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Trnovo ob Soči, Slovenia
14th – 18th May 2019

2019 ECA WILDWATER CANOEING
EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Dear participants,

In 2019 we will co-create the story of the European sporting event on our most beautiful river, the emerald Soča River. This event will be of great importance to our municipality, sports tourism and promotion. We are aware of the importance of this event and this is one of the main reasons we joined the organisation with Canoe Federation of Slovenia and Bovec Municipality. We look forward to sports gatherings, competitions and meeting all of you who are connected and united in this sport. Trnovo ob Soči, the village in our municipality, will experience rebirth and get a place on the map of important sporting destinations.

Marko Matajurc
The Mayor of Municipality of Kobarid
Dear guests!

The Soča River and Bovec Region have been known as canoeing Eldorado for a long time. I am pleased that we will host Wildwater Canoeing European Championships and meet many top-level competitors, supporters of canoeing sport and admirers of beautiful Soča River. We will do our best to make you feel comfortable and that you will enjoy your stay and return to us over and over again.

See you in May!

Valter Mlekuž
The Mayor of Municipality of Bovec

OBČINA BOVEC
Dear athletes,

Dear representatives of the National Federations,

One of Europe’s most beautiful and picturesque rivers, the Soča River, will once again become the centre of attention in canoeing. The course between Srpenci and Trnovci, which hosted the ICF Wildwater Canoeing World Championships in 1991 and Wildwater Canoeing European Championships in 2013, is well known in canoeing. I proudly invite you to the competition we organise in cooperation with Bovec and Kobarid Municipalities between 14th and 18th May 2019.

The incredible nature will not be the only marker of the upcoming competition. We will do everything in our power to organise exciting, fair and most of all safe competition which will present the wildwater canoeing to the world as the sport of nature, pure joy and sport of champions. The latter will be your merit - valued competitors.

With combined efforts we will organise the championships that will be the pride of all of us.

See you on the Soča River!
GENERAL INFORMATION

2019 ECA Wildwater Canoeing European Championships
14th – 18th May 2019

Website: https://kayaksoca.wordpress.com/
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Kajakzveza
https://www.facebook.com/CanoeEurope

ORGANISERS

European Canoe Association
Canoe Federation of Slovenia
Kajak klub Soške elektrarne

KEY DATES

Entries deadline: 20th April 2019 (Numerical entries) | 4th May 2019 (Nominal entries)
European Championships: 14th – 18th May 2019
COMPETITION VENUE

LOCATION: Wildwater course on the Soča River in Trnovo ob Soči, Slovenia
DIFFICULTY: III/IV

CLASSIC RACE:

Start: Srpenica 1
Finish: Trnovo slalom course
Trnovo 1 (Masters categories)

* In case of a very high water level Trnovo 1 will be a finish line for all categories.
SPRINT RACE:

**Start:** Trnovo 1

**Finish:** 300 metres downstream

* In case of a very high or a very low water level, the sprint course will be moved to another part of the river, depending on the water conditions.

CATEGORIES

The following categories will be held in Classic and Sprint events (individual and team):

**INDIVIDUAL EVENTS**

**Men:** K1, C1, C2  
**Women:** K1, C1, C2

**TEAM EVENTS**

**Men:** K1, C1, C2  
**Women:** K1, C1, C2

* In each category a maximum of 4 boats per nation can participate.  
** Special masters races will be organised in K1M, K1W and C1M.
PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Tuesday, 14th May 2019
09:00 – 15:00  Boat measuring and equipment control
17:00  Team Leaders meeting in Bovec
20:00  Opening Ceremony in Bovec

Wednesday, 15th May 2019
09:00 – 11:00  Boat measuring and equipment control
12:00  Individual classic race

Thursday, 16th May 2019
09:00 – 11:00  Boat measuring and equipment control
12:00  Team classic race
13:00  Individual masters race
19:00  Prize giving ceremony (individual and team classic races)

Friday, 17th May 2019
09:00  Boat measuring and equipment control
10:00  Individual sprint heats – 1st Run
13:00  Individual sprint heats – 2nd Run

Saturday, 18th May 2019
09:00  Boat measuring and equipment control
10:00  Team sprint race
14:00  Individual sprint – Final
18:00  Prize giving ceremony (individual and team sprint races)

Closing ceremony
ENTRIES

Nominal entries must be made by the National Federation using the ICF's online entries system (SDP):

https://icf.msl.es/icf/icf.jsp

For detailed instructions on how to submit entries, please read the SDP user guide. Any questions or issues relating to entries or accreditation should be sent to sdp@canoeicf.com prior to the respective deadline.

SDP user guide: http://www.canoeicf.com/sites/default/files/nf_userguide_v2.2.pdf

**NOMINAL ENTRIES DEADLINE: 4th May 2019**
**NUMERICAL ENTRIES DEADLINE: 20th April 2019**

Entries for Masters competition should be sent to the Canoe Federation of Slovenia:

**Canoe Federation of Slovenia**
Celovška cesta 25
1000 Ljubljana
Slovenia
Tel/fax: +386 1 239 66 12
e-mail: kajak.zveza@siol.net

**LATE ENTRIES:** In the period between 9 and 3 days prior to the competition entries will be accepted as late entries and the fee for a late entry will be 100 Euros per competitor.
PARTICIPATION FEE

The Participation fee will be charged per each athlete and team official for the Access Period, 14th – 18th May 2019.

