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8th USPE European Police Championships Cycling Neteland - Belgium



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6th – 10th September 2018 in Neteland/Belgium

Invitation to Enter

Belgische Politiesportbond – Fédération Sportive de la Police Belge is entrusted with the organization of the 8th USPE European Police Championship in Cycling by the Union Sportive des Polices d'Europe (USPE) 6th – 10th September 2018 in Neteland/Belgium.

The following invitation to enter is issued for the USPE European Police Championships Cycling 2018.

They have been adopted on the basis of the Statutes, Rules and Regulations, Competition Rules and Anti-Doping-Regulations of the USPE.

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1. General organiser

Union Sportive des Polices d'Europe (USPE)

2. Organiser

Belgische Politiesportbond – Fédération Sportive de la Police Belge
(BPSB-FSPB)

3. Date

Arrival: 6th September 2018

Depart: 10th September 2018

4. Venue

Sport Vlaanderen Herentals
Vorselaarsebaan 60
2200 Herentals
Belgium

5. Accommodation/Travelling

Most participants (athletes and attendants) will stay in **Sporthotel Sport Vlaanderen**, Vorselaarsebaan 60, 2200 Herentals (www.sport.vlaanderen/herentals). This sporthotel, owned by the Flemish government, is situated within the race venue site (start and finish) where all ceremonies and the final entertainment will take place. The rooms are basic and have between 2 and 6 beds, some of which are bunk beds. Towels and soap will be provided. A room for secure bike storage will be provided in the main sports complex. Bikes will not be allowed to be taken into bedrooms. The organiser kindly asks for your understanding with regard to the basic rooms.

Some athletes and attendants will stay in **Hotel De Zalm**, Grote Markt 21, 2200 Herentals (www.dezalm.be). This hotel is situated in the Town Centre of Herentals. The distance from the hotel to the venue is 2 km (7 min by bicycle). Athletes will be able to leave their bikes undercover and secure in the courtyard area of the hotel. Bikes will not be allowed to be taken into bedrooms.

Delegates will stay in **Hotel Karmel**, Grote Markt 39, 2200 Herentals (www.hotelkarmel.be). This hotel is also situated in the Town Centre of Herentals. The distance from the hotel to the venue is 2 km (6 min by car). This hotel will provide breakfast for guests at this hotel and that of the partner hotel De Zalm.

All meals will be taken in the restaurant of the Sporthotel. Detailed information will be distributed at arrival.

Due to the limited hotel capacity in Herentals and the high number of participating countries (21), the organiser will not be able to accommodate extra nights before or after the EPC. The organiser will also not be able to accommodate a lot of (accompanying) guests. The organiser kindly asks for your understanding.

The organiser will provide the transportation from **Brussels International Airport (BRU)** and **Antwerp Central Train Station** according to the travelling details of all the delegations. The distance from Brussels International Airport to the venue is 74 km (1 hour by

car). The distance from Antwerp Central Train Station is 41 km (40 min by train).

Delegations which need a VISA are requested to contact the competent authorities in time.

Shuttles during the championships:

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

A meeting point will be communicated in the Town Centre nearby both hotels.

Teams arriving with their own Bus/Car are asked to use this for the transport of the own team.

6. Safety Requirements

The organiser has to make sure that all safety requirements are met according to the rules of the respective sport discipline.

The organiser has to ensure that a medical first aid will be present at the competition.

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

7. Insurance

Everyone involved in the USPE EPC is responsible for his/her own insurance cover.

The participating Member Countries are responsible for and undertake to conclude all necessary and adequate insurance cover (e.g. accident and health insurance) for their whole delegation members at their own expense for the whole duration of the USPE EPC.

Claims for damages against the USPE are expressly excluded.

8. Competition rules

The provisions of the USPE Competition Rules, paragraph 4.10 shall apply.

Time Trial:

The distance and route (20,817 km) of the Time Trial will be for the women and the men. It is very flat and goes through rural and village

areas. Detailed information will follow.

Road Race:

The distance of the Road Race will be 85,625 km for the women (5 laps of 17,125 km) and 102,750 km for the men (6 laps of 17,125 km). The route will be the same for women and men. It is very flat and goes through rural and village areas. Detailed information will follow.

8.1 Participants

Each member union may enter up to six male and six female sportsmen/-women as well as up to four attendants. However, the number of attendants must not exceed the number of sportsmen/-women.

8.2 Draw**Time Trial**

The draw for the starting positions at the Time Trial takes place at the Technical meeting. According to UCI rules the athletes should be placed in the order of the slowest first and the fastest athlete last. Each country will be asked to deliver a list of their participants in this order. The order of the teams drawn will remain in that order throughout the race until all competitors from each country have started. If a country is unable to provide a full team their first athlete will start in the order of the number of athletes provided. An example is provided below: -

Team A 6 riders, Team B 6 riders, Team C 4 riders, Team D 2 riders, Team E 4 riders.

Order will be:

1st draw:

Team A 1st rider [Slowest], Team B 1st rider [slowest]

2nd draw:

Team A 2nd rider, Team B 2nd rider

3rd draw:

Team A 3rd rider, Team B 3rd rider, Team C 1st rider, Team E 1st rider

4th draw:

Team A 4th rider, Team B 4th rider, Team C 2nd rider, Team E 2nd rider

5th draw:

Team A 5th rider, Team B 5th rider, Team C 3rd rider, Team D 1st rider, Team E 3rd rider

6th draw:

Team A 6th rider [Fastest], Team B 6th rider, Team C 4th rider, Team D 2nd rider, Team E 4th rider [Fastest].

