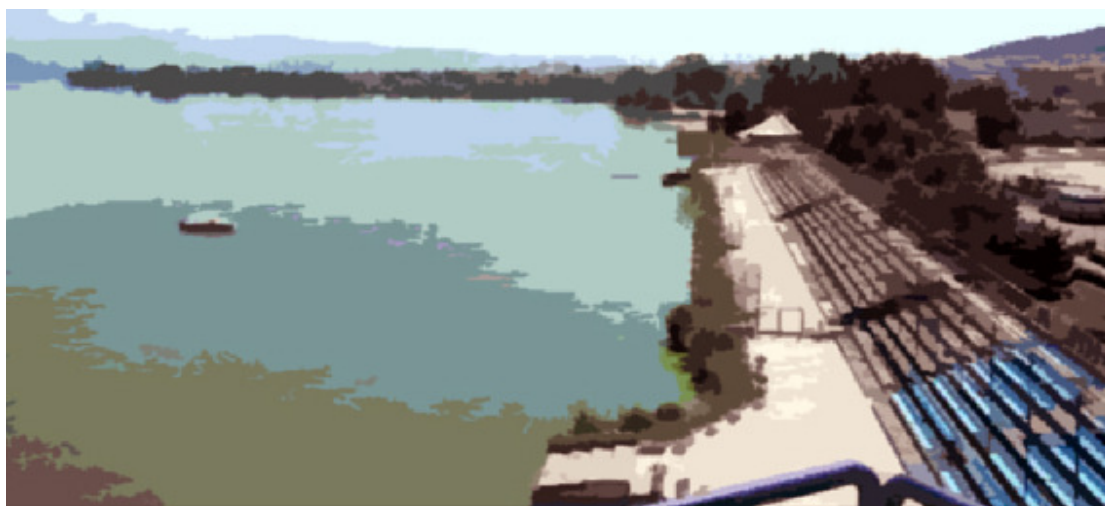




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The Hellenic Waterski & Wakeboard Federation and the Pamvotis Waterski Club would like to invite all the E&A skiers at the 2013 E&A waterski Championships.

Location

Ioannina, often called Jannena, is the largest city and the capital of Epirus in north-western Greece with a population of approx. 120.000.

It lies at an elevation of approximately 500 meters above sea level, on the western shore of lake Pamvotis. It is located within the Ioannina municipality, and is the capital of Ioannina regional unit and the region of Epirus.

Ioannina is located 430 km northwest of Athens, 250 km southwest of Thessaloniki and 80 km east of the port of Igoumenitsa on the Ionian Sea.



Tournament Area

The E&A Championships Tournament Site will be hosted at the National Nautical Athletic Center of Ioannina (EANKI) where the local “Pamvotis Water Ski Club” is located.

Many water ski events have been organized in the particular location, including European Championships, European Youth Cup, European Youth Championships, Mediterranean Championships and Balkan Championships.

For back-up purposes a new Water Ski Canal by/in Lake Pamvotis is currently under construction by the Municipality of Ioannina and the local “Pamvotis Water Ski Club”, 500 meters away of the EANKI main site.

The canal will be fully operational, homologated and equipped to fulfill any request during the event.

Championships Headquarters and Tournament Tower

A modern, four-storey tower is located at the EANKI Tournament Site. The tower will accommodate the Jury, the Organizing Committee, the Secretariat and all related activities before and during the Championships.



Other sports facilities

At the EANKI area most of the athletic facilities will be available to be used by all delegation members at no charge. Including an indoor olympic size pool, two tennis courts, four basketball and volleyball courts, an indoor climbing terrain, a skate-board terrain.

Parking and storing facilities

Available at no charge.

Food and drinks

Lunch and drinks will be available at the site, by professional catering service.

Local Transport

The organizer will provide transport by bus from the official hotel to the tournament area and opposite twice a day.

Full list for rent a car companies and other transport facilities you will find in the official website.

Several in-city bus lines (every 5'-10') connect the Tournament Area with all city areas. Taxis are secure, clean and cheap.

Ability for bicycle rental and/or free use of municipal bicycles (4 hours max. per day, per person).

Official website

The competition official website will be: www.2013eaoc.org

Contact Persons:

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DIMITRIS TRIANTAFILLIDIS Mobile: +30 6906206909

Accommodation

Ioannina is a year round tourist attraction. More than 40 hotels and guesthouses operate in the City of Ioannina (+150 in surrounding towns and traditional villages), with a maximum walking distance from the Tournament area of 20 minutes (5'-10' by car or bicycle).

