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Invitation to Enter

14th USPE European Police Championships in Skiing

March 6th to 11th 2017

Austrian Police Sport Federation was entrusted by the Union Sportive des Polices d'Europe (USPE) with the organization of the 14th European Police Championship in Skiing from March 6th to 11th, 2017 in Austria.

The following regulations are issued for the USPE EPC Skiing 2017. They have been adopted on the basis of the Statutes, Rules and Regulations, Competition Rules and Anti-Doping-Regulations of the USPE.

1. General Organizer

Union Sportive des Polices d'Europe

2. Organizer

Austrian Police Sport Federation (OEPOLSV) with
Police Sport Clubs / Unions from Upper Austria

3. Date

Arrival: March 6th, 2017

Departure: March 11th, 2017

4. Venue

Austria, A-4580 Windischgarsten, Upper Austria

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- 4.1. Ski Area of Hinterstoder-Hoess
- 4.2. Nordic Resort of Rosenau / Hengstpass

5. **Accommodation / Travelling**

Everybody will be accomodated at Windischgarsten, Edelbach:

- 5.1. Hotel-Restaurant SPERLHOF **** (www.sperlhof.at)
- 5.2. Hotel SMORITZ Resort**** (www.smoritz.at)

Travel information:

The organizer will provide the transportation from the airports (railway stations) in Salzburg (150 KM) and Linz (89 KM) to the hotel according to the travelling details of all the delegations.

Distance from Vienna-Airport to the hotels are 280 KM – transportation only in special cases.

Teams arriving by their own car/bus are requested to go directly to the hotel.

Shuttles during the EPC:

The organiser will provide all shuttles during the EPC. The schedules will be given to delegations on arrival day.

Teams with their own bus are requested to use it for their transport during the EPC. Such help in organizing the local transport will be appreciated by the organiser.

6. **Safety Requirements**

The organizer has to ensure that a medical first aid will be present at every competition.

The organizer also has to make sure to meet the safety requirements.

The organizer is responsible for a safety and security analysis of the risks during the EPC to determine the necessary precautions and measures.

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7. Competition rules / Participants / Group

7.1. The rules and regulations laid down by the

- International Ski Federation (F.I.S.) and
 - International Biathlon Union (IBU) and
 - USPE Competition rules
- shall apply.

7.2. Participants

Each member union may enter up to 3 male/female competitors per individual discipline with regard to both men's and women's events. For the relay competitions, each member union may enter one team (male/female).

Each member union may enter up to 12 male and 12 female competitors as well as up to 4 attendants.

However, the attendants must not exceed the number of sportsmen/-women.

The organizer has to make sure to meet the safety requirements.

The organizer has to ensure that a medical first aid will be present at the EPC.

7.3. Technical Equipment

for Skiing, Cross Country and Biathlon - see International Rules of F.I.S. and IBI (exceptions only by the rules of USPE).

7.4. The following competitions will be hold:

Women: Giant Slalom
 Special Slalom
 Parallel Event (best qualified 16 competitors from GS)

Cross Country, 7.5 KM Classic
 Cross Country, 12.5 Km, Free Style
 Relay, 3 x 5 KM (1x Classic, 2 x Free Style)

Police Biathlon, 7.5 Km, Free Style
 Police Biathlon, 12.5 Km, Free Style

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Police Biathlon Relay, 3 x 6 Km, Free Style

Men: Giant Slalom

Special Slalom

Parallel Event (best qualified 32 competitors from GS)

Cross Country, 10 KM Classic

Cross Country, 15 Km, Free Style

Relay, 3 x 10 KM (1x Classic, 2 x Free Style)

Police Biathlon, 7.5 Km, Free Style

Police Biathlon, 15 Km, Free Style

Police Biathlon Relay, 3 x 7.5 Km, Free Style

7.5. Venue of the EPC

(1) Hinterstoder, Ski –Area from sea-level 600m to 2.000m
 (www.hinterstoder.at or www.bergfex.at/hinterstoder-hoess)
 Official Worldcup-Piste, named Hannes TRINKL

(2) Nordic Center Rosenau / Hengstpass (sea-level 800m; 120 Km
 piste for Cross-country –see www.biathlon-arena.net or
www.bergfex.at/oberoesterreich/langlaufen/windischgarsten
 Cross Country and Biathlon

8. Referees

The USPE Competition Rules, paragraph 2.4, shall apply.

Exceptions to this must be approved by the responsible member of the USPE Technical Commission in charge for the respective sport and the USPE Secretary General.

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9. **Jury of appeal**

The provisions of the Rules and Regulations, Article R19, shall apply.

1. Chairman Fred KUSSEROW, Secretary General of USPE
2. Commissioners Jörg HIRSCHBERGER, Technical Delegate
3. Commissioners see R19 in connection with R15 Rules and regulations (fixed by the organizer)
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All appeals have to be made in writing by the delegate or one of the attendants of the member union in question within less than an hour after the end of the fixing of or the publication of the results unless the respective international sport rules specify different.

