1. EVENTS

Basketball competitions will be conducted from 21 to 26 August 2017 and will comprise the following events:

• U20 boys and U20 girls teams

2. PARTICIPANTS

2.1. Age Eligibility
Athletes, born on or after 1 January 1997, are eligible for this competition. There are no age restrictions for either male or female athletes to participate at international level in basketball and the National Deaf Federation must obtain parental authorisation for athletes fifteen (15) years and under.

2.2. Number of Teams
Each National Federation may enter one (1) boys team and one (1) girls team. Participation in the European Youth Deaf Championships is limited to a maximum of twelve (12) boys teams and twelve (12) girls teams.

Boys Teams (6): ESP - LTU - POL - RUS - TUR - UKR

Girls Teams (6): BLR - LTU - POL - RUS - TUR - UKR

2.3. Number of Players
Each team may have a maximum of twelve (12) players.

3. REGISTRATIONS

3.1. Preliminary Registration (Form 1)
The preliminary registration deadline for the 2017 U20 European Deaf Basketball Championships is 30 September 2016.

3.2. Final Registration (Form 2)
The final registration deadline for the 2017 U20 European Deaf Basketball Championships is 20 March 2017. Not less than six (6) months before the competition except for teams still playing in qualifying rounds. Such teams have to confirm their participation immediately after having completed the qualifying rounds.

3.3. Name Registration (Form 3)
The name registration (18 names) for the 2017 U20 European Deaf Basketball Championships must be submitted no later than 20 July 2017. Not less than one (1) month before the competition.

3.3.1. No changes or additional entries will be accepted after 20 July 2017.

3.4. Final Name Registration (Form 4)
At the technical meeting prior to competition, a roster of 12 names must be presented and these athletes must come from the previous list of 18 names (name registration, form 3).
4. COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

4.1. Technical Organisation
DIBF is responsible for the technical organisation of the competition in conjunction with the International Basketball Federation (FIBA) and the European Deaf Sports Organization (EDSO).

4.2. Committees

4.2.1. Technical Committee
The technical committee will be composed of the DIBF Europe Technical Director and other members appointed by the Organising Committee and approved by the DIBF and the EDSO:

- Novica MATIC: DIBF Europe Technical Director
- Yaakov KEREN: EDSO Basketball Technical Director
- Marek LEMBRYCH: Representative from FIBA
- XXX XXX: Representative from NDSF Basketball
- Jaroslaw JANIEC: Sports Liaison Officer

4.2.2. Protest Committee
The Championships Protest Committee shall consist of:

- Alexander ROMANTSOV: EDSO Rep. (Chair - No voting right)
- Novica MATIC: DIBF Europe Technical Director
- Yaakov KEREN: EDSO Basketball Technical Director
- Marek LEMBRYCH: Representative from FIBA

4.3. Competition Rules
The Basketball competitions will be conducted in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the FIBA (version October 2014). In case of disagreement in the interpretation of the Rules and Regulations, the English text shall prevail. Unforeseen incidents not covered by the Rules and Regulations shall be dealt with as follows:

4.3.1. Cases of a general nature will be resolved in accordance with the EDSO General Regulations and this Basketball Technical Regulations.

4.3.2. Technical questions related to competition rules shall be resolved according to the FIBA Rules and Regulations.

4.3.3. Only athletes who comply with the EDSO Regulations are entitled to take part in this Basketball Competitions.

4.4. Competition Equipment

4.4.1. All equipment and implements used during competitions will comply with the FIBA Rules and Regulations.

4.4.2. The balls will be Molten Official GG7X for Boys and Molten Official GG6X for Girls.
4.5. **Competition Uniform**

4.5.1. Each team shall have two sets of uniforms in contrasting colours (one light and the other dark). Team colours and jersey number (0, 00 and from 1 to 99) must be identified on the final name registration by 20 August 2017. The players must wear the same number as on the final name registration throughout all games. The first mentioned team in every game plays in light uniforms.

4.6. **Draw**

The draw for teams participating in the preliminary round of the boys and girls competitions will be held on 7 August 2017 in Lublin, Poland.

4.7. **Competition Plan**

4.7.1. **Preliminary Round**

**Boys:** The participating six (6) teams will play each other's in its group.

**Girls:** The participating six (6) teams will play each other's in its group.

4.7.2. **Finals**

The result of the group:

1<sup>st</sup> place = Gold
2<sup>nd</sup> place = Silver
3<sup>rd</sup> place = Bronze

4.7.3. **Classification of Teams**

The classification of the teams in each group of a contest shall be made on points, namely: two (2) points for each game won, one (1) point for each game lost, and no (0) point for a game lost by forfeit.

