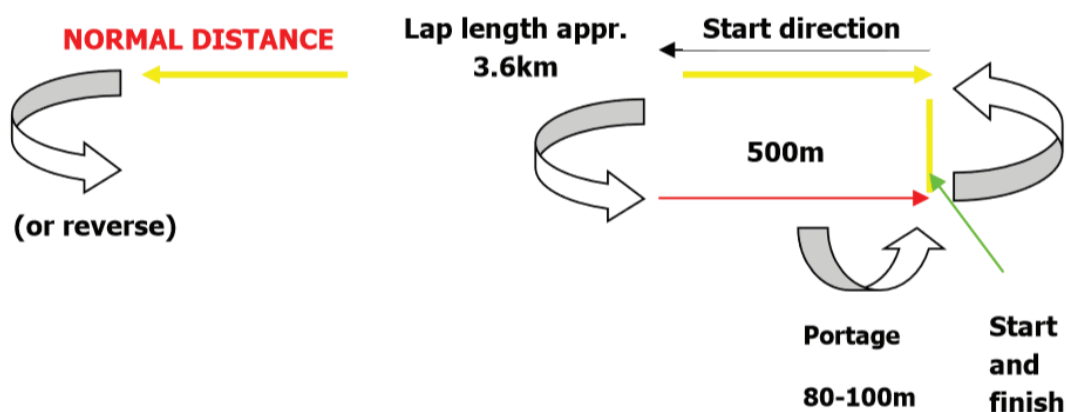


COURSE

The marathon race of the European Championships will take place on the 5-8 July in Metković.

The start and finish line and the portage will be in the same area.

There will be two turning points all marked with 5 small red buoys and one last turning point with small red buoys.



All around the course the depth of the water will be at least 2.5 metres.



The Start will be automatic start. Turns will be marked with min. 5 buoys.

Portage is appr. 200 metres long, entrance and exit on a pontoon.

There will be 2 motorboats at each turn for turning point officials.





Competitors area

The competitors area is at the right side of the river, with easy access for trailers and car. The place is a secured area. All teams will stay here.

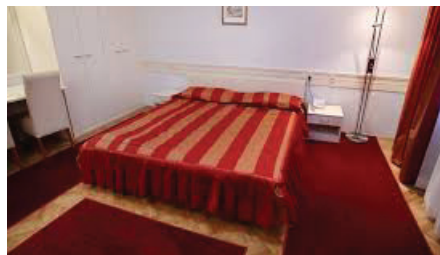
ACCOMMODATION

The Organizing Committee has set 3 categories of accommodation, all very close by or in the very centre of Metković and near the race venue.

Hotel Narona

Trg Kralja Tomislava 1, 20350 Metković

TEL: 00385 20 681 444 / GSM: 00385 91 7249 249 / E-mail: narona@hotelmb.com / <http://www.hotelmb.com/en/>

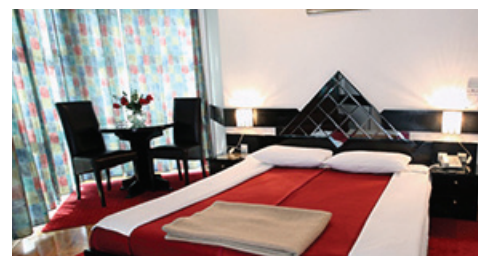


Hotel MB

Matrice hrvatske 6, 20350 Metković

TEL: 00385 20 681 812 / GSM: 00385 98 1937 7794 / E-mail: mb@hotelmb.com / <http://www.hotelmb.com/en/>





Hotel reservation, board and lodgin

*** Class1 Hotel, price per person

SINGLE	DOUBLE	TRIPLE
100	90	80

** Class 2 Hotel /Hostel, price per person

SINGLE	DOUBLE	TRIPLE	4 BED ROOM
85	80	75	70

All prices includes breakfast, and dinner (Half board). Price of additional meal is 10 €.

Accommodation costs has to be paid to hotel:

UGOSTITELJSKI OBRT „NARONA“
 TRG KRALJA TOMISLAVA 1 20350 METKOVIĆ
 IBAN: HR22 2360000 1102361227
 SWIFT/BIC: ZABAHR2X
 BANK DETAILS: ZAGREBAČKA BANKA DD
 TRG BANA JOSIPA JELAČIĆA 1 10000 ZAGREB

Conditions of Payment and cancellation

15 February, 2018: 30% for confirmation of hotel reservation
 30 May, 2018: 30%
 15 June, 2018: 40%

Hotel Metković

Splitska 55, 20350 Metković
 TEL: 00385 20 684 396 / GSM: +385 98 90 64 015 / E-mail: info@hotel-metkovic.com /
<http://www.hotel-metkovic.com/naslovnica.html>

Hotel Villa Neretva

Splitska 14, Krvavac II, 20350 Metković
 TEL:00385 20 672 200 / E-mail:info@hotel-villa-neretva.com /
<http://hotel-restaurant-villa-neretva.hr/en/dobrodosli-u-hotel-restoran-villa-neretva/>



Hotel Dalmacija

Splitska 57/A, 20350 Metković

TEL: 00385 20 684 152 / E-mail: info@hoteldalmacija.com / <http://www.tzmetkovic.hr/hr/smjestaj1/item/202-hotel-dalmacija.html>

Hotel Merlot

Pogradina 179/, 20355 Opuzen

TEL: 00385 20 611 522 / E-mail: info@hotelmerlot.com.hr / <http://hotelmerlot.com.hr/en/>

Pansion Đuđa i Mate

Vid, Metković

TEL: 00385 20 687 500 / E-mail: djudjaimate@gmail.com / <http://djudjaimate.hr/en/>

Camping

Camping area in Metkovic is in preparation - in the vicinity of the course, on the other side of the river. Other campsites are available within 20 km along the Adriatic coast.

