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THE OFFICIAL EUROPEAN CONTINENTAL SUMO CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018 **YOUNGER CADETS, CADETS and JUNIORS**

Younger Cadets (Boys and Girls under 14 years) MU14/WU14)

Cadets (Boys and Girls under 16 years) MU16/WU16)

Juniors (Men and Women under 18 years) MU18/WU18)

October 25 – 28, Rakvere, Estonia

OFFICIAL INSTRUCTION and INVITATION

The European Sumo Federation and the Estonian Sumo Association would like to invite your Federation to participate in the Official European Continental Sumo Championships 2018 /Younger Cadets, Cadets and Juniors/ in Rakvere, Estonia.

1. TITLE OF EVENT:

European Continental Cadets and Juniors Sumo Championships 2018

- Younger Cadets under 14 years (MU14/WU14) October, 26
- Cadets under 16 years (MU16/WU16) October, 27
- Juniors under 18 years (MU18/WU18) October, 28

2. PURPOSE: To develop and promote sumo in Europe and to establish mutual friendship and goodwill among participating countries. **The reunification of the European sumo family.**

3. ORGANIZERS: The European Sumo Federation (EFS) and the Estonian Sumo Association

4. DATE OF COMPETITION: October 25-29, 2018

5. COMPETITION VENUE, REGISTRATION ADDRESS and ACCREDITATION:

Rakvere Sports Center, Kastani Puiestee 12, 44307 Rakvere, Estonia

<http://www.rakverespordikeskus.ee/index.php?id=10681>

6. SPONSORS and SUPPORTERS:

- **Main sponsors:** Estonian Ministry of Culture, Rakvere City, Gambling Tax Council and Cultural Endowment
- **Supporters:** Embassy of Japan in Estonia, E-Piim AS, Giga AS, PRFoods AS Makita OY Estonian branch, Barto Puhkemaja, AS Balsnack.

7. ELIGIBILITY:

- (1) All member countries of EFS and countries approved by European Sumo Federation.
- (2) Participants will be girl and boys born between the years of
 - 2004 to 2006 /U14/;
 - 2002 to 2005 /U16/.
 - 2000 to 2004 /U18/

8. MEDIA ACCREDITATION: To be issued by the Estonian Sumo Association

riho.rannikmaa@eestisumo.ee

9. REGISTRATION OF ATHLETES:

- (1) The attached competition entry forms are to be filled in with capital letters and to be sent to the European Sumo Federation by e-mail riho.rannikmaa@eestisumo.ee. Applications will only be accepted on the official entry forms. Uncompleted forms will not be accepted.
- (2) The initial application deadline is **14th September 2018**. Here you must send an intention that your federation will participate in YESC 2018. **The final application deadline for athletes' participation is 5th October 2018.** All countries must register for all athletes, officials to the Youth European Continental Sumo Championships 2018 by the above-mentioned application date.
- (3) If after the closing date **Monday 5th October 2018 at 17:00** there were any changes whatsoever to the athlete's registrations, change of athlete, late entry, then a **double entry** fee will be charged. If athletes are cancelled after the closing date the entry fee must be paid and will not be refunded. All outstanding amounts must be paid full in cash before admittance to the championships.
- (4) All entries will only be accepted on the official EFS entry forms. (There will be no exceptions) and must arrive by the official closing dates.
- (5) **Site of accreditation, Draw and Weigh-in:**
For the accreditation only the delegation leader is requested to be present.
- (6) **Referee Seminar: 25th October 2018, 20:00 – 21:00**
All referees must obtain their EFS tournament licence 2018 at the seminar.
- (7) **Meeting of the members of the DC: 26th October 2018, 9:00 – 10:00**
- (8) At the official control of nations the names submitted are final and all fees paid at this time are not refundable whatsoever. If your delegation leader is not available to attend at this date and time then the last athlete change will be accepted by mail until 17:00h on **15th October 2018** to the office of the General Secretary
riho.rannikmaa@eestisumo.ee
- (9) **Team list** with the names and start order must be entered no later than **60 minutes** before the start of the team tournament, this must be handed to the EFS Sports Director and all payments must be settled before that. The draw will then be made. Once the draw has been made no other team entries will be accepted. (This is only applicable for the Open)

