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INVITATION TO THE ECU JUDGES & RULES CONFERENCE

Dear ECU Members,

on behalf of ECU it is our pleasure to invite you as well as your judges and coaches to the **ECU Judges & Rules Conference** organized by the ECU Judges and ECU Rules Committees in cooperation with the ICU. As announced previously, the conference will be held on **24th through 26th February 2017** in **Vienna, Austria**. The Conference consists of several parts:

- ICU Judges Re-certification Courses
- ICU Safety Rules Trainings
- ECU Head & Quality Judges Workshop
- ECU Judges Round Table
- ECU Judging Ethics Workshop

Additional information on the content of these events as well as a preliminary schedule is attached to this document.

Please send any questions to the ECU Competition Rules Committee at rules@europeancheerunion.com.

Cheerfully yours,

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Participation in the **ICU Judges Re-certification courses** is only open to judges from ECU members who have previously achieved at least ICU Level 2 Judge certification against a participation fee (see pricing below). ICU is supporting these courses by providing top judging experts. ICU Judges Re-certification courses will run in parallel to the Safety Rules Trainings, however scheduling allows several combinations of trainings and courses to be made.

A preliminary schedule is attached to this document. Actual breaks will be made based on the progress of the workshops. Food and drinks will be provided to all participants during the breaks, including lunch. The final schedule will be communicated no later than 16th February 2016 (after receiving the applications).

Participation in the **ICU Safety Rules Trainings** is open to all interested individuals from ECU members¹ against a participation fee (see pricing below). The trainings will be run by ICU experts on safety rules. The certifications at the end of each training will count toward eligibility for safety judges' positions for ECC 2017 in Prague. Safety judges' trainings will run in parallel to the ICU Judges Re-certification courses, however scheduling allows several combinations of trainings and courses to be made.

A preliminary schedule is attached to this document. Actual breaks will be made based on the progress of the workshops. Food and drinks will be provided to all participants during the breaks, including lunch. The final schedule will be communicated no later than 16th February 2017 (after receiving the applications).

Participation in the **ECU Head & Quality Judges Workshop** is open to all participants registering to attend either the ICU Judges Re-certification courses or ICU Safety Rules Trainings. The workshop is intended primarily for head judges and judges that deal with quality control of the judging process on any level of competition as well as to provide a forum to discuss processes, procedures and good practices related to quality assurance of competition results. The certification at the end of the workshop is intended to count toward eligibility for head and quality judges' positions at ECC 2017 in Prague.

Participation in the **ECU Judging Ethics Workshop** is open to all interested participants registering to attend either the ICU Judges Re-certification courses or ICU Safety Rules Trainings. The topic of judging ethics is relevant to judges in all positions and the goal of the workshop is to spread a unified set of ethical boundaries for judges as well as discuss the various views on those boundaries in different environments.

¹ While all attempts will be made to accommodate all applications, ECU reserves the right to limit the number of participants to the space available at the venue with priority given to ECU Member national rules body representatives and ECU registered judges.



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Participation in the **ECU Judges Round Table** is open only to ECU Members, and will be limited to a maximum of **two (2) participants** per ECU Member. It is our suggestion that those two representatives be one from the field of cheerleading and one from the field of performance cheer and that they be members of the national judges body. Participation at the ECU Judges Round Table will be available **free of charge** to eligible participants.

The following listed **attendance fees** are for one (1) person to attend one (1) training (either cheerleading or performance cheer) according to the schedule and include food and drinks provided during that training. Attendance fee for one (1) person to attend both the cheerleading and performance cheer training is double to those listed. Attendance fee for one (1) person to attend both the judges re-certification and the safety rules trainings is double to those listed.

The ECU will **guarantee** a minimum of one (1) spot for each ECU Member whose application is received by 14th February 2016. After this date, available space will be filled on a first come first served basis.

Prices per person per workshop for:	Regular booking - deadline 14.02.2017	Late booking - after 15.02.2017
Application submitted by ECU Member	130 EUR	175 EUR

Cancellations and changes to the applications are generally **not possible** and the applicant is committed to paying the attendance fees invoiced by the ECU.

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Accommodation will be the **individual responsibility** of the participants, and bookings have to be made directly with the hotel. When doing your booking, please state that you will be attending the event "ECU Conference". Please also bear in mind that rooms at the conference hotel will be of limited availability:

Ibis Hotel Wien
Mariahilfer Gürtel 22-24
1060 Wien
Phone for Booking: +43 1 599 98 238
E-Mail Address: H0796@ACCOR.COM
Reference Code: **ECU Rules Conference**
<http://www.ibis.com/gb/hotel-0796-ibis-wien-mariahilf/index.shtml#>

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Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	08:00 Registration	
	08:30 ICU Cheerleading Judges Re-certification course ²	08:30 ICU Performance Cheer Judges Re-certification course ⁴
		ICU Cheerleading Rules Workshop
	12:15 Lunch break	12:15 Lunch break
	13:15 ICU Cheerleading Judges Re-certification course ⁴	13:15 ICU Performance Cheer Judges Re-certification course ⁴
		ICU Cheerleading Rules Workshop
	17:00 ECU Judging ethics	17:00 Conclusion
	18:00 Dinner break ³	
20:00 ECU Judges Round Table ⁴	19:30 ECU Head & Quality Judges Workshop	
22:00 Conclusion	22:00 Conclusion	

² Open to judges who were previously certified as at least ICU Level 2 Judge.

³ Dinner is not included in the price of the course or organized for participants.

⁴ Limited to 2 participants per ECU Member Federation.