ENTRIES AND OTHER INFORMATION

A reminder of the "action items" ahead...

Final date for Numerical entry:

Final deadline for Numerical entry is **May 21st, 2018.**

For an official European Championships we need 5 nations in a class, so it will be necessary to send the correct numerical entries in time.

Numerical entries: until May 21st (midnight)

Nominal entries: until June 20th (midnight)

Press Accreditation Form: until June 15th

Final Travel Info: until June 1st

For more information please consult the 1st bulletin, available: on <http://www.kajak.hr>



PARTICIPATION FEE

• **ECAMarathon EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

All team members must pay a fee of 30 euros per person and per day during the access period (week of the event), for organization costs.

This fee includes:

- Accreditation costs;
- Participation in the Opening Ceremony;
- Transport by shuttle busses between venue and the official accommodation;
- Fees for the use of the venue and its facilities;
- Access to the competition venues for the purpose of training and other activities;
- Medical care at the venue;
- Security service at the venue;
- Trailer parking;
- Boat storage;
- Supply of water and fruit at specific locations at the Venue;
- Free Wi-Fi at the competition venues;
- Access to other miscellaneous services and equipment at the venue;
- Organisation Fee

NOTE: The entry fee is calculated from the the arrival day of the athletes, until the day of departure.

• **Masters Race**

All athletes must pay a fee of 30 euros per person and per day during the access period (week of the event), for organization costs.

NOTE: This participation fee does NOT include lunch at the venue, having this as the extra cost of 10 euros.

Participation fee has to be paid to:

CROATIAN CANOE FEDERATION
KNEZA MISLAVA 11 10000 ZAGREB CROATIA
IBAN: HR3123400091110043033
SWIFT (BIC): PBZGHR2X
BANK NAME: PRIVREDNA BANKA D.D.
RAČKOVA 6 10000 ZAGREB

NOTE: The participation fee does NOT include the transfer from and to the airport. This service has a cost of 20 euros per person, in one way (with a minimum of 5 people).



ADDITIONAL USEFUL INFORMATION

- **Accommodation**

All the information was included in the first bulletin.

If you have any questions, please contact the organizer.

At the moment there is limited place in Metkovic. If you prefer accommodation, let us know as soon as possible.

- **Insurance**

All participants are strongly advised to have appropriate medical insurance policy from their respective countries. In case of medical assistance outside the venue, all teams are responsible for all costs associated to the incident.

- **Security**

The venue will be physically closed to non-authorized personnel from Monday May 21st. A private security service will be provided from 8pm to 8am to secure teams area. There will be access zones control from Sunday July 1.

- **Medical Services**

Medical service will be organized by the local OC for all participants.

- **Boat rental**

NOTE: Boat rental will not be provided on site from the organization's side. If needed we advise to contact the boat manufacturers and sellers directly.

CULURAL ACTIVITIES AND FREE TIME



Neretva Photosafari

A trip to the backwaters and canals of the River Neretva is a true feast for your eyes and mind. All aboard the boat, the traditional Neretva boat, and enjoy the steady hand of our leaders who will take you through a tangle of mysterious canals covered with reeds and rushes...



Cave in Predolac

Cave in Predolac the most important speleological site of the Neretva valley, and its greatest value are the richness and diversity of aquatic fauna.



Ornithological Collection

The wealth of wildlife in this area is still, despite the radical amelioration projects, preserved to a large extent. Besides Dalmatian Pelican, who disappeared from the region after the first land reclamation procedures, you will be astonished roller bull shark, probably the most beautiful birds Croatian area, and are special oddity ringed specimens that were accidentally flew here from the far north, the polar regions as small geese, sea utve and Eider.



CONTACT NUMBERS OF INTEREST

Tourist Office | + 385 20 681 899

Police (PSP) | 192

Fire Brigade | 193

Hospital | 194

National Emergency Number | 112

TRANSPORT

Local Bus Service

Autobusni kolodvor Metković | +385 60 365365

Location / Address: Splitska 4 (500 meters from the city centre – on the riverbank of Neretva river)

NOTE: Bus schedule will be published online

Taxis:

Croatia-taxi | +385 21 312 559

ONLINE CHANNELS

www.kajak.hr

<https://www.canoe-europe.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/CanoeEurope/>

FOR UPDATED INFORMATION REFER THE WEBSITE.

NEXT INFORMATION WILL BE SHARED IN THE TEAMLEADERS GUIDE WHICH WILL BE PUBLISHED ONE WEEK BEFORE THE ECH.

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Secretary General CCF
Marko Ćurković
President of CCF

