



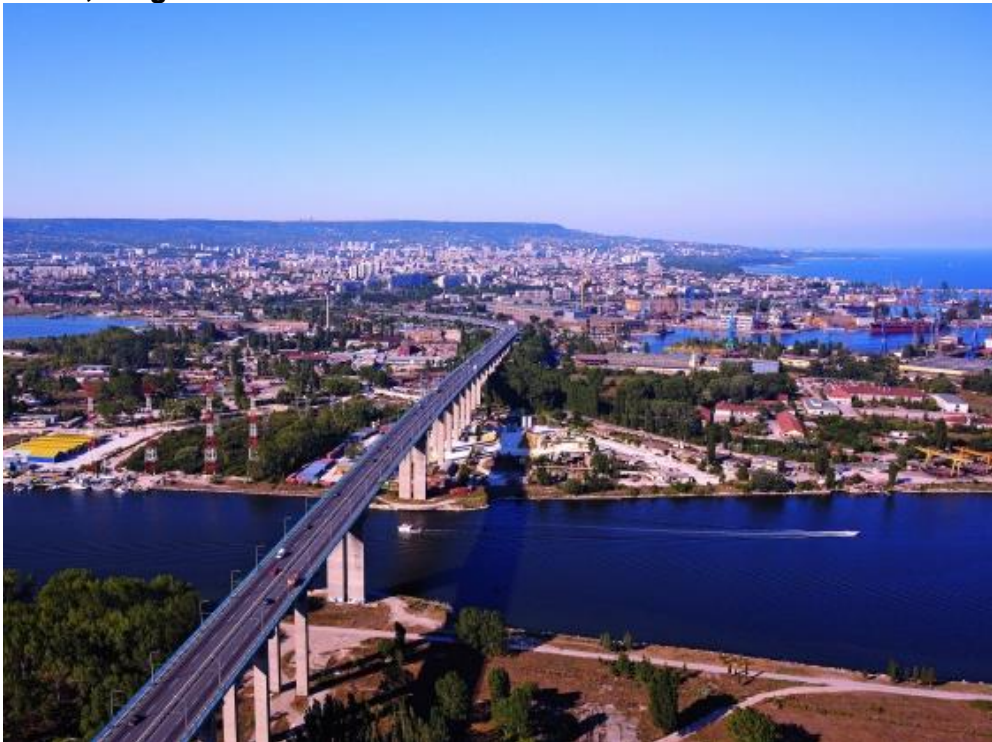
**International Gymnaestrada Festival  
Varna/Kamchia, (BUL)  
23 – 27 MAY, 2018**



**DIRECTIVES**

Dear Friends,

The Bulgarian Rhythmic Gymnastics Federation has the pleasure to invite you to participate in the aforementioned **official FIG International Event** which aim is to have fun by doing and enjoying gymnastics.

<b>DISCIPLINE</b>	<b>Gymnastics for All</b>
<b>HOST FEDERATION AND LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE</b>	Bulgarian Rhythmic Gymnastics Federation 75, Vasil Levski blvd. 1040 Sofia, Bulgaria Tel. +359 2 9300 629; Fax: +359 2 980 16 70; E-mails of the event: <a href="mailto:marietadukova@abv.bg">marietadukova@abv.bg</a> , <a href="mailto:graciavarna@abv.bg">graciavarna@abv.bg</a> and <a href="mailto:viva_plovdiv@abv.bg">viva_plovdiv@abv.bg</a>
<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>Varna, Bulgaria</b>  <p>Varna is a city in northeastern Bulgaria, situated on the shores of the Black Sea and Varna lake, it is the largest city in northern Bulgaria and the Bulgarian Black Sea coast. The population in 2015 is 334 466 people which makes Varna the third largest city in Bulgaria after Sofia and Plovdiv. The city keep a gold treasure from the Chalcolithic period, which is believed to be the oldest gold treasure in the world and gave the name of so-called Varna Culture. Varna is often called "the sea capital" or "summer capita" of Bulgaria and is an important tourist and educational center, the starting point for the resorts along the northern coast. Varna was a candidate for European Youth Capital 2016 and European Capital of Culture in 2019. It was elected European Youth Capital for 2017.</p>

