European Championships Ju-Jitsu for seniors 2017 3 & 4 June 2017

Fighting system
Duo system
Ne-Waza system
Team Competition Fighting and Ne-Waza
Mixed Team competition

Banja Luka, BIH

2nd Invitation















1 FOREWORD

Dear Sports Friends!

It gives me great pleasure to invite you again to our continental championship for seniors, accompanied by the JJEU annual General Assembly. Year 2017 is a year of remembrance and a year of hope and vision.

Remembrance of year 1977, as it has been 40 years from the initiative of Germany, Italy and Sweden to establish the European Ju-Jitsu Federation (EJJF). Ten years later, in 1987, when all most European countries were already members of EJJF, the scope of the initiative was expanded to a world-wide scenario with establishing of IJJF (International Ju-Jitsu Federation), later for better international recognition reformed to JJIF (Ju-Jitsu International Federation) and EJJF reformed to JJEU (Ju-Jitsu European Union).

And a year of hope – to prove again that sports and also (or even) Martial Arts can be part of a good story of cooperation and mutual respect on many different levels. I hope that positive approach, patience and good governance will bring better conditions for our athletes and better recognition of their achievements in the future. The Ju-Jitsu European Union has the privilege to entrust the organization of European Championship to the capable hands of our sports friends in Banja Luka. They have proven their organizational skills and professionalism on many occasions.

I would also like to use this opportunity to thank the city of Banja Luka and other supporters, sponsors and donors for the support. It is always nice to witness the amount of understanding of importance of sports beyond the promotional level - the effect on education and building friendship. My compliments to Mr. Radislav Jovicic and his team for the professional approach, effective response and love and enthusiasm they have invested in ju-jitsu and, in particular, in the European Championship 2017.

We wish you a pleasant stay and please remember that winning is nice, but being part of a European Championship is a reward in itself. Be proud of yourself, be proud to be part of the ju-jitsu world.

Welcome to you in Banja Luka!

Robert Perc

JJEU President

Dear Distinguished guests and fellow participants,

I would like to warmly welcome you to Banja Luka and the Republic of Srpska.

It is my great pleasure and an honor that we are, after hosting a lot of international competitions in the past, to be your host of this a Ju-Jitsu European Championship for seniors.

Our main goal is to try to bring ju-jitsu to an equal level as other sports in our country. Also we want to bring together young people from different countries and diverse backgrounds to meet and to compete.

Therefore, the participants will have the opportunity to discover the Republic of Srpska and especially the host town Banja Luka, which in May is the most beautiful part of the year for our town.

I hope the upcoming days in Banja Luka are memorable and that you to enjoy this beautiful sport ju-jitsu.

As a President of Ju-Jitsu Federation of Republic of Srpska, I promise you that we will do our best to make your stay in Banja Luka as pleasant as possible.

To all participants I wish good games in sporting spirit, and let the best competitors win.

Mr. Radislav Jovičić
President of Ju-Jitsu Federation of Republic of Srpska



2 PROGRAMME

Please note that the schedule is provisional and may be amended by the decisions of the JJEU. In such event, it will be published on the official JJEU website.

Friday, 2017-06-02

From 10.00	Arrival of delegations and officials	
10.00 – 18.00	Accreditation of athletes, coaches, staff e.g.	
10.00 – 12.00	Board meeting JJEU	
14.00 – 17.00	General Assembly of JJEU	Proxy needed
18.00 – 20.00	Referee Meeting	
18.00 – 20.00	Medic and physiotherapist Meeting	
16.00 – 17.30	Test weigh-in for all	
18.00 – 20.00	Weigh-in for 03 June 2017	
19.00 – 21.00	Dinner	
21.00	Draw and coach meeting for all days	

Saturday, 2017-06-03

From 09.00	*Start of first competition day
	*Fighting:
	*Duo classic:
	*Duo show:
	*Ne-waza:
15.00 – 17.00	Weigh-in for 04 June 2017
From 18.00	Finals of first competition day
20.00 – 22.00	Dinner

Sunday, 2017-06-04

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From 09.00	* Start of second competition day
	*Fighting:
	*Duo classic:
	*Duo show:
	*Ne-waza:
From 12.00	Finals of second competition day
From 14.00	Team competitions
19.00- 24.00	Gala Dinner

^{*}published in a newsletter after the registration deadline

3 ORGANIZERS

JU JITSU FEDERATION OF REPUBLIC OF SRPSKA

Address: Ju Jitsu Federation of Republic of Srpska,

Tina Ujevica 9, 78000 Banja Luka,

Republic of Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Telephone number: + 38765658104, + 38766901874.

