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I. INTRODUCTION

The 17th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport is organised by the Council of Europe Enlarged Partial Agreement on Sport (EPAS) in co-operation with the Ministry of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Türkiye.

Participants will assess progress achieved since the last Conference (Athens and online, November 2020 – February 2021) and will discuss two highly topical and interrelated thematics:

- Theme 1: Sport for all: uniting us for stronger societies
Theme 2: Rethinking sport: leading the way for a healthy and sustainable future

Special ceremony (to be confirmed)

A ceremony for the signature and/or ratification of the following Council of Europe Conventions will be organised where appropriate:

- the Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions (CETS No 215);
- the Convention on an integrated Safety, Security and Service Approach at Football Matches and other Sports Events (CETS No 218);
- the additional protocol to the anti-doping Convention (ETS No. 188).

States having the intention to sign/ratify these treaties are invited to contact the EPAS secretariat (sport.epas@coe.int) by **30 September 2022** at the latest.

II. DATES AND VENUES

The 17th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport will be held on **Wednesday 26 October 2022** at the **Cornelia Diamond Golf Resort & Spa** in Antalya.

Cornelia Diamond Golf Resort & Spa
İskele Mevkii, Turizm Cd. No: 2/A, Serik/Antalya

A number of meetings will take place on 25 and on 27 October.

The provisional schedule is as follows:

25 October

- 14:00 - 16:00 Meeting of Senior Officials (Room Citrine 3)
16:00 - 17:00 Interinstitutional meeting (Room Opal 1)
14:00 - 15:00 Extraordinary meeting of the Bureau of the EPAS Consultative Committee (EPAS Consultative Committee Bureau members only) (Room Opal 1)
17:30 - 18:30 Restricted ministerial gathering (EPAS member states only) (Foyer)
19:00 – 21:30 Dinner (Diamond main restaurant)

26 October

- 08.00 – 09.00 Ad hoc Committee of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (Room Topaz)
- 09:00 - 09:50 Opening of the conference (Room Citrine 1 + 2)
09:50 - 10:10 Coffee break
09:50 – 10:10 Press briefing
10:10 - 10:20 Adoption of agenda, elections of the Chair and Vice-Chair
10:20 - 12:30 1st Part: Sport for all: uniting us for stronger societies
12:30 - 14:00 Lunch / Family photo
14:00 - 16:10 2nd Part: Rethinking sport: leading the way for a healthy and sustainable future
16:10 - 16:30 Coffee break / Press conference

16:30 - 17:30	Closing session
17:30 - 17:45	Ceremony for the signature/ratification of Council of Europe sport-related conventions -TBC
19:00 - 20:00	Transfer to the evening reception
20:00 - 22:30	Gala dinner offered by the Turkish authorities at the "Golf Clubhouse Event Area"
22:30	Transfer back to the hotels from 22.30

27 October

08.00 - 09.00	Extraordinary plenary meeting of the EPAS Consultative Committee ¹ (Room Opal 1)
09.30 - 12.00	Side-event on the Integration of Refugees and Migrants through Sport, co-organised by EPAS and the Ministry of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Türkiye, open to all participants in the 17th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport (Room Citrine 1 + 2)
13.00 – 19.00	Social and cultural programme offered by the Turkish authorities: visits to a sports complex and lunch including barbecue. Visit of Aspendos and/or Perge ancient cities.

For the delegations planning to leave during the programme, transport will be provided.

III. PARTICIPATION IN THE CONFERENCE

3.1 Participants

In accordance with the decisions taken by the Committee of Ministers, invitations are being sent to:

- a) the Ministers responsible for Sport of the 46 Council of Europe members States;
- b) the Ministers responsible for Sport from EPAS non-Council of Europe member States: Canada, Israel and Morocco;
- c) Holy See and Kazakhstan;
- d) the Council of Europe Committee of Ministers and Parliamentary Assembly;

3.2 Guest

the European Union.

3.3 Observers

- a) the following non-member States which hold observer status with the Council of Europe or the Parliamentary Assembly: Japan, Mexico, and the United States of America;
- b) the Chairs of the following Council of Europe Committees:
 - Monitoring Group of the Anti-Doping Convention (T-DO), Anti-Doping Convention (ETS N°135);
 - Ad Hoc European Committee for the World Anti-Doping Agency (CAHAMA);
 - Follow-up Committee of the Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions (T-MC Committee), Convention on the Manipulation of Sports Competitions (Macolin Convention, CETS N°215);
 - Committee on Safety and Security at Sports Events (T-S4), Convention on an Integrated Safety, Security and Service Approach at Football Matches and Other Sports Events (Saint-Denis Convention, CETS N°218).

