









Date: 9 February 2018

From: Josep Ponset – BSWW Head of Competitions

To: General Secretaries of the Member Associations of the Union of

European Football Associations (UEFA)

Subject: Euro Winners Cup 2018 – Invitation Letter

INVITATION LETTER

Dear Sir/Madam,

First and foremost, on behalf of Beach Soccer Worldwide (BSWW), we wish to congratulate all UEFA Member Associations on their 2017 European Beach Soccer season.

BSWW is delighted to inform you that the **Euro Winners Cup 2018**, for the third time, will have both men's and women's categories. The Euro Winners Cup 2018 will take place from **May 28th to June 3rd**, **2018** in Nazaré (POR), with the participation of Europe's national beach soccer championship winners.

In addition, ahead of the aforementioned competition, a previous event will also take place in Nazaré - the **Nazaré Cup 2018** from the **25th to the 27th of May, 2018**. The Nazaré Cup 2018 is an opportunity for those beach soccer clubs who are interested in participating at the EWC Nazaré 2018 but did not win their national championship.

In order to start organising logistic issues relating to clubs, please find below the event info and the clubs' obligations.

NAZARÉ CUP 2018

- EVENT INFORMATION
 - o Match dates: From 25th to 27th of May 2018.
 - Official practices date: 24th of May 2018.
 - o **Site:** Nazaré, Portugal.
 - Arrival date: 23rd or 24th of May 2018.
 - Category: Men
 - Participating teams: All beach soccer clubs interested in participating in the EWC Nazaré 2018 who did not win their respective national championship in 2017.
 - Competition Format:
 - Round Robin (25th, 26th and 27th of May 2018);
 - Groups of 4 teams.
 - A minimum of 8 teams will qualify for the Euro Winners Cup 2018, distributed in 2 groups of 4 teams each.
 - The winner of each group will qualify for the Round of 16 in the Euro Winners Cup 2018, thus these two teams will play in the quarter-finals to determine the champion of the Nazaré Cup 2018.
 - Note: Should the Euro Winners Cup 2018 have an uneven number of teams registered, more teams will have the right to participate in the event, starting from the 9th qualified in the Nazaré Cup 2018 to fill the top seeding existing groups in the EWC 2018;
 - Rosters: Each Participating Club shall enter up to 12 (twelve) players (minimum 2 goalkeepers) numbered from 1 to 22 (the number 1 must be reserved for a goalkeeper)
 + 3 (three) team delegates (1 of them must be either a Medical delegate or a Physiotherapist). A maximum of 3 foreigners can be included in the roster.



- PARTICIPATING CLUBS' OBLIGATIONS
 - Each team is responsible for paying the following:
 - o **Participating fee**: Three hundred and fifty Euros (350€).
 - o Airfares: City of origin/ Nazaré / city of origin for own delegation.
 - Transfers: Official airport / hotel / official airport; (see available optional services offered by the organization below)
 - o Local transportation: Hotel / stadium / hotel.
 - Accomodation and Meals.
 - o Attendance at official matches and different activities around the event;
 - Life and accident insurance for own delegation members; (see available optional services offered by the organization below)
 - Other optional services offered by the organization:
 - Life and accident insurance: One hundred and twenty Euros (120€) → 8€ per each of the 12 players and the 3 delegates on the bench;
 - Transfer from and to the official airport (Lisbon / Nazaré / Lisbon): Six hundred Euros (600€);

NOTE: 2 hours' maximum waiting time at the airport.

- Each team will receive the following benefits/items:
 - Competition pack
 - Two VIP passes.
 - 10% discount on all BSWW merchandise.
 - 20% discount on extra VIP passes.
 - Dedicated post-event report.
 - Exclusive team bag with sponsor and city gifts.
 - Access to all event pictures.

EURO WINNERS CUP 2018 (MEN/WOMEN)

- EVENT INFORMATION
 - Competition dates: 28th of May to 3rd of June 2018.
 - o Round Robin dates: 28th, 29th, 30th of May 2018.
 - > Play-off dates:
 - Round of 16 (if needed for women's event): 31st of May 2018.
 - Quarter-Finals: 1st of June 2018.
 - Semi-finals: 2nd of June 2018.
 - Finals: 3rd of June 2018.
 - o **Official practices date:** 26th or 27th of May 2018.
 - Site: Nazaré, Portugal.
 - Arrival date: 26th or 27th of May 2018.
 - Departure: 4th of June 2018.
 - o Participants:
 - MEN:
 - The current winner of the Euro Winners Cup, SC Braga (POR);
 - All the winners of the European Beach Soccer National Championships;
 - Portugal:
 - Host club (Nazaré ACD Ó Sôtao);
 - o 1st and 2nd place team of the FPF Campeonato Nacional;
 - In this case SC Braga is the 2nd qualified in the FPF Campeonato Nacional of Portugal, thus leaves the opportunity to the 3rd qualified team in the FPF Campeonato Nacional to be registered;
 - A minimum of 8 teams coming from the Nazaré Cup 2018 will participate also, depending on the registered teams in the EWC Nazaré 2018;
 - Note: Should the Euro Winners Cup 2018 have an uneven number of teams registered, more teams may have the chance to qualify from the Nazaré Cup 2018 to the EWC Nazaré 2018, starting from the 9th qualified in the Nazaré Cup 2018 to fill the top seeding existing groups in the EWC Nazaré 2018.
 - WOMEN:
 - The current winner of the Euro Winners Cup in women category: BSC Havana Shots (SUI).
 - All the winners of the European Beach Soccer National Championships.



- In case there is no Women's National Beach Soccer Championship, one
 (1) representative can be registered.
- If any MA would like to register more than one (1) team, please proceed accordingly and BSWW will analyse and confirm or decline depending on the total number of teams registered;

Competition Format:

MEN:

- Round Robin plus play-offs starting on the round of 16.
- Groups of 4 teams.
 - o 7 Groups of 4 teams 28 teams.
 - o 2 Groups of 4 teams from the Nazare Cup 2018 8 teams.
 - Total: 36 teams;
- The team arriving to quarter finals from the Nazaré Cup will be also considered as Champion of the Nazaré Cup 2018;
- A total of 16 teams will qualify for the Round of 16;
- Note: If more than 28 European winners are registered in the Euro Winners Cup 2018, it afects to the Nazaré Cup 2018, because this fact means that one (1) or more clubs coming from the Nazaré Cup 2018 apart from the eight (8) could qualify for the Euro Winners Cup 2018. These teams coming from the Nazaré Cup 2018 will be the 9th, 10th qualifed etc. depending on how many teams the Euro Winners Cup 2018 will need to complete the groups of four (4) teams. They will be placed in the top seeding groups.

WOMEN:

- Round Robin plus play-offs starting on the round of 16 (if needed).
- Groups of 4 teams. The number of teams will depend on the registered teams.
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Please see below the bank account for the payments:

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Information to be considered for the payment:

Subject: EWC 2018 – Club's official name

Please also find attached the letter of participation to be completed with all the information and sent back to us no later than <u>Wednesday 4th of April 2018</u>.

Kindly note that the Member Associations who do not complete and send back the letter of participation will not have guaranteed participation for their clubs in the event.

Also please inform the participating clubs that those who do not pay the participation fee before the official draw will not be registered for the event.

If you have any question or doubts, please do not hesitate to contact us accordingly.

Thank you very much in advance.

Yours sincerely,

Josep Ponset BSWW Head of Competitions