The fastest rider should go last according to UCI rules. The time gap between athletes will be determined depending on the number of athletes.

Road Race

There will be no draw for starting positions for the Road Race as this is a rolling start.

8.3 Sport equipment

All teams must wear nominated team colours. Failure to do so will lead to disqualification.

The USPE Technical Delegate will check this during the accreditation.

Time Trial: a voluntary bike inspection will be offered and a mandatory inspection will be undertaken by a race official prior to the start. The details of the bike checks will be published later.

Road Race: random bike checks will be conducted by race officials.

8.4 Decorations and honours

The winner of each individual competition of an EPC is "European Police Champion".

As to the team competitions organised within the framework of an EPC, each competitor of the winning team is "European Police Champion".

Medals

Competitors taking first, second and third places in any of the individual competitions are awarded with prize medals.

As to team events, the competitors of the teams placing first, second and third are awarded with prize medals.

9. Referees

The provisions of the USPE Competition Rules, paragraph 2.4, shall apply.

The organiser is in charge of ensuring a sufficient number of referees. The minimum standard for referees shall be the highest national level.

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

10. Provisional Timetable

6th September 2018

7th September 2018

During the day	Training and visiting of race courses
10:00 h	Technical meeting in Sporthotel
17:30 h	Opening ceremony in Sports hall followed by a welcome reception and walking dinner

8th September 2018

09:00 h Time Trial Women followed by medal ceremony
13:00 h Time Trial Men followed by medal ceremony

9th September 2018

09:00 h	Road Race Women followed by medal ceremony
13:00 h	Road Race Men followed by medal ceremony
18:30 h	Closing ceremony and medal ceremony teams in Sports hall
20:00 h	Closing dinner (BBQ) and party at Sports venue.

10th September 2018

Departure

Sporthotel check-out will be at 10:00.

11. Jury of appeal

The provisions of the USPE Rules and Regulations, Article R 19, shall apply.

The Jury of Appeal comprised of:

1. Fred Kusserow	Secretary General of the USPE, Chairmen
2. Katherine Willoughby	Member of the Technical Commission
3. Philippe Mariën	Belgian Cycling/UCI
4. Ben Benhaddou	Race director

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 100.00 €, paid in cash.

12. Eligibility to start

The provisions of the USPE Statutes, the USPE Rules and Regulations, the USPE Competition Rules as well as the USPE Anti-Doping Regulations shall apply.

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 (including preliminary rounds),
6. have signed the Anti-Doping Declaration and
7. submit the USPE Declaration of Participation signed by the respective President/Secretary General to the competent member of the Technical Commission.

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

They have to satisfy the provisions set out in Article 23 of the Statutes.

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 the 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.

13. Accreditation/Verification of eligibility to enter

For verification of a person's eligibility, the police ID and passport or national ID-card (including a photo) must be presented to the Delegate of the USPE. In case of a document deficiency, the permission to start may 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.

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

The competent member of the USPE Technical Commission, Mrs. Katherine Willoughby, will affect the verification during the accreditation.

14. 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).

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.

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

If any player take prohibited substances or use prohibited methods mentioned in the WADA Prohibited list to treat an illness or condition, a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) must be needed to participate.

For more Information take a look at our USPE- website www.uspe.org

15. Financial provisions

15.1. Travelling expenses

Each member union will pay its own travelling expenses.

15.2. Board and lodging

Delegate

The organiser will pay the expenses incurred by the delegate (USPE Rules and Regulations Article R 11) of the respective member union.

Team

For all participants are 50.00 € per person/per night to be paid to the organiser (Article R 14/3 of the Rules and Regulations).

Guests

In case a member country intends to be accompanied by guests and the organiser is able to provide the respective accommodation, each guest has to pay the actual costs incurred by them.

Price for guests: approx. € 400.00 euro per person.

The organiser will send the respective invoices in time. Please pay the invoices by bank transfer:

Belgische politiesportbond
IBAN: BE48 6718 9364 6927
BIC: EURBBE99

Please note the following remark on your remittance: name of your country – EPC Cycling 2018

15.3 Registration fee

Prior to a championship, each participating country has to pay a registration fee to the USPE General Treasurer.
This fee has to be paid before the opening of the championship.

Registration fee:
Each start: 40.00 €

USPE will send the respective invoices in time.

16. Registration

Each participating member country is requested to send the enclosed forms by E-Mail to:

1. Office of the USPE Secretary General (office@uspe.org)
2. Organiser (PZ.Neteland.Cycling2018@police.belgium.eu)
3. Katherine Willoughby, USPE Technical Delegate
(katherine.willoughby@hampshire.pnn.police.uk)

Please meet the following deadlines

Form 2 Number of Participants	01.04.2018
Form 3 Participants Names	01.06.2018
Form 4 Travelling Details	01.08.2018

17. Restriction of personality rights

Participants 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.

18. 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.

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 Closing dinner all participants are requested to attend adequately dressed to suit the occasion (no blue jeans).

Fred Kusserow
USPE Secretary General

Luc Smeyers
President BPSB-FSPB