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On behalf of European Aquatics, it is a pleasure to introduce this Information Bulletin for the European Aquatics U19 Water Polo Championships for Women which takes place from 24-31 August 2024 in Zagreb.

It goes almost without saying that Croatia is one of the great nations in Water Polo – not only for its history and cultural significance as a sport – but for the ongoing success of its teams at international level, which culminated in the world title that was won recently by the senior men in Doha.



Of course, when a sport takes on a special significance in the life of a nation, then we can have full confidence that events will be hosted with great care and attention, with the main aim of ensuring that athletes are able to perform at their highest level.

This tournament is being held in Croatia for the first time in its history, which adds to the significance of the occasion.

I am certain that Europe's best young water polo players in Europe from participating delegations will receive a friendly welcome, but they will also find the optimal conditions to perform at the highest level.

I would like to warmly thank our friends at the Croatian Federation, led by Mladen Drnasin, for committing to organise what I am sure will be a top event.

You will find in this bulletin, all the key facts and information to allow you to plan and organise your participation.

It remains for me to also thank the supporting authorities in Zagreb and Croatia, the sponsor partners and all the volunteers, without whose support our competitions could not happen.

These championships serve as a breeding ground for future water polo stars, showcasing their talent and determination at a young age.

Thank you for your attention and I look forward to seeing you in Zagreb.

Antonio Silva

President of European Aquatics















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It is a pleasure to write this welcome message to celebrate the 2024 European Championships for U19 women in water polo.

As First Vice President of European Aquatics, it's an honour to write this welcome message for the Information Bulletin. This event will provide a great platform for talents who are about to make the transition to the senior ranks. Not only will the U19 allow them to compete with Europe's best but it will also allow them to experience a big event environment.



As a proud Croatian citizen, I am also delighted that Croatia is playing host to a major national competition again, in the same year where Zagreb was an outstanding host for the Men's elite European Championships.

Over the past two seasons, we have seen a huge increase in interest in women's Water Polo club events and the audience and engagement statistics for the women's club competitions in 2024 have been outstanding. We are working hard now to deliver the water polo related goals of European Aquatics' 2024-2030 Strategic Plan and our aim is to grow interest, and participation in women's water polo.

Finally, may I warmly think my friends at the Croatian Water Polo Federation, as well as the political authorities who have stepped in to organise a second major water polo event in the same year. I would also like to thank all the sponsor partners, as well as the many volunteers who have committed to supporting this event.

Good luck to all participating athletes and teams!

Josip Varvodic

**First Vice President of European Aquatics** 















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I would like to welcome you to the European Aquatics U19 Women Water Polo Championships that will be held in Zagreb, Croatia from 24 to 31 August 2024.

First, I take this opportunity to thank the European Aquatics for their decision to award the organization to the Croatian Water Polo Federation. It is always a great pleasure for us to host an youth category event – especially women's, on whose development we are persistently working on.



I am sure that the whole water polo community is still remembering fantastic atmosphere at the European Championship in Dubrovnik and Zagreb from January this year.

Croatia has hosted numerous big water polo events so you can be sure that all the people involved in the organization are fully committed to doing their best.

Hoping that Croatia, Zagreb and legendary Mladost pool will remain in your best memories, I wish everyone lots of success.

Mladen Drnasin

President of the Croatian Water Polo Federation

















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It is with great pleasure that I can welcome you to Zagreb, Croatia on the Aquatics U19 Women European Water Polo Championships.

Croatia is a country of great sporting successes. However, we feel special attachment to the generations to come. This is why we were very happy to get the chance, now for the third time after Šibenik in 2021, and Zagreb in 2023 to host the European Championships for women's youth age group.



I am certain that Mladost pool and Zagreb will leave you with sweet memories. I am also sure that our organizing committee will do everything to meet the high standards this event should be entitled to so that we can present our beautiful sport in the best possible way worldwide.

I wish good luck to all athletes, coaches, officials and organizers.

