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6th FAI Junior World Hot Air Balloon Championship

Grudziądz, Poland, 21th – 27th August 2023 Grudziądz,

10th January 2023

OFFICIAL INVITATION TO NATIONAL AERO CLUBS

Dear Mr. / Ms. President,

under the sanction granted by the Commission Internationale d'Aerostation (CIA) of the FAI, Aeroclub of Poland and Grudziądz Balloon Club would like to invite your competitors to the 6th FAI Junior World Hot Air Balloon Championship 2023 to be held in Grudziądz, Poland from 21th - 27th August 2023. The invitation procedure will be carried out in accordance with Chapter 5 of Section 1 of the FAI Sporting Code.

Name of event: 6th FAI Junior World Hot Air Balloon Championship 2023

Location: Grudziądz, Kuyavian-Pomeranian Voivodship, Poland

Dates: August 21th to 27th, 2023 (for the event schedule see website www.grudziadzballoons.com)

Entry fee: 300 Euro per competitor
The amount includes: Pre-breakfast and morning coffee; Propane gas for each competition flight + 1 practice flight; Two sets of competition maps; Meteorological service; - Prizes for the winners; Pilot pack tickets for social events

NAC's invited: All eligible National Aero Clubs are invited.

The attached 'ACCEPTANCE OF INVITATION' must be received by **17th February 2023** by email to the address indicated.

Schedule of Invitations:

| Invitation | Sent out | Deadline for Acceptance and Payment NAC |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---|
| NAC | 10/01/2023 | 17/02/2023 |
| 1 st Round of Invitations | 20/02/2023 | 20/03/2023 |
| 2 nd Round of Invitations | 30/03/2023 | 30/04/2023 |



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INVITATION PROCEDURE

According S I 5.6.1.1, the invitation to NACs will be distributed to all:

1. Eligible NACs (as per FAI list)
2. CIA Delegates (as per FAI list)
3. National Balloon Federations (as far as the addresses are known).

Any of the three entities may answer. In case of conflicting answers received by more than one entity, the Organizers will consult the CIA Bureau.

Note:

In order to ensure reaching all eligible NAC, the invitation will be sent to all NAC and CIA delegates of the current FAI mailing lists. If you are uncertain, if your NAC qualifies for the World Championship, please contact the organizers or the FAI Office.

NAC Invitations and Result List Invitations:

The NAC shall return the completed 'Acceptance of Invitation form' by **17th February 2023** nominating the competitors they want to send.

According to the CIA approved bid the equal number of competitors to be initially invited is **2** per NAC up to a total number of 50 competitors.

Therefore, each NAC is invited to nominate up to **2** competitors and as many additional competitors as they want to fill up the additional places available. The number of additional places will be 50 minus the number of accepted initial invitations.

After the **17th February 2023** initial invitation deadline, the Organizers till day **20st February 2023** will send 1st round individual applications to the competitors nominated. The deadline for their acceptance, which must include a completed entry form and full payment of entry fees, for the 1st round of entries is **20st March 2023**.

If the number of entries in the first round is less than 50, a second round of invitations will be issued using the names supplied on the 'NAC's Acceptance of Invitation to take Part' form. The deadline for the 2nd round of entries is **30th April 2023**.

The progress of the invitation process will be published on the event website where all event news will be posted. Invitation documents are also online at: www.grudziadzballoons.com or on the WatchMeFly event noticeboard.

We look forward to welcoming the junior aeronauts from across the world to compete in international competition, in our beautiful city of Grudziądz in Kuyavian-Pomeranian Voivodeship, Poland.

Sincerely yours,

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