20th FAI European Gliding Championship 2019

July 6th – July 21st, 2019

PRIEVIDZA, Slovakia

Bulletin N° 1

First Information for all FAI members concerning the 20th FAI EGC
Dear gliding friends,

The Slovak National Aeroclub and the Aeroclub of Prievidza, as the Organiser, kindly invite all National Aeroclubs to participate in the 20th FAI European Gliding Championships in the Club, Standard and 15m classes in the summer of 2019.

The Championships will take place in Prievidza, whose aeroclub boasts almost 70 years' flying tradition. The aeroclub has often organised both national and international gliding championships, among them, the 31st World gliding Championship, Women’s EGC as well numerous international Slovak Gliding Championships where 61st Slovak Gliding Championship has been organised as the pre-competition to the 20th FAI European Gliding Championship.

The airfield's fantastic location in a valley among hills with great connections to the two nearby towns of Prievidza and Bojnice, as well as the airfield's excellent facilities: good flying, meals & accommodation, glider repairs and relaxation, ensure that our visitors enjoy both their flying and their stay in our country.

The airfield's strategic location allows the effective use of not only Slovak but also Czech Republic, Polish and Hungarian airspace. Long, beautiful flights begin with early departures into the hills and end with arrivals from long thermally-active areas. At the same time, the 20th FAI EGC has wide support at the regional level – the Championship organisation is the work of a wide spectrum of institutions, companies but most importantly people. We believe that, through such dedicated teamwork, we will provide you with an unforgettable flying experience.

If your NAC has been hesitating about sending a team, we hope to have persuaded you.
All you have to do is to fill in the online registration form, available at the Championship’s official website www.egc2019.sk from December 1st, 2018.

Welcome to Prievidza!

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**Location of the Event**

Airfield Prievidza (ICAO code LZPE)  
Elevation: 260 m / 853 ft  
Runway: 22 / 04 (1200 x 200 m, grass, asphalt)  
Frequency: 123,055 MHz

**Address for Official Correspondence**

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E-mail: info@egc2019.sk;  
Fax: +421 46 543 81 11  
Web: www.egc2019.sk

**Time Schedule**

- **Publication of Bulletin No. 1**: October 15th, 2018  
- **Opening of On-line Registration**: December 1st, 2018  
- **Preliminary Entries Due**: February 1st, 2019  
- **Final Entries Due**: April 1st, 2019  
- **Deadline for Approval of new GNSS FR**: June 1st, 2019  
- **Unofficial Practice**: June 29th – July 2nd, 2019  
- **Registration**  
  - June 3rd - July 5th, 2019  
- **Scrutineering**: July 3rd - July 5th, 2019  
- **Official Practice**: July 3rd - July 5th, 2019  
- **First Official Team Captains Briefing**: July 5th, 2019 at 6 PM  
- **Configuration Changes Close**: July 5th, 2019 at 8 PM  
- **Opening Ceremony**: July 6th, 2019 at 5 PM  
- **Contest flying**: July 7th - July 20th, 2019  
- **Farewell Party**: July 20th, 2019 at 8 PM  
- **Closing ceremony and prize giving**: July 21th, 2019 at 10,30 AM

**Organiser Team**

- **Championship Director**: Jozef Šnirc  
- **Deputy Championship Director**: Jozef Kutláč  
- **Task Setter**: Tomáš Bobok, Drahoš Sitár  
- **Scorers**: Gabriela Beláková, Ján Hrnčírik  
- **Meteorologist**: Ján Horák  
- **Flight Operation Director**: Luboš Jánošík  
- **IT administration**: Miroslav Maťaš  
- **Webmaster**: Peter Dechet

**IGC Officials**

- **Chief Steward**: Patrick Pauwels (Belgium)  
- **Steward**: will be announced later  
- **President of Jury**: Peter Ryder (Germany)  
- **Members of Jury**: will be announced later
**Competition Classes**

The 20th FAI EGC 2019 will be held in the following classes as described in the main body of section 3 of the Sporting Code, Chapter 7:

- Club Class
- Standard Class
- 15m Class

**Competing Pilots**

Pilots competing at the 20th FAI European Gliding Championships 2019 must be a citizen or resident of the country of one of the FAI member NACs, must satisfy the condition of the FAI sporting Code, General Section 3.7. on citizenship and representation, and must;