10. TRAVEL EXPENSES:

- (1) Each individual Federation is responsible for the all travel costs incurred in the transportation including visa application.
- (2) All Federations requiring visas are kindly requested to apply well in advance minimum 25 days before the beginning of the tournament.
- (3) The organizer will provide a transport from Tallinn Airports to the hotels, sports hall and back.
- (4) All participating federations have to send by mail to the organizer the necessary travel details for arrival/departure to organizer by e-mail: riho.rannikmaa@eestisumo.ee

11. ACCOMMODATION and MEALS EXPENSES:

Official accommodation shall be 4 days 3 nights in 2 price categories, which runs from 25th to 28th October

- **Category A** price a'60 € per night per person, includes breakfast
- **Category B** price a'40 € per night per person, includes breakfast

Organizer also provides a coupon meal for lunch and diner a'6 € one meal. Please apply for meals together with accommodation sheet.

Deadline for the hotel reservations is **25th September 2018.**

After this deadline, the price of the accommodation increases by EUR 10 for each categories of hotel

If participants do not use official accommodation provided by the organizer, they will be required to pay a fee of 200 € per person at accreditation.

12. COMPETITION RULES

1) The competition will be carried out according to the IFS regulations together with application of the double repechage system.

If there are 5 or less athletes in a weight group a pool system maybe used.

2) Mawashi (sumo belt) approved by the European Sumo Federation must be worn.

3) Male athletes of all age groups may wear only **black** tight underpants under mawashi. The length of the underpants must cover the whole thigh.

4) All female athletes must wrestle in a one-piece wrestling leotard plus mawashi. Women may not compete, wearing T-shirts.

Each contestant is responsible for bringing his own mawashi and underpants.

5) All mawashi must conform to international regulations, if not, it is possible that the mawashi will be invalid for the tournament and another mawashi may have to be used by the wrestler. If at the discretisation of the refereeing director a suitable substitute mawashi cannot be found and used within a reasonable amount of time, the athlete may have to forfeit the match. Also, all mawashi must be dry and not wet and made of recognised fabric.

6) Provided by the organizer country identification (Zekken) must be worn.

7) The team for the Team Competition /U16/U18 shall consist of 4 contestants: first (Senpo), second (Chuken), third (Taiso) and substitute. There will be no weight limits. A substitute may be used only once.

For the team event, there must be a minimum of two wrestlers.

8) **Age groups and weight categories**

Quantity of participants from a country as follows:

GIRLS (born 2004-2006) WU14:

-35kg (2); -40kg (2); -45kg (2); -50kg (2); -55kg (2); -60kg (2); -65kg (2); +65kg (2); Team (1)

BOYS (born 2004-2006) MU14:

-40kg (2); -45kg (2); -50kg (2); -55kg (2); -60kg (2); -65kg (2); -70kg (2); +70kg (2). Team (1)

GIRLS (born 2002-2005) WU16:

-45kg (2), -50kg (2), -55kg (2), -60kg (2), -65kg (2), -70 (2), +70kg (2), Open (2), Team (1).

BOYS (born 2002-2005) MU16:

-55kg (2), -65kg (2), -75kg (2), -85kg (2), -95kg (2), +95kg (2), Open (2), Team (1).

W/U18 (born 2000-2004):

-50kg (2), -55kg (2), -60kg (2), -65kg (2), -70kg (2), -75kg (2), +75kg (2), Open (2); Team (1);

M/U18 (born 2000-2004):

-60kg (2), -70kg (2), -80kg (2), -90kg (2), -100kg (1), +100kg (2), Open (2); Team (1);

13. FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

Entry fee will be charged for all athletes mentioned in the official entry form.

For participants age groups U 14: **10 EUR** per wrestler in each weight category;

For participants age groups U 16 and U 18: **20 EUR** per wrestler in each weight category;

Team tournament /U16 and U18/: **50 EUR** per team

Annual membership fee for 2018: **150 EUR** per national sumo union

All fees are paid to the organizer at registration and accreditation upon arrival in cash only and are non-refundable.