¹ Depending on the number of confirmed participants

- c) the following agencies and organisations:
- World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)
 - International Olympic Committee (IOC)
 - International Paralympic Committee (IPC)
 - Fédération internationale de football association (FIFA)
 - Commonwealth of Nations
 - United Nations agencies (Unesco, UN Women, Unicef, UNHCR, WHO, etc.);
- d) the Consultative Committee members of EPAS.

IV. ORGANISERS OF THE CONFERENCE, CONTACT DETAILS:

4.1 Council of Europe

EPAS is responsible for the general organisation and conduct of the conference.

All communication with the Secretariat on substantive/administrative matters in connection with this conference should be addressed to:

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4.2 Ministry of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Türkiye

The conference will be chaired by the Ministry of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Türkiye. The Turkish authorities will provide conference facilities, security and hospitality and assist with other local arrangements.

Any queries for the Turkish authorities shall be addressed to the Ministerial Conference Secretariat and the Ministry of Youth and Sports Secretariat. When sending any inquiry, please clearly mention your country/organisation and indicate your inquiry in the subject of the e-mail, for example: Subject: Türkiye-Registration.

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V. REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION

5.1 Meetings registration

A specific website has been created to facilitate the registration process and the information workflow for national delegations and other guests.

The "REGISTRATION" section can be reached through the following link (www.sportsantalya.com). To access the registration form, participants must first register on the website by using their email address, a personal password and the following registration code: **sportsantalya**.

Countries are invited to nominate up to 3 participants (including the Minister or head of delegation). In a spirit of co-operation between public authorities and the sports movement, the participating countries are invited to include a representative of their national sports movement in their delegation.

The website is planned to be launched in August.

It is important that countries/organisations **confirm** via email to the Ministerial Conference Secretariat (info@sportsantalya.com) and the EPAS Secretariat (sport.epas@coe.int) their **participation** and **the number of members** in their delegation **by 26 August 2022** for providing the best logistics planning.

*All members of delegations and participants are required to register **individually** online from the month of August at the following website: www.sportsantalya.com by using the following registration code: **sportsantalya**.*

*We kindly request that registration be completed by **16 September 2022**.*

5.2 Accreditation

Accreditation and information desks will be open in the lobby of the Cornelia Diamond **from 24 October 1:00 pm to 27 October 1:00 pm**.

Meeting badges will be issued at the accreditation desks. Participants will be required to wear these badges for access to the meeting rooms.

VI. DOCUMENTATION

The programme and documents for the conference are prepared under the responsibility of the EPAS Governing Board. The documents will be available in English and in French (the two official languages of the Council of Europe) on the conference website (www.sportsantalya.com) under the "DOCUMENTS" section using the password **sportsantalya**.

Each participant will receive a conference file during his/her accreditation containing the following documents:

6.1 Information documents

1. Factsheet on the organisation of the conference (document MSL17(2022)2)
2. Follow-up to the 16th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers responsible for Sport (Athens, Greece, and online, from 5 November 2020 to 11 February 2021) (document MSL17(2022)3)

6.2 Working documents

1. Draft programme (document MSL17(2022)1)
2. Reference document on themes 1 and 2 (document MSL17(2022)9)
3. Draft resolution on theme 1: Sport for all: uniting us for stronger societies (document MSL17(2022)4)
4. Draft resolution on theme 2: Rethinking sport: leading the way for a healthy and sustainable future (document MSL17(2022)5)

VII. INTERPRETATION

During the plenary session of the conference (26 October 2022) simultaneous interpretation will be provided to and from English, French and Turkish.

During the Meeting of Senior Officials (25 October 2022), simultaneous interpretation will only be provided in English and French.

During the Side-event on the Integration of Refugees and Migrants through Sport (27 October 2022), simultaneous interpretation will be provided to and from English, French and Turkish.

During the Social and Cultural Programme (27 October 2022), information will be provided in English and French.

VIII. LOGISTICS

8.1 Travel

All persons travelling to Türkiye must be in possession of a valid passport or official travel document.

Transfer time between the Antalya international Airport and the Cornelia Diamond hotel is approximately 30 minutes (covered by the Turkish authorities, see point 8.4).

8.2 Hotels

The Ministers/Heads of delegations and the members of the delegations will stay in the Cornelia Diamond.

Other participants may also register to stay in the Cornelia Diamond and rooms will be allocated on a "first come, first served" basis.

