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17th World High Speed Championship
11 – 15 November 2020, Bankya SPA resort, Sofia, Bulgaria

Bulletin nr. 1

Period : 11 – 15 November 2020

Championship’s official website: TBA

Venue: Bankya Palace hotel, Bankya SPA resort town, Sofia, Bulgaria
http://bankyapalace.com/en/

Accommodation: double rooms (single accommodation in double room and suit option available).

Board: Full board, 3 meals a day.

Rules: The current official IARU HST Rules.

Technical: Technical setup will comply with the standards as stated in the election procedure.

Program of the championship
☐ 11th November, Wednesday - Arrival day, Opening Ceremony and official meetings.
☐ 12th November, Thursday – Competition day 1, Awarding Ceremony of day 1.
☐ 13th November, Friday – Competition day 2, Awarding Ceremony of day 2.
☐ 14th November, Saturday – Spare Competition day, Excursion day, Awarding Ceremony, Banquet.
☐ 15th November, Sunday – Departure day.

Travel information
Bankya is a suburb situated about 7 km west of Sofia.
Distance to Sofia airport is about 25 km.
Distance to Sofia central railroad/bus stations is about 18 km.
Easy accessible by road from any direction.

Travel by plane: Sofia airport (SOF) provides regular flight to most European major cities. Connections with major airports such as Paris, London, Brussels, Berlin, Frankfurt, Munich, Madrid, Amsterdam, Vienna, Roma, Milano, Moscow, Istanbul, Doha etc. provide links to practically most parts of the world.
More information available on
https://www.sofia-airport.bg/en/passengers

Travel by train/bus:
Visa requirements
Prospective participants from most countries do not need visa, however some do. Detailed information and list of countries who DO/DON’T need visa, can be found here: https://www.mfa.bg/en/services-travel/consular-services/travel-bulgaria/visa-bulgaria
Those teams/individuals who need visa, may contact BFRA for assistance. We will do our best to cooperate, and arrange, wherever possible, free of charge visas.

ENTRY FEE AND TERMS OF PAYMENT
- competitors and team officials in double room: 280 EUR / person
- visitors in double room: 250 EUR / person
- accommodation in single room: additional 70 EUR / person
- accommodation in suit, 2 persons: plus 60 EUR / person
- accommodation in suit, single persons: plus 120 EUR / person

Accommodation for additional stay prior / after the competition will be available at the following rates:
- single room: 60 EUR / person / day
- double room: 50 EUR / person / day

Payment info:
Payment can be done via bank transfer, Paypal, or cash upon arrival. There will be 20 EUR / person discount for payments made before September 30th. Bank transfers should be addressed to the following account:
Beneficiary: Bulgarian Federation of Radioamateurs (BFRA)
EUR account, IBAN BG81 UBBS 8002 1413 5826 13, BIC: UBBSBGSF
United Bulgarian Bank (UBB), Sofia, Bulgaria
Paypal: hq@bfra.org

Important:
Organization of HSTC-2020 depends on the further development of the COVID-19 crysis, and all related matters connected with travel, health control, government restrictions etc., which is beyond BFRA control. BFRA will promptly advice if any circumstance arises, that will prevent organizing the event.

The organizing committee wishes you good luck and hopes to meet you in Bankya.

Best regards:
Chairman of the Organizing Committee:
Viktor Tsenkov – LZ3NN (President of BFRA)