All the major credit cards are accepted from all hotels and the local market.

OFFICIAL HOTEL FOR ATHLETES AND OFFICIALS:

GRAND SERAI CONGRESS AND SPA HOTEL (***)**

http://www.mitsishotels.com/Hotels/grand-serai-congress-and-spa/welcome_888.htm



The hotel is located in the center of Ioannina City and is only 5 km from the Tournament Area.

Please book your rooms as soon as possible. To book rooms on the official hotel, please go to: reservations@mitsis-grandserai.com tel: +30 26510 90550

Prices : Double room: **94 €** per room per night including breakfast.

Single room: **85 €** per room per night including breakfast.

HOTEL GRAND SERAI offers Dinner free of charge, for all the 2013 E&A Water Ski Open Championships teams and officials.

Please don't forget to mention when you are booking: room for 2013 E&A Water Ski Open Championships

Other hotels in Ioannina

HOTEL NAME	TEL.NUMBER	WEBSITE
HOTEL EXOHI ***	+30 2651081160	www.hotel-exohi.gr
FRONTZU POLITIA ****	+30 2651021011	www.frontzupolitia.gr
HOTEL PALADION ***	+30 2651025856	www.palladionhotel.gr
EPIRUS PALACE *****	+30 2651093555	www.epiruspalace.gr
HOTEL BYZANTIO	+30 2651040453	www.byzantio-hotel.gr
DOVITEL HOTEL ****	+30 26510 81001	www.dovitelhotel.gr
ELLOPIA POINT	+30 2651094554	www.ellopiapoint.gr
HOTEL ALEXIOS ***	+30 2651032030	www.alexios-hotel.gr
KRIKONIS HOTEL IOANNINA ***	+30 2651044633	www.krikonis-hotel.gr
HOTEL EGNATIA IOANNINA ***	+30 2651025667	www.hotel-egnatia.gr
HOTEL DU LAC *****	+30 2651059100	www.hoteldulac.gr

You can find special prices for the above hotels in the official web page.

Other hotels in the nearby area

HOTEL NAME	TEL.NUMBER	SITE
BOURAZANI WILD LIFE RESORT ****	+30 2655061283	www.bourazani.gr
HOTEL EGNATIA METSOVO ***	+30 2656041263	www.hotelegnatia.gr
HOTEL LANASSA *****	+30 2659022600	www.hotellanassa.gr
HOTEL KASSAROS METSOVO **	+30 2656041800	www.hotelkassaros.gr
HOTEL KATOGEI AVEROFF METSOVO*****	+30 2656042554	www.katogihotel.gr

You can find special prices for the above hotels in the official web page.

How to reach Ioannina

Ioannina can be easily reached by car and airplane.

- **Ioannina Airport** (IOA) is located 2 km from the Tournament Area and 2 km from the City Center with 2-3 flights to/from Athens(ATH) daily.
- **Aktion/Preveza Airport** (PVK) is located approx. 90 km (1h) from Ioannina with regular daily flights to Athens and many biweekly low cost flights from/to many European major Cities during summer period (Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Innsbruck, Dusseldorf, London, Manchester, Stockholm, Vienna, Ostrava and many more).
- **Corfu Airport** (CFU) is connected to many international destinations and almost all European countries with regular and low cost/charter flights all year, but mainly during the summer period. (1h+30min ferry-boat to port of Igoumenitsa + 50min car trip (80 km) via A2 (E90) motorway to Ioannina).
- **Thessaloniki (Makedonia) Airport** (SKG) 2h+30min (250 km) from Ioannina via A2(E90) motorway is connected with regular flights to Milan, Rome, Zurich, Berlin, Dusseldorf, Munich, Frankfurt, Dortmund, Moscow, London, Paris, Vienna, Larnaca, Prague, Budapest, Bucharest and many other European cities.

More details about the airlines who fly to Aktion/Preveza, Corfu and Thessaloniki airport, will be posted in the official website

Port of Igoumenitsa

Igoumenitsa is located 80 km (50min) from Ioannina via A2(E90) motorway with regular daily ferry boat connections to Italy (Brindizi, Bari, Ancona, Venezia).