Website: www.jjsrs.org
E-mail: jjsrs@live.com

General event manager: Mr.Radislav Jovicic, President of JJF RS

Competition manager: Ms.Natasa Prpic, General Secretary of JJF RS

4 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE EVENT

JU-JITSU EUROPEAN UNION, JJEU

General Secretary: Rick Frowyn

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Website: www.jjeu.eu

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JJEU Sport Director: Mr. Christophe Brunet, e-mail: sportdirector@jjeu.eu

JJEU Referee Director: Mr. Ueli Zürcher, e-mail: referees@jjeu.eu

JJEU Commissioner: By General Secretary of JJEU

5 COMPETITION VENUE

The tournament will take place at the Borik Sports Hall, Aleja Svetog Save 48, Republic of Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Website: www.scborik.com





6 PARTICIPATION FEES

Fighting system – 60 EUR/competitor; Ne-Waza system – 60 EUR/competitor; Duo system – 60 EUR/couple;

The amounts must be paid by bank transfer, to the following account of the Ju-Jitsu Federation Republic of Srpska, prior to arrival in Bosnia and Herzegovina:

Bank details

Owner: JJ SAVEZ RS, BRANISLAVA NUSICA BB, BANJA LUKA

Name of the bank: Sberbank, Banja Luka

IBAN: BA 395672410000198422 Swift (BIC): SABRBA2BXXX

The registration forms containing the participants and other details should be returned to the Ju-Jitsu Federation Republic of Srpska and to JJEU by sending to jjsrs@live.com, with cc to rick.frowyn@jjeu.eu, up to Monday, May 8th 2017.

An extra fee of 10 EUR per person is required for payments made after Monday, May 8th 2017 for all participants attending the event. Transfer/payment receipt has to be shown at weigh-in. Please note that all financial obligations must be fulfilled before the registration. Travel expenses and organization costs are the responsibility of the participating national federations.

7 ACCOMMODATION

Official hotel:

HOTEL JELENA****

Address: Kralja Petra I Karadjordjevica 97,78000 Banja Luka.

In walking distance to the venue

Website: www.hotel-jelenabanjaluka.com

Price: 110.00 EUR for a single room and 180.00 EUR for a double room including breakfast,

lunch (in the sports hall) and diner.

HOTEL VIDOVIĆ****

Address: Ivana Franje Jukica 11,78000 Banja Luka.

In walking distance to the venue Website: www.hotelvidovic.com

Price: 110.00 EUR for a single room, 180.00 EUR for a double room and 210.00 EUR for a

triple room including breakfast, lunch (in the sports hall) and diner.

HOTEL PALACE***

Address: Kralja Petra I Karadjordjevica 60,78000 Banja Luka.

In walking distance to the venue Website:www.hotelpalasbl.com

Price: 70.00 EUR for a single room, 120.00 EUR for a double room and 150.00 EUR for a triple

room including breakfast, lunch (in the sports hall) and diner.

Reserve hotel:

MOTEL GOLDEN CARD***

Address: Ivana Gorana Kovacica 4,78000 Banja Luka.

Approximately 3 km from the sports hall Website:www.motel-goldencard.com

Price: 70.00 EUR for a single room, 120.00 EUR for a double room and 150.00 EUR for a triple

room including breakfast, lunch (in the sports hall) and diner.

8 GALA DINNER

Gala dinner to be held at the Stara Ada Restaurant, on Sunday, June 4th 2017.

Price per Person for the gala dinner: 30.00 EUR (one drink included). Tickets to be bought at

registration, with cash payment. Website:www.staraada.ba





9 TRANSPORT

The official airport is Banja Luka International Airport, Bosnia and Herzegovina (www.banjaluka-airport.com) and Sarajevo (http://www.sarajevo-airport.ba/) (extra costs are necessary for travel from Sarajevo to Banja Luka)

Check also Zagreb International Airport, Croatia (www.zagreb-airport.hr). This airport is relatively close to Banja Luka and has better connections to the European airports.

The organization arranged transport from International Airport Banja Luka to the official hotels for all participants who are placed in the official hotels and back to the airport.

Also official transportation from Sarajevo Airport to Banja Luka hotels will provided, the costs for this transport are € 50,00 (fifty euro's) per person. The estimated time of traveling from Sarajevo to Banja Luka is about 3.5 till 4 hours.

10 DEADLINES

Entry by numbers Monday, May 1st 2017
Entry fee payment Monday, May 8th 2017
Registration of competitors Monday, May 8th 2017
Visa request Monday, May 8th 2017
Airport transfer form Monday, May 8th 2017

Delegations missing the registration deadline will be charged a **penalty of 10 EUR/person** without exceptions.

