

To: Badminton Europe Member Associations & Umpire Correspondents.

Re: Umpire Invitation – AIG FZ Forza Irish Open 2022.

Tournament: **AIG FZ Forza Irish Open 2022 Part of the Badminton Europe Elite Circuit International Challenge.**

Venue: **National Indoor Arena, National Sports Campus, Snugborough Road, D15 PNON, Dublin.**

Dates: **Wednesday 16th to Saturday 19th November 2022.**

It is our pleasure to invite you to send umpires to the **AIG FZ Forza Irish Open 2022.**

Tournament Information:

Travel:

- The National Association of the umpire will pay travel expenses to and from Dublin.
- Transport between Dublin International Airport (DUB) and the Hotel (20 minutes) will be by a free scheduled Hotel Shuttle Bus from Zone 16 (in front of main entrance at Terminal 1).
- Umpires shall arrive on Tuesday 15th November 2022 before 20:00 and can leave on Saturday 19th November 2022 after 18:00 or on Sunday 20th November.
- Transport to and from the venue will be provided by the organisers.
- A walking tour of Dublin may be arranged for umpires who arrive before 14:00 on Tuesday 15th November.

Accommodation: Accommodation including breakfast will be provided in twin rooms at the Carlton Hotel, Blanchardstown, Church Road, Tyrrelstown, Dublin 15, D15 EYX5 from Tuesday until Sunday. Officials are responsible for covering the full cost of any additional nights at the hotel. If an official wishes to be accompanied by a partner for all or part of the event, or requires a single room, providing adequate notice is provided this should be possible. However the Organising Committee will charge accordingly for the additional accommodation costs which will be advised upon request.

Subsistence: A subsistence allowance of €25 per competition day will be provided at the Umpire Briefing.

Referee: Ivanka Pokorni (CRO).

Umpire Briefing: Tuesday 15th November 21:15 Carlton Hotel.

Umpire Manager: Tom McGrath.

Provisional Schedule:

Tuesday 15 th November	21:15	Umpires Briefing	Carlton Hotel.
Wednesday 16 th November	09:00	Qualification.	
Thursday 17 th November	09:00	Preliminary rounds.	
Friday 18 th November	10:00	Quarter-Finals.	
	17:00	Semi-Finals.	
Saturday 19 th November	13:00	Finals – scheduled to finish by 18:00.	



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Acceptance: Please accept or decline this invitation as soon as possible but not later than **Friday 7th October 2022** by email to: sheerin.aengus@itsligo.ie nominations may be confirmed on a first-come-first-serve-basis.

Please do not book any travel arrangements until umpire appointments have been confirmed as it is possible that the number of nominations may exceed the number of umpires required.

Name, email and travel details of your umpire(s) should be sent by **Saturday 29th October 2022**.

Covid19:

As the tournament is taking place during the Covid-19 pandemic, please be aware that the staging of the competition is subject to Irish Government approval which may be rescinded at any time. Should the event be cancelled with short notice by the Irish authorities, due to the Covid-19 situation, beyond the control of both Badminton Europe and Badminton Ireland, neither of them will be liable for any costs related to travelling or accommodation made by officials for this event. The competition will be ran under the guidelines and epidemiological regulations as defined by Sport Ireland and the Irish Authorities.

Since March 2022 persons travelling to Ireland are not required to show proof of vaccination, proof of recovery or a negative PCR test result upon arrival, and are no longer asked to complete a COVID-19 Passenger Locator Form, travel carriers will not ask to check a PLF receipt prior to travel to Ireland. There are no post-arrival testing or quarantine requirements for travelling to Ireland.

It is strongly recommended that umpires book flight tickets with a cancellation insurance.

Yours in Sport

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