If at the end of a round two or more teams have the same number of points, classification shall proceed in the following manner:

a. If there are two teams equal in this classification, the result of the game between the two teams involved will be used to determine the placings.

b. If more than two teams are equal in the placings, a second classification will be established, taking into account only the results of the games between the teams that are tied. In the event that there are still teams tied after the second classification, then goal average, taking into account only the results of the games between the teams still tied, will be used to determine the placings. If there are still teams tied, the placings will be determined using goal average from the results of all their games played in the group. If at any stage using the above criteria in (b.) a multiple team tie is reduced to a tie involving only two teams, the procedure in (a.) will automatically be applied. If it is reduced to a tie still involving more than two teams, the procedure beginning with the first paragraph of (b.) is repeated. Goal average will always be calculated by division.
4.8. Officials

4.8.1. Referees
Allocation of the referees to conduct the matches shall be made by the Technical Committee. Where possible, referees shall be in possession of an FIBA international referee license valid for 2016. However, referees with highest national accreditation may be used.

4.8.2. Appointment
The Organising Committee shall appoint an appropriate number of referees, scorers, timekeepers, etc.

4.9. Withdrawal
A team which, without valid reason, fails to appear to play a scheduled game or withdraws from the court before the end of the game shall lose the game by forfeit with 20-0. The Technical Committee may further decide on retrogression of this team to the last place in the classification. This retrogression shall become automatic in case of recurrence. Results of the games played by this team will remain valid for the purpose of general classification of the contest.

5. VENUES

5.1. Competition Venue
The 2017 U20 European Deaf Basketball Championships will take place at the Mosir Sports Hall.

5.1.1. Flooring
The competition court surface is hardwood.

5.2. Training Venue
The training venue is the same as the competition venue.

6. SCHEDULES

6.1. Competition Schedule
Refer to competition schedule on the official 2017 U20 European Deaf Basketball Championships website: www.u20edbc2017.pl

6.2. Training Schedule
Refer to training schedule on the official 2017 U20 European Deaf Basketball Championships website: www.u20edbc2017.pl

6.3. Technical Meeting

6.3.1. Date and Location
The Technical Meeting will be held on 20 August 2017 at 20:00h at the official hotel “Victoria Hotel” in Lublin, Poland.

6.3.2. Attendance
Each participating National Association may be represented by two (2) officials, of whom at least one (1) must be deaf and, if necessary, an interpreter.
Each National Federation must bring two (2) sets of uniforms to the meeting for review and approval.

7. CONTROL AND SANCTIONS

7.1. Hearing Devices
The use of any hearing aid(s)/amplification or external cochlear implant parts is strictly forbidden from the restricted zone area.

7.1.1. Restricted Zone Area
The restricted zone area is in effect from the time athletes enter on the whole Basketball courts hall area during the warm-up and competition period.

7.1.2. Violation and Penalty
When this rule is violated, the game shall immediately be stopped and the offending team shall lose by 0:20 score and 0 point. Refer to Audiogram Regulations, Article 8: Violations and Penalties.

8. PROTESTS

8.1. Procedure for lodging a protest
All sport related protests will be resolved in accordance to the FIBA Rules and Regulations and will be managed by the Protest Committee. Any official protest must be submitted in writing in English on the Official EDSO Protest Form. The form must be given to the Technical Committee with EUR € 50 within 20 minutes after the end of the game.

8.1.1. The DIBF Europe Technical Director will decide whether the protest is sporting related or eligibility related. The Protest Committee will review all sport related protests, and the EDSO Representative will review all eligibility protests. The deposit of EUR € 50 will be returned to the appellant only if the protest is considered valid.

8.2. Procedures for reviewing a protest
The Protest Committee will meet in the Technical Director’s office at the Sports Hall at a time decided upon by the chairperson of the committee.

- The EDSO Representative will be the chairperson of the committee.
- The Sports Liaison Officer (SLO) will be responsible to book the meeting room and interpreters.
- The Sports Liaison Officer (SLO) will contact all members of the Protest Committee to inform them of the meeting time and location.
- The DIBF Europe Technical Director will be responsible for liaising with the State Sports Association’s Competition Manager.
- The Sports Liaison Officer (SLO) will be responsible for informing Games Headquarters and the DIBF Europe Technical Director will be responsible for informing EDSO Representative about the protest and also the outcome of the protest.