All competitors, coaches and officials must be registered in time. After the final entry deadline, all additional persons will be charged the penalties indicated above. It will only be allowed to replace previously registered coaches or officials. Substitution of competitors is only permitted in case of an injury.

11 BACK NUMBERS

Starting with the year 2016, the JJEU is using a different system for the back numbers used by athletes in the official JJEU competitions. The national federations purchase the special back numbers for the event online at the following link by Ju-Sports, the premium sponsor of the JJEU

https://www.sportundspiel99.de/c99802203-JJEU_Back-numbers

The NF's are then responsible to give the back numbers to the athletes, so they can apply them to their gi's prior to the competition. The national federations have to pay the back numbers for their athletes by themselves. Participating without an official back number is not allowed.

12 FLAG AND ANTHEM

All delegations must provide their national official flag (2 pieces) and national anthem in a short version (CD) during registration.

13 CONTROL OF ENTRIES

Control of entries and issuing of accreditation cards will take place at the venue on Friday, June 2nd 2017. At least one team official must attend in time to confirm the presence of all athletes and officials. The team official must be able to show all official documents and passports of all team members. Accreditations will be available at the draw and the coach meeting at Friday. An accreditation card shall be issued to all competitors, officials and crew members and should be carried at all times.

14 COMPETITION RULES

The latest JJIF Competition Rules will be applicable.

Categories

Duo system:

Men, Women and Mixed – classic Men, Women and Mixed – show

Fighting system:

Men -56, -62, -69, -77, -85, -94, +94 Women -49, -55, -62, -70, +70

Ne-Waza:

Men -56, -62, -69, -77, -85, -94, +94 Women -49, -55, -62, -70, +70

Team competition Fighting

Men -69, -85, +85 Women -62 & +62

Team competition Ne-Waza

Men -69, -85, +85 Women -62 & +62

MIXED Team competition

Fighting: Men -69, -85, +85 / Women -62 & +62 Newaza: Men -69, -85, +85 / Women -62 & +62 DUO: Men, Women or MIX team one allowed.

If a competitor participates in the Duo competition, he/she is allowed to be part of a mixed couple and of a couple of his/her gender on the same tournament. The organizer will observe that the Duo men and women are scheduled for one competition day, while the mixed duo is scheduled for the other day.

Number of competitors

Duo-system:

- Maximum 6 couples per country maximum 2 duo mixed, 2 duo men, 2 duo women. Fighting system:
 - Men: Maximum 10 athletes; maximum 2 athletes per category, per country
 - Women: Maximum 7 athletes; maximum 2 athletes per category, per country

Ne-Waza:

- Men: Maximum 9 athletes; maximum 2 athletes per category, per country
- Women: Maximum 6 athletes; maximum 2 athletes per category, per country

Age

According to JJIF, competitors are divided into cadets (U15), aspirants (U18), juniors (U21), seniors (+21) and masters (+35). According to JJIF Technical Congress 2010, in Vienna, the decision was

made that athletes can compete one age category higher. This means juniors (U21) are allowed to compete in seniors. Year of birth 1999 and older are allowed to participate.

Ju-Jitsu Gi and protectors

All competitors must have and use ju-jitsu Gi's according with the JJIF rules for official competitions (white Gi for all competition systems). Soft hand and foot protections in proper color; mouthpiece and jockstrap are strongly recommended; chest protectors for female competitors are strongly recommended.

15 WEIGH-IN

The official weigh-in will be scheduled the day before the competition for the categories concerned (see programme). The official weigh-in for athletes will take place at the Borik sports hall.

All Athletes have to wear t-shirts and knee-long trousers for the weigh-in!!!

16 ADVERTISING

Please observe the regulations of the JJIF as far as advertising on the Ju-Jitsu gi is concerned. Please note that during the championship only the JJEU-approved back numbers are allowed. Numbers on the back of previous tournaments must be removed from the Ju-Jitsu gi.

17 DRAW & COACH MEETING

Each National Federation must send at least one and maximum two delegates to attend the draw & coach meeting. The draw will take place in Hotel Vidovic on Friday, June 2nd 2017, at 21.00 hrs. We strongly advice all teams to send someone to the draw and coach meeting. By experience their presence is considered necessary to avoid possible complications with changes, participation, division into age and weight categories etc. We will accept no complaints after the draw is done! There will be no re-draw!

