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2019 "GLOBAL CUP" WORLD SENIOR VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Foreword by Mr. Kyle Case GLOBAL CUP Director

I wish to welcome each of the athletes and team managers to the Global Cup – World Senior Volleyball Championships. This prestigious world championship event was first held for athletes age 50+ in St. George, Utah, USA, in 2006 as a program of the Huntsman World Senior Games. I am very excited to see this championship not only expand to athletes age 45+ but also to see the expansion to various locations around the world.

As you participate in the Global Cup in Loutraki, Greece, you are not only playing for a world title and national pride, you are also making history. Congratulations for being part of the Global Cup – World Senior Volleyball Championships for ages 60+, 55+, 45+ & 40+ for both men and women . My hope is that you continue to be a part of the Global Cup as you "age up".

I want to extend my appreciation to the city of Loutraki as well as the SPORTCAMP Group and organizing committee. Much work has gone into providing you an amazing experience as you battle for the title of World Champion at the Global Cup - World Senior Volleyball Championships for ages 60+, 55+, 45+ & 40+

To each of you I wish the very best of luck.

Sincerely, Kyle M Case Huntsman World Senior Games, CEO Global Cup, Executive Director

Greetings from the Mayor of Loutraki – Perachora – Ag. Theodoroi Mr Gionis Georgios

It is a great pleasure to welcome the 2019 "GLOBAL CUP" World Senior Volleyball Championship for ages 60+, 55+, 45+ & 40+ men and women to our municipality and especially to our beautiful town of Loutraki.

The pleasure for me is twofold since I used to be a Volleyball athlete. My colleagues and I are happy to add to the establishment of this Championship in order to promote the sport of masters' volleyball at the national team level.

During the games period, Loutraki will be the place where great athletes meet. In addition, all fans of volleyball will be able to admire and watch a competition at the elite level.

Our target is to promote the value of this event, not only for the sport, but also for the local society. Sport is interweaved with cultural development and the Municipality of Loutraki – Perachora – Ag. Theodoroi will always be supportive of international events like this.



Georgios Gionis

Mayor of Loutraki - Perahora - Ag. Theodoroi

Greetings from Mr. Spyros Karavoulis Owner and Managing Director of SPORTCAMP Group

Dear Volleyball Friends,

I am happy to conduct an event the "GLOBAL CUP" World Senior Volleyball Championship of such high importance, which we will be hosting in our center August, 21-26,

SPORTCAMP and the city of Loutraki were hosts of the European Volleyball Masters Games in 2007 and 2009 with the participation of 26 and 40 national teams respectively, both under the auspices of the European Volleyball Confederation (CEV). The city has organized three (3) HELLENIC VOLLEYBALL MASTERS GAMES with unrivalled success and the 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 Global Cups.

This year we are proud to welcome teams from Europe.

The choice of Loutraki was not accidental, given the fact that the last 15 years the city excelled at a series of Volleyball events, when it welcomed some of the top worldwide volleyball athletes of past years. Besides the quality of the games, in and out of the court, I hope that the "GLOBAL CUP" will add to the ascent of tourism and the cultural events in the area.

I would like to welcome the national teams of the countries that are taking part in the games and I wish to all of them the best of luck.



Spyros Karavoulis

Owner and Managing Director of SPORTCAMP Group

1. General Competition Information

Competition	2019 "GLOBAL CUP" World Senior Volleyball Championship
Gender	Men & Women
Host Country	Greece
Organizing Committee	Address: P.O. Box 150 Loutraki P.C.20300 Phone: +30 27440 66860 - +30 27440 23999 Fax: +30 27440 26930 web site: http://www.sportcamp.gr/ E-mail: b.pelekis@sportcamp.gr ch.aggelidi@sportcamp.gr
Participating Teams (alphabetical order)	
Host Cities	Loutraki
Airport of arrival & departure	Athens International Airport "Eleftherios Venizelos"

3. Organizing Committee

Function	Name
PRESIDENT	Mr. Spyros KARAVOULIS
EVENT DIRECTOR	Mr. George TOKARSKY
TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR	Mr. Charalampos PELEKIS
MARKETING DIRECTOR	Mrs Marianna NANOU
COURT MANAGERS	Mr Tasos SAKELARIOU - Mr Alex ARISTOPOULOS
ACCOMODATION	Mrs Chrysa AGGELIDI
TRANSPORTATION MANAGER	Mrs Afroditi SKOUFI
MEDICAL SERVICES MANAGER	Mrs Margaret ABADIOTAKI
ADMINISTRATION STAFF	Mr Dimitris MICHOPOULOS

