



BMW IBU WORLD CUP BIATHLON

KHANTY-MANSIYSK, RUSSIA
14-21.03.2016



INVITATION ПРИГЛАШЕНИЕ





Dear athletes and coaches, participants and organizers of the competitions!

Biathlon and Khanty-Mansiysk have been together for almost 20 years. Strength of this alliance is ensured by general features that are inherent both to this sport and our town.

It is known that biathlon is based on dynamic ski race and effective target shooting. And so for Khanty-Mansiysk persistent progress and particular, decisive actions that hit the target are important. For us biathlon is not only 3-4 competitions days, but the central event of the sports calendar for which we prepare carefully. During this period eyes of millions biathlon fans all over the world will be forward to Khanty-Mansiysk. And our aim is to create equal conditions for fair and uncompromising rivalry on the course and shooting range.

I am sure that breathtaking competitions are waiting for the fans, where athletes will demonstrate excellent training level and high intensive struggle for prizes. Let the slopes of Khanty-Mansiysk hills will bring them luck!

Welcome to Khanty-Mansiysk!

Vasily Filipenko
Head of Khanty-Mansiysk



Dear friends!

Let me greet the strongest biathletes of the planet, IBU officials, coaches, referees and multinational fan team on the ancient and hospitable Ugra land!

Khanty-Mansiysk that has become native for leading masters of the most popular winter sport again hosts the World Cup Biathlon Final 2015 – 2016. Exactly on the courses and shooting range of the Alexander Filipenko Winter Sport Center a struggle for World Cups in personal and team scores will come to the end. And this means that Ugra citizens and fans all over the world will see this enormous sport festival, biathlon festival!

I am sure that Ugra people will do their best to create optimal conditions for athletes, coaches, referees and fans, and main characters – athletes – will show «cosmic speed», sniper exactness, courage and will to win.

I wish everybody a good mood, strong health, unforgettable experience and good luck!!!

Evgeniy Redkin,
Director of Physical Culture and Sports Department of
Khanty-Mansiysk Autonomous okrug – Ugra,
Olympic Champion

A. GENERAL INFORMATION

A.1. VENUE

The Alexander Filipenko Winter Sport Center, Khanty-Mansyisk, Russia

The Alexander Filipenko Winter Sport Center was put into operation in December 2000: stadium, shooting range, stands, which are able to host more than 10 000 spectators, sports school, roller-ski tracks, bridges and tracks, sports club, and hotel complex. Construction of the first press-center and building of team cabins was finished in 2002.

The center, which is located in the center of the town on the height of 83 meters above sea level, was reconstructed to the IBU World Championships Biathlon 2011. The course passes on the height from 63 to 114 meters above sea level.

A.2. METEOROLOGIC STATISTICS

Average air temperature in March in Khanty-Mansiysk (°C)

Term 2007 till 2015

Date	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
14	-3	-9	-12	-3	-5	-7	-16	-2	0
15	+1	-20	-17	-5	-2	-5	-11	-4	0
16	0	-16	-13	-2	-6	-5	-7	-1	-7
17	-4	-7	-3	-3	-5	-7	-8	+2	+5
18	-3	-10	-9	-4	+1	-6	-4	0	+3
19	-1	-5	-13	-8	+4	-8	-13	+1	-1
20	-1	-12	-3	-6	0	-8	-19	+1	+6
21	0	-1	-3	-7	-1	-5	-15	-4	+4
22	+4	+1	-4	-6	+1	-6	-10	-3	-7
23	+1	0	-4	-5	0	-8	-7	-3	+5

A.3. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Address:

Organizing Committee

BMW IBU WORLD CUP BIATHLON 2015/2016

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A.4. CONTACT PERSONS

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A.5. ACCREDITATION

Accreditation center operates from 15.03 till 20.03.2016 in the “Conference hall”, located into the main building of the hotel “On seven hills”.

Working hours:

15.03.2016

08:00 – 20:00 p.m.

16.03.2016	08:00 – 20:00 p.m.
17.03.2016	10:00 – 19:00 p.m.
18.03.2016	10:00 – 19:00 p.m.
19.03.2016	09:00 – 19:00 p.m.
20.03.2016	09:00 – 15:00 p.m.

A.6. INSURANCE

The Organizer does not bear any responsibility for the possible human and material damage. All participants should have medical insurance and be insured against accident, illness or liability in tort.

A.7. IMPORT/EXPORT OF RIFLES, AMMUNITION, RADIOS AND MEDICINES

According to the rules of Russian legislation:

1. All foreign citizens should present a filled in migration card at the customs control (the card is available in the aircraft). Save these cards until you leave Russia and present it at the customs control when leaving the country.
2. It is **OBLIGATORY** to declare: foreign currency (more than 10000\$), radios, computers, video equipment, rifles (number, caliber and model) and ammunition.
3. **Only** coaches can keep the ammunition, declare it and present at the customs control. **It's forbidden to put the ammunition into personal luggage** it should be packed in the boxes. On the boxes with the ammunition inside should be written "**Ammunition**".
4. A team doctor should keep all the medicines. **It is necessary to have the official list of the medicines and present it at the customs control.**

To get the permission for import of rifles, please, fill in the **form F3 at the latest 01.02.2016** and send it to OC Executive Directorate.