The delegate or one of the attendants of the member union has to enclose an appeal fee with the appeal in order for the appeal to be valid.

The deposited sum will be refunded to its owner if the appeal proves to be justified.

If the appeal is rejected the sum deposited is retained by the USPE.

The appeal fee will be a total of **100 EUR**, paid in cash.

10. **Eligibility to start**

Participation in championships is restricted to athletes, who:

1. meet the starting requirements of their international union,
2. belong to a national sports organisation that is a member of the USPE,
3. are police officers or
4. are police students at a public police academy,
5. have reached the age of 18 at the time of the championships,
6. have signed the Anti-Doping Declaration,
7. and submit the USPE Declaration of Participation signed by the respective President/Secretary General to the competent member of the Technical Commission.

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In order to be able to take part in a European championship organised by the USPE, the members of the member countries have to fulfil the following conditions:

1. They have to satisfy the provisions set out in Article 23 of the Statutes.
2. They have to be police officers or students at a public police academy. The police are a set of all bodies and institutions in charge of maintenance of public law and order (administrative police and crime investigation departments).

Military police, members of the military, members of the fire brigades and civil servants that do not belong to the police are excluded from European police championships.

Competitors suspended from sports contests by the USPE or by the respective sports association due to having violated the relevant doping regulations are not eligible to enter.

All teams shall wear uniform sportswear displaying the emblems of their individual member union.

11. **Accreditation / Verification of eligibility to enter**

Race office: **Hotel SPERLHOF, Windischgarsten, Edelbach**

For verification of a person's eligibility, the presentation of the police ID and passport or national ID-card (including a photo) must be presented to the Delegate of the USPE. In case these documents are not presented, permission to start could be refused.

According to the USPE Statutes, all participating countries must present the USPE Declaration of Participation for each athlete who will participate, signed by the respective President or Secretary General.

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Without the Declaration the participation at the USPE EPC is not possible !

The competent member of the USPE Technical Commission, Mr. Jörg Hirschberger, will affect the verification.

12. Anti-Doping

Doping tests (urine and/or blood) will be conducted during the championships, with the current WADA list of prohibited substances being applicable (www.wada-ama.org).

Every competitor must sign the USPE Anti-Doping-Declaration and hand it over to the USPE Technical Delegate at the accreditation.

The declaration has to be signed by the President or Secretary General of the national Police Sport Federation (not by the Delegate).

Without the Declaration the participation at the USPE EPC is not possible !

13. Financial provisions

13.1. Travelling expenses

Each member union has to pay its own travelling expenses.

13.2. Board and Lodging

Delegate: The organizer will pay the expenses incurred by the delegate (USPE Rules and Regulations, Article R11) of the respective member country.

Team: For all participants /competitors € 40.- per night are to be paid to the organizer (Article R 14/3 of Rules and Regulations).

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Guests: Should a member country intend to take guests with them to the USPE European Police Championships in Skiing 2017 and should the organizer be able to provide the respective accomodation, each guest has to pay the actual costs incurred by them and charged by the organizer, incurred by them.

Bank account **IBAN:** **AT03 3400 0001 0273 1750**
 BIC: **RZOOAT2L**
 Name: **Landespolizeisport**

14. **Registration Fee**

Article R14/2 of Rules and Regulations

Prior to the championship each participating nation has to pay a registration fee to the USPE.

This fee has to be paid before the opening ceremony of the EPC.

Registration fee:

Each start (single / team relay): Euro 40.-

The respective invoices will be sent to the participating member countries in time by the USPE.

INSURANCE:

The participating countries are responsible for the insurance of their delegation (competitors) !

15. **Registration**

Each participating member country is requested to send the enclosed forms in time:

Please meet the following deadlines:

Form 2: number of participants	11.11.2016
Form 3: participant names	01.02.2017
Form 4: travelling details	10.02.2017

You are requested to send enclosed forms to

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Austrian Police Sport Federation

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16. Restriction of personality rights

Entrants consent through their entry that their personal data/information shall be recorded for the entire competition and results' lists in a file and shall be published on the Internet or in USPE publications.

They also consent that photographs/film recordings produced prior to, during and after the event may be used for the purpose of USPE public relations work.

17. Disclaimer

The USPE and the hosts shall not assume any liability in the event of accidents, theft and other events of damage or loss.

The disclaimer shall be recognised upon registration for the event.

18. Timetable

See enclosure (Nr 1)

19. Notes

One contestant per team has to wear the police uniform of their respective country at the opening ceremony.

All teams shall wear uniform sportswear displaying the emblem of their individual member union.

As to the Final Banquet, you're requested to attend adequately dressed to suit the occasion (no Blue Jeans !).

The participating teams are responsible for the assurance of their delegation !

Fred KUSSEROW
USPE Secretary General

Willibald LIBERDA, President
Austrian Police Sport Federation