Perica Bukić

Executive Vice President of the Croatian Water Polo Federation



















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# Organizers

# **European Aquatics**

| Address          | 9, rue de la Morâche, CH 1260 Nyon, Switzerland |
|------------------|---|
| Official website | www.len.eu                                      |
| Email            | waterpolo@len.eu                                |

# Croatian Water Polo Federation

| Address          | Jarunska ulica 1, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia |
|------------------|---|
| Official website | www.hvs.hr                              |
| Email            | zagreb2024@hvs.hr                       |

#### BTravel - Partner Agency

| Address          | Cebini 33, Buzin, 10010 Zagreb, Croatia |
|------------------|---|
| Official website | www.btravel.pro                         |
| Email            | accommodation@hvs.hr                    |















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# Participating Countries

| Bulgaria (BGR)      |            | Italy (ITA)       |
|---------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Croatia (CRO)       |            | Malta (MLT)       |
| France (FRA)        |            | Netherlands (NLD) |
| Germany (GER)       |            | Romania (ROU)     |
| Great Britain (GBR) | <b>(‡)</b> | Slovakia (SVK)    |
| Greece (GRE)        |            | Spain (ESP)       |
| Hungary (HUN)       | C*         | Turkiye (TUR)     |
| Israel (ISR)        |            | Ukraine (UKR)     |

















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# European Aquatics Officials

| Bureau Delegate | TBD |
|-----------------|-----|
|                 |     |

Technical Delegates TBD

| Medical | Delegates | TBD |
|---------|-----------|-----|
|         |           |     |

Referees TBD

















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# City of Zagreb

Located in the northern part of Croatia, on the banks of Sava River, Zagreb is a city with more than 900 years of fascinating history. As the capital of Croatia, Zagreb has many historical sights, museums, and beautiful green oases that would delight any visitor. It is one of the oldest Central European cities and a perfect combination of rich heritage, lively rhythm of street life, and a multitude of attractions that will awaken all your senses.

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For centuries Zagreb has developed as a city of culture, a powerful trading and economic centre. It is also a centre of science and knowledge, housing the largest Croatian university and many important institutions.

Zagreb is a safe city whose doors are always open; a city with a tumultuous history teeming with interesting personalities; a city that warmly invites all those who wish to get to know it. The façades of Zagreb's buildings reflect the ebb and flow of history, while its streets and squares bear witness to the coming together of the many cultures that have shaped the identity of this laid-back capital. The streets and monuments of Zagreb proudly testify to its thousands of years of history.



Zagreb is home to numerous water polo clubs, including HAVK Mladost - the most trophy-winning water polo club of the 20th century, as well as Medveščak, Zagreb ZPK and others.

Find out more about the city of Zagreb <u>here</u>.















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# **Competition Venue**

#### SP Mladost pool

European Aquatics U19 Women Water Polo Championship Zagreb 2024 will take place on the indoor SP Mladost pool complex. This legendary water polo venue was previously host to numerous top water polo events, including European Championships, Champions League, World League and many more.

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Complex was built in 1987 for the purpose of Universiade and consists of the 50m indoor and 50m outdoor pool with capacities of up to 1200 spectators and all necessary sports equipment for top water polo events.

The training and warm-up sessions will be done on the outdoor pool of the same complex.

Address: Jarunska ulica 1, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia

https://goo.gl/maps/Lv3MhUzm41iLpznYA















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# Key dates

| Due date    | Time   | Event   |
|-------------|--------|---|
| 17 May      |        | Preliminary accommodation booking             |
| 31 May      |        | Deposit accommodation payment (50%)           |
| 2 August    |        | Travel details                                |
| 2 August    |        | Final accommodation booking                   |
| 14 August   |        | Players List Procedure                        |
| 14 August   |        | Accreditation Procedure                       |
| 16 August   |        | Total accommodation payment (100%)            |
| 22 August   |        | Start of training and transportation services |
| 23 August   |        | Final team list – at the Technical Meeting    |
| 23 August   | 18:00h | Technical Meeting                             |
| 24 August   |        | Start of the competition                      |
| TBD         |        | Official Dinner                               |
| 31 August   |        | Final day of the competition                  |
| 1 September |        | End of transportation services                |



















# Visa procedure

We strongly recommend all national federations who need visa to enter Croatia to start the procedure as soon as possible. Visa requirements overview with more information can be found <u>here</u>.

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For any inquiry and assistance related to visa and entry requirements for Croatia, please contact the LOC as soon as possible on <a href="mailto:zagreb2024@hvs.hr">zagreb2024@hvs.hr</a>

# Accreditation procedure

All national federations participating in the European Aquatics U19 Women Water Polo Championships must complete the accreditation process in order to obtain the accreditation card for their members. This process will be done through the management system available online.

Detailed instructions will be provided at the end of June. The entry submission deadline is set to 14 August at 23:59h (CET).

The accreditation card is personal, non-transferable and must be displayed at all times in the areas requiring accreditation. The right to hold and/or use may be revoked at any time at full discretion by an official of the Organizing Committee.