4. GLOBAL CUP schedule

DATE	DAY	ACTIVITIES	VENUE
Wednesday	(-1d)	Arrival of Teams	Loutraki
21st August 2019		Teams Training - optional (according to the teams' arrival)	Galanopoulos Hall
		(17.30 All Captains have to be at the reception of their hotel as the shuttle bus are going to pick them up)	
		19.30pm Captains' Meeting	
			SPORTCAMP
		20.00pm Welcome Reception (19.15 the bus will be at the reception of the hotel)	SPORTCAMP
Thursday		9.00-14.00 PRELIMINARY ROUND ROBIN	Galanopoulos Hall / Corinth Sport Hall
22 nd August 2019	(d1)	14.00 & 15.00 (Team players and Escorts who have booked through the packages have to be at the reception of their hotel as the bus are going to pick them up for the Excursion to Heraion Lake) (<u>http://www.ypanema.gr/el</u>)	
Friday			Galanopoulos Hall /
Friday 23 rd August 2019		9.00-14.00 PRELIMINARY ROUND ROBIN	Corinth Sport Hall
	(d2)	16.00-19.00 PRELIMINARY ROUND ROBIN	
		20:00 GLOBAL CUP banquet at Isthmus Canal (19.150 the bus will be at the reception of the hotel)	
Saturday 24 th August 2019	(d3)	9.00-14.00 PLAY-OFF ROUND	Galanopoulos Hall / Corinth Sport Hall
Sunday 25 th August 2019	(d4)	10.00-16.00 KNOCKOUT ROUND	Galanopoulos Hall / Corinth Sport Hall
		16.00-19.00 BRONZE MEDAL MATCH	Galanopoulos Hall
		19.00-21.00 GOLD MEDAL MATCH	Galanopoulos Hall
		Medals Ceremony	
Monday 26 th August 2019	(+1d)	Departure of teams	Athens

5. City

<u>Loutraki</u>

Loutraki is one of the most important spas cities in Greece. The town has been built on an excellent grid plan, which includes wide avenues, squares and a well-known waterfront. Hotel availability is approximately 5,000 beds and they are offered in private lodgings. A casino used to operate in Loutraki before World War II, but its operation was suspended until the new one opened in 1995 under the name Club Casino Loutraki.

Loutraki is considered Greece's most ancient spa city resorts. The first written reference to the city of Loutraki is in the "Hellenica", a book by the Athenian historian Xenophon (431-351 bc). He referred to "Thermae" (the ancient name of Loutraki which derived from "Thermia Artemis", the protector goddess of therapeutic mineral waters), mentioning that the Spartan king Agesilaos camped there during the Corinthian war (395-387 bc). Located in a strategic geographical position (in the entrance of the Peloponnese, only an hour away from Athens), at the foot of Gerania Mountains, the city was first colonized by the Corinthians in 750 bc. There are also historical references that around 146 bc, when the Romans took over the city, General Sulla was cured in its spa waters.

The therapeutic properties of the waters of Loutraki were also acknowledged in medieval times-possibly even before 1345 ad, when Byzantine Emperor John Cantacuzene built the church of Aghios Andreas, which survives until today. The bottled water of Loutraki, with a strong presence of magnesium, is considered the best in Greece and can be found under several brand names that all feature the word Loutraki.

Loutraki was officially characterized as a spa city resort in 1925. The Loutraki- Perachora Municipality was established in 1934. The ancient site of Perachora, with its famous 8th-century bc Heraion, temple of Hera, lies 15 kilometres north of Loutraki, at the tip of the peninsula, with the Lake Vouliagmeni lagoon, another six kilometres away.



6. Competition Hall

Municipal Sports Hall of Loutraki

Preliminary Pools, Double Knockout Matches, Bronze Medal Match, Gold Medal Match

Municipal Sports Hall of Loutraki -"Galanopoulos"



Municipal Sports Hall of Loutraki "Galanopoulos"

Municipal Sport Hall of Corinth "D.A.K."

7. Categories

Participating countries will compete in one age category.

