# 2024 ECA JUNIOR & U23 CANOE SPRINT EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS



# BRATISLAVA **27.-30. JUNE 2024**



# Invitation

Dear sport friends,

we are happy to welcome you in Bratislava again. And this is very special occasion for us, as we are honoured to invite you to the ECA Junior and U23 Canoe Sprint European Championships 2024.

For the first time Bratislava and even Slovakia will host canoe sprint event like this. For us it was big challenge to decide if to go for it, but thanks to two successful Olympic Hopes in 2019 and 2022 and Regatta which we organize every year, we agreed.

We work hard on our venue at Zemnik. Since 2016 when the first competitions were organized here it is getting better and bigger. From the flat land without any background, to what we have now was a big step. The most important thing is that we have beautiful water with Olympic course including quality starting system. This is very important for athletes. We have a promise from the Slovak Government and its leading sports institution, that the investment to National Canoe Center and its construction is their priority for next years. That is very promising for our federation. But for now, thanks to what we have done in past years, we are proud that we can provide high quality competition.

We are glad to host Junior and U23 European Championships, as this means we will use and upgrade our knowledge from Junior Regatta and Olympic Hopes, which are both competitions for young athletes. But these ones are very special as the young athletes will be competing for European Champion titles and are one of two most important competitions of the junior and U23 season.

Bratislava has great location for hosting events like this. It lays close to the border of 3 other countries connected by highways. The venue Zemník is easily accessible from the city center and also other sides of the city with good connection from highway. Zemník is surrounded by beautiful nature with cycling path, which makes it accessible also for people preferring active leisure.

We hope you will enjoy your stay in Bratislava with remarking memories and unique experience.



PaedDr. Robert Petriska Vice-President Slovak Canoeing



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Ing. Boris Bergendi Chairman of organizing committee

### Organising Committee

Organising Committee is lead by members of the Slovak Canoeing:

Chairman of OC Technical Organiser Project & Transport Manager Technical & Logistics Manager Finance Accommodation Accreditation Protocol Technical Support Media & Press Medical Services Security Manager Boris Bergendi Martin Bielik Zora Hujsová Filip Petrla Eva Horváthová Monika Czaniková Hana Balažovjechová Emma Libová Milan Fiedler Andy Zererová Cyril Boťanský

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#### Information about Bratislava

Bratislava is capital city of Slovakia located in the Central Europe. City is well connected with neighbouring capitals and international airports by international highways. Population 520 000. The capital of Slovakia attracts visitors with its rich history and landscape, as well as its modern buildings. Visitors can't miss Bratislava Castle, with its own Historical Museum and surprisingly quaint gardens overlooking the city. Stroll down the picturesque streets of the district under the Castle towards the Old Town, featuring the remarkable St.Martin's Cathedral. This Gothic Cathedral witnessed the coronation of 19 Austro-Hungarian kings and queens, including Maria Theresa, whose importance was felt throughout Europe. The Main Square, extremely rich in historical and cultural monuments, draws visitors in with its charming atmosphere. Here, you can also find several palaces, the Bratislava City Museum, the Old Town Hall, and Roland's Fountain, all serving to enrich the atmosphere. Visit the Primate's Palace, with precious English tapestries from the 17th century and beautiful displays in its Art Gallery. We must mention the nearby Blue Church, an Art Nouveau gem with blue plaster and roof. For sightseeing in Bratislava, you can also hop on the small historical train and explore the entire city, beginning from the Castle and ending in the streets of the Old Town. This train runs throughout the year. On the right bank of the Danube, relax in the oldest public park in Central Europe called Sad Janka Kráľa, which was founded by Maria Theresa. At the end of the park, you will see the suspension Bridge of Slovak National Uprising, whose UFO café offers amazing views of the city's surroundings. Enjoy a trip down the Danube on a sightseeing boat. You can choose from among several different routes, like a cruise around Bratislava, one up to Devín, a cruise on the other side to Gabčíkovo and much more.



#### Zemník

Canoeing Sport Center is located about 5 km south east from city center.



**GPS COORDINATES** 

Latitude 48.090257 Longitude 17.138144

#### Weather Information

The month of June presents moderate sunny weather with average temperature about 18 - 24°C

• Temperature

Daytime temperatures will generally reach highs of around 22°C . Temperature can be even around 30°C. At night the average minimum temperature drops down to around 12°C.

• Relative Humidity The average daily relative humidity for June is around 30%.

• Precipitation The average monthly amount of precipitation is 50 mm.

• Wind The average daily wind speed in June is 10 km/h. The average number of windy days in June is 11.

#### How to get to the Venue

City is well connected with neighbouring capitals and international airports by international highways.

