

## BEC AWARDS STRUCTURE

*The BEC Awards recognize the achievements and the contribution to European badminton by individuals engaged in all categories of our sport.*

### 1) BEC Honorary Vice-President

#### Definition

BEC Honorary Vice-Presidents shall be elected for services rendered to the Confederation in the past. BEC Honorary Vice-Presidents shall be entitled to attend and speak at Delegates' Meetings but shall have no vote.

#### Voting system

Nominations for the position as BEC Honorary Vice-President may be made by the Board of Directors or by any Member Association, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, and must be done in accordance with Rule 9.2 of the Confederation.

BEC Honorary Vice-Presidents shall be elected by the BEC Annual Delegates' Meeting.

### 2) BEC Presidents' medal Award

#### Definition

The BEC Presidents' medal Award, introduced by former EBU Presidents Stellan Mohlin and Herman Valken at the occasion of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of BEC, is presented for distinguished service to the game in an international context, when such an occasion arises.

#### Voting system

Nomination for the BEC Presidents' medal Award shall be made by the BEC President.

No later than on the first Board meeting of the year the BEC Board of Directors shall accept or decline the nomination.

### **3) BEC Hall of Fame Award**

#### **Definition**

The BEC Hall of Fame is recognizing outstanding performances by European badminton players in their careers. It is considered to be a Life-Time-Achievement award for retired top European players.

The award is given based on an overall assessment on career results to include at least:

Numerous European Championships titles

*and/or*

A World Championships title

*and/or*

An Olympic Gold medal

#### **Voting system**

Nominations for the position as a member of the BEC Hall of Fame shall be made by the BEC President and the BEC Board of Directors determines the player to be accepted into the Hall of Fame.

The BEC General Secretary and the Communication Manager shall be familiar with the decision no later than 1 February (2-4 months before the BEC Congress).

### **4) BEC Player Awards**

#### **Definition**

The BEC Player Awards recognize the best European players of the year in the following categories:

BEC Male Player of the Year

BEC Female Player of the Year

BEC Young Player of the Year

BEC Para-Badminton Player of the Year

BEC Senior Player of the Year

#### **Voting system**

Four nominees in each of the five categories above are to be identified by the BEC Office (Senior Management) based on results. The Senior Management can seek advice at

Commissions/Committees if needed.

Each panel member gives 3, 2 and 1 point to three of the four players. 3 points goes to the player who in the panel member's opinion deserves to win. 2 points to number 2, etc. The player with the most points is the winner of the BEC Award. If two players/pairs get the same amount of point the panel vote between the two contestants giving their favourite 1 point and the other 0.

The panel includes:

The BEC President  
The Chair of the BEC Events Committee  
The BEC General Secretary  
The Chair of the BEC Athletes' Commission  
One member of the Media

The member of the Media will be selected by the BEC Communication Manager every year.

The Communication Manager will ask the BEC Senior Management for nominees no later than January 25<sup>th</sup>.

Nominees will be published on the BEC website and social media platforms the week after the nominations are made known.

No later than one week after the announcement the votes of the panel shall be available for the BEC Communication Manager.

If more nominees have the same number of "points" the BEC President, the BEC General Secretary and the Chair of the BEC Athletes' Commission will vote between these candidates to find a winner.

The winners will be announced at the BEC Awards Gala.

Monday after the BEC Awards Gala the votes will be made public on [www.badmintoneurope.com](http://www.badmintoneurope.com).

## **5) BEC Coach of the Year Award**

### **Definition**

The BEC Coach of the Year Award recognizes the best performance of the year by a European coach.

## **Voting system**

Coaches can be nominated by players who have played in any European Championship in the relevant year or are ranked in top 200 of the World Ranking. The players shall nominate coaches for the award through their Member Association.

Member Associations of Badminton Europe can also be nominating a coach for the award.

Badminton Europe Senior Management can also be nominating up to three coaches for the award.

The Communication Manager shall no later than January 10<sup>th</sup> write to the Member Associations for nominations.