# Technical Meeting

Technical Meeting shall take place on **23 August at 18:00hrs** in the Aristos hotel Zagreb. At least one team representative is required to be present at the meeting. Transportation will be arranged accordingly. Please bring valid players' and team official's passports, and a sample of the team's caps (one blue/white cap and the goalie's caps).

















# Više od struje



# Accommodation

The official competition hotels are presented hereinafter. For more information and bookings, please contact LOC at <a href="mailto:accommodation@hvs.hr">accommodation@hvs.hr</a> as soon as possible, and **no later than 17 May 2024.** 

Reservations are on a "first come, first served" basis and subject to availability at the time of booking.

All prices are per person per night on full board basis. VAT and city tax are included. All extra charges are to be paid directly at the hotel.

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# Team hotels

| Aristos Hotel****   |
|---|
| Address: Cebini ulica 33, 10000 Buzin-Zagreb, Croatia   |
| Location: <b>30min</b> competition venue <b>15min</b> ZAG airport   |
| Check-in/out time: 14:00h / 11:00h*   |
| Services: Free Wi-Fi   Spa & Fitness   Fitness   Parking**   Shared meeting room  |
| * Early check-in/late check-out times are subject to availability and may result in additional fees.<br>**Additional fees may apply |
| Prices: 215 EUR Single room 175 EUR Double room 145 EUR Triple room   |
|   |
|   |
| Majatra City/Vibaa Hatal International****  |
| Maistra City Vibes Hotel International****  |

Address: Miramarska cesta 24, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia Location: **20min** competition venue **35min** ZAG airport Check-in/out time: 15:00h / 11:00h\* Services: Free Wi-Fi | Parking\*\* | Shared meeting room \* Early check-in/late check-out times are subject to availability and may result in additional fees. \*\*Additional fees may apply Prices: **230 EUR** Single room **190 EUR** Double room















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#### Hilton Garden Inn Hotel\*\*\*\*

 Address: Radnička cesta 21, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia

 Location: 25min Competition venue
 25min ZAG airport

 Check-in/out time: 15:00h / 12:00h\*

 Services: Free Wi-Fi | Fitness | Parking\*\* | Shared meeting room

 \* Early check-in/late check-out times are subject to availability and may result in additional fees.

 \*\*Additional fees may apply

 Prices: 260 EUR Single room

# Officials' hotel

# The Westin Zagreb Hotel\*\*\*\*

Address: Ulica Izidora Kršnjavoga 1, 10000 Zagreb, CroatiaLocation: 20min competition venue30min ZAG airportCheck-in/out time: 15:00h / 11:00h\*Services: Free Wi-Fi | Spa & Fitness | Swimming pool | Fitness | Parking<br/>\* Early check-in/late check-out times are subject to availability and may result in additional fees.

Prices: 250 EUR Single room

#### Meals information

Meals will be served at designated restaurant areas for team members participating at the competition. The timing of meals may vary from different hotels but all will maximally adapt to accommodate the team's needs. Teams must communicate all special requests **at least one day in advance** directly with the hotel restaurant.

#### Hotel extras

All hotel extras (snacks, lunch boxes, sandwiches, wellness and spa, parking, minibar, etc.) should be paid before check-out directly at the hotel reception.

















# Transportation

Competition transportation details are presented hereinafter. Please make sure to send your team's travel ltinerary to the LOC at <a href="mailto:zagreb2024@hvs.hr">zagreb2024@hvs.hr</a> as soon as possible, and **no later than** 2 August 2024.

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# Travel by plane

Official airport is **Zagreb (ZAG)** that has regular daily connections to most of the important European flight hubs. Transportation to and from official airport is provided free of charge to all accredited participants.

#### Travel by bus or car

If traveling by bus or car, please mind the traffic situation. Real time updates on the traffic and road conditions in Croatia can be found <u>here</u>.

If you will need parking space for the bus or car, please contact the LOC immediately on <a href="mailto:zagreb2024@hvs.hr">zagreb2024@hvs.hr</a>

#### Local transportation

Transportation for the official match and training sessions will be provided to all participating teams from their arrival to Zagreb until departure.

Local transportation <u>does not</u> include extra transfers to go sightseeing and similar requests. This can be arranged but is charged extra with a fixed rate of 300EUR per one transfer shorter than 10km and subject to availability.

Requests to change or cancel transportation service must be communicated at least 24hrs in advance via Info desk or <a href="mailto:zagreb2024@hvs.hr">zagreb2024@hvs.hr</a>

Training and match transfers are set to arrive to the venue 25min before the training session and 80min before the start of the match. Teams will be provided with detailed transportation schedule for each day.















