

# Announcement

## **XXII. International Youth Fire Fighters Gathering 14. - 21. July 201 in Martigny / Switzerland**



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### **A) General**

The announcement of the 22<sup>nd</sup> International Youth Fire Fighters Gathering is made following approval by the executive council of the CTIF.

**The 22<sup>nd</sup> IYFG will take place from Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> July 2019 in Martigny/ Switzerland, under the auspices of the International Youth Leaders Commission of CTIF.**

The local Association of Volunteer Fire Departments of Kärnten, together with the city of Villach and the Association of Volunteer Fire Departments of the Republic of Austria for the organisation of the event.

The organization's management for the CTIF accepts the chairman of the International Youth Leaders Commission, Jörn-Hendrik KUINKE.

The organization's management of the competitions accepts the International Competition leader, OBR Alfred Deschberger, Austria.

The technical execution of the international youth firefighters competitions will be in compliance with the International Competition Rules for youth brigades (7th Edition May 2012) and the information from the judges' training from 2016.

In case of differences in the interpretation of the rules, the competition GERMAN VERSION alone is valid.

This invitation is sent to all national fire service organizations of CTIF and it is hoped that as many organizations as possible send youth groups to the event.

## **B) Organization**

### **1. National Organization Team**

The Swiss Fire Brigade Association is responsible for the organization of the youth fire brigade meeting by the National Youth Director Thomas Widmer.

### **2. Organizing Committee of the International Youth Leaders Commission of the CTIF**

- CTIF Vice-President  
**Zdenek Nytra**, Czech Republic
- Chairman of the International Youth Leaders Commission  
**Jörn-Hendrik Kuinke**, Germany
- Competition leader of the CTIF youth leader commission  
**OBR Alfred Deschberger**, Austria
- Camp Leader  
**John Cartwright MBE**, Great Britain
- Exhibition and presentation of the nations,  
**Dirk Müller**, Germany
- Camp games  
**Torbjörn Lindström**, Finland

## **C) Information about the competitions, the registration and the costs**

### **1. General provisions**

- 1.1. In the 22<sup>nd</sup> IYFG the International Competition Rules of youth fire-fighters, (7<sup>th</sup> edition May 2012) will apply. In accordance with the rules the age-limits are for competitors born between **2003 and 2007**; however by order of IJLK as a pilot scheme younger age groups can participate in this competition in 2019 .

The competitions will take place at the stadium „d’Octodure“ in the city of Martigny.

- 1.2. The competitions will consist of the **Obstacle Course** and **400 m Relay**.
- 1.3. One Team consists of **10 youths** (including 1 reserve person) and **2 supervisors**.

Mixed Teams (boys and girls) can take part, but will be classified as a boy’s team.

By order of IJLK and in coordination with the implementing fire department, it is possible for each nation an additional group - only girls - to send, so that each nation can participate up to 3 groups. These 3 groups must comprise either 2 boys or mixed groups and 1 girl group. It is also 2 groups of girls and 1 boy or mixed group are delegated. However, not 3 boys, 3 girls groups or 3 mixed groups.

This is to the girl groups corresponding opportunities are granted, so that the national posting of girl groups not at the expense of boys or mixed groups. This additional deployment of a group is only possible if the organizing fire department facilities.

Each National Association of Young Fire-Fighters may send the following personnel:

- Two youth groups**
- A head of the Youth delegation**
- A Youth coach**
- A massage therapist**
- A translator**

**A maximum of 40 people per nation can be accommodated in the youth camp.**

The nation, which is the current holder of the Vetter Cup may compete with an additional competition group in the competition.

The nation, which is the current holder of the Lappeenranta Cup may compete with one additional girls team in the competition.

According to the decision of Executive Council of 25 and 26 March 1994 member of the host nation (Austria) will be given the opportunity to send four competition groups to the competition (at least one girls group).

## **2. Apparatus and equipment**

- 2.1. The competition equipment is provided by the organizing team
- 2.2. Each competing participant has to bring their own personal equipment. The working uniform (no sportswear or training clothing) of the Young Firefighters (uniform) is to be worn including a protective helmet for the fire-brigade obstacle exercise. During the training and competition the working uniform (no sportswear or tracksuit) and footwear (of as uniform a colour as possible) must be worn. Wearing studded shoes is not permitted in the training or competition.

**The clothing of the competition participants during the training and the competition is to be identical.**

## **3. Commands**

- 3.1. Commands can be given in the native language. The obstacle exercise is started by a whistle blast by the team Number 1 which he/she will bring and with a call and a start signal.
- 3.2. In the relay race, the start signal is given with a starting pistol.

#### **4. Training**

- 4.1. All competing groups will be given equal training opportunities. The competition groups can train on two days before the actual competition on the competition course or on the training ground.
- 4.2. The training and competition schedule will be handed out to the Delegation leader. Each group will receive training times of the same length.

#### **5. Ceremonial events**

- 5.1. The opening ceremony of the Youth Fire Brigade camp will take place on Monday, July 15, 2019 on the "Place du Manoir" in the city of Martigny.

The preparation for the opening is in alphabetical order, based upon the Austrian spelling of the nation's name.

At the opening ceremony and at the awards ceremony each nation will line up behind their national flag. In front of each flag carrier there will be the nation's name board. All national flags are provided by the host country.

The youth groups are allowed to take their own flags/pennants to the opening ceremony and the awards ceremony.

- 5.2. Groups will line up in the same order for the closing ceremony as they did for opening ceremony.

