



## INVITATION

# INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE TOURNAMENT "WHITE NIGHTS 2016"

*Part of the Badminton Europe Circuit and a World Ranking Tournament*

### **VENUE:**

06-10 July 2016

St-Petersburg region, Gatchina, Generala Knysha Street 14A, Sports Hall "Arena" ([www.fok-arena.ru/video](http://www.fok-arena.ru/video))

### **PRIZE MONEY:**

USD 17 500

### **ORGANIZER:**

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### **Official Web-site:**

<http://www.russkikh.com/whitenights-2016/participation/>

### **KEY DATES:**

- Entry deadline: 7 June 2016
- World Ranking date used for M&Q Report: 9 June 2016
- M&Q Report Release Date: 10 June 2016
- World Ranking date used for Draw: 16 June 2016

- Last day of withdrawal without penalty: 19 June 2016
- Draw Date: 21 June 2016

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**TIME SCHEDULE:**

**(EXPECTED)**

5<sup>th</sup> of July - arrivals

6<sup>th</sup> of July - qualifications 10.00

7<sup>th</sup> of July - the opening ceremony 15.00

7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> of July - main draw rounds 10.00

10<sup>th</sup> July – the finals 11.00

The exact timetable will be presented after the draw. The finals will start at 11:00 on 10<sup>th</sup> July. Please refer to the Badminton Europe Circuit Regulations 9.5 regarding players' departure.

**PARTICIPANTS:**

Players from National Associations, accepted by the BWF are allowed to attend the event.

**ENTRIES:**

All entries must be made by using the BWF Online Entry System. Entries must be submitted no later than **7<sup>th</sup> June 2016** at 23.59 BWF HQ time (GMT +08.00)

<http://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=E7C31779-F77A-458C-AA88-77AB7C823E94>

**No late entries will be accepted.**

Players cannot be entered unless they already have a BWF ID-number. In case you wish to enter players who do not have a BWF ID-number, please contact the BWF office well in advance of the tournament, so that the players concerned can get a BWF ID-number before the closing date of the tournament.

**EVENTS:**

Men's singles, Women's singles, Men's doubles, Women's doubles and Mixed doubles. It is required that every event in a particular BEC Circuit tournament has at least 8 competitors. If the required number of competitors is not met, this particular event shall not count towards any ranking.

**DRAW SIZE:**

Men's singles 64

Women's singles 32

Men's doubles 32 (PAIRS)

Women's doubles 32 (PAIRS)

Mixed doubles 32 (PAIRS)

The above indicates the maximum numbers of players/pairs in the respective events.

**ENTRY FEES:**

Regarding EF you have to follow Badminton Europe Circuit regulations 17.1

45 Euro/player in single

40 Euro/player in double

**Prize money division:**

	MS	WS	MD	WD	XD
1 place	1800	1800	1600	1600	1600
2 place	1300	1300	1100	1100	1100
3 place	800	800	All prize money is paid in US-Dollars (\$)		
3 place	800	800			

**NUMBER OF COURTS:** 4 courts. Brand - TechnoBad

**WITHDRAWALS:**

Any withdrawal after the Sunday immediately preceding the draw, for any reason whatsoever, renders the Member Association concerned liable to an amount of US\$ 150,00 for the inconvenience caused by the withdrawal (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).

After entering a player(s) in the tournaments it is the Member Nation's responsibility to secure visas for their players - if this is needed. Make sure that visa applications are made early enough.

Any player **not showing up at the tournament**, without having been withdrawn in advance, renders the Member Association concerned liable to an additional amount of US\$ 500,00 for the inconvenience caused by the "no show" (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).

## VISA SUPPORT:

Contact the organizers about visa support if needed.

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## OFFICIAL POINTS OF ARRIVAL:

-Pulkovo airports (St. Petersburg)

-Moskovskiy railway station (St. Petersburg)

## CLOTHING AND ADVERTISING:

Please refer to the Badminton Europe Circuit Regulations 18 regarding Clothing and Advertising.

In applying these regulations the decision of the Referee shall be final.

## SHUTTLES:

RSL Classic

## BETTING:

Betting by players or officials on events in which they are involved is not permitted. Any breach of betting regulations will be investigated by Badminton Europe and the appropriate sanction will be administered by Badminton Europe.

## ACCOMMODATION and FOOD (Subject to change):

**Hotel Garden House** (Stars 4) <http://hotel-gh.com/en/> (7 minutes by official transport from sport hall)

Address: St-Petersburg reg. Gatchina, Prospekt 25-th Oktyabrya 3

tel. 8 (81371) 344-99

Name	Quantity of rooms	Price (RUR)	Breakfast/Wi-Fi
Standard (single/double)	11	3600/4200	+ / +
Superior (single/double)	7	5300/5800	

**Hotel Gatchina** (Stars 3) <http://hotel-gatchina.ru/> (10 minutes by official transport from sport hall)

Address: St-Petersburg reg. Gatchina, Gorkogo street 21

tel. +7 (81371) 91-871, +7 (921) 931-2012

Name	Quantity of rooms	Price (RUR)	Breakfast/Wi-Fi
Single	6	2700	+ / +
Superior twin	1	4000	
Standart double	6	3500	
Triple room	4	4000	

**Priorat Hotel** (10 minutes by official transport from sport hall)  
Address: St-Petersburg reg. Gatchina, Chkalova street 59  
tel. +7(921) 3763456

Name	Price (RUR)	Breakfast/Wi-Fi
Single	2300	+ / +
Standart twin	2600	
Standart double	2800	
Triple room	3300	

**Aksioma Hotel** (15 minutes by official transport from sport hall)  
Address: St-Petersburg reg. Gatchina, Izotova 20  
Tel. +7-962-717-38-13

Name	Price (RUR)	Breakfast/Wi-Fi
Single	1900	+ / +
Double	2150	
Twin (2 beds)	2000	

**Nesterov Hotel** – (5 minutes by walk from sport hall)  
Address: St-Petersburg reg. Gatchina, Nesterova street 3  
tel. 8 (81371) 956-48

Name	Price (RUR)	Breakfast/Wi-Fi
Single	2300	+ / +
Single (big bed)	2900	
Double	2600/3000	

Accommodation reservation must be done together with the nominative registration up to **June 20<sup>th</sup>**.

**AWARDING:**

Winners, runners up and semi finalists will be awarded with diplomas and special prizes of National Badminton Federation of Russia

**We are looking forward to see you in Russia!**

**Mr. Andrey Antropov**  
**Chairman of Council**  
**National Badminton federation of Russia**