The amount of the Participation fee is 50 Euros.

The accreditation fee has to be paid in advance by 10th May 2019 via the bank transfer to make the accreditation process more convenient. At the venue in the info office credit or debit cards will be accepted as well as payment in cash.

BANK TRANSFER DETAILS:

Account holder: Kajakaška zveza Slovenije, Celovška 25, 1000 Ljubljana
Bank: Sberbank banka d.d., Dunajska cesta 128a, 1000 Ljubljana
IBAN: SI56300000012235288
SWIFT: SABRSI2X
COMPETITION

**Competition Rules**
The 2019 ECA Wildwater Canoeing European Championships race will be run in accordance with the ICF Wildwater Canoeing competition rules and ECA regulations.

**Training**
Since the competition course is part of a natural Soča River flow, training is possible at any time between 15th March and 31st October from 9:00 to 18:00. As no dam is located upstream, we cannot guarantee the water level of the competition course is always comparable to the water level during the competition. Training for competitor, members of the teams, is free of charge; however the letter from your national federation should be provided. Before training you are requested to contact Canoe Federation of Slovenia – jakob.marusic@kajak-zveza.si and give us the names of athletes who will come to training. We will provide the letter for a free of charge training.

**Sport Equipment**
All the sporting equipment must be safe and must meet the ICF rules and ISO norms. For further information see the 2019 ICF’s Wildwater Canoeing competition rules (taking effect on 1st January 2019).

All boats must be unsinkable.
At the competition the buoyancy jacket will be tested using a 6.12 kg calibrated lead weight. The safety helmets must comply with EN 1385. All paddlers must wear shoes on their feet.

**Water safety**
Rescuing in the competition area, along the competition course, will be organised during the competition days.

**First aid**
A small tent with first aid will be located in the finish area. The NF will advise all participants that emergency medical services will cover only emergency cases and that all participants are responsible to arrange medical insurance policy at their own cost. Ambulance will be on standby at all times during the competition.

**Medical Insurance**
Organising Committee kindly asks all participants of the 2019 ECA Wildwater Canoeing European Championships to ensure medical insurance policy in their respective countries. All costs above the regular first aid and ambulance services are to be covered by this medical insurance policy. Organising Committee will not cover any expenses in connection with hospital or dental treatment. All participants compete at their own risk.

**Doping control**
Doping control will be performed in accordance with the ICF Anti-doping requirements and WADA standards.
ACCOMMODATION

Tourist Info Center Bovec
Tel: + 386 5 30 29 647
e-mail: info.bovec@dolina-soce.si

Tourist Info Center Kobarid
Tel: + 386 5 38 00 490
e-mail: info.kobarid@dolina-soce.si

VISA INFORMATION

SLOVENIAN VISA REQUIREMENTS

The Organising Committee will assist in processing Immigration visa applications for all participants of the 2019 ECA Wildwater Canoeing European Championships. If you need special invitation letter to acquire the visa, please, contact the Canoe Federation of Slovenia at least 40 days prior to the competition.

Further information can be found at
ACCESS AND TRANSPORT

Teams should provide their own transport of competitors and equipment. Teams which would require assistance with transportation from the airport to the venue and vice versa can gain necessary information from the organiser. Transport provided by the organiser will be extra charged.

ARRIVING BY CAR

Slovenia has a good road infrastructure. For driving on motorways, it is mandatory for you to have a vignette. More information about the vignettes:
https://www.dars.si/vignette_system/about_the_vignette

ARRIVING BY AIR

Ljubljana Jože Pučnik Airport – Brnik (Slovenia)
http://lju-airport.si/en/Main
Venice Marco Polo Airport (Italy)
http://www.veniceairport.it/en/
Treviso Airport (Italy)
http://www.trevisoairport.it/en/
Trieste Airport (Italy)
http://www.aeroporto.fvg.it/en/home/index.htm
Zagreb Airport (Croatia)
http://www.zagreb-airport.hr/home
Vienna Airport (Austria)
http://www.viennaairport.com/en/passengers
Graz Airport (Austria)
http://www.flughafen-graz.at/en/home.html
Klagenfurt Airport (Austria)
http://www.klagenfurt-airport.at/
Budapest Airport (Hungary)
http://www.bud.hu/english

ARRIVING BY BUS

Buses run to Slovenia from many European cities.

ARRIVING BY TRAIN

Trains to Slovenia run daily from many European cities. There are only the trains of Slovenian Railways running around Slovenia, with all the timetables and price lists published on the web sites. You can buy a ticket at every railway station as well as on the train. Slovenian trains stick to the timetables.
MEDIA INFORMATION

FOR INFORMATION VISIT
https://kayaksoca.wordpress.com
or contact
kajak.zveza@siol.net.

OTHER

The 2019 ECA Wildwater Canoeing European Championships Info office will be located in Trnovo ob Soči 1 from 13th May 2019 on.
CONTACT

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