Rates have been negotiated with the Cornelia Diamond. To check the available rates, please use the registration form or the section "PRACTICAL INFORMATION" on the website of the conference: **www.sportsantalya.com**.

All members of the delegations and other participants should make their hotel reservation using the registration form on the above-mentioned website before **16 September 2022**. For more information about hotel (Cornelia Diamond Golf Resort & Spa) accommodation options, please consult the above-mentioned conference website and the Ministerial Conference Secretariat.

8.3 Costs

Accommodation costs for the Heads of national delegations (in principle, Ministers) will be covered at the Cornelia Diamond by the Turkish authorities for 3 nights.

EPAS will cover the accommodation costs of one further delegate from every State invited to the conference (46 Council of Europe members States + Canada, Israel, Morocco, Holy See and Kazakhstan) at the Cornelia Diamond for 3 nights maximum.

Only delegates registered before 16 September 2022 will be eligible for this financial participation.

Participants whose accommodation costs are not covered by the Turkish authorities nor by EPAS will abide with booking instructions at the hotel and, in any event, settle their bill directly at the reception desk before their departure. Booking of the aforementioned participants can also be supported by the Ministerial Conference Secretariat.

Hotel	Category	Distance to Conference Venue (By Car)	Price/Single Room* (VAT included)	Price/Double Room* (VAT included)
The Cornelia Diamond Golf Resort & Spa	All inclusive	none	230€	290€
<p>*Room prices includes All-Inclusive service: open buffet for breakfast, lunch and dinner, all local and imported drinks are free of charge for 24 hours and during all meetings. Besides, there will be a rich coffee break service.</p> <p>Service Hours 07.00-10.00 Breakfast 10.00-11.00 Late breakfast 10.00-18.00 Pastry & desserts 12.00-16.00 Snacks 12.30-14.30 Lunch 16.30-18.00 Teatime 19.00-21.30 Dinner 00.00-01.00 Late dinner</p>				

All extra expenses (telephone, videos on request, etc.) should be paid by the participants before their departure from the hotel.

A Gala Dinner will be given on 26 October under the auspices of H.E. Mehmet Muharrem Kasapoğlu, Ph.D., Minister of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Türkiye in honour of all Ministers, Heads of Delegations and Delegates.

8.4 Local transport

The host authorities will organise local return transport for all participants during the conference (from 24 to 28 October) between Antalya International airport and the Cornelia Diamond Hotel.

If local embassies are providing transport for their respective minister, the delegations should inform the host authorities.

An **Information Point** will be set up in the arrival hall of Antalya International airport. However, no special arrangements are planned for participants arriving in Antalya by car or train.

The **VIP lounge** at the airports in İstanbul, Antalya and other cities (if needed) will be reserved for the Ministers, Heads of Delegations and Delegates travelling with them on a reciprocal basis, upon both arrival and departure.

In order to facilitate the organisation of local transport, participants are required to provide details of their travel itinerary through the on-line conference registration form.

8.5 Visas

Participants are responsible for verifying the visa requirements and for obtaining visas. For the necessary information about visa regime please visit: <http://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa>. Please note that Türkiye is not part of the Schengen Area.

For visa application purposes, the Turkish authorities and the Secretariat General of the Council of Europe will provide participants with an official letter of invitation and a personal "Note verbale". If participants are applying for a visa, they are required to tick "Yes, I need an official invitation letter" in the on-line conference registration form.

As of now, there are no covid restrictions on entry and exit to Türkiye.

8.6 Bilateral Meetings

The Ministry of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Türkiye will provide two bilateral meeting rooms for the heads of delegations, Ministers in particular, on 25-26 October 2022. Delegates who wish to have a bilateral meeting and use the bilateral meeting rooms should coordinate with the Ministerial Conference Secretariat in writing via its e-mail address. Allocation of the meeting rooms will be provided on the basis of first-come-first-served.

IX. GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT TÜRKIYE

9.1 Language: Turkish is the official language.

9.2 Local Time: Antalya time is GMT + 3.

9.3 Currency: The currency is the Turkish Lira.

9.4 About Antalya / Türkiye and Sports in Türkiye:

Information about Türkiye and Antalya may be found on the official website of the Turkish Tourism organisation at the following links: <https://goturkiye.com/homepage> and <https://goantalyaturkiye.com/homepage>.

Information about Sports in Türkiye may be found on the social media platforms of the Ministry of Youth and Sports of the Republic of Türkiye through the links listed below:

<https://www.instagram.com/sportinturkiye/>

<https://www.facebook.com/sportinturkiye/>

<https://twitter.com/sportinturkey>

<https://www.linkedin.com/sportinturkey>