



**MERSIN ARTISTICS GYMNASTICS
WORLD CHALLENGE CUP
MERSIN, 01-03 July 2016**



DIRECTIVES

Dear FIG affiliated Member Federation,

Revised 26th February 2016

Following the decision of the FIG Presidential Commission, the Gymnastics Federation of TURKEY has the pleasure to invite your Federation to participate in the aforementioned official FIG World Challenge Cup.

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LOCATION	Mersin, TURKEY
DATES	From 01 to 03 July, 2016
VENUE	Mersin Cimnastik Salonu 32. Cad. Akkent Mah. Mersin, Turkey
APPARATUS SUPPLIER	A detailed list of GYMNOVA and SPIETH equipment with podium to be used for this World Challenge cup will be published on the FIG web site.
RULES AND REGULATIONS	The competition will be organized under the following FIG rules, as valid in the year of the competition, except for any deviation mentioned in the Individual Apparatus World Cup and World Challenge Cup Rules in Artistic Gymnastics : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statutes • Technical Regulations • License Rules • Code of Points and relevant Newsletters • Rules for the FIG Individual Apparatus World Cup and World Challenge Cup Series in Artistic Gymnastics • General Judges' Rules • Specific Judges' Rules for Artistic Gymnastics • Medical Organization of the Official FIG Competitions • Doping Control Rules

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Media Rules • Apparatus Norms • Advertising and Publicity Rules • Accreditation Rules • Regulations for Awards Ceremonies <p>and subsequent decisions of the FIG Executive Committee</p> <p>Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the FIG (e.g. annual membership fees, unpaid invoices, etc.) will not be allowed to participate in this World Challenge Cup.</p> <p>Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the Local Organizing Committee by the given deadline in these Directives may still have the possibility to participate, but the LOC will not guarantee the hotel booking, meals and local transportation.</p>																																
FEDERATIONS INVITED AND REPLACEMENT POLICY	<p>The organizing member federation may invite FIG member federations in good standing at their discretion, but must invite at least all Member Federations who had gymnasts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ranked 1-8 in C-III at the previous World Championships* - ranked 1-8 from the 2015 World Cup Ranking List for Individual Apparatus <p>* For the 2016 series, the gymnasts' invitation will be based on the results of the 2015 World Championships</p>																																
PARTICIPATION AND FIG LICENSE	<p>Only senior gymnasts in good standing with the correct age and holding a valid FIG License may participate. The Organizing Committee will be responsible for checking the validity of the gymnasts' licenses. No gymnasts will be accepted without a valid FIG License at the deadline of the Nominative Registration. While the Organizing Member Federation may limit the maximum number of gymnast per delegation, except for the eligible gymnasts, the maximum size of the invited delegation is as follows:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Delegation member</th> <th>Men</th> <th>Women</th> <th>Joint</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Head of Delegation</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Team Manager</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Coach (max. 1 per gymnast*)</td> <td>3</td> <td>3</td> <td>6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gymnasts</td> <td>6</td> <td>4</td> <td>10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Medical Doctor</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Paramedical staff</td> <td>1</td> <td>1</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Judges</td> <td>2</td> <td>2</td> <td>4</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>* including Wild card and "hors concours" gymnasts</p>	Delegation member	Men	Women	Joint	Head of Delegation	1	1	1	Team Manager	1	1	2	Coach (max. 1 per gymnast*)	3	3	6	Gymnasts	6	4	10	Medical Doctor	1	1	1	Paramedical staff	1	1	2	Judges	2	2	4
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REGISTRATION DEADLINES	<p>Provisional, Definitive and Nominative Registrations must be made exclusively on-line via the FIG website (http://www.fig-gymnastics.com). These on-line registrations will only be accepted from FIG Gymnastics Member Federations.</p> <p>Registrations and payments made after the gymnasts' drawing of lots will not be accepted and the Delegations members concerned will not be authorized to participate.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Provisional registration</td> <td>01 March 2016 (4 months prior to the event) 12:00 GMT</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Definitive registration</td> <td>02 May 2016 (2 months prior to the event)</td> </tr> </table>	Provisional registration	01 March 2016 (4 months prior to the event) 12:00 GMT	Definitive registration	02 May 2016 (2 months prior to the event)																												
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ENTRY FEES	No Entry Fee will be applied for this event.										
ACCREDITATION	<p>Each federation will be taken to the accreditation desk upon arrival. In order to accelerate the accreditation procedure, please send to the Local organizing committee by email. mersin@tcf.gov.tr a photo of each delegation member together with the Nominative registration. The specification of the photo should be as follows:</p> <p>File format: JPG, JPEG Dimensions: max. 560 x 250 pixels / 250 KB File name: NOC_Function_Firstname_Surname</p> <p>If a photo has to be taken during the accreditation because none has been sent within the deadline or sent in the unofficial requested format, there will be a charge of 15 EUR for each photo taken at the accreditation desk.</p> <p>During the accreditation the Head of Delegation must present the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passports of all members of the delegation • Insurances of all members of the delegation • National anthem (on CD) and national flag (150 x 100 cm) • Competitors' music WAG (CD 1 copy) • Proof for full payment of the costs due to the LOC • Licence of the gymnast <p>As far as the number of accreditation per federation is concerned, the World Cup Regulation will be strictly applied.</p>										
COMPETITION FORMAT	<p>The Individual Apparatus Competitions for World Challenge Cup competitions consist of: Qualifications and Apparatus Finals</p> <p><u>Qualifications:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Participation is limited to 2 gymnasts per NF on each apparatus. ▪ The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to add (only for the qualifications) "hors concours" competitors. These competitors are in addition to the official competitors of the Organizing Member Federation, they must be named at the time of the closing of the nominative registration and they cannot qualify for the Finals. They are not eligible to receive World Cup points, they must not appear on the official results lists and they will have to start first at every apparatus. ▪ The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to name a max. of "4 hors concours" competitors in Women's Artistic Gymnastics and a max. of "4 hors concours" competitors in Men's Artistic Gymnastics for a total of 8 "hors concours" gymnasts (i.e. while one "hors concours" gymnast can compete on more than one apparatus, not more than one "hors concours" gymnast can compete on an apparatus). ▪ FIG Competition III rules will be applied for vault. ▪ In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up for the World 										

	<p>Championships shall be applied. Nevertheless, the gymnasts not qualified for the Finals and with the same final score will receive the same World Cup Points.</p> <p><u>Finals:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The best eight gymnasts per apparatus from the qualifications qualify for the Finals ▪ Participation is limited to 2 gymnasts per country and each apparatus. ▪ In addition, the Organizing Member Federation has the right to a limited number of Wild Cards to guarantee the participation of the Host Country gymnasts in the Finals (maximum 1 man and 1 woman gymnast only at one apparatus each). ▪ These “Wild Card Gymnasts” must have participated at the respective apparatus in the qualification. ▪ “Wild Card Gymnasts” will receive medals, prize money and World Cup points. ▪ FIG Competition III rules will be applied for vault. ▪ In case of a tie at any place, the tie will not be broken. The tied gymnasts will all have the same rank, but subsequent ranks will be skipped: 1, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 1, 2, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 1, 2, 3, 3, 3, 6, 7, 8 Tied gymnasts will receive the same medal and World Cup Points: 1, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (two gold medals, no silver medal, one bronze medal) The Prize Money will be added and divided by the number of gymnasts: 1, 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (Prize Money for Rank 1 and 2 is added and divided by 2) 1, 2, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 (Prize Money for Rank 2 and 3 is added and divided by 2) 1, 2, 2, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8 (Prize Money for Rank 2, 3, and 4 is added and divided by 3) 1, 2, 3, 3, 3, 6, 7, 8 (Prize Money for Rank 3, 4, and 5 is added and divided by 3) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 7 (Prize Money for Rank 7 and 8 is added and divided by 2) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 8 (Prize Money for Rank 8 is divided by 2)
DRAWING OF LOTS	The gymnasts' drawing of lots will be directed by the FIG Technical Delegate and take place at the Orientation meeting of the event in accordance with the procedures established.
PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE	<p>June 29th Arrival of delegations/Free training (all day)</p> <p>June 30th Official training (all day) Orientation meeting</p> <p>July 01st Qualification MAG & WAG (CI) MAG & WAG Judges Meeting</p> <p>July 02nd Qualification MAG & WAG (CI) MAG & WAG Judges Meeting</p> <p>July 03rd Apparatus Finals MAG & WAG (CIII) MAG & WAG Judges Meeting Banquet</p> <p>July 04th Departure of delegations</p>

EVENT MANAGER	RECEP SAHIN (Turkish Gymnastics Federation General Secretary) +90 532 564 89 64 recep.sahin@tcf.gov.tr
MEDIA	TRT Türkiye Radyo ve Televizyonu, Mr. Serdar KIVRAK
SOCIAL MEDIA	Facebook: turkcimfed Twitter: turkcimfed Youtube: TürkiyeCimnastik
MEDICAL SERVICES	The medical care will be fully guaranteed by the Organizing Committee. The guarantee includes the first aids well as an ambulance in a nearby hospital. A Paramedic Ambulance will be on site during official training, warm up and competition periods.
OFFICIAL HOSPITAL	Mersin Üniversite Hastanesi Tel:+903243374300 Address: İhsaniye Mh. 4935 Sk. No:3 33079 MERSİN
DOPING CONTROLS	The Organizing Member Federation will provide at its own charge a minimum of 6 doping controls, 3 for Women and 3 for Men.
VISA	Turkey has changed visa regulations as of April 2014 and all the visa applicants should now apply via an online site: https://www.evisa.gov.tr/en/
INSURANCE	The Host Federation, the Organizing Committee 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). Delegation members with insufficient insurance cover must inform the LOC in advance. The LOC will subsequently offer insurance at the Federations own charge as follows: 30eur per person/day.
INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION	The invited participating federations must pay for the travel costs of their delegation members. The Travel Schedule Form must be returned to the LOC by 01 June 2016 .
LOCAL TRANSPORTATION	The local transportation will be provided by LOC from/to the Adana Airport (ADA) and the hotel as well as from/to the hotel and the Competition Hall and from/to the Hotel and the Final Banquet.
ACCOMMODATION	Divan Hotel Akkent Mah GMK Bulvarı No: 612 Yenişehir / Mersin Telefon: 0324 356 11 00 Faks: 0324 356 11 99 http://www.divan.com.tr/Divan-Mersin/default-tr.html The costs per person/night in this first Hotel are as follows: 130€ (single room, Full board) 100€ (double room, Full board) Green Tower Hotel 33060 Mezitli Mersin, Turkey

	<p>The costs per person or room (precise)/night in this second “low cost” Hotel are as follows: 100 € (single room, breakfast&dinner) 75 € (single room, breakfast&dinner)</p> <p>The prices charged for the hotel rooms will not exceed the usual hotel rates. While the Accommodation Form must be returned to the LOC by 02 May 2016 at the very latest, the Hotel rooms will be allocated on a “first come, first served” basis.</p> <p>The invited participating federations must pay for the accommodation expenses of their delegation members (see exception herein below). The costs for the accommodations % 50 must be paid to the LOC by 02 May 2016</p> <p>The costs for the accommodations % 100 must be paid to the LOC by 01 June 2016</p> <p>The Organizing Member Federation must pay for the Accommodation expenses for the gymnasts ranked 1-3, per apparatus, competing in the event from: - previous World Championships* (see note above) - the 2015 World Cup Ranking List</p>
FINAL BANQUET	<p>The Final Banquet will be free of charge. All the participants are welcome to the Final Banquet.</p>
FIG TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND EC MEMBER	<p>The FIG Technical Delegate and EC member (if applicable) will be designated by the FIG.</p> <p>The FIG Technical Delegates will serve as Presidents of the Superior Jury.</p>
JUDGES AND PANELS	<p>Each Judge’s panel will be composed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 D judges, minimum 4 E judges, plus 1 Supervisor <p>The number of judges’ panels will be decided by the organizing member federation depending on the number of participating competitors and judges. Not more than one judge per Federation per panel will be permitted (except for time and line judges).</p> <p>The judges’ panels are set up by a draw from the judges present at the event. The draw must be directed by the MAG and WAG Technical Delegates. The participating member federations must send minimum one qualified judge for MAG if they participate with male gymnasts and one qualified WAG judge if they participate with female gymnasts.</p> <p>The Organizing Member Federation will apply a fine of CHF 2’000 per missing judge (to be paid to the LOC) should a federation fail to bring the required number of judges.</p> <p>The Organizing Member Federation is responsible that there are enough FIG brevetted judges present with the appropriate valid category of brevet for their function. Should there not be sufficient judges as per the on-line nominative registration, the Organizing Member Federation must propose to the FIG for approval the name of neutral additional judges to complete the panels (plus 2 reserves, 1 man and 1 woman). These judges, once approved, have to be invited at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation. Such invitation must be made through the respective Member Federation. Should the Organizing Member Federation fail to propose names for additional judges, the FIG Office</p>

	in consultation with the TC Presidents concerned will invite these judges at the cost (in terms of international and local travel, accommodation and meals) of the Organizing Member Federation. For additional judge's requirements see the Specific Judges' Rules.																										
VIDEO CONTROL SYSTEM	Should IRCOS not be available, the Organizing Member Federation will provide another video control system which allows to treat inquiries and records all exercises of the competition in a quality which allows to judge the exercises.																										
PRIZE MONEY	<p>The organising member federation must pay the following minimum Prize Money (amounts in Swiss Francs – CHF): CHF 2'500.- per apparatus.</p> <p>The Prize Money, free of any deductible taxes, will be distributed in Euro as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="662 622 1362 976"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">World Challenge Cup - Prize Money in CHF</th> </tr> <tr> <th><i>Ranking</i></th> <th><i>Individual Apparatus</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>1</td><td>750</td></tr> <tr><td>2</td><td>600</td></tr> <tr><td>3</td><td>400</td></tr> <tr><td>4</td><td>250</td></tr> <tr><td>5</td><td>200</td></tr> <tr><td>6</td><td>150</td></tr> <tr><td>7</td><td>100</td></tr> <tr><td>8</td><td>50</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>No prize money, medals and World Cup Ranking Lists points will be given, if there are less than 4 participating federation in per apparatus.</p>	World Challenge Cup - Prize Money in CHF		<i>Ranking</i>	<i>Individual Apparatus</i>	1	750	2	600	3	400	4	250	5	200	6	150	7	100	8	50						
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ASSIGNMENT OF WORLD CUP POINTS FOR THE ALL-AROUND WORLD CUP RANKING LIST	<p>In principle, the results and the updated FIG World Cup Ranking List will be published on the FIG web site within 24 hours after the end of the competitions provided that all the requirements before and after the competitions are duly respected by the Organizing Member Federation.</p> <p>Separate men's and women's World Cup Ranking Lists (World Cup and World Challenge Cup combined) are established for Individual Apparatus Competitions (i.e. for each apparatus). These lists begin with the first World Cup/World Challenge Cup event of the year and end with the last World Cup/World Challenge Cup event of the year as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 World Cup Ranking Lists for Men and 4 World Cup Ranking Lists for Women <table data-bbox="513 1464 959 1697"> <thead> <tr> <th><u>Men</u></th> <th><u>Women</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>Floor</td><td>Vault</td></tr> <tr><td>Pommel Horse</td><td>Uneven Bars</td></tr> <tr><td>Rings</td><td>Balance Beam</td></tr> <tr><td>Vault</td><td>Floor</td></tr> <tr><td>Parallel Bars</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Horizontal Bar</td><td></td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The World Cup Points are assigned to the competitors by name:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="662 1778 1362 2027"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">World Challenge Cup competitions</th> </tr> <tr> <th><i>Rank</i></th> <th><i>Points</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>1</td><td>30</td></tr> <tr><td>2</td><td>25</td></tr> <tr><td>3</td><td>20</td></tr> <tr><td>4</td><td>18</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>	Floor	Vault	Pommel Horse	Uneven Bars	Rings	Balance Beam	Vault	Floor	Parallel Bars		Horizontal Bar		World Challenge Cup competitions		<i>Rank</i>	<i>Points</i>	1	30	2	25	3	20	4	18
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WINNER OF THE ANNUAL INDIVIDUAL APPARATUS WORLD CUP SERIES	<p>The winner of the annual Individual Apparatus World Cup and World Challenge Cup Series is the gymnast with the highest number of points for each apparatus after the last event of the year as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If 5 or more World Cup Competitions take place per year, the best 4 are counted ▪ If 4 or 3 World Cup Competitions take place per year all points are counted <p>A special award ceremony must be held at the last Individual Apparatus World Cup/World Challenge Cup competition of the year in which the Individual Apparatus World Cup and World Challenge Cup winners shall receive a Cup.</p> <p>In case of a tie in the respective World Cup Ranking Lists after the last respective competitions of the year, the tie will not be broken.</p>			
BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION	Beneficiary	TURKISH GYMNASTICS FEDERATION		
	Account number	908 81 05		
	Bank	GARANTİ BANKASI		
	Address:	ANAFARTALAR ŞUBESİ-ULUS-ANKARA		
	Iban	TR43 0006 2000 7110 0009 0881 05		
	Swift code	TGBATRIS		
	<p>The participating federation is responsible for covering all bank fees in connection with the bank transfers.</p>			
MARKETING	<p>FIG advertising and publicity norms must be respected</p>			
TELEVISION	<p>For the Individual apparatus World Cup competitions and for the World Challenge Cup competition television coverage is compulsory.</p> <p>The Organizing Member Federation must guarantee the production of a basic feed (international signal). Please refer to Reg 12.3 of 2016 Rules for the FIG Individual Apparatus World Cup & World Challenger Cup Series in Artistic Gymnastics for additional information.</p> <p>TRT Türkiye Radyo ve Televizyonu, Turan Güneş Bulvarı 06109 OR-AN ANKARA</p>			

DEADLINES SUMMARY	
Provisional Registration (on line)	01 March 2016
Definitive Registration (on line)	02 May 2016
Nominative Registration (on line)	01 June 2016
Travel Schedule Form	01 June 2016
Accommodation Form	02 May 2016
Meals Form	01 June 2016
Payment % 50 of the Accommodation Costs	02 May 2016
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Sincerely Yours,

Place and date: 26.02.2016



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