**DATE**

From **25 to 27 May 2018**

**VENUE**

**SPORTS COMPLEX KAMCHIA**



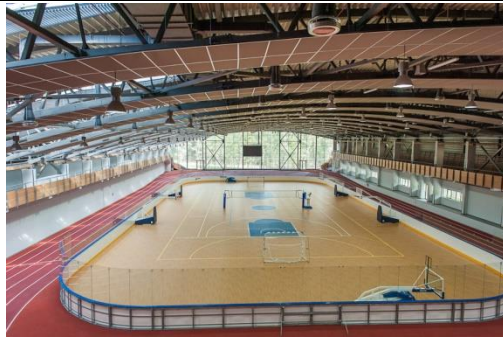
The Sports and Health Complex Kamchia is located about 25 km south of Varna. It is situated at one of the most picturesque parts of the Bulgarian Black Sea coast combining the mouth of Kamchia River and the nature reserve, which is under the protection of UNESCO. It is situated among a dense forest adjacent to the beach. SHC Kamchia has the most advanced sports and recreational facilities on the territory of Bulgaria. The combination of sea, river and forest, modern ecological construction make it a preferred destination for year-round children's and family leisure, cultural, sports and medical tourism.

SHC Kamchia offers educational, cultural, sports and other programs. The complex consists of four bases: Longoz Hotel, Children's Health Camps Raduga and Black Sea, and Holiday village Pirin. Each one has its own dining facilities. Sports and spa centres operate to maintain the guests' physical form. All buildings are located in an oak forest, there is a beautiful botanical park with playgrounds, nature trails and gazebos.

In the educational center Yuri Gagarin besides the school there is a Slavic Center, an Aerospace Center and Museum, a Planetarium, a playground with telescopes and interactive analogue of the spacecraft Soyuz-TMA. SHC Kamchia turns into a real School of the Future which forms children caring to the world around them. Here they learn and realize the relationship Man-Earth-Space.

Sports complex Kamchia meets all Olympic standards – here national and international competitions, training and sport camps are organized. The indoor part consists of an Olympic size pool, running track, and a multifunctional area with the possibility of turning it into an ice rink and facilities for various sports.





There are outdoor playgrounds for football, basketball, volleyball and tennis.



The unique amphitheater is the perfect place for cultural and community events, festivals, competitions.



The beach is bay watched. It is one of the most beautiful on the Bulgarian Black Sea coast. Restaurant complex Crystal awaits its guests with a varied menu and wonderful sea views.

