



European cities have three weeks left to apply to be recognised as European Capital of Sport in 2023



Brussels, March 13, 2019 – European cities interested in applying for the ACES Europe Award for European Capital of Sports – 2023 have until March 31, 2019 to submit a letter of intent from their mayors announcing the entry of their bids.

So far, there have been three candidacies for European Capital of Sport for 2023, namely UK’s Glasgow, Italy’s Genova and Ukraine’s Kryvyi Rih. ACES Europe’s President, Mr. Gian Francesco Lupatelli commented: “Every year, the European Capital of Sport Award recognises cities’ commitment to an active lifestyle and promotes sport among Europe’s population. We are delighted to be part of this process and to the continuation of the European legacy in sports.”

The European Capital of Sports Award, which is recognised by the European Commission in the 2007 White Paper on Sport, has been awarded to cities around Europe since 2001. It recognises a city for its sports policies, initiatives, infrastructure and citizen involvement in the field. Being awarded brings cities international recognition, high visibility and a confirmation of the value of the awarded city’s sports policies, as well as investment opportunities and a lasting legacy.

The award is managed by the European Capitals and Cities of Sport Federation – ACES Europe, a private non-profit association based in Brussels, which awards every year the recognitions of European Capital, City, Community and Town of Sport. The allocation of these recognitions is based on the principles of responsibility and ethics, being aware that sport is a factor of aggregation of the society, improvement in the quality of life, psycho-physical well-being and complete integration within social classes in the community. In addition, ACES Europe is an official partner of the European Commission in the European Week of Sport.

More information on all the awards and recognitions and guidance on how to submit a candidacy for them can be found on ACES Europe’s website aces-europe.eu as well as on the Twitter, Facebook and Instagram accounts of the association.

EUROPEAN CAPITALS OF SPORT

- 2001 Madrid Spain
- 2002 Stockholm Sweden
- 2003 Glasgow United Kingdom
- 2004 Alicante Spain
- 2005 Rotterdam Netherlands
- 2006 Copenhagen Denmark
- 2007 Stuttgart Germany
- 2008 Warsaw Poland
- 2009 Milan Italy
- 2010 Dublin Ireland
- 2011 Valencia Spain
- 2012 Istanbul Turkey
- 2013 Antwerp Belgium
- 2014 Cardiff United Kingdom
- 2015 Torino Italia
- 2016 Praha Czech Republic
- 2017 Marseille France
- 2018 Sofia Bulgaria
- 2019 Budapest Hungary
- 2020 Malaga Spain
- 2021 Lisboa Portugal
- 2022 Den Haag Holland



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