To get the permission for import of radios and using radio frequencies, please, fill in the **form F1 at the latest 15.01.2016** and send it to OC Executive Directorate.

OC bears all expenses for getting permission for using radio frequencies.

A.8. HOW TO GET VISA

Participants coming from visa countries are obliged to get visa for entry into the Russian Federation. Visa is issued by Russian Consular Institutions. For getting visa it is necessary to have **an individual invitation from OC**.

Invitation Regulations:

I. For countries from European Union and China

Agreement between the Russian Federation and European Community about Simplification of Visa Issuing for Citizens of the EU came into operation on the 1st of June 2007. In the Agreement it is stipulated that visas for people who enter the country by sport exchange are executed according to the letter of the

receiving organization (Invitation from OC). Written appeal (Invitation from OC), on the basis of which visas will be issued should contain detailed information on the invited person (first and last name, date of birth, gender, citizenship, № of passport, terms and aim of the trip, number of entries). **Above mentioned written appeals (Invitations from OC) should be submitted to Consular Institutions.**

Participants from the following countries receive visas according to such regulations:

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Denmark, Estonia, Hungary, Germany, Greece, Spain, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Finland, France, Czech Republic, Sweden, Switzerland and China.

For getting invitation according to such rules, please, send a CLEAR PASSPORT COPY via e-mail to visa@ugrasport.com at the latest by 15.02.2016.

Please, clarify in the Embassy or Consulate where you're going to apply for visa, if they need the original visa invitation or the scanned copy will be enough! If the original document is necessary, please write postal address, where the original invitation should be sent to.

! Note, that after submitting the invitation to the Embassy or the Consulate, the terms of visa issuing will be **not less than 7 days!**

II. For countries not from European Union

Invitations for participants from **non EU countries** are executed through the Consular Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation. For **every foreign citizen** OC should enter an application of a standard pattern to the Consular Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation. Besides passport data this application contains position, full address of the place of work, terms of stay in Russia, **place of getting visa abroad (that means one exact city, in which there is Russian Consular Institution). Clear copy of the first page of the foreign passport** is enclosed to such application (spelling of the first and last name, № of passport, place and date of birth, expiry date, gender should be clearly seen in the copy). After issue of invitation OC will inform the participant about the number of the invitation in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation, with which you may get visa in **mentioned Consular Institution** of the Russian Federation. Issuing visa invitations through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs begins 45 days before the arrival into the **Russian Federation.**

The Organizing Committee will issue such visa invitations during the period **from 28.01.2016 till 25.02.2016.**

For getting the invitation according to such regulations you are to fill in the form **F2. The application F2 and the clear copy of the passport should be submitted via e-mail to visa@ugrasport.com at the latest by 15.02.2016.**

! We kindly ask you to provide the Organizing Committee with all the necessary documents for getting visa invitations and obtaining visas for entry into the Russian Federation in time.

After the above mentioned deadlines requests for issuing the visa will not be accepted. A team may ask invitations for more persons, if by the deadline of submitting applications there is no exact list of the participants. The team doesn't bear any extra expenses, and at the moment of getting visas only persons who need visas present their invitations at the Embassy.

B. LOGISTICS

B.1. TRANSPORTATION

OC Khanty-Mansiysk will organize charter flights for participants of the event:

- 14, March 2016:** Oslo (Norway) – Khanty-Mansiysk (Russia)
- 21, March 2015:** Khanty-Mansiysk (Russia) – Munich (Germany)
- Khanty-Mansiysk (Russia) – Oslo (Norway)

Cargo plane:

- 14, March 2016:** Oslo (Norway) – Khanty-Mansiysk (Russia)
- 21, March 2016:** Khanty-Mansiysk (Russia) – Munich (Germany)

According to the IBU quota, charter flight for athletes, team staff and IBU Officials - **690 €** per person. Each participant of the national team is entitled to have free luggage:

Passenger aircraft: Luggage – no more than 1 package (size no more than 210 cm in amount of three dimensions (L+W+H), weight no more than 20 kg) and maximum 1 rifle. *Register luggage at the airport.*

Hand luggage – no more than 1 package (size no more than 55x40x20 cm, weight at most 5 kg). *It's taken to the airplane cabin.*

Cargo plane: Luggage (cargo) is given at the stadium and transported by cargo plane. Weight of 1 package is no more than 50 kg.

All oversized and excess luggage (cargo) should be given for transport by the cargo plane and it is not allowed to transport it at the passenger aircraft.

Extra luggage is paid as follows: 1 kilo = 1% from the cost of the ticket (6.9 €).

In order to book a seat on the **charter flight, please fill in the form F4 and send it by e-mail** to OC Executive Directorate.