In detail:

CATEGORY 60+: MEN & WOMEN PLAYERS born before 31st DECEMBER 1959

<u>CATEGORY 55+:</u> MEN & WOMEN PLAYERS born before 31st DECEMBER 1964

CATEGORY 45+: MEN & WOMEN PLAYERS born before 31st DECEMBER 1974

CATEGORY 40+:

MEN & WOMEN PLAYERS born before 31st DECEMBER 1979

8. Participating Countries

Participating countries are (in alphabetical order):
MEN
WOMEN

9. Competition Method

COMPETITION METHOD

- PRELIMINARY ROUND ROBIN
- PLAY OFFS & SEMIFINALS ROUND
- BRONZE MEDAL MATCH
- GOLD MEDAL MATCH

10. Competition Schedule

The teams will play preliminary round robin matches on the first three days. After these matches, we will proceed in double knock out round in the evening of the third day till the last one.

<u>Double knock out round will lead to a bronze medal match and a gold medal match on</u> <u>Sunday August 25th, 2019.</u>

If after the gold medal match, both teams have lost one match in the double knock out round then there will be one golden set to 25 points to determine the gold medal winner of the Global Cup.

Please check the appendix 1 at the end of the document.

The exact tournament schedule will be released at the captain's meeting on Wednesday, August 21^{st} .

11. Preliminary Inquiry

Based on each team's arrival time a preliminary inquiry will be held. During the inquiry, all teams will have to present to the Organizers the following:

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 - Payments to the organizer of all entry fees all paid in advance. Copies of the bank transfers have to be available.
 - Payment of all costs (if any) for the optional guest registration, the optional trip to Heraion Lake and for additional individuals attending the Global Cup Banquet as well as payment for those individuals requesting transportation to and from Athens International Airport.
 - Presentation of the "Final Team Registration".
 - Players' personal documents (passports) establishing their identity and eligibility.
 - Sample of each colour of the Captain's team uniforms as well as the libero's uniforms.

Teams that have not arranged their balance of the entry fees before their first match shall be excluded from the championships

12. Captains' meeting

The Captains' Meeting will take place in "SPORTCAMP" Conference Hall on 21.08.2019 at 19.30. Team manager and the captain of each team must attend the meeting.

13. Medical Services And Control

The organizer will provide first aid and medical assistance to the players and team members. All other medical services should be paid in accordance with the Rules of the Hellenic Medical Services.

14. Official Volleyball Rules – Official Ball

The competition shall be played in accordance with the FIVB Official Volleyball Rules currently in force. All necessary explanations and modifications will be discussed during the Captains' meeting, prior to the competition.

All matches of the 2019 "GLOBAL CUP" World Senior Volleyball Championship shall be played with the **MIKASA Ball MVP 200 or/and the GALA pro-line BV5591S.** If there is any disagreement as to which ball is to be used in any match, the Mikasa ball will have priority.

MATCH COUNTING SYSTEM

• Two sets of 25 points

• If a tie persists, a third set of 15 points will be played

The Gold Medal match will be a best three of five sets followed by a golden set if necessary

ALLOCATION OF POINTS DURING THE ROUND ROBIN

Points shall be allocated as follows:

-match won : 2 points

-match lost : 1 point

-match forfeited : 0 points

In case of equal points, teams shall be settled according to the quotient of matches won and lost between all teams. If this equality of matches persists, the quotient of sets won and lost between all teams shall be taken into consideration. If this equality of sets persists, the quotient of points won and lost between all teams shall be taken into consideration. In case the teams are still tied, teams ranking shall then be determined according to the rules above as between the tied teams in question. If the teams are still tied the ranking shall be determined by a drawing of lots.

A team refusing to play against another team shall be excluded from the rest of the Championships. The results obtained prior to its exclusion shall be cancelled.

The player's uniforms of the team captain and the libero player must be presented during the Preliminary Inquiry. 2 Liberos are allowed for 14 players, if less one Libero will participate.

For M60+ category net height will be at 2.38

15.Awards

The teams winning the title of World Senior Volleyball Champion in each category shall receive the Cup, Gold Medals, as well as a Diploma from the organizer and a free participation of the next Global Cup 2020.

The teams classified second shall receive Silver Medals and a Diploma from the organizer.

The teams classified third shall receive Bronze Medals and a Diploma from the organizer.

For the rest teams a participation diploma shall be given.

