



EUROPEAN POWERLIFTING FEDERATION

Invitation

The European Powerlifting Federation

and

the Luxembourg Powerlifting Federation

invite

the EPF member nations to participate in the

**European Open, Masters Junior Equipped Bench Press Championships 2018
in Hamm, Luxembourg**

Please note: all information is posted only for information purposes. All team selections, all official entries for the Championships and all hotel bookings must be done by EPF-Member nations, NOT by individuals.

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Host City : Hamm, Luxembourg

Date: 9 – 13 October 2018

Venue: “Centre Sportif à Hamm” sports center

Technical Meeting: Monday 8 October at 20.00 hours at Hotel Ibis

All participating nations in European championships should be represented at the Technical Meeting. If a representative of a participating nation is not present at the Technical Meeting prior to the European championship or has not informed the EPF Championship Secretary about his/her absence by confirming the participation of his/her federation's nominated lifters (by e-mail or phone) a fine of 250 Euro will be imposed to the concerned national federation (see EPF By-laws 105.6).

Hotel: Hotel Ibis & Etape route de Trèves L-2632 Findel Luxembourg in front of the Airport

Hotel Rates: Prices for night per room – Hotel Ibis
Single room Hotel Ibis 105 €, including breakfast Hotel Ibis budget 74,5 €
Double room Hotel Ibis 115 €, including breakfast Hotel Ibis budget 82 €
Triple room Hotel Ibis 135 €, including breakfast Hotel Ibis budget 89.5 €

The breakfast for Ibis Budget will be also at the Hotel Ibis

For room booking please contact Gaston Parage, E-mail: gparage@vo.lu

I am doing the reservations but the payment will be done directly to the Hotels

Note 1:

All rooms must be booked at the latest with the deadline of the final nomination – **17 September 2018**. After the deadline the organizer cannot guarantee accommodations.

All athletes, coaches, referees and officials from each federation must stay in the official hotel. If they do not stay in the official hotel during the championships, they will be obliged to pay an administration fee of €100 per person. Failure to comply will have the effect they will not receive accreditation and will be excluded from that championship.

The organizer will not be responsible for any hotel bills of the participating nations. All delegates must pay **directly their rooms** by bank transfer or at the arrival at the Championship office.

Federation mustn't pay the doping and the participation fees for this bank account!!!

At all European Championships **the accommodation fees** shall be payable by bank transfer against the invoice or credit card as follows:

1. credit card
2. cash (EUR according to the current exchange rate)
3. Bank transfer against the invoice - **on the basis of a requirements of participants only against the invoice** (EUR according to the current exchange rate). Payment must be received at the bank account mentioned on the invoice at the latest **14 days** prior to the beginning of the Championship.
4. **Accommodation fees** can also be paid by bank transfer to the bank account if the organizer writes number and other details of his bank account in the invitation:

Hotel IBIS

Bank address: Caisse d'Epargne de l'Etat Luxembourg, Place de Metz L-2954 Luxembourg.

Account holder Hotel Ibis

SWIFT code BIC: BCEELULLXXX

Account number: IBAN: LU39 0019 1106 1569 4000

Payment must be received at the above mentioned bank account at the latest 14 days prior to the beginning of the Championship.

Note 2:

17 September 2018 is the latest date for any removal of nominated lifters, cancellation of booked hotel rooms – **21 days prior to the Technical Meeting.**

If not cancelled in time, federations have to pay the reserved hotel rooms.

If requested visa is not obtained, the hotel must be notified latest 7 days prior to the technical meeting to cancel the reservation.

For referees 24 September 2018, it means 14 days prior to the Technical Meeting, the latest day for changes of categories for which referee has been allocated in the final nomination which his national Federation sent to Championships Secretary.

The referee's final nomination is stated at the EPF website (Referees/Jury under Upcoming Events). If referees do not indicate changes to the Championships Secretary during that time, referees are obliged to be available for the original categories by the final nomination.

However, federations may allocate duties between their own referees latest at the technical meeting upon agreement by the appointed technical committee member. Any changes, withdrawal or no show up by a referee regarding the allocated duty after the technical meeting, may impose a warning or €100 in fine dependent of the reason and decided by the jury in cooperation with the appointed technical committee member.

Important warning for referees!!!

At the EPF General Assembly 2015 a new rule was adopted in the Constitution 13.10.1.

The rule states: "Any lifter or referee properly entered for a competition that without acceptable reasons does not attend, may be subject to suspension up to 6 month for the first offence and up to 12 month for second offence and a maximum fine of 250 Euro."

Arrivals/Transportation:

Transport will be provided from Luxembourg airport **for free**. Please let us know the exact date, hour, flight number of your arrival. This will allow us to provide a perfect pick-up.

Shuttle Service: from hotel to venue is free.

Awards: In each weight category the first three lifters will receive medals. All participations will receive diploma.

Also Men of age 70 years (i.e. Master IV), are going to receive medals for placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in their weight classes, and Women of age both 60 years (i.e. Master III) and 70 years (i.e. Master IV), are going to receive medals for placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in their weight classes.

