



Beach
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CHAMPIONS CUP
Catania

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1 – 4 November 2018 in Catania / Italy

The Beauty Of Sicily

Sicily is a large, triangular shaped island located in the Mediterranean Sea. It is separated from the mainland of Italy by the Strait of Messina. The autonomous region of Sicily also includes the Aegadian Islands, the Aeolian Islands, Pantelleria, and Lampedusa.

Sicily has a long history that dates back to ancient times. Throughout it, Sicily has been influenced by a variety of different cultures, including Greek, Roman, Byzantine, Norman, Saracens and Spanish. As a result of these influences Sicily has a diverse culture as well as diverse architecture and cuisine. Sicily has a population of more than 5 million and the majority of the people on the island identify themselves as Sicilian.

Sicily and its surrounding islands are home to a number of active volcanoes. Mount Etna is a very active, and is the tallest active volcano in Europe. The islands surrounding Sicily are also home to a number of active and dormant volcanoes, including Mount Stromboli in the Aeolian Islands.

Sicily is also home to several UNESCO World Heritage Sites. These sites include the Archaeological Area of Agrigento, the Villa Romana del Casale, the Aeolian Islands, the Late Baroque Towns of the Val de Noto, and Syracuse and the Rocky Necropolis of Pantalica.





Catania



Catania is Sicily's second largest city. It's represented by three main characteristics: its charming architecture, magnificent coastline, and the one spectator who has observed Catania's centuries of changes, Mount Etna.

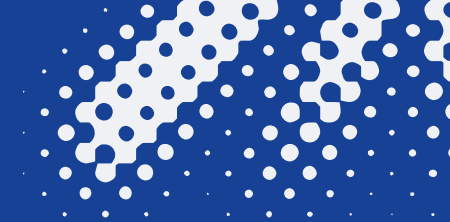
Catania lies in a delightful geographical position between the Ionian Sea and the slopes of Mount Etna. Sicily's second city has always had a close relationship with the volcano. Subjected to Mount Etna's temperament, much of Catania's history is linked to its volcanic neighbour. The city was built by natural and geophysical elements, and most of the city's buildings are made from Etna's black lava. The city was repeatedly destroyed over the centuries by eruptions and earthquakes. But the people of Catania bounced back, creating an even better city, rebuilding in the Baroque style. Catania contains some of the most imaginative lava-built Baroque buildings in Sicily.

Catania is a city, both fascinating and full of surprises, for visitors who will never forget their time spent in the city. With one of the richest repositories of Baroque architecture in Europe, Catania has art treasures, church museums, and Roman ruins, well worth seeking out. The city also offers excellent year-round sporting facilities from skiing on Etna to numerous nautical activities.

Catania's excellent geographical location allows visitors easy access to the main tourist resorts on the island such as Taormina, Mount Etna, and Syracuse. It is also well connected to the archaeological sites of Agrigento, Piazza Armerina, as well as Acireale and Noto, locations full of outstanding Baroque architecture.

Directly on the "Playa" beach the "Domusbet Arena Beach Stadium", which is set up every year in summer, will be used as the event area for the Champions Cup.





Contact Information

The Champions Cup will be organised by the EHF in co-operation with the Italian Handball Federation and the local organiser (OC). The event will be hosted in Catania, Italy from 1 – 4 November 2018.

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Participating teams

Following the Beach Handball philosophy the Champions Cup shall be a competition simply structured, with easy rules, a lot of sun, vitality and high level competitions based on the fair play spirit. Additionally the competition has to follow the EHF standards concerning its minimum requirements and organisational structure.

Participation

- 12 men's + 12 women's teams (entries follow "first come – first served" basis) including the defending champions from ChC 2017
- The defending champions are eligible to take part in case they are playing in the respective National BH Championships in 2018
- The winners of the National BH Championship are eligible to take part
- In case the winner cannot take part the 2nd or the 3rd ranked team can be registered