#### BY ROAD

Bratislava is situated directly on country boarders with Czech Republic, Austria and Hungary. Bratislava is well connected to neighbouring capitals by international multilane highways. Within Slovakia, the D1 motorway connects Bratislava to the east of the country (direction Košice, Krakow), the D2 motorway connects Bratislava with Hungary to the south and the Czech Republic to the north and D4 motorway connects Bratislava with Vienna. Entry to venue is from roundabout (Zuzany Chalupovej Street) exit "Hrádza" and follow signs "Slovenská kanoistika".

#### **BY AIR**

If you want to fly to Bratislava, you can choose between the city's own international airport and Schwechat airport in Vienna, which is about 45 km from Bratislava and connected by regular shuttle buses. Regular flights link these airports with many major European destinations.

Vienna international airport (VIE) www.viennaairport.com Bratislava airport (BTS) www.bts.aero

#### **BY TRAIN**

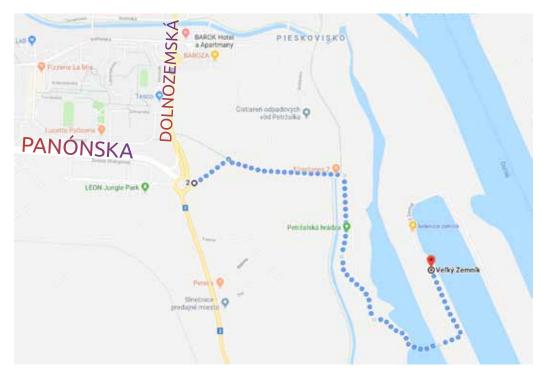
International trains to Bratislava's main railway station run from Vienna (1 hour), Budapest (3 hours), and Prague (4-5 hours) several times a day. There are less frequent direct connections to Berlin, Bucharest, Kiev, Moscow and Warsaw.

The main railway station is a short distance from the centre and there is a good connection to city public transport; alternatively, walking takes 15-20 minutes. Trains from Vienna also arrive at Bratislava–Petržalka Station, which is to the south of the city centre across the Danube River.

#### **BY BOAT**

Perhaps the nicest way to arrive in Bratislava is by riverboat, via the Danube. The Rhine–Main– Danube Canal links Bratislava with the North Sea; the Danube River connects it to the Black Sea.

Cruises along the Danube have been a big hit with tourists for many years. River cruises go to and from Budapest, and a scheduled passenger service, the Twin City Liner, connects Bratislava and Vienna by high-speed catamaran several times a day during summer.



### Visa Requirements

The Organizing Committee will assist in processing Immigration visa applications for all participants of the Championships.

Type C Schengen visa: entry visa

The visa entitles its holder to enter and stay in the Schengen area for not more than a total of 90 days within a six-month period subsequent to the date of the first entry. This visa may be issued for one or several entries (single entry and multiple entry visa).

Further information can be found at www.foreign.gov.sk/en/home

### **Customs Regulations**

Slovak customs procedures are regularly reviewed and follow European Union legislation, where applicable.

Slovak Canoeing will provide support and guidance to support this process, particularly in connection with licensed Sport and Medical equipment, however, we are unable to guarantee all exceptions.



# Events

Juniors & U23

Kayak Men	Kayak Women	Canoe Men	Canoe Women
K1 200m	K1 200m	C1 200m	C1 200m
K1 500m	K1 500m	C2 500m	C2 200m
K2 500m	K2 500m	C1 1000m	C1 500m
K2 1000m	K4 500m	C2 1000m	C2 500m
K4 500m	K1 1000m		

K1 1000m

# Competition programme

24th June 2024	Access period starts Opening of the Accreditation centre Race Course opens for training
25th June 2024	Self Boat Control - Official training sessions
26th June 2024	Self Boat Control Official training sessions with starting machine test - Team leaders meeting - ITOs meeting Opening ceremony
27th - 30th June 2024	Competitions days
30th June2024	Closing ceremony



### Deadlines, entries and registration

All team entries (numerical and nominal) must be made on line through SDP system from ICF. Link https://icf.mev.atos.net/icf/main.jsp

Entries can only be submitted by the National Federation through the on line entries system SDP by the specified closing date (midnight European time/ European summer time GMT+ 1 or GMT +2). Anyone having issues accessing the system or with the entries should contact ICF HQ at sdp@canoeicf.sport

Please ensure the personnel responsible for submitting athlete profiles and entries on SDP first check whether an athlete is already in the database for another discipline before adding the athlete. Any athlete can have additional disciplines added to their record as required by checking the box for their new discipline in the profile. This will ensure all competition entries and results will be attributed to the one profile.

Special rules applied to Juniors competing in under23 category:

A first year an athlete can compete in international competition is the year of his/her 15th birthday. The last year that competitor can compete in the Junior category in the year of his/her 18th birthday.

A junior athlete can compete in U23 events at the European Championships under the following conditions:

A) An athlete can only paddle single events for one age group.

B) Junior athletes can compete in a maximum of two (2) team boat events in the U23 age group.

The last year that competitor can compete in the U23 category in the year of his/her 23rd birthday.

