ECA Wildwater Canoeing
Junior and U23 European Championship

02 - 05 August 2018
Skopje, Macedonia
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Dear Sport Friends

It is our great pleasure to invite all of you to the ECA Wildwater Canoeing Junior and U23 European Championship which will be held from 02 - 05 August 2018 in Skopje, Republic of Macedonia. Macedonian Canoe Federation and the City of Skopje have been honoured to host yet another great European event.

A rich history of canoeing in Macedonia and experience in organization of canoeing events as European slalom senior championships in 2004, European slalom junior and U23 championships in 2014 and ECA Senior European wildwater championship (Sprint and Classic races) in 2017 are guarantees that we will organize excellent event and will be one more step forward.

We are so proud to welcome all the nations, their delegations and as always our main goal is to organize a top-level event, to be at the service of every team, everyone to be satisfied!

We wish to all of you a good luck and best success!
City of Skopje is located in the heart of The Balkan Peninsula, at the crossroad of vital communications, a city with a 2000 years old tradition. We would like to encourage you to take a walk along the beautiful quay of the river “Vardar”, to stroll along the narrow streets of the Old Bazaar, which is the biggest bazaar preserved in the Balkans today, to climb up the Upper Town (the “Kale”), in order to feel the spirit of the 1500 years' old fortress and enjoy the panorama of Skopje, to visit St. Pantelejmon church and admire the fresco “Lamentation of Christ”, bearing the first signs of the Renaissance. We also invite you to feel the treasures of Skopje and to visit the Islamic monuments Sultan Murat's-Hjunkar Mosque and, the Daut Pasha Hamam.

Skopje is internationally famous for being the birthplace of Mother Teresa. Despite the turbulent history of the Balkans, Skopje has blossomed into a thriving, stimulating city to explore, defining itself as superb tourist destination. After the exciting day spent in Skopje, you can enjoy the tasty cuisine and delicious wines and also you will feel the hospitality of its citizens.
**General Information**

2018 ECA Wildwater Canoeing Junior and U23 European Championship
Skopje, Macedonia 02 – 05 August 2018

02 – 03 August Classic race – River Treska (Sport centre Matka – Canyon Matka)
04 – 05 August Sprint – River Treska (Sport centre Matka – Canyon Matka)

webpage: www.eca2018ww.canoe.mk (available after 1st of March 2018)
facebook: https://www.facebook.com/macedoniancanoe federation.skopje

**Organisers**

European Canoe Association
www.canoe-europe.org

Macedonian Canoe Federation
www.canoe.mk
Competition venue

- **Classic races**
  Dates: 02 – 03 August 2018, River Treska - Sport Centre Matka (Canyon Matka)
  Start / Finish line distance 2.45 km

- **Sprint Races**
  Dates: 04 – 05 August 2018, River Treska - Sport Centre Matka (Canyon Matka)
  Start / Finish line distance 350m
Categories

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS :
- Men (Junior & U23): K1, C1, C2
- Women (Junior & U23): K1, C1, C2

TEAM EVENTS :
- Men (Junior & U23): 3xK1, 3xC1, 3xC2
- Women (Junior & U23): 3xK1, 3xC1, 3xC2

Training

Official training periods
> 01 – 06 April 2018 – Two training blocks 2 or 3 hour per block depends of number of athletes
> 28 July - 01 August 2018- Two training blocks 3 or 4 hour per block depends of number of athletes

For training outside of the official periods, please contact with Atanas Nikolovski on contact@canoe.mk or galellinden@gmail.com

Accreditation

All national canoeing federations are requested to register at https://icf.msl.es/icf/main.jsp where the on-line entry forms are available. If you have any questions or problems concerning accreditations, please, do not hesitate to contact us.

Participation fee (due 16 of July 2018)

The Participation fee of 60 EUR will be charged per each athlete and team officials for the Access Period, from 28th of July till 05th of August 2018.

The participation fee will include the following services:
- Refreshments
- Boat storage
- Security
- Access pass and parking
- Free training period
- First aid during competition dates
Payment instructions via SWIFT in EUR

**Beneficiary's Bank details**
**Bank name:** Komercijalna banka A.D. Skopje  
**Address:** Str. Orce Nikolov no.3, 1000 Skopje, Macedonia  
**BIC/SWIFT Code:** KOBSMK2X

**Beneficiary Customer**
**Company name:** KAJAKARSKA FEDERACIJA NA MAKEDONIJA Skopje  
**Address:** Gradski Park- Kosarkarska sala rabotnicki P.Fah 5 bb  
1000 Skopje, Republic of Macedonia  
**Account number:** 0270100230612  
**IBAN-International bank account number:** MK07300701002306142

Details of payment: Invoice/contract no. or other

All bank charges are to the expense of the remitter!

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**Event informations**

**Competition rules**
ECA Wildwater Canoeing Junior and U23 European Championship will be run in accordance to the ECA / ICF Wildwater Racing Competition Rules.

**Access pass and parking**
Free access pass and car parking near the athlete's village will be guaranteed for up to two accredited vehicle.

**Boat Storage**
Boat storage racks will be placed at venue.

**First Aid**
A small tent with first aid will be located in finish area. The NF will advise participants that emergency medical services will cover only emergency cases and that all participants are responsible to arrange, at their cost, their own medical insurance policy.

**Water and Safety**
Rescuing in competition area during the competition days will be organized.

**Medical Insurance**
Organizing Committee kindly asks all participants of ECA Wildwater Canoeing Championships to ensure medical insurance policy in their countries. All costs above the regular first aid, ambulance and physiotherapeutic services are to be covered by this medical insurance policy. Organizing Committee will not cover any expenses in connection with hospital or dental treatment.

**Doping Control**
Doping control will be performed in accordance with the ECA Anti-doping requirements and WADA standards.
Refreshments
A small tent with drinking water and refreshments will be available at the course.

Security
Security for accredited people Security personnel at venue will be present on-site 24 hours per day from 31st of July till 05th of August.

Press and media information
Press accreditation form and more information will be available at organizers official event web page

Unofficial competition programme
Detailed information will be provided in the Bulletin no.2 and on the official event web page www.eca2018ww.canoe.mk

Visa information
The Organizing Committee will assist in processing of visa applications for all participants of the Championships. Request for official invitation letter must be submitted to the organizing committee at least 45 days before the first day of the competition. Please contact us by e-mail: contact@canoe.mk

National flag and Anthem
We kindly ask all teams to bring along their national flag and CD with national anthem.

Accommodation
Detailed information will be provided in the Bulletin no.2

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