#### **6. Participation**

- 6.1. In order to carry out the preparations in a timely manner, it is necessary to complete the enclosed reservation by **15<sup>th</sup> January 2019** and the full application no later than **April 30, 2019** and return it to

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When making the reservation the applicant must state whether the group is male, female or mixed.

- 6.2. The competition is open to all boy groups, all girls groups and mixed groups. If more than three girls groups register they will be entered into a special category.
- 6.3. Upon receipt of all applications, the competition running order will be drawn.
- 6.4. On training days and on the competition day each participant must present a valid identity card or passport to the calculation (*on field registration*) team.
- 6.5. By registering to attend the 22<sup>nd</sup> IYFG it is confirmed that the camp rules and competition conditions are acknowledged and will be obeyed.

## **7. Participation fee for competition participants**

7.1. The fee shall be payable for the following participants:

- Competition participants
- Head of Youth Delegation
- Youth Coach
- Youth translator
- Youth masseur
- Youth competition judge,
- Bus driver

The participation fee is **201,00 EURO** per participant for the entire duration of the event:

### **From 14<sup>th</sup> July Dinner to 21<sup>st</sup> July Breakfast**

The fee must be in the bank account no later than **April 30, 2019**:

**„CTIF2019“**

**IBAN: CH42 0079 0016 5820 1892 1**

**SWIFT/BIC: KBBECH22**

**owner: Berner Kantonalbank AG  
Bundesplatz 8  
CH-3011 Bern**

are paid.

Bus drivers are to be provided with separate quarters in Martigny.

If payments are not received by the date shown no accommodation for the participants can be reserved.

7.2. We would like point out that due to organisational reasons, it is not possible for groups to be accommodated prior to the 14<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

Equally, due to organisational reasons, it is not possible for groups to be accommodated after the 21<sup>st</sup> July 2019.

## **8. Judges**

The judging staff is compiled from fire service personnel of the National Fire Service Associations of the nations attending the 21th IYFC.

The number of judges is limited to 3 judges per nation in accordance with competition rules.

The registration of the judges must be completed by **February 10, 2019**.

Only judges that participated at the judges school of October in Linz, Austria 2018 took part.

The participant fee is to be paid for each judge who attends.

## **9. Prizes and rankings**

Within the 22<sup>nd</sup> International Youth Fire Gathering teams will compete for the Vetter Cup and the trophy awarded by the city of Lappeenranta.

All groups compete for the Vetter Cup. The first three groups receive cash prizes.

The Lappeenranta Trophy is awarded to the first girl group.

Each competition group receives a medal in antique silver, each participant receives a competition badge.

The competition clasp is awarded to each of the following:

- Youth trainer
- Youth delegation leader
- Youth translator
- Youth masseur
- Youth competition judge
- Members of the IJLK
- Organisation personnel

## **D) Information about the Youth Camp**

### **1. Accommodation**

Sufficient accommodation is available for the 22<sup>nd</sup> International Young Firefighters Gathering in schools in Martigny.

The accommodation of youth groups and caregivers, Delegationleader, Masseur und Trainer takes place in classrooms.

WC and showers exist; Bedding is bring your own.

The judges are housed in two-and-three bed roms. The apartments are equipped with sofa beds, toilet and shower.

It is important that the drivers of buses are included in the application, in order that all registered persons can be housed in the appropriate accommodation.

The bus drivers are housed in separate apartments in the dormitory block.

- 1.1. Youth delegation leaders, youth trainers, youth masseurs and additional young persons may be accommodated in a hotel at their own cost or at the cost of the national association.  
**If persons are accommodated in hotels, the competition participation fee is still payable in full.**
- 1.2. Youth leaders and competitors must be accommodated in the youth camp. Only the young people who have registered in the camp can participate in the competition.
- 1.3. On the arrival day a deposit of **200 €** is payable per youth group. The deposit is used to guarantee that all fixtures and fittings are properly treated and on departure the room is to be returned in the same state. Subject to there being no damage to the room, fixtures or fittings the deposit will be returned upon departure.

## **2. Program**

The preliminary program for the 22<sup>nd</sup> IYFB will be send out after registration. Training and competition times will be created after registration of the groups.

### **2.1. Exhibition of Nations**

The Nations Exhibition takes place in the town square of Martigny on Saturday, July 20, 2019

The nations will include an interaction with the local population in order to stimulate interest in youth work.

For this exhibition, each nation has available an area of approximately 4 by 4 meters. It is requested that for this event, adverts, posters, maps, flags and other items representing their nation are brought with each group's exhibition booth.

**There must be no alcoholic beverages served to visitors.**

### **2.2. Presentation of the Nations**

Every nation registered with participants and youth leaders must carry out a performance (Folklore, dance etc.) of between 3 to 5 minutes. Performances by persons other than registered persons is not allowed.

The presentation of the Nations will take place on Friday, July 19, 2019 in the ice arena.

### **2.3. Camp Olympics**

The camp Olympics takes place near the stadium.

Nations may also have a mixed group consisting of youth leaders, youth judges, and youth delegation leaders at the Camp Olympics. The results of these groups will be calculated separately to the national groups.



## **E) Other information**

1. The translator, brought by the nations, is to have GERMAN as a second language. This is required for participation in the International Youth Fire Gathering.
2. For fans, there is the possibility to reserve accommodation - all information can be found on the official website:

[www.ctif2019.ch](http://www.ctif2019.ch)

3. The official email address for local organizational inquiries is:

[ctif@swissfire.ch](mailto:ctif@swissfire.ch)

### **Attachments:**

- Registration of the nation
- Registration of judges

**Deadline 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

**Deadline 10<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

### **Distribution:**

- International Youth Leaders Commission
- Executive Council
- All national member federations of the CTIF