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To: Badminton Europe Member Associations

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Badminton Europe Scholarships

Dear Member Associations,

Badminton Europe would like to invite players to apply for a scholarship to train at one of the 11 Certificated Training Centres (CTC's). There is no maximum time for the scholarship (it will depend on an individual agreement with the Centre); the minimum time remains 2 weeks. Like before, there is no age limit.

Badminton Europe has decided to make a new rating system for the CTC's. The reason is that we would like to have a system in place to evaluate each CTC so that it will be easier for players to decide which CTC will suit them best.

The new rating system consist out of three status levels. A gold level CTC has the highest status, a Silver Level CTC has the second highest status and a bronze level CTC has the lowest status.

Badminton Europe has a network of 11 CTC's, they are:

Gold

- Irish National Training Centre in Dublin, Ireland
- Odense Training Centre in Denmark

Silver

- Bonn Training Centre in Germany
- Dutch National Training Centre in Arnhem, Netherlands
- Greve Training Centre in Denmark
- Milan Training Centre in Italy
- Polish National Training Centre in Warsaw, Poland
- Spanish National Training Centre in Madrid, Spain
- Swedish National Training Centre in Uppsala, Sweden
- Swedish National Training Centre in Malmö, Sweden

Bronze

- Bulgarian National Training Centre in Sofia, Bulgaria

All information regarding these 11 training centres can be found on the newly designed Badminton Europe website under Certificated Training Centres:

<http://development.badmintoneurope.com/cms/?cmsid=341&pageid=5513>

Scholarships will be awarded to players who Badminton Europe considers to have the potential to qualify for future World Championships.



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Singles and doubles players are invited to apply for Badminton Europe scholarships. If applying as a doubles pair, Badminton Europe recommends that the nomination is for two people as a pair to attend a training centre for the same period.

Criteria

The Criteria to be eligible for a Badminton Europe scholarship are either:

- to be placed in top 35 in singles or top 25 in doubles on the World Junior Ranking
- to be placed in top 200 in singles or top 100 in doubles on the World Ranking

To be considered for a scholarship there is no age-limit for the players.

The players will have to pay for their own travel, accommodation and food in connection with attending a CTC. The scholarship will be in the form of a financial grant to assist players in paying these costs: this will be **a fixed amount of 500 Euros**. Minimum training period is 2 weeks, there is no maximum period.

All Information regarding the costs for all 11 Badminton Europe CTC's can be found on our website under Certificated Training Centres.

Application

It is a condition that the scholarship is used to train at a CTC suggested by the player but confirmed by Badminton Europe. CTC's have the discretion to accept or decline players who are eligible for a Badminton Europe scholarship. Training sessions for scholarship holders will be integrated with the players of the national team and trained by national coaches.

Scholarships will be awarded on an open application scheme until 31 December 2017. Please complete the attached nomination form as soon as the preferred training dates are known. The completed application for a scholarship to train at a CTC should reach the BEC Office at least 4 weeks before the preferred start. Badminton Europe welcomes applicants applying as early as possible.

Kind regards,

Handwritten signature of Richard Vaughan in black ink.

Richard Vaughan
Chairman
High Performance Commission

Handwritten signature of Jeroen van Dijk in purple ink.

Jeroen van Dijk
BEC Manager