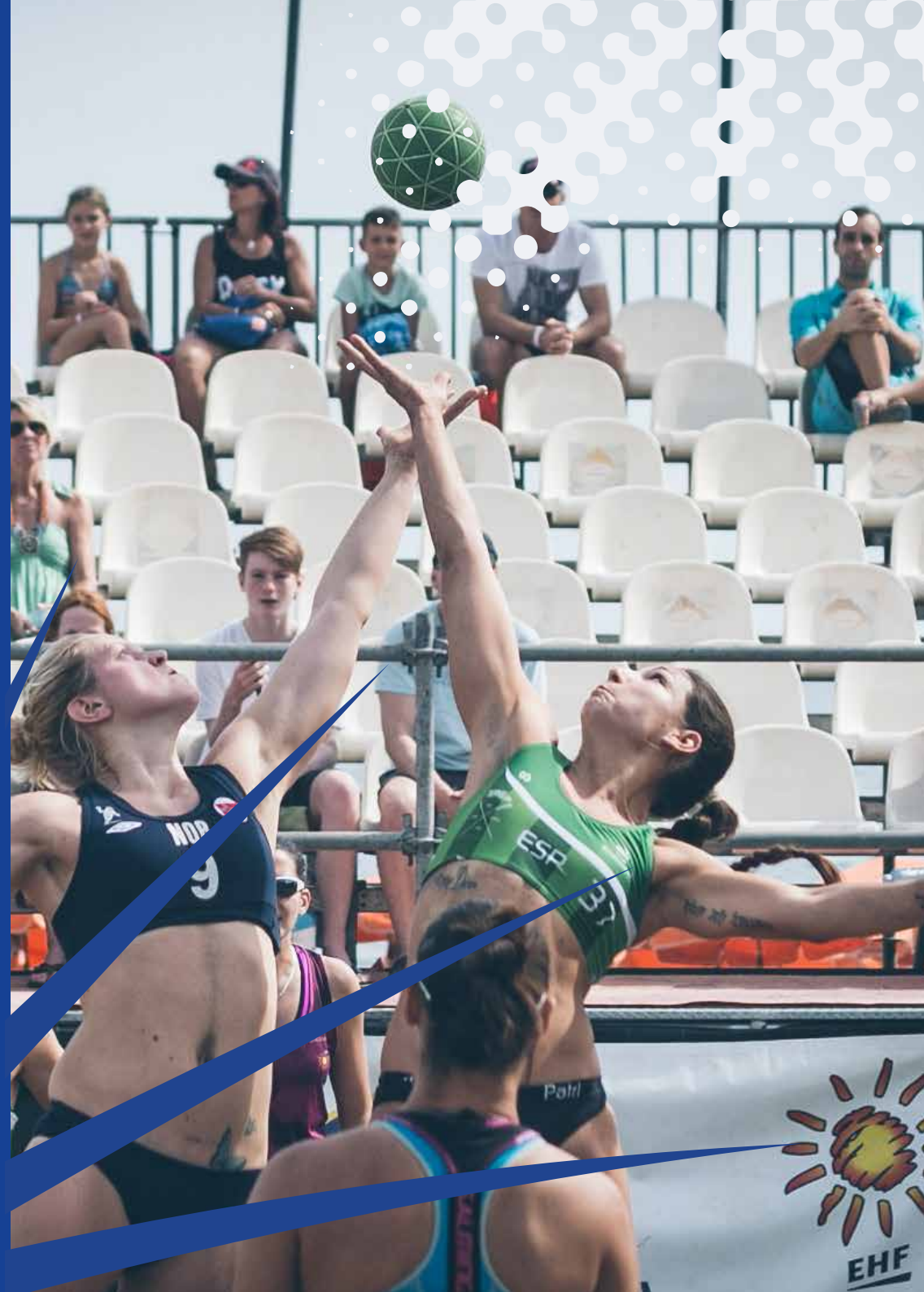
Note: The National Federations have to submit the official squad (max 24 players) that are registered in the nominated club one month prior. One week prior to the Champions Cup the teams will be asked to reduce their official squad to 14 players. At the technical meeting the squad has to be reduced to 12 players.

Registration procedure

- Nomination by National Federations
- National BH Championship is obligatory
- The registering national federation have to submit the final ranking of the national BH Championship together with the registration

Registration period

27 August 2018 (08:00 CET) - 29 August 2018 (12:00 CET)



Payments

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A deposit payment of € 2,000 will be taken from the respective national accounts and used in case of need. All teams participating in the Champions Cup have to pay a registration fee of €200 per team which will be deducted from the deposit payment. Therefore max. €1,800 will be re-transferred after the Champions Cup.

Italian Handball Federation (co-organisier)

Name of the Bank: BNL SPA – FILIALE CONI

IBAN: IT06C0100503309000000010126

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EHF Officials Accommodation

Airport Hotel – Catania

Teams Accommodation

The booking of the accommodation via the local organiser is obligatory for all teams.

Hotel Miramare – Catania

Touristic village “Cucaracha” – Catania

Transportation

The transportation from the accommodation to the venue and back will be organised and paid by the OC. The airport transfer can be organized upon request by the OC and has to be paid separately by the participating teams. The nearest airport is Fontanarossa / Catania.





Overall time table

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| July 2018 | Calling for participants |
| 29 August 2018 (12:00 CET) | Deadline for registrations |
| Sept. 2018 | Info to the participating teams |
| 31.10.18 | Latest arrival of participating teams |
| 31.10.18 | Technical meeting (obligatory for all team representatives) |
| 1 – 4.11.18 | EHF Beach Handball Champions Cup |
| 5.11.18 | Departure day all |

Additional Activities

EHF Education Courses for beach handball coaches

Please note: the stay for the whole event period
(31.10 - 5.11.2018) is obligatory for all teams.