



# EUROPEAN DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION

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## Official Invitation

### 15th EUROPEAN CLUB CREW CHAMPIONSHIPS Hamburg, Germany 23-25 August 2013

All European Dragon Boat Federation (EDBF) Member Associations

Dear Sports Colleagues,

On behalf of the EDBF Council and the German Dragon Boat Federation, you are cordially invited to participate in the **15th EUROPEAN CLUB CREW CHAMPIONSHIPS**, for dragon boat clubs, to be held in Hamburg, Germany from 23-25 August 2013.

The European Club Crew Championships will be organized by the German Dragon Boat Federation and the local organizing committee in conjunction with the EDBF. All European club crews that are members of their National Dragon Boat Federation are invited to attend. Club crews are also welcome from countries which do not have a dragon boat federation, but they must have approval from the EDBF Board. Crews from outside of Europe, or not approved by their National Dragon Boat Federation can only participate out of competition at the ECCC if the number of entries make that possible.

The opening ceremony is planned for Thursday, 22 August and racing will take place from Friday 23 August to Sunday 25 August, inclusive.

The ECCC will be conducted under the EDBF Competition Regulations and IDBF Rules of Racing by appointed IDBF International Race Officials and DDV National Officials, under the direction of an EDBF-appointed Chief Official and with a Jury nominated by the EDBF Executive Committee. The race course complies with the requirements of the IDBF Competition Regulations. The course will be fully buoyed with fixed starting pontoons at 200 and 500 meters.

The European Club Crew Championships will consist of the following competition classes, in IDBF Spec Standard Dragon Boats (20 paddlers, total crew 22): **Premier, Junior A&B, Under-23 and Senior A,B&C**. For this European Club Crew Championship, each EDBF member country may enter five crews for each competition class. Additional races may be planned for model 912 (small, 10 paddler boats).

The provisional program for the Championships is shown in **Information Bulletin No.1**, attached to this Invitation, together with the entry conditions, entry forms, deadlines and the details of the regatta fees. All other details will be notified by the Organizing Committee through Championship Information Bulletins, between now and late-July 2013. **Provisional entries must be received by 15 March 2013.**

The EDBF Council encourages your organization to enter Representative Crews in the **2013 EUROPEAN CLUB CREW CHAMPIONSHIPS** and looks forward, together with the German Dragon Boat Federation, to welcoming European dragon boat sport participants and supporters to an exciting championship in Hamburg.

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