Deadline for nominations is January 25<sup>th</sup>.

Nominees will be published on the BEC website and social media platforms the week after the nominations are made known.

No later than one week after the announcement the votes of the panel shall be available for the BEC Communication Manager.

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## **6) BEC Technical Official Award**

### **Definition**

The BEC Technical Official Award recognizes a European badminton technical official for an outstanding performance and contribution to badminton throughout their career. Only retired officials are eligible to receive this award.

### **Voting system**

To be nominated the Technical Official must have served as international line judges, umpires and/or referees.

Nominations can be made by current BEC/BWF line judges, umpires, referees and

assessors.

Badminton Europe Senior Management can also be nominating up to three Technical Officials for the award.

The Communication Manager shall no later than January 10<sup>th</sup> write to the technical officials for nominations.

Deadline for nominations is January 25<sup>th</sup>.

Nominees will be published on the BEC website and social media platforms the week after the nominations are made known.

No later than one week after the announcement, the BEC Technical Officials Committee shall propose which nominee should receive the award. The award recipient must be approved by the awards panel.

The panel consists of:

The BEC President

The Chair of the BEC Events Committee

The BEC General Secretary

The Chair of the Athletes' Commission

One member of the Media (selected by the BEC Communication manager)

The winners will be announced at the BEC Awards Gala.

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## **7) BEC Diversity Award**

### **Definition**

The BEC Diversity Award recognizes a person, whether individual or body corporate, who has contributed significantly, outstandingly and positively to the promotion of diversity, inclusivity and equity in the sport of badminton in Europe.

The trophy is awarded each year:

-to honor a deserving individual who made a difference in the position of diversity in badminton in the past year, or

-to recognize and celebrate the important contributions made through a specific project to develop, encourage and strengthen diversity at all levels in the badminton world.

## Voting system

The Member Association of Badminton Europe may submit nominations for the BEC Diversity Award.

Badminton Europe Senior Management can also be nominating up to three candidates for the award.

The Communication Manager shall no later than January 10<sup>th</sup> write to the Member Associations for nominees.

Nominees will be published on the BEC website and social media platforms the week after the nominations are made known.

No later than one weeks after the announcement the votes of the panel shall be available for the BEC Communication Manager.

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## 8) European Fan Player of the Year:

No later than January 10<sup>th</sup> BEC will ask the fans to nominate their “Player of the Year”. It will only be possible to nominate on Facebook. Deadline for nominations will be January 25<sup>th</sup>.

The BEC Communication Manager and Senior Management will based on the fan nominations nominate at least six and maximum eight players/pairs where each of the categories below are represented:

Male Player  
Female Player  
Young Player  
Para-Badminton Player

The fans can vote on Facebook and Instagram. It will be possible for the fans to vote one time on each of the platforms.

The voting will begin in the last week of January and will finish seven days later.

The winner will be announced at the BEC Awards Gala.

### **9) Shot of the Year:**

At last four nominations are to be identified by the BEC Office (Senior Management). The Senior Management can seek advice at Commissions/Committees if needed.

The nominations are to be announced to the BEC Communication Manager no later than January 25<sup>th</sup>.

The nominations will be announced on the BEC website, Facebook and Instagram as candidates for the award – for the fans to vote upon.

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The winner will be announced at the BEC Awards Gala.

### **10) Social Media Award of the Year:**

#### **Definition**

The BEC Social Media Award of the Year recognizes a person or more persons, whether individual or body corporate, who has contributed significantly, outstandingly and positively to the promotion of the sport of badminton in Europe via Social Media.

#### **Voting system**

The Member Association of Badminton Europe may submit nominations for the BEC Diversity Award.

Badminton Europe Senior Management can also be nominating up to three candidates for the award.

The Communication Manager shall no later than January 10<sup>th</sup> write to the Member Associations for nominees.

Nominees will be published on the BEC website and social media platforms the week after the nominations are made known.



No later than one week after the announcement the votes of the panel shall be available for the BEC Communication Manager.

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