Awards for Nation competition by Team points isn't available for Masters Championships.

Scales: Scales available at venue and at Hotel.

Training: Training facilities available at training area at the venue

Flag and anthem: Each country must bring its flags and anthems to the Technical Meeting

Closing Banquet: **Saturday, 13 October** at **20:00** hours. Price **€ 35,00** per person, paid the organiser.
The number of banquet tickets must be ordered at the Nomination form.

Participation Fee: **€ 90,00** for each lifter must be paid by bank transfer to the EPF bank account before the Technical Meeting.

Anti-Doping Fee: **€ 50,00** for each lifter must be paid by bank transfer to the EPF bank account before the Technical Meeting.

EPF Invoices: **The invoice must be sent to the nominated federations by the EPF Treasurer at the latest 14 days prior to the day of the Technical Meeting for each of the European Championships (EPF BYLAWS 103.3.2.)**
Federations must pay participation and doping fees from the number of lifters declared at the preliminary nomination. Nominated reserve lifters are not included.
All invoices are published at the EPF web (www.europowerlifting.org) under "SERVICES" >> "INVOICES". Every member federation may go to the EPF web-site and download their invoices. This was informed in the letter from our treasurer sent you 11.01.2018.

Opening Ceremony: Tuesday, 9 October at 11:30 hour at the venue. One representatives (either one lifter or one official) from each participating country shall take part at the Ceremony.

Nominations: The team nomination forms must be send:
–directly to Goodlift Powerlifting online program on internet
–to the EPF Championships secretary
–the Technical Secretary not later than:

Preliminary nomination: **9 August 2018 complete** filled in preliminary form must be sent. No final nomination will be accepted if a complete filled in preliminary nomination form was not sent in time.

Final nomination: **17 September 2018** – later entries sent on next days will not be accepted.

Final nomination must be sent not later than 21 days before the date of the Championships, and must be made only from lifters nominated in Preliminary nomination of the Championship. This is inclusive of reserve lifters. According to this, no reserve lifters can be included in the final nomination.

The weight category of each lifter in the final selection (final nomination) is mandatory. After the final nomination no changes in the weight category in which the lifter is nominated will be allowed. **Confirmation of the referees participation.**

It is obligatory for every Federation to confirm the participation of their nominated Referees in the Final nomination or cancel the referees who will not participate in the Championships.

All lifters are expected to present passports and other required documents at the weigh-in.

Correspondence: E-mails regarding the championships must be sent to:

Meet Director and a copy

to the EPF Championships Secretary Jiri Hofirek epfsecretary@gmail.com

Indemnity and Insurance:

All participating federations and its delegated athletes and officials agree to indemnity and not hold the organizing committee or IPF/ EPF accountable for and against any claims for personal injury, financial loss, death or property damage in any form, arising out of or in any way resulting from the participation in, postponement or cancellation of the said European Championships.

All delegate members must have a valid incident and health insurance policy. The Organizer and the IPF/ EPF will not incur any expenses for a doctor or stay in hospital. We recommend a travel insurance for covering loss of luggage, delayed flight, sickness, accidents, thefts etc."

Victory Ceremonies will be held immediately after each lifting session. It will be mandatory that each athlete wear their National Team Warm-up/Track Suit for the award presentation.

Important Note: Changes of the timetable are possible by the amount of nominations at the Final nomination. *On days when there are few referees available, some weight categories may be merged.*

Preliminary timetable

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Opening ceremony: Tuesday, 9 October at 11:30 hours at venue

Day	Weight-in time	Classes	Start	Lifters after Final nom	Supposed end of category
MASTERS & JUNIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS					
		OPENING CEREMONY	11:30		
	1000-1130	Women Ma 2,3,4	1200		1330
Tuesday 09.10.2018	1230-1400	Women Ma1 47,0 to 84,0+ kg	1430		1600
	1500-1630	Jun Women 43,0 to 63,0 kg	1700		1900
	1200-1330	Jun Women 72,0 to 84,0+ kg	1400		1500
Wednesday 10.10.2018	1400-1530	Jun Men 59,0 to 83,0 kg	1600		1700
	1600-1730	Jun Men 93,0 & 120,0+ kg	1800		1930
	0900-1030	Ma 3, 4 men 59,0 & 120,0+ kg	1100		1300
Thursday 11.10.2018	1130-1300	Ma2 men 59,0 & 120,0+ kg	1330		1530
	1400-1530	Ma1 men 59,0 & 120,0+ kg	1600		1800
		BANQUET MASTERS & JUNIORS	20:00		

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

	1200-1330	Women open 47,0 & 63 kg	1400		1530
Friday 12.10.2018	1400-1530	Women open 72,0 to 84,0+ kg	1600		1730
	1600-1730	Men open 59 - 93,0 kg	1800		2000

Saturday 13.10.2018	1100-1230	Men open 105,0 kg & 120+ kg	1300		1500
		BANQUET OPEN	20:00		

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