16. Visas

Participants from countries in need of Greek entry visas shall have to apply for entry visas **before 10.08.2019**. Upon request from them, the Organizers shall send the invitation and arrange the visas to be issued through the regular process by the respective Hellenic diplomatic consular authorities in their countries.

For any questions related to visas, please contact the accreditation manager: <u>ch.aggelidi@sportcamp.gr</u>

17. Arrival site

All teams will arrive in El. Venizelos Athens airport until 16:00 on 21st of August.

Distances from Athens:

Distances	City	Km	Time
Airport	Hotels	85 km	Mini Bus 1h.15 min
Hotel	Competition Hall (Loutraki)	5 km	7 min
Hotel	Competition Hall (Corinth)	12km	15min

18. Entry Fee

The Participation fee of **850** ϵ is offered to up to 15 rostered individuals per team and includes:

- Welcome reception dinner including transportation for athletes and Captains
- All tournament fees including costs for officials, courts, balls etc.
- Captains' meeting
- Championship Medal Matches and Award Ceremonies
- Guarantee of a minimum of six (6) volleyball matches
- Commemorative Global Cup Medallion
- Official Global Cup t-shirt / welcome bag
- Global Cup Discount entertainment voucher

18. Accommodation Packages

Accepted teams is mandatory to choose among the following Accommodation Packages:

ACCOMMODATION PACKAGES (5 nights per person – All Inclusive)						
Ramada Poseidon Loutraki Hotel 5*	Single		Double		Triple	
Garden View	635€		545 €		510€	
ACCOMMODATION PACKAGES (5 nights BB per person)						
HOTEL TYPE	Single	Double		Triple	Quadruple	
Club Hotel Casino 5* executive mountain	875 €	520€		440.0		
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Hotel Pappas 3* Hotel Grand Olympic3* Diolkos Studios	430 € 360 € 475 €	340 26! 310	0€ 5€ 0€ 0€	310 € 225 € 250 €	- - - - 230€	
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The above prices include:

- Accommodation in 5*, 4*, 3* & 2* Hotels in single, double, triple and quadruple rooms including breakfast
- Ground Transportation from / to Athens International Airport
- Global Cup Banquet dinner including round trip transfers from / to hotels
- Half day excursion to Heraion Lagoon, temple of Hera and the lighthouse including lunch box
- Local transfers between hotels and the competition halls

* Prices do not include the residence tax paid by customers directly at the hotel.

Check in: Wednesday 21st August, **Check out:** Monday 26th August For extra night cost, please contact the Reservations Department at <u>reservations@sportcamp.gr</u>

19. Additional Guests

The Participation fee itemized above is offered to rostered individuals per team.

Additional guests are welcome to attend the tournament.

Supplement for extra guests costs 35 € per person for :

- Welcome reception dinner including transportation
- Official Global Cup t-shirt / welcome bag
- Global Cup Discount entertainment voucher

19. Terms & Conditions

A **200€** registration deposit per team guarantees the team's participation in the tournament. This deposit is non-refundable and will be applied to the Participation Fee.

To be part of this incredible tournament each team captain must fill out the attached Team Registration Form and return it with the per person registration deposit receipts as soon as possible!

Team Registration Forms must be returned by June 15, 2019. Upon receipt of your Team Registration Form and deposit, if you are one of the sixteen (16) teams you will receive the final Confirmation and Team Roster Packet.

Remember, teams will be accepted on a first come-first served basis - the first sixteen (16) teams to return the Team Registration Form with deposit are guaranteed entry in the 2019 Global Cup World Senior Volleyball Championship Tournament.

19. Registration Steps

STEP 1: Fill out the <u>REGISTRATION FORM</u>

Download the form here: <u>http://www.sportcamp.gr/en/loutraki-global-cup-2019</u>

STEP 2: Deposit the amount of $200 \notin$ to the following bank account indicating the team's name or the team's contact full name. Concerning the accommodation packages there is a <u>30% deposit required</u> in order to secure rooms.

Company Name: SPORT TRAVEL Bank name: Alpha Bank of Greece Account number: 550 00 2002 020486 IBAN Code: GR56 0140 5500 5500 0200 2020 486 Swift No: CRBAGRAAXXX

In case you need an invoice slip for your team please e-mail us your tax details.

STEP 3: Fax or e-mail the deposit slip to the fax number +30 27440 26930 or to the e-mail address: <u>reservations@sportcamp.gr</u>.

The registration will be confirmed by the SPORTCAMP Sports Dept.