<b>FEDERATIONS INVITED</b>	The Organizing Member Federation invites all FIG Affiliated Federations and their member clubs.
<b>AGE LIMITS AND NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS</b>	<b>No limits for age and gymnastics disciplines to enjoy and have fun</b> <b>Number of participants: min 2, max.: no limits</b> <b>Performing groups:</b> - 1a. Gymnastics and Dance – small group up to 20 participants - 1b. Gymnastics and Dance – large group more than 21 participants - 2a. Gymnastics with/on Apparatus – small group up to 20 participants - 2b. Gymnastics with/on Apparatus – large group of more than 20 participants - Duration of the performance - up to 5 minutes
<b>MUSIC</b>	Music has to be in CD or USB stick – MP3 format.
<b>RANKING COMMISSION</b>	There will be a commission to rank the performances of the participants. All participants will be awarded diplomas, medals and souvenirs from event.
<b>REGISTRATION DEADLINES</b>	<b>The registration closes when the hotels are fully booked.</b> - <b>Registration deadline: 01.02.2018 (10.02.2018 r.)</b> - <b>Payment deadline: 01.04.2018</b> <b>Note: If the payment is made by 01.03.2018 the package prices are reduced as follows: age category up to 14 year-old: 220 EUR + 40 transfer Varna-Kamchia-Varna and age category 14+ year-old: 250 EUR + 40 transfer.</b>
<b>ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>The Entry fee for this event will be: 15 EUR per person for groups up to 20 people and 10 EUR per person for groups of more than 20 people.</b>
<b>EVENT FORMAT</b>	<b>GfA for Fun</b>
<b>PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE</b>	23 May 2018 – Wednesday - Arrival and accommodation 24, 25 May 2018 – Thursday, Friday – performance and funny competition 26 May 2018 – Saturday – competition and closing dinner 27 May 2018 – Sunday – Closing ceremony and departure of the teams
<b>EVENT MANAGER</b>	<b>Mrs. Marieta Dukova</b>
<b>MEDICAL SERVICES</b>	The medical services will be provided by the Sports Medicine Centre of Varna.
<b>VISA</b>	Please verify immediately with your travel agent or the Bulgarian Embassy or Consulate in your country if a visa is required for your travel to Bulgaria. The Organizing Committee will be happy to assist each Delegation member with an official invitation letter, provided that the request is made by <b>15.03.2018</b> to the OC. The request must include the function, full name, gender, date of birth, citizenship and passport number, passport expiry date, the arrival and departure dates of the Delegation Member as well as <b><u>the city of the Bulgarian Consular Department</u></b> to which the official visa support letter must be sent. <b>Note:</b> Bulgaria applies a visa-free system for holders of <b>valid</b> Schengen visas.
<b>INSURANCE</b>	The Host Federation, the LOC and the FIG will not be held responsible for any liabilities in case of accidents, illness, repatriation and the like. The FIG Technical Regulations foresee that all participating Federations are responsible for making their own arrangements to have the necessary valid insurance coverage against illness, accidents and for repatriation for all the members of their Delegation. The LOC will verify the insurance upon arrival of the delegation members (e.g. cover note or photocopy of the valid policy).
<b>INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION</b>	<b>The invited participating federations must pay for the travel costs of their delegation members.</b> <b>Closest airport: Varna</b> <a href="http://www.varna-airport.bg/Home/tabid/36/language/en-US">http://www.varna-airport.bg/Home/tabid/36/language/en-US</a>

	<p>Varna International Airport is located on the northern Black Sea coast 7.5 kilometers from the town of Varna. Its area is 2414 hectares. The airport connects to more than 100 destinations in over 35 countries.</p> <p>A detailed schedule of transfers will be sent to all registered delegations.</p> <p>The Travel Schedule Form must be returned to the LOC by <b>10.03.2018</b></p>																
<b>LOCAL TRANSPORTATION</b>	<p>The local transportation from/to Varna Airport to/from the hotel is included in the package price per person.</p> <p>For other transfers please verify with the Event Manager for the price and possibility.</p>																
<b>ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS</b>	<p>Chernomorski Hotel (located at Sports and Health Centre Kamchia)</p> <p>The package price <b>per person is as follows:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- persons aged up to 14 year-old: 220 EUR + 40 EUR transfer Varna-Kamchia-Varna</li> <li>- persons aged 14+ year-old: 250 EUR + 40 EUR transfer Varna-Kamchia-Varna</li> </ul> <p>For early bird registration and payment by <b>01.03.2017 the package prices are reduced as follows:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>persons up to 14 year-old: 250 EUR + 40 EUR</b> transfer Varna-Kamchia-Varna</li> <li>- <b>persons aged 14+ year-old: 270 EUR+ 40 EUR</b> transfer Varna-Kamchia-Varna</li> </ul> <p>The price includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 4 nights and the following meals: Wednesday, 23 May - dinner Thursday, 24 May – breakfast, lunch, dinner Friday, 25 May – breakfast, lunch, dinner Saturday, 26 May – breakfast, lunch dinner Sunday, 27 May – breakfast</li> </ul> <p>The costs for the accommodations must be paid to the LOC by <b>01.04.2018</b>.</p>																
<b>CANCELATION POLICY</b>	<p><b>50% reimbursement for cancellation by 23 April 2018</b></p> <p><b>No reimbursement for cancellation from 24 April 2018</b></p>																
<b>BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION</b>	<p>For invoice and payment of the costs please contact Mrs. Marieta Dukova, Event Manager at <a href="mailto:marietadukova@abv.bg">marietadukova@abv.bg</a></p> <p>The event's bank account will be stated on the invoice.</p>																
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