



2026 FISU World University Championships

Bidding Guide



FISU World University Championships

A passion for University Sports

The FISU World University Championships are high-level events that take place every two years, in the even-numbered years, and bring together sport and academia.

These events provide an opportunity for university student-athletes from all over the world to embrace FISU's motto of 'Excellence in Mind and Body'. Since the very first World University Championship in 1963, more than 400 Championships have been hosted, covering a large scope of sports and gathering over 75,000 participants from more than 100 countries.

FISU Championships in numbers



+100

Countries

From 5 continents



~5000

Participants per season

Including athletes and officials



24

Sports



19

Events



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Available sports



Canoe Sports



Cross Country



Cycling



Finswimming



Futsal



Golf



Handball



Orienteering



Powerlifting



Rowing



Rugby Sevens



Shooting Sport



Ski Orienteering



Speed Skating



Sport Climbing



Squash



Triathlon

Combat Sports

Compulsory Sports



Boxing



Karate



Wrestling

Optional Sports*



Muaythai



Sambo



Wushu

Mind Sport



Chess



Bridge

*In the FISU Championship Combat Sports, an OC can choose to organise only the Compulsory Sports or add some of the Optional Sports, having a minimum of 3 sports and a maximum of 6 sport.

FISU's responsibilities

- **Follow-up & Supervision** of the Championship preparation
- **Provide** Guidelines, Regulations, Services* and guidance to the OC to secure a satisfactory organisation of the event
- **Secure & Facilitate** the relationship between OC and the concerned International Sport Federation
- Define the **Technical Regulations** and the **Minimum Requirements** to be followed, agreeing on the adaptation of specific rules and requirements with the International Sport Federation when needed
- Set & supervise the conditions of **anti-doping controls** with WADA
- Contribute to the **promotion** and repercussion of the event

*FISU's services & support are further described in the corresponding section and in the Championships General Handbook





OC Responsibilities

- Plan & deliver the event, including:
 - General Event Programme
 - **Promotion** of the event among FISU members and NFs
 - Provide **Services to Delegations** according to FISU requirements (transfers from/to airport, accommodation, internal transportation, food & beverage and medical coverage)
 - **Competition organisation** - cooperate with the National Federation to:
 - Establish the sport programme and **deliver the competition**
 - Homologate the **sports facilities & equipment**
 - Appoint a **Competition Manager & National Technical Officials** (national judges/referees)
 - Put in place a **Competition Management and a Timing & Scoring systems**
 - **Logistics & Human Resources** - Provide the resources to carry out the event: Staff & volunteers, financial resources and equipment
- Develop and put in place **marketing and media plans**

FISU's Services & Support

- **FISU Online Accreditation System**, including training of OC Staff, participants control & approval, and production of accreditation cards for all client groups
- Activation of participation targeting NUSFs during the **Promotion & Registration** period
- **Guidelines** for the general organisation of the Championship as well as **Sport Regulations** according to the International Sport Federation requirements
- **Know-how & Guidance services** to the OC – Supervision on: General & Sport planning, Marketing, Media & Streaming and Protocol & Ceremonies
- **Inspection Visit** for the assessment of the venues and delegations' services concepts proposed by the OC and recommendations
- Appointment of the **FISU CISCA**, including a FISU Medical Delegate and a FISU Technical Committee Chair
- **Flight costs for the FISU Family** (Delegates and Staff) attending the Inspection Visit and the Championship are covered by FISU
- Appointment of the International Technical Officials needed for the event in cooperation with the concerned International Sport Federation
- Provision of **Social Media Profiles**
- **Transmission in FISU TV and other international channels**
- **Provision of TV Graphics package**
- **Additional IF Services & Support** for certain sports





OC Obligations & Rights

Financial Obligations

- Bidding Fee – 500 EUR upon submission of the Bidding Dossier
- Organising Rights and Services Fee – 15.000* EUR once the attribution is confirmed (contribution to FISU services listed previously)
- All on-site technical/operational costs related to the staging of the FISU World University Championship, including the Delegation Services according to FISU Regulations & Guidelines
- Provide accommodation with full board and internal transportation for the FISU Family: 2-3 people for the inspection visit and 6 to 10 for the event.
- Provide accommodation with full board and internal transportation to all the ITOs taking part in the Championship. Specific financial conditions defined in the respective Sport Technical Handbook

Financial Rights

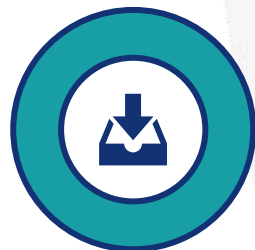
- Charge a fee of up to 80 EUR per person and night to all participants
- National Media and all marketing rights (sponsorship), ticket sales and incomes generated by the selling of the event rights by the OC

*The Organising Rights and Services Fee for the FISU Championship Combat Sports must be consulted by interested NUFS directly with the FISU Championships & World Cups Department. The fee is adapted to the number of included disciplines

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Bidding Timeline

Until 15 October



Opening of Bidding Process

Reception of complete Bidding Dossiers, including:

- Bidding questionnaire
- Guarantee & support letters
- Signed draft contracts
- Bidding Fee

October to
December 2023



Evaluation

Assessment by FISU TCCs
Presentation to FISU Evaluation Committee
Final report

February 2024



Decision by the FISU Executive Committee

Study of the evaluations and report done by FISU Evaluation Committee
Final decision of the events attribution

February-March
2024



Official Attribution

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Support documents

- **Bidding Guide** – quick description of the Bidding Process and key dates
- **Bidding Guidelines** – complete explanation about the Bidding Process requirements and steps
- **Letter templates** – examples of the support and guarantee letters to be provided by Bidding Committees
- **Bidding Questionnaire** – list of minimum questions/contents about the project to be included in the Bidding Dossier
- **FISU Championships General Handbook*** – full explanation of the needs, expectations and requirements for the organisation of a FISU World University Championship
- **FISU Technical Handbook & Minimum requirements*** – Specific regulations to be followed for the event, including technical aspects for the concerned sport

*The General Handbook, Technical Handbooks and Minimum Requirements are currently under revision process and will be provided to the Bidding Committees in due time – upon request



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