

18th Bernd Best Wheelchair Rugby Tournament of the RSC Köln e.V. April 07th – 09th 2017

Bernd Best 2017

The World's biggest Wheelchair Rugby Tournament

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Venues: (→ details)	Gyms in Cologne	details will be announced later	
Check-In:	April 07 th 2017, 10.30 – 14.30 h, Check-In Office at gym Höhenhaus		
1st Games:	April 07 th 2017 14.30 h	End:	April 11 th 2017, 16.45 h Award Ceremony afterwards in gym Höhenhaus
Format: (→ details)	Tournament with four divisions		
Entry Fee:	500€ for each team plus 35€ for each person , who is with the team (player, coach, support staff, ...)		
Transportation Fee	35€ for each person from Airport Cologne (No other airports available)		
Bank-Account:	Account holder: DRS e.V. Volksbank Bonn-Rheinsieg e.G.	IBAN: DE73 3806 0186 5333 3330 17 SWIFT/BIC: GENODED1BRS	Identify: 8141 + Bernd Best 2017 + Team Name
Registration and Confirmation: (→ details)	Registration is only possible via our homepage: http://registration.bernd-best-turnier.de/new/ Registrations will only be accepted after the payment has been received. If there is no money received on our bank account within 14 days after the registration, your registration will be cancelled. It is each team's responsibility to check our confirmation lists for correctness.		
Deadline:	December 6th 2016		
Late Registration: (→ details)	Please register your team and transfer the entry fee before December 6th 2014 . There will be raised entry fees for late registrations .		
Accommodation: (→ details)	Youth Hostel Köln Riehl , Tel: +49 221 76 70 81 Limited capacity. Please make your reservation with the youth hostel as soon as possible .		
Champions-League: (→ details)	1 st division; international level Extra entry fee only for teams in Champions League 500 €, Competition is according to IWRF Rules (released 1 January 2015)		
Professional-, Advanced- und Basic-League: (→ details)	Divisions with high national (Professional), moderate national (Advanced) und regional (Basic) level. There will be modified rules for these leagues. Each team is required to bring a referee. A team that fails to bring a referee has to pay 500 € extra.		
Miscellaneous: (→ details)	See following pages for details on insurance, classification, table officials and ground transportation		

See following pages for details of this invitation!

**Check regularly! Latest information available at
<http://www.bernd-best-turnier.de/>**

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Detailed information on the Invitation

Venues

Main venue (gym B) is at Städtische Gesamtschule Höhenhaus, Im Weidenbruch 214, 51069 Köln. More venues in Cologne will be announced later.

Format

Bernd Best Tournament offers four divisions. "First come, first serve". Maximum 8 Team will compete in Champions League.

All club teams of member countries of the IWRF may compete in Bernd Best Tournament.

Registration and Confirmation

Registration is only possible via our homepage: <http://registration.bernd-best-turnier.de/new/>

The entry fee is due immediately after the registration. If there is no money received on our bank account within **14 days** after the registration, your registration will be cancelled. Teams, who will use our transport, will get a separate invoice after registration. Please send the secretary the name of the airport, your team will arrive.

Each registered team must check and verify that all information in our confirmation lists is correct. These lists are the confirmation for your registration as well.

If you want to add additional players to your team roster after March 6th 2017 that must be approved by the organising team. Send such requests to sekretariat@bernd-best-turnier.de

Entry Fee & Late Registration

Deadline for Bernd Best Tournament 2017 is **December 6th 2016**. For a proper financial calculation of our tournament we need the total amount of the entry fee by this date. If your registration arrives later the following fees will be used for your registration:

Registration before	Entry Fee each team	Entry Fee each team member	Transportation Fee each team member from airport Cologne
December 6 th 2016	500 €	35 €	35 €
January 6 th 2017	650 €	40 €	40 €
February 6 th 2017	750 €	45 €	45 €
all later registrations	950 €	65 €	No transport possible

50 % of the entry fee will be refunded if a team or team-member cancels its participation after March 6th 2017. After the 6th of March there will be no refund. There is no refund for the Entry Fee of a team-member.

Accommodation

Youth Hostel Köln Riehl
An der Schanz 14
50735 Köln

Tel.: +49 221 76 70 81
Fax: +49 221 76 15 15
E-Mail: koeln-riehl@jugendherberge.de

1, 2, & 4 bed rooms, accessible central toilets and showers. **1 night incl. breakfast: from 38,90 € per person within 2 bed room and 123,10€/ 4 bed room .**

The team reservation has to be done by the team manager. Identify: Bernd Best Tournament 2017. After Registration you will get automatically the Youth-Hostel-Contract. Please submit your reservation to the Youth Hostel as soon as possible.