- Hold a gold badge, or, hold a silver badge and have competed in at least two national Championships;
- Have flown at least 250 hours as a pilot in command, of which at least 100 hours must be in sailplanes;
- Hold a valid FAI Sporting Licence;
- Pilots must have an EU-Part FCL compliant license, non-EU issued licenses must be ICAO compliant. Pilots that want to fly a EASA registered glider that do not have an EASA license must obtain a license validation from the glider’s country of registration;
- Know, understand, and abide by the FAI Sporting Codes and the Rules and Procedures issued for the event.

**Entries**

The maximum numbers of pilots per class including European Champions as approved by the IGC Bureau are as follows:

- 33 in the Standard Class
- 35 in the Club Class
- 32 in the 15m Class

This is how we will manage the process if the contest or any of the classes are oversubscribed:

- Each NAC may enter up to two pilots in each class, indicating who the first is and the second pilot entry. (See the ‘Registration’)
- The current champions of each CGC may compete as additional members of their team in their relevant classes in this Championship.
- The preliminary entry list will be published as soon as possible after the closing date for Preliminary Entries on the February 1st, 2019.
- The allocation procedure once approved will be published and sent to all team captains as soon as it is available with an entry list identifying which pilots may be affected.
- Final entries will be displayed as soon as possible after the closing date for Final Entries of April 1st, 2019.
- A pilot withdrawing after the final entry deadline may be replaced by a pilot from the same country if she/he is eligible according to the allocation procedure.
Registration

To make sure the competition is safe and successful, the organiser is required to collect, retain and process some of your personal data. Some data also needs to be collected to comply with local laws and the requirements of the World Air Sport Federation (FAI).

Due to new GDPR legislation in connection with personal data, we will ask you during online registration for permission to use listed personal data for various purposes but direct related to the organization of the championship. On his / her request a registered person will have the possibility to verify the logged personal data. Every competitor and the team captain must be registered in person.

Competitors and Team Captains will have to register online on the competition website: www.egc2019.sk.
The registration will open on December 1st, 2018 and close on April 1st, 2019.
Preliminary Entries must be filled-in up to February 1st, 2019 via the online system.
The official entries must be filled-in via the online system (website) before April 1st, 2019. The Organiser asks all registrants to carefully fill in all required fields. A participant’s photograph in .JPG format must be included with the registration.
The National Aeroclub has to also fill in the attached Entry Form and duly signed to send it by e-mail to the organisers before the deadline of April 1st, 2019.
The date when the registration is accepted will be published in the list of the registered participants as soon as possible.

Entry Fee

The entry fee is 650 € for each competitor. The entry fee covers all operational costs for organising the championship except the aerotows fees.

The entry fee must be sent to the following bank account:

Bank name: SLSP pobočka Prievidza
Account No.: 66508253
Bank code: 0900
IBAN: SK32 0900 0000 0000 6650 8253
SWIFT: GIBASKBX
KS (constant symbol): 0558
VS: the number generated by the online registration form

The entry fee must be credited on the Organiser’s bank account on April 1st, 2019 at the latest.
The entry fee for the competitor whose registration will be not accepted will be returned to the sender’s bank account immediately.

Notice: Before making the bank transfer, you must indicate that the sender is paying the transfer fees so that the full entry fee is credited to the Organiser’s bank account.
**Aerotow Fee**

Aerotows for all classes will be to 600 m QFE. The price per aero tow is **43 €**. The organiser requires that at least 10 aero tows fees be paid in advance. Any unused credit for aero tows will be returned in full. All required fees must be paid on pilot registration or the first flight, (whichever come first). Any additional fees will only be accepted in cash.

**Insurance**

Third Party Liability insurance – which does not exclude competitions – is required for each participating sailplane. The required coverage must comply with EU Regulation 785/2004 which states the following limits:

- **Certified MTOM < 500 kg Minimum Limit SDR * 1 000 000**
- **Certified MTOM >=500 and < 1000 kg Minimum Limit SDR * 2 000 000**

* **Note:** SDR means “Special Drawing Right” as defined by the International Monetary Fund. To view the current conversion rates from SDR’s to other currencies see: [www.imf.org/](http://www.imf.org/).

