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From: Austrian Badminton Association
Subject: Umpires for Austrian Open 2022

We have the pleasure to invite one of your Umpires to the

Austrian Open 2022

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Date	Thursday, May 26 th to Sunday, May 29 th 2022
Venue	Raiffeisen Sportpark Graz (<u>raiffeisen-sportpark.at</u>) Hüttenbrennergasse 35, 8010 Graz
Accommodation	Roomz Graz (https://www.roomz-hotels.com/en/roomz-graz) Conrad-von-Hötzendorf-Straße 96, 8010 Graz (approx. 700m from the venue)
	Umpires are expected to share twin rooms with a colleague.
Transport	Transport will be provided from and to Graz Airport (GRZ) or Graz Main Station. You can use the transport request form on the website.
	No transport between hotel and venue (10min walking distance).
	Umpires are expected to arrive on Wednesday, May 25 th before the Umpires Briefing (time of arrival at the airport should be latest 04:00pm to be able to attend the briefing) and depart no later than Monday, May 30 th .
Provisional	Thursday, May 26 th – 09:00am – Qualification 1 st + 2 nd round
Schedule	Friday, May 27 th – 09:00am – Qualification 3 rd round + Main Draw 1 st round
	Saturday, May 28 th – 09:00am – Main Draw 2 nd round + Quarterfinals
	Sunday, May 29 th – 09:00am – Semifinals
	The Finals will start on Sunday, May 29 th at 02:00pm.
Compensation	The organizer will cover the accommodation costs.
	Officials will receive meal vouchers (full board at the restaurant at the venue) during the tournament.
Reception	A reception is planned; details will be announced when the COVID situation during the tournament can be assessed.
Briefing	The Umpires Briefing will be held on Wednesday, May 25th at 07:00 PM at the venue.
Intent to participate	If you intend to send an umpire to our tournament please inform us before April 11 th 2022
	via the online form (https://form.jotform.com/213615882799371)
	Travel details to be sent as soon as available (latest by May 13 th).
Confirmation	We will be accepting a maximum of 10-12 foreign umpires. Please don't make any travel arrangements before receiving confirmation of participation.

COVID-19

As the tournament is taking place during the Covid-19 pandemic please be aware that the realisation of the event is subject to Austrian Government's approval which may be taken back at any time.

Should the event be cancelled with short notice due to the Covid-19 situation – beyond the control of both Badminton Europe (BEC) and Badminton Austria (ÖBV) - neither of them will be liable for any costs related to travelling made by the Technical Official for this event.

Please be aware that currently a valid negative PCR-test result (English language) no longer than 72 hours before your arrival to Austria <u>and</u> a proof of full vaccination is required for entering Austria.

If you are boostered there are no restrictions for entering Austria, however the test is needed to get your accreditation at the tournament.

You can find the current regulations on the webpage of the ministry for Social Affairs, Health, Care and Consumer Protection via

https://www.oesterreich.gv.at/en/themen/coronavirus_in_oesterreich/pre-travel-clearance.html

All costs in connection to necessary Covid-tests for coming to Austria have to be borne by the Umpire or his/her Member Association.

It is strongly recommended that all TOs book flights with a cancellation insurance.

Possible updates about Covid-19 regulations will be provided to all accepted Umpires/Member Associations as soon as they occur.

Here's a link to the current Covid regulations on the official tournament webpage: autopen.at/covid

Kind regards
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