If the Accommodation is fully booked, the team has to organize an accommodation by themselves. The tournament office is not able to support. Further information regarding Hotels in Cologne, you will find on <http://www.cologne.de/where-to-stay>.

Champions League

1st division, international level

Extra entry fee only for team competing in Champions League: 500 € per Team
(This is a financial support to bring internationally qualified officials to the tournament).

Rules: strictly according to official IWRF rules (released 1 January 2015)

Referees: The organiser invites internationally qualified officials.

Till the 21st of November all spots are reserved for the participants of the Euro A in 2017. After that date the remain spots will award to other teams in order of the registration.

Professional, Advanced und Basic League

Professional League = 2nd division, high national level

Advanced League = 3rd division, moderate national level

Basic League = 4th division, regional level

Rules: IWRF rules **with modifications**

Modification:

Preliminary: 4 x 6 Minutes, tied score: „Golden-Goal-Overtime“.

Final: 4 x 8 Minutes, tied score: extra periods.

Team points: 7.0 (seven)

Bonus for female players: 1.0 points for each female player on court.

Time-Outs: Each team has 2 (two) 60 second (“coach”) time-outs per game, regardless of the playing time. There are no 30 second (“court” / “field”) time-outs

Additional modifications related to the January 1st 2015 rules: Champions, Professional and Advanced League will be played with Goal Clock.

Referees: The teams are required to bring a referee to the tournament. The team must cover the travel expenses of the referee. One referee must be identified on the registration form. **A team that fails to bring a referee has to pay 500 € extra.** Only one referee per team is free of charge for accommodation at the youth hostel, for food and does not pay entry fee.

The team must organize the referee’s accommodation. The accommodation costs (max. 40,00 € / night) of the referee will be refunded by the tournament office upon presentation of an accommodation invoice/receipt. The referee gets an additional financial support of 10 € per day.

Miscellaneous

Insurance

The promoter and organizer liable for damages only in the limits and to the extent of the available liability insurance protection. The liability for damages beyond that which is expressly excluded. Likewise, there is no liability for sports and travel accidents. Claims from the sport accident insurance to protect the country's sports federations / DBS are not affected by this limitation.

Image Rights:

By registering for this event, participants consent to the release of their portraits. The consent includes all publications in the media and presentations of the German Wheelchair Sports Association e.V. (DRS e.V.) expressly.

Classification

We regret that we cannot offer an authorised classification panel. Any protests or request for the change of classification points cannot be negotiated during the whole tournament.

- Please check the classification points of all players as they are published on our web site. If you have reasons to disagree with a player's classification points you may ask for corrections until March 07th 2017 by contacting sekretariat@bernd-best-turnier.de
- All players have to present their official and actual international classification card at the commencement of the first match. Players with no international classification card present their official national classification card. Players who cannot verify their classification with an official classification card have to pay 25 € to obtain a temporary Bernd Best Tournament classification card.
- In the case of a difference between the points on a card and the officially published one on our web site the less favourable classification points are accepted.
- If the classification of a player has changed after the submission of your registration form you are required to report this to Bernd-Best-Sekretariat: sekretariat@bernd-best-turnier.de
- Bernd Best Tournament will provide classification to new players, **who were never classified before**. Please give notice to our sekretariat (sekretariat@bernd-best-turnier.de) of such a request until March 06th 2017. Actual classification is provided by arrangement between BBT sekretariat and the player on Friday March 27th 2015.
New players obtain a Bernd Best Tournament classification card only valid at Bernd Best Tournament 2017.
- For German players in Professional-, Advanced- and Basic-League only: If your international classification differs from your German classification only your German classification will be valid at Bernd Best Tournament.

Table officials

If someone of your team is a qualified table official please contact **anschreiber@bernd-best-turnier.de**

to get more information on how to get involved in Bernd Best Tournament as a table official.

Ground Transportation

On request we will provide ground transportation for our foreign guests arriving by plane. **Please send all requests for ground transportation to sekretariat@bernd-best-turnier.de. Your request must be submitted before February 6th 2017.** Please include flight details for all team members. Transport is only available from and to Airport **Cologne Bonn Airport (CGN) and between the Gyms and the Youth Hostel Koeln Riehl** for the period April 06th to April 10th 2017, and can only be provided for teams with a minimum of 4 players arriving on the same date at the same airport. Please note that it is not possible to transport individual players.