Documentary proof of insurance shall be made available to the Organiser in the Slovak, Czech or English languages.

Personal medical insurance is required for all team members, covering accidents and sickness, including any hospital costs and repatriation. Pilots shall ensure that their coverage extends to accidents and injuries sustained in gliding competitions.

**Local Procedures**

Local procedures will be published separately as soon as possible on [www.egc2019.sk](http://www.egc2019.sk).

**Contest Area, Airspace Files, Turn Points**

Information about the contest area boundary and airspace use will be published separately on [www.egc2019.sk](http://www.egc2019.sk). As well as Slovak airspace, the contest area will include neighbouring Czech Republic, Polish and Hungarian airspace. Airspace files will be published in the most common formats on [www.egc2019.sk](http://www.egc2019.sk).

A List of turn points and turn point files in the most common formats will also be available on [www.egc2019.sk](http://www.egc2019.sk) as a part of the Local Procedures.

**Scoring Software**

The official scoring software is Naviter SeeYou Competition ([www.naviter.si](http://www.naviter.si)). Pilots will be able to send their IGC files using our WiFi internet connection on the airfield. The way to submit IGC files will be specified at the first team captain’s briefing at the latest.

**GNSS FR**

Only GNNS flight recorders approved by IGC before June 1st, 2019 will be allowed for documenting flights. The obligation to use such devices includes both the main and the backup flight recorder. For both the main and the backup GNSS FR, the valid calibration required may not be older than 60 months at the end date of the competition.
Training possibilities

In addition to the published training dates of the 20th FAI EGC 2019, the Organiser offers the following training opportunities:

- competitions organised at Prievidza airfield before the start of the 20th FAI EGC 2019
- individual training camps

Accommodation

Accommodation is possible at the airfield camp using your own tents or caravans or in pensions and hotels around the airfield. *The camping fee for one person in a tent or caravan in the airfield camp/per day is: 9 €*

More information about accommodation outside the airfield camp can be found at www.hotelsite.sk or by writing to info@egc2019.sk.

Catering

Meals may be purchased directly at the airfield restaurant or in the pensions around the airfield. The meals from the airfield restaurant may be ordered on arrival.

Gliders for Rent

There is a limited possibility to rent gliders in Slovakia. If you are interested in renting a glider, please contact us on info@egc2019.sk.

Please note, that if flying a Slovak-registered glider and you are not a holder of EASA licence, you must validate your licence at the Slovak republic Transport Authority, section Civil Aviation. You will find more information at www.egc2019.sk.

Mobile Phones

For security reasons, the Organiser requires that each pilot and each team captain must have a functional mobile phone during the Championships. The mobile phone numbers at which the competitor and the team captain can be reached will be required at registration.

Slovakia has very good mobile phone signal coverage. The competitors may choose from the following list of mobile phone service providers:

- Orange Slovensko a.s. - www.orange.sk
- T-Com - www.telecom.sk
- O2 – www.o2.sk

Further Questions

In case of any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Organiser.
Entry Form

National Aeroclub: ___________________________ Country: ___________________________
Team Captain: ___________________________ E-mail: ___________________________
Phone: ___________________________ Fax: ___________________________

The National Aeroclub  __________________________________________________________

would like to register the following pilots* for the 20th FAI European Gliding Championship in Prievidza, Slovakia. (Please enter the names and surnames of the pilots)

**Standard Class**
1st Pilot: ___________________________
2nd Pilot: ___________________________
European Champion: ___________________________

**Club Class**
1st Pilot: ___________________________
2nd Pilot: ___________________________
European Champion: ___________________________

**15m Class**
1st Pilot: ___________________________
2nd Pilot: ___________________________
European Champion: ___________________________

* Please note that each NAC may enter up to 2 pilots plus reigning European Champions in the class. Each NAC must identify a first pilot and a second pilot in each class.

Name and function of the person filling the form:

Place and date: ___________________________ Signature: ___________________________ Stamp of the NAC: ___________________________

This document has to be send per e-mail info@egc2019.sk before the April 1st, 2019.