18 REFEREES

Each country should provide minimum 1 referee for up to 8 participants, 2 for up to 16 participants, and 3 for 17 participants and more. A fee of EUR 800 per referee will be requested for not having the right number of referees and collected by the organizer and/or JJEU Treasurer on the spot (conditioned for participation before the draw). With the penalty fee JJEU has the possibility to invite extra referees from NF's if necessary.

Hotel bookings for referees must be included within the booking of the delegation from the national federation.

There will be a referee meeting on Friday, June 2nd 2017 in the Borik Sports Hall, which all referees must attend. They must also be present for the meetings preceding each competition day.

19 APPEAL COMMITTEE

The Appeal Committee of the event is composed of 3 persons (1 from the local Organizing Committee), appointed by the JJEU Board.

Any member of the Appeal Committee is to be excluded from making any decisions if the participant involved is from the same country. An appeal fee of 200 EUR must be paid to the JJEU Treasurer before the appeal is filed (this amount will be returned if appeal is successful). The appeal must be filed immediately after the situation occurs (a verbal announcement and filed on paper), so the organizer may halt the competition to prevent the appealed situation from continuing. The decision of the Appeal Committee is final.

20 TROPHIES

At the end of the competition there will be a trophy for the three best countries; first three athletes/couples in each category receive a medal and special trophies will be awarded for the fastest fight in the Ne-Waza and Fighting System and the highest amount of points in the Duo System.

21 REGISTRATION

Please use the forms in attachment and indicate last name, first name, year of birth, weight category for Fighting and Ne-Waza or Duo-class, address and telephone of the national federation, the referees and officials sent by the NF. Please send all forms to:

Ms. Natasa Prpic; e-mail: <u>jisrs@live.com</u> and Mr. Rick Frowyn, e-mail: <u>rick.frowyn@jjeu.eu</u>

22 DRESS CODE

Coaches accompanying the athletes to the tatami will wear the national team track suit with sports shoes (closed). For the finals, formal clothes (with jacket) are recommended. Athletes on the podium will wear the white competition GI, without any additional materials on their persons (flags, religious symbols, bottles of water, slippers etc.), according to *Sport Accord guidelines*.

23 ANTI-DOPING CONTROL

There will be an anti-doping control executed by the official anti-doping authority of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

All members should make their competitors aware that there could be a doping control for several athletes in all systems.

If you have entered in the European Championship and are taking any medication or plan to take any medication, please check with your doctor whether your medication contains any substances on WADA's 2017 Prohibited List:

(https://www.wada-ama.org/sites/default/files/resources/files/2016-09-29 _-wada_prohibited_list_2017_eng_final.pdf)

You will need a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE), if it does. JJIF/JJEU automatically recognizes all TUEs issued by National Anti-Doping Organizations (NADOs), so please contact your NADO if you need a TUE and do not already have one.

If you have any difficulty in applying for a TUE through your NADO or there is no NADO in your country, please contact the JJIF TUE Committee Director, Mr. Paco Luis Gomez (pacoluisgomez@gmail.com).

24 LIABILITY

Neither the organizers of the event, nor the National Federation (or any of its officials or members) will be liable or responsible for any personal injury nor for any loss or damage to any property arising out of participations and traveling in connection with this championship. Coaches and team leaders are responsible to make sure that all participants are physically fit, prepared and capable to cope with the championship.



Liability Statement

NATION/TEAM	
RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL (capital letters please)	

STATEMENT

Of accepting general conditions for participating at the event as defined in Invitation to the event and Board decisions, accepting JJIF Sporting and Organisation Code, Anti-doping rules and fair-play in general, and accepting responsibilities and liabilities as follows:

Legality and right to participate

We are fully aware that all competitors must have a legal passport and sports passport of their respective nation! Medical certificate is needed, not older than 12 months, certifying their fitness for competition. Competitors that will reach the proper age in the present year (from 1.1 to 31.12) have the right of participation in designate category (valid for Fighting, Duo system and Ne-waza).

Responsibility

We hereby attest that coaches and team leader are responsible to make sure that all participants are physically fit, prepared and capable to cope with the championship.

Liability

We understand and recognize the right to the organizing committee, the JJEU and the organizing national federation not to accept any liability what so ever. Neither the organizers of the event, nor Ju Jitsu Federation of Republic of Srpska (JJSRS) or JJEU (or any of its officials or members) will be liable or responsible for any personal injury nor for any loss or damage to any property arising out of participations and travelling in connection with this championship.

Anti-doping

We are aware that there could be a doping control for several athletes in Fighting, Ne-Waza or Duo system.

Place and date:

Signature of team leader/NF representative: