



# ILSE SPORTS COMMISSION LIFE SAVING SPORT NEWSLETTER MARCH 2013

## Commission Meeting in Prague

The ILSE Sports Commission met in Prague in its' new composition on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of January 2013.

Current members of the Commission:

Bob Dekkers	Chair, The Netherlands
Giorgio Quintavalle	Vice-Chair, Italy
John Martin	Secretary, Great Britain
Michael Cuddihy	Ireland
Marta Cuetos	Spain
Natalia Stoyanova	Bulgaria
Carsten Schlepphorst	Germany
Laila Sohaug Hulleberg	Norway
Ian Hutchings	United Kingdom
Wim Nuyens	Belgium
Yves Lacrampe	France

Co-opted Members:

Annette Nääs	Sweden
Filip Orlowski	Poland
Norbert Agh	Hungary



At the meeting in Prague of course all European championships were discussed. There was an evaluation of the 2012 ILSE championships and a look at the 3 European Championships in 2013. Also referees for the 2013 championships were nominated. In this newsletter there is more information on the 3 championships in 2013.

Other items on the agenda were:

- The future of life saving sport
- European masters competitions
- The College of Referees
- Rulebook
- ILSE Sports Business Plan and strategic Plan
- Communication

## European Championships in The Netherlands



From 16-18 August the championships will take place in the town of Noordwijk (Ocean events) and the city of The Hague (SERC and Pool events).

The logo has been designed to show 3 rescue cans in the shape of a tulip. There is one major sponsor on board already. The Pool is 'Het Hofbad' and only



opened in October (it is 3.8m deep for the first 15m, then 2m deep for the rest of the length), and the North Sea Beach in Noordwijk. The hotels will be at the Hague and coach transport will be provided to go to Noordwijk. Full board is €75 per person per night for 2 to 3 sharing a room, and €105 per person per night for a single room. Schiphol airport is closest to the locations with direct links to all major European airports. But also airports in Rotterdam/The Hague or Eindhoven can be used when flying with a budget airline.



The draft programme is:

- 16<sup>th</sup> August, Training, Opening Ceremony and the SERC
- 17<sup>th</sup> August, Pool events
- 18<sup>th</sup> August, Ocean competitions



The website is [www.eklifesaving.nl](http://www.eklifesaving.nl) which is live since the 1<sup>st</sup> February. Information to federations will be issued via this site.

## European Junior Championships in Italy



From 6-8 September the Junior Championships will be in Riccione.

The Pool is part of the 'Italo Nicoletti' Sports Centre. It has a 10 lane 50m pool and several



other pools. There are covered and open pools.

More information on depth of the pool to be given after the inspection mid March.



The beach is the Akuna Matata beach. The Pool and beach are close to each other. There is a range of hotels from 1 to 5 stars, many of them at or close to the beach area. On the website there will be more information about the booking of hotels. 'Frederico Fellini' airport is 5 km from the town of Riccione with connections to some

European cities. The bigger airport of Bologna has connections to most European countries.

The draft programme is:

- 6<sup>th</sup> September, Training, Opening Ceremony and the SERC
- 7<sup>th</sup> September, Pool events
- 8<sup>th</sup> September, Ocean competitions

The website will be active soon. Information to federations will be issued via this site.

## Programme European Championships

Currently there is a pilot for a compact programme for European Championships. Both the senior and Junior Championships will run the following programme with heats and finals, both in pool and ocean.

The Programme:

**POOL** (5 events):

50m Manikin Carry

100m Manikin Carry with Fins

100m Manikin Tow with Fins

4x50m Rescue Medley

4x25m Manikin Relay

**OCEAN** (5 events):

Beach Flags

Board Race

Run-Swim-Run

Board Rescue Relay

Rescue Tube Rescue

**SERC:** (linked to opening ceremony, point scoring.

## European IRB championships in Denmark

On the 21<sup>st</sup> of September the European IRB Championships will be in Copenhagen. The Beach is 'Amager Strand' close to the International airport of Copenhagen (connections to all European countries) and close to the city centre.

All boats will be Arancia 388s and supplied by SLSD. Yamaha 25hp engines will be supplied by SLSD. Rescue tubes will be supplied by SLSD for each boat and must be used for the tube rescue race. The boats and engines will be allocated to a specific lane, but for each event teams will be randomly drawn and entered into heats, so they will not be able to choose any specific boat or engine. Fuel will be provided free of charge.





### **It will be mandatory for:**



- Drivers to wear: wetsuit, helmet and lifejacket
- Crew to wear wetsuit, helmet and lifejacket. In Tube Rescue helmet and lifejacket is not mandatory
- Patient to wear wetsuit and helmet.
- Helmet and lifejackets will be provided by SLSD

SLSD will recommend accommodation at the Dan Hostel in the City Centre. SLSD will provide lunch and drinks to officials and competitors on the beach on race day. SLSD will organize an After Race dinner at 25 euro per person.

### **Entry fees**

Entry fees are payable as follows:

- Single fee of 40 euro per competitor in the team/club.
- This includes beach lunch on raceday and the possibility to participate in all events.

The Event homepage is: [www.copenhagen-irbmeet.dk](http://www.copenhagen-irbmeet.dk)

Entry is expected to open on the webpage the 1.3.2013

## **The future of life saving sports**

### **Seminar on the future of Lifesaving Sports in Warendorf, Germany on the 21<sup>st</sup> of November 2013**

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the format of future European Championships following the pilot exercise in 2012 and 2013. It is important to get the key groups of people present at the seminar, and it is important to share the views of all stakeholders. Also it is very important to have representatives of as many federations as possible to share different points of view on sport. If possible a survey will be sent to stakeholders before the seminar.

There will be a short opening plenary session, followed by workshop sessions for each of the three stakeholder groups (Competitors, Officials and Coaches), then come back into a final plenary session. Information will be sent out prior to this to facilitate the discussions.

In terms of participation it was agreed that ILSE will invite the following:

- 2 competitors per federation
- 1 coach per federation
- 1 referee per federation
- 1 Board member per federation
- All Sport Commission members

A background information paper will be put together and issued prior to the seminar.

*In a next ILSE Life Saving Sport Newsletter more information on Masters Competitions, SURF- and POOL CUP, the Sports Business Plan and Strategic Goals and updates on European Championships and the Seminar.*

*Would you like to respond? Send an email to the chairman of the ILSE Sports Commission Bob Dekkers: [e.dekkers7@upcmail.nl](mailto:e.dekkers7@upcmail.nl)*