14. SPECIAL NOTE

1. All visa applications must be sent to the Estonian Sumo Association before **28th September 2018**.

2. Tournament registration to be sent to the organizer only.

3. Compulsory Referee seminar on October 25, 2018 at 20:00-21:00. All referees must obtain their EFS tournament licence 2017 at the seminar.

4. By the control of nations there has to be at least one representative from the registered federation.
5. At the draw, there has to be one representative per federation. After the draw, there can be no changes made. If the representative misses the draw, no pretensions concerning the result of the draw will be accepted.
6. The organizers shall provide first aid for injuries sustained during the championships but shall not be held liable for such injuries or any other accidents. The organizer will not be able to treat any other ailments not due to injury (such as headache or stomach-ache). Consequently, each contestant or official must arrange personal travel insurance and insurance against illness, death and accident.

15. EVENT'S PROGRAMME

Thursday October 25, 2018:

Rakvere Sports Center, Kastani Puiestee 12, 44307 Rakvere, Estonia

12:00 – 19:00	Accreditation (U14, U16, U18)
17:00 – 19:00	Weigh-in for all participants
19:00 – 20:00	Technical meeting and draw for weight categories U14
20:00 – 21:00	Referee seminar

Friday October 26, 2018:

Rakvere Sports Center, Kastani Puiestee 12, 44307 Rakvere, Estonia

07:00 – 09:00	Breakfast at hotels	
09:30 – 10:30	EFS Board Meeting: at Sports Hall	
11:00 – 11:40	Preliminary rounds	WU14
11:40 – 12:30	Preliminary rounds	MU14
13:00 – 13:30	Opening Ceremony YESC 2018	
13:30 – 14:00	Semi-finals, finals WU14	
14:00 – 14:30	Semi-finals, finals MU14	
15:00 – 15:30	Japanese Orders Delivery Ceremony.	
15:30 – 16:30	Awarding and Closing Ceremony ESC 2018 of U14	
16:30 – 17:00	Second weigh-in for U16	
17:00 – 17:30	Technical meeting and draw for weight categories U16	
18:00 – 19:30	Reception of Ordenian Welter at Barto Holiday House	

Saturday October 27, 2018:

Rakvere Sports Center, Kastani Puiestee 12, 44307 Rakvere, Estonia

10:00 – 11:30	Preliminary rounds	WU16
11:30 – 13:30	Preliminary rounds	MU16
13:45 – 14:00	Opening Ceremony ESC 2018 of U16	
14:00 – 14:30	Semi-finals, finals	WU16
14:30 – 15:00	Semi-finals, finals	MU16
15:00 – 16:00	Team competition W and M 16	
16:00 – 17:00	Awarding and Closing Ceremony ESC 2018 of U16	
18:00 – 18:30	Second weigh-in for U18	
19:00 – 19:30	Technical meeting and draw for weight categories U18	

Sunday October 28, 2018:

Rakvere Sports Center, Kastani Puiestee 12, 44307 Rakvere, Estonia

10:00 – 10:30	Preliminary rounds	WU18
10:30 – 11:00	Preliminary rounds	MU18
11:00 – 12:00	Preliminary rounds of team competition	WU18
12:00 – 13:00	Preliminary rounds of team competition	MU18
13:00 – 13:30	Opening Ceremony ESC 2018 of U18	
13:30 – 14:00	Semi-finals, finals	WU18
14:00 – 14:30	Semi-finals, finals	MU18
14:30 – 15:30	Semi-finals, finals of team competition	WU18
15:30 – 16:00	Semi-finals, finals of team competition	MU18
16:00 – 17:00	Team competition W and M 18	

17:15 – 18:00 Awarding and Closing Ceremony ESC 2018 of U18
Monday October 29, 2018 Departure of all delegations

16. PRIZES

Winners will receive Gold, Silver and Bronze medals.

17. REMARKS

- Competitions start with girls first from heavy weight.
- Repechage in each weight category will start immediately after the preliminary rounds.
- Awarding ceremony will be held immediately after all fights for the day.
- At the awarding ceremony, all the medal winners must wear a mawashi and a Zekken.

EFS President Dariusz Rozum

ESA President Andres Jaadla

YESC patron Kaido Höövelson (the former Ozeki Kaito Baruto)