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# **Competition Schedule**

Groups

| Group A    |                | Group B |                     |
|------------|----------------|---------|---------------------|
|            | Hungary (HUN)  |         | Italy (ITA)         |
|            | Greece (GRE)   |         | Netherlands (NED)   |
|            | Croatia (CRO)  | *       | Israel (ISR)        |
|            | France (FRA)   |         | Spain (ESP)         |
|            |                |         |                     |
| Group C    |                | Group D |                     |
| <b>(+)</b> | Slovakia (SVK) | C,      | Turkiye (TUR)       |
|            | Romania (ROU)  |         | Germany (GER)       |
|            | Ukraine (UKR)  |         | Bulgaria (BGR)      |
|            |                |         | Malta (MLT)         |
|            |                |         | Great Britain (GBR) |















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# Official Competition Schedule

|             | Date  | Time  | Match<br>no.   | White               | Blue                | Note        |
|-------------|-------|-------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Day 1 24/08 | 9:00  | 2     | Germany (GER)  | Great Britain (GBR) |                     |             |
|             | 10:30 | 1     | Bulgaria (BGR) | Malta (MLT)         |                     |             |
| Day 1       | 24/00 | 19:00 | 3              | Turkiye (TUR)       | Germany (GER)       |             |
|             |       | 20:30 | 4              | Great Britain (GBR) | Bulgaria (BGR)      |             |
|             |       | 9:00  | 5              | Slovakia (SVK)      | Ukraine (UKR)       |             |
|             |       | 10:30 | 7              | Greece (GRE)        | France (FRA)        |             |
|             |       | 12:00 | 8              | Italy (ITA)         | Israel (ISR)        |             |
| Day 2       | 25/08 | 16:00 | 9              | Netherlands (NED)   | Spain (ESP)         |             |
|             |       | 17:30 | 6              | Hungary (HUN)       | Croatia (CRO)       |             |
|             |       | 19:00 | 10             | Bulgaria (BGR)      | Turkiye (TUR)       |             |
|             |       | 20:30 | 11             | Malta (MLT)         | Great Britain (GBR) |             |
|             |       | 9:00  | 12             | Slovakia (SVK)      | Romania (ROU)       |             |
|             |       | 10:30 | 14             | Hungary (HUN)       | Greece (GRE)        |             |
|             |       | 12:00 | 15             | Spain (ESP)         | Israel (ISR)        |             |
| Day 3       | 26/08 | 16:00 | 16             | Italy (ITA)         | Netherlands (NED)   |             |
|             |       | 17:30 | 13             | France (FRA)        | Croatia (CRO)       |             |
|             |       | 19:00 | 17             | Turkiye (TUR)       | Malta (MLT)         |             |
|             |       | 20:30 | 18             | Germany (GER)       | Bulgaria (BGR)      |             |
|             |       | 9:00  | 19             | Romania (ROU)       | Ukraine (UKR)       |             |
|             |       | 10:30 | 20             | Italy (ITA)         | Spain (ESP)         |             |
|             |       | 12:00 | 21             | Netherlands (NED)   | Israel (ISR)        |             |
| Day 4       | 27/08 | 16:00 | 22             | Hungary (HUN)       | France (FRA)        |             |
|             |       | 17:30 | 23             | Greece (GRE)        | Croatia (CRO)       |             |
|             |       | 19:00 | 24             | Malta (MLT)         | Germany (GER)       |             |
|             |       | 20:30 | 25             | Turkiye (TUR)       | Great Britain (GBR) |             |
|             |       | 9:00  | 26             | 3C                  | 4D                  | 13-16 place |
|             |       | 10:30 | 27             | 3D                  | 5D                  | 13-16 place |
| Day 5       | 28/08 | 16:00 | 29             | 4B                  | 1D                  |             |
| Day 5       | 20/00 | 17:30 | 28             | 4A                  | 1C                  |             |
|             |       | 19:00 | 30             | 3B                  | 2D                  |             |
|             |       | 20:30 | 31             | ЗА                  | 2C                  |             |