Visa requirements

A valid Identity Card or Passport are required to enter Greece. All non Schengen countries are suggested to contact the Hellenic Embassy or Consulate in their country, for more information. More information also can be found at:

<http://www.mfa.gr/en/visas/visas-for-foreigners-traveling-to-greece/countries-requiring-or-not-requiring-visa.html>

Weather conditions

In September the average temperatures in Ioannina are min. 12,2 and max 26,7 °C, humidity 63%, west winds 2,5 Kn.

Entry Requirements

Intention to Enter

All member federations must submit their Intention to Enter using the following :

Intention to Enter form for team: deadline is **July 4th 2013**

Intention to Enter form for athletes: deadline is **July 5th 2013**

REGISTRATION for **INTENTION TO ENTER forms** are all on line at
<http://www.waterskitournament.eu/> under the championships tab.

Entry Form

Deadline of the Team Entry Form submission is **August 25th** , 2013. Entry fee for each Team is **EUR 250**.

Deadline of the Athletes Entry Form submission is **August 26th** 2013.

Entry fee for each Athlete is **EUR 160**.

REGISTRATION for **TEAM and ATHLETES ENTRY FORMS** are all on line at
<http://www.waterskitournament.eu/> under the championships tab.

The Entry fee has to be paid by bank transfer not later than August 26th 2013, and the participant Federation must send a copy of the bank transfer to:

skipamvotis@yahoo.gr

Late Fees will apply in accordance with the existing rules.

Bank details: **National Bank Of Greece**

Account Name: **Omilos Thalassiou Ski Pamvotis**

Account Number: **IBAN GR 6401102610000026129603382**

SWIFT/CIC: **ETHNGRAA**

Please write : Entry fee for ...(name of your country and name of skier- if known)

Provisional Schedule

Monday 2 nd September	Arrivals, Registration, Official training
Tuesday 3 rd September	Arrivals, Registration, Official training, Team Captains meeting
Wednesday 4 th September,	Team Slalom, Team tricks, Team Jump, Opening Ceremony, Team Award Ceremony
Thursday 5 th September,	Preliminary Rounds
Friday 6 th September	Preliminary Rounds
Saturday 7 th September	Preliminary Rounds, Final Rounds
Sunday 8 th September	Final rounds, Awards ceremony, Final Banquet and Party

The Time Schedule is provisional. The updated schedule will be posted on the official website and in Bulletin 2.

Training

Official training will be provided to the athletes.

From June 15th you can request and reserve training time during the official practice days (2nd & 3rd Sept.). The deadline for requesting training is July 12, 2013. The training times will be allocated, according to the rules, directly after July 12th.

Not later than July 17th, all the Federations that requested training time will be informed by email, with information about the prepayment of their training.

If payment of the training is not received by July 26th, the training time will be lost. Starting July 29th the organizer reserves the right to sell any remaining time on a first come, first served basis.

For booking training please contact Mr. Panagiotis Ratsikas.

Tel. number: +30 6944572892 Email: rakopoulo@hotmail.com

Copy of the Bank transfer must be send to Panagiotis Ratsikas,
e-mail: skipamvotis@yahoo.gr

Bank: **National Bank Of Greece**

Account Name: **Omilos Thalassiou Ski Pamvotis**

Account Number: **IBAN 6R 6401102610000026129603382**

SWIFT/CIC: **ETHNGRAA**

Object: Please write: **Training for.. (name of country and name of skier-if known)**

Training time will be offered and sold per hour or per 15 minute intervals.

Rates are EUR 250 for each hour or EUR 75 for 15 minutes.

Training prior to the competition (and the official familiarization):

Pamvotis waterski Club is open every day of the week. If you are interested to travel to Ioannina and train prior to the competition, please contact Panagiotis Ratsikas,

Tel. number: +30 6944572892 Email: rakopoulo@hotmail.com

Flags and anthems:

All teams are kindly requested to provide 2 national flags and the national anthem {cd,usb stick or e-mail file to skipamvotis@yahoo.gr}

Tow boats

The official tow boat for the 2013 E&A Water Ski Tournament Open Championships will be Ski Nautique 200 (model 2012 and 2013). Final boat company and model will be announced in Bulletin 2.

Doping Control

In accordance with the IWWF anti-Doping Rules, drug control will be conducted during the competition. In entering this competition all skiers agree to be subject to doping control.

Information about the IWWF anti doping program can be found at:

<http://www.iwsf.com/AntiDoping/2013%20WEBpageinformation.htm>

SEE YOU IN IOANNINA!!