The preliminary entries, travel and accommodation requests must be done at https://bratislava2024.canoe.sk. After the registration you will receive a new email with your login details and you are ready to proceed.

The entries system will be online and available in following dates:

Preliminary entries: Opens on 25th January 2024 to 25th April.

Accommodation: Opens on 25th January 2024 to 25th April. After this date OC will only accept requests under hotels spare availability and price increase may occur.

Travel info: Opens on 25th January 2024 and must be sent at latest until 25th April.

At SDP system:

Numerical entries until 13th May

Nominal Entries until 17th June

#### Payment

The accommodation and participation fees are to be paid as below:

Hotel reservation deadline is 25th April 2024. Once the HOC confirms your booking, the invoice will be sent. Kindly note that the booking shall be provisional until the payment of the invoice has arrived to our bank account, hence the HOC reserves the right to alter or cancel the reservation until that time.

With the arrival of the payment it shall be a confirmed reservation. An updated proforma invoice will be sent by the HOC verifying the arrival of your transfer to our bank account. Participation fee (for those who booked their accommodation on their own and not through the HOC) has to be paid upon the proforma invoice sent by the HOC. Please, keep the deadline of submitting the nominal entry 17th June 2024.

30% of the total cost of the reservation must be paid after receiving of the proforma invoice to secure reservation.

75% of the total cost of the reservation must be paid 15th May 2024.

100% of the total cost of the reservation must be paid until 26th May 2024.

#### Cancellation terms:

In case of cancellation the booking, a charge will be made equivalent to any loss suffered by the Organizing Committee:

The amount of any cancellation fee will be calculated as a percent of the accommodation package fee according to the following period of notice given:

no cancellation fee if cancelled until 25th April 2024

30% cancellation fee if cancelled until 15th May 2024

50% cancellation fee if cancelled until 26th May 2024

100% cancellation fee if cancelled after 26th May 2024

The participant's fees are to paid after team leaders meeting and before the competition via bank, only in EUR:

Slovenska kanoistika, Junacka 6,831 04 Bratislava Benificiary: Slovenská sporiteľňa, a.s. Bank: SK64 0900 0000 0051 2488 5114 IBAN:

#### **Participation Fee and Services**

#### Participation fee:

All participants (athletes, coaches, attendants, etc.) have to pay a participation fee of 40€/day, that includes:

- Accreditation costs
- Shuttle bus between venue and hotel
- Fees for the use of the venue and its facilities
- Medical care at the venue

The participation fee does NOT include:

• Transfer from and to the Airport

In case accommodation is booked through the HOC, then all team members of that national federation will not have to pay a participation fee as it is already included in the accommodation

- Security service at the venue
- 1 team car and trailer parking
- Drinkable water

# Traning before competitions

For teams coming before the access period starts, we will be able to arrange training camp before (or after) the competition. Please contact hujsova@canoe.sk.

#### Requirement

Kindly note, ice bath and fridge are not allowed in team tents because of a limited electricity. There will be no electric power in team tents.

If your wish to bring your own team tent, please let us know until 10th May. You have to fill it in the preliminary booking form.

# Description of Competition Venue and sport infrastructure

Zemník Canoeing Sport Centre is natural course near river Danube suitable for canoeing and rowing. It is located 5km south east of the Bratislava city centre. This course is used for water sports since 2013. It is 2,2km long and 200m wide.



#### Boat rental

Organising Committee is not responsible for boat rental. Please contact boat manufactures directly if you need to rent a boat.

#### Services for Athletes

The following services will be provided to all accredited athletes and team personnel:

Local transport Athlete's Village Boat Storage Rest Room Medical during competition Car Parking Drink Water during competition Flatwater Training

### Type and standards of accommodation

#### Accommodation for athletes and teams

Accommodation costs per person/night, including full board, acreditation fee and shuttle bus.

Category 1: Double room: 130 EUR / person, Single room: 180 EUR / night

Category 2: Double room: 120 EUR / person, Single room: 155 EUR / night

Category 3: Person: 105 EUR / night, Single room: 130 EUR

Category 4: Person: 80 EUR / night, Single room: 95 EUR





#### Catering

Team who will book accommodation through the Organising Committee will have 3 meals per day. Lunch will be the first meal, if the team will arrive to the venue until 14:00. Breakfast will be last meal if departing on Monday morning.

Breakfast and dinner will be served in teams hotel.

Lunch will be served at the venue.

Lunch at the venue for those who did not book accommodation will be 15€ and must be booked on the day of the arrival.

#### Parking

Each team will receive one parking pass for one trailer and one accredited vehichle. Additional parking for extra fee is limited for maximum one car per country based on first come first served.

# Airport Transport for all participants

Bratislava airport 10€/person (both ways) Vienna airport 35€/person (both ways) Groups up to 3 person will have a special customised price. For further information at hujsova@canoe.sk





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