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|                    |       | 9:00              | 32    | 3D   | 3C   | 13-16 place |            |
|--------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|------|------|-------------|------------|
|                    |       | 10:30             | 33    | 4D   | 5D   | 13-16 place |            |
|                    |       | 12:00             | 34    | LG28 | LG30 |             |            |
| Dove               | 29/08 | 13:30             | 35    | LG29 | LG31 |             |            |
| Day 6              | 29/00 | 16:00             | 37    | 1A   | WG29 |             |            |
|                    |       | 17:30             | 36    | 1B   | WG28 |             |            |
|                    |       | 19:00             | 38    | 2A   | WG30 |             |            |
|                    |       | 20:30             | 39    | 2B   | WG31 |             |            |
|                    |       | 9:00              | 40    | 5D   | 3C   | 13-16 place |            |
|                    |       | 10:30             | 41    | 4D   | 3D   | 13-16 place |            |
|                    |       | 12:00             | 42    | LG34 | LG35 | 11-12 place |            |
| Dov7               | 20/09 | Day7 <b>30/08</b> | 13:30 | 43   | WG34 | WG35        | 9-10 place |
| Day7               | 30/08 | 16:00             | 44    | LG36 | LG38 |             |            |
|                    |       | 17:30             | 45    | LG37 | LG39 |             |            |
|                    |       | 19:00             | 46    | WG36 | WG38 |             |            |
|                    |       | 20:30             | 47    | WG37 | WG39 |             |            |
|                    |       | 16:00             | 48    | LG44 | LG45 | 7-8 place   |            |
| Day 8 <b>31/08</b> | 21/00 | 17:30             | 49    | WG44 | WG45 | 5-6 place   |            |
|                    | 31/06 | 19:00             | 50    | LG46 | LG47 | 3-4 place   |            |
|                    |       | 20:30             | 51    | WG46 | WG47 | 1-2 place   |            |

\*Match schedule is subject to change.

















# Training schedule

All teams will be allocated a minimum of one training session on a match day and two training sessions on a free day.

The training schedule prior to the start of the competition is subject to the arrival of all teams.

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The official training schedule is available online <u>here</u>. The online schedule will be updated in real time and is considered to be the only accurate one.

Due to a large number of participating teams, requests for changes and/or cancellations have to be communicated on time and will be considered only if possible. **The training schedule cannot be changed without the consent of the LOC.** 

Requests to change or cancel training session must be communicated at least 24hrs in advance via Info desk or <a href="mailto:zagreb2024@hvs.hr">zagreb2024@hvs.hr</a>

Training schedule <a href="https://bit.ly/Zagreb2024-TrainingSchedule">https://bit.ly/Zagreb2024-TrainingSchedule</a>

















# Venue and facilities

#### Info desk

Info desk will be operating remotely over mobile phone and WhatsApp, available 24/7. Details will be communicated in due course.

#### First aid and team medical services

First aid teams will be allocated at the competition Venue for the whole time of the duration of the competition. Both the training venues and the competition venues will have a lifeguard and a medical doctor assigned for the whole time of the duration of the training sessions and games.

We urge you to take travel healthcare insurance for all delegation members or at least European Health Insurance Card (if applicable).

#### Doping control

Athletes can be requested to undergo a doping test at any time during the competition. If a certain player has been determined to do the test, he will be escorted by the doping chaperones to the Medical & Doping designated areas.

#### Team stands

Accredited team members can enter the competition venues and watch the games free of charge. However, all group visits to watch the games must be communicated with the LOC at least 24hrs prior.

#### Team video positions

Team video analysts will have designated place to record the games at the competition venues.

#### Meeting Rooms

Meeting rooms at the hotel will be available free of charge during the competition. Reservation system for a pre-defined time slots will be implemented through the hotel reception.















#### Warm-up

There will be a dedicated warm-up outdoor pool located adjacent to the competition pool.

Warm-up session starts 60 minutes and ends approx. 10 minutes prior to the start of the game. Dry warm-up area is available at the outdoor pool deck due to a limited capacity.

Ice machine will be available in the warm-up area.

### Call area

Approximately 10 minutes before the start of the game teams will be called into the Call area by the referees. Strict protocol for the sports presentation will be established that must be followed.

#### Media coverage

Results system will be provided by Microplus. Official scoring website will be available soon.

Live streaming of all matches will be available on European Aquatics platform.















# Ticketing

Tickets for the competition will be available through the official LOC ticketing website. More information will follow in late June.

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Tickets will be sold <u>only</u> as a **"Competition Pass"** that grants the access to all games of the competition.

For more information, please contact ticketing@hvs.hr

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# Digital Awards

This year, the European Aquatics is issuing digital awards to all athletes. As the digital assets are in NFT format, the new awards come with a unique certificate that ensures their authenticity and uniqueness, providing athletes with the opportunity to personalize them with images and videos. These medals and certificates can be stored on mobile phones and shared with online communities as a way to boost awareness of our sport.

To ensure that every athlete receives their digital award, kindly include their email addresses when completing the accreditation procedure.