Preliminary applications: at the latest 15.01.2016

Booking changes and cancellations: at the latest 25.02.2016

After receiving the applications OC will prepare the information for the national teams regarding the schedule of arrival, route number and time of the charter flight departure.

Ticket expenses for charter flight are paid to the Organizing Committee. The number of tickets is paid only according to the quantity of seats in the application of 25.02.2016. In case the booking cancellation is made after the pointed date, the team or national federation pays for these tickets.

Please Note:

!!! Charter flight expenses are paid by cash in Russian Rubles at the current exchange rate or by card!!! The other currency is not accepted!!!

Credit cards VISA Int (VISA, Electron), Europay Int (Eurocard / MasterCard) are accepted but in this case you will be taken additional 2%.

People planning to get to Khanty-Mansiysk by regular domestic flights from Moscow or Munich should book and buy tickets by themselves. Please note that at such flights rules for luggage transportation are determined by the respective air company. Schedule of the flights is available on the home pages:

of air company "UTair": www.utair.de

of air company "Yamal": www.yamal.aero

The nearest airports to Khanty-Mansiysk are Tyumen, Yekaterinburg, Novosibirsk, Omsk, Surgut, Nizhnevartovsk, Kogalym.

Transportation of teams within Khanty-Mansiysk is provided by the transportation office of the Organizing Committee free of charge.

B.2. ACCOMMODATION

Entry by number (athletes, officials) and lodging reservation – **on-line - by 15.02.2016.**

Participants and officials will stay in the hotels "**On seven hills**" and "**Olympic**". The allocation of teams at the hotels will be made according to submitted applications and as agreed with RD.

For accommodation of participants Organizing Committee offers hotels of the **Category "B"** according to the IBU quota:

Hotel	Double room (full board)	Single room (full board)
Hotel «On seven hills»	80 € (<i>payment in Russian Rubles</i>)	100 € (<i>payment in Russian Rubles</i>)
Hotel «Olympic »	72 € (<i>payment in Russian Rubles</i>)	92 € (<i>payment in Russian Rubles</i>)

Please Note:

!!! Accommodation expenses are paid directly to the hotels by cash in Russian Rubles at the current exchange rate!!! The other currency is not accepted!!! It's possible to pay by card.

Credit cards VISA Int (VISA, Electron), Europay Int (Eurocard / MasterCard) are accepted.

The early arrival is to be paid according to the real hotel price list.

Booking changes and cancellations CAN be made no later than 29.02.2016.

If the application is sent later than 29.02.2016 the team bears responsibility for the hotel forfeits connected with late changes and cancellations of the booking and pays for the accommodation according to the real hotel price list.

Accommodation for best athletes

Expense reimbursement for the best 25 male and best 25 female biathletes is granted by the Organizing Committee for Category B, under IBU rules, Part 3, par. 15.1.3.

The team bears responsibility for the done damage during staying at the hotel. The team or athletes must pay these sums.
The persons out of quota pay for the accommodation according to the real hotel price list.

B.3. LOCATION OF THE OC OFFICES

Accreditation Center: “Conference hall”, the main building of the hotel “On seven hills”
Competition office: Wax cabins № 24 - 23 in the wax cabins area
Media Center: Media Centre at the stadium
Internet access for participants: Team House (2nd floor) at the stadium

All the offices will have the Internet access. Teams will get all the necessary information in the competition office and in the hotels on info desks.

C. COMPETITION INFORMATION

C.1. REGISTRATION AND ENTRY QUOTAS

The competition will be performed according to the IBU rules as in effect.

C.2. IBU SPORT TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

Race Director	Borut NUNAR	IBU
IBU Technical Delegate	Vlastimil JAKES	CZE

IBU Referees

Material control	Gerhard KÖHLER	GER
Shooting range	Knut AAS	NOR
Start / Finish	Tomas FUSKO	SVK
Courses	Max SAENGER	USA

C.3. SHOOTING RANGE

30 electro-mechanical targets KES 2009 Kurvinen.

C.4. PRIZE MONEY PAYMENT

Prize money will be paid by OC to the athletes who take 1 – 10 places or 1 – 6 (Relay) according to the IBU Regulations. **Payments will be made by the bank transfer.**

It is necessary that the athletes of the indicated places provide with the **exact details of their bank account**: the receiver, the account of the receiver, the name of the bank, the exact address of the bank, the account of the bank, IBAN-code, SWIFT-code of the bank, **passport copy**.

It is necessary to provide the bank details and passport copy. **Please fill in the form F6 and send it via e-mail oc@ugrasport.com at the latest by 20.03.2016** to OC Executive Directorate.

The bank transfer will be made after the OC receives the bank details.

In order to transfer the prize money in time, please, provide with the correct bank details!

If all required bank details are not provided within specified time limits, the Organizing Committee will return prize money to IBU!!!

C.5. TICKETS FOR TEAMS

It's possible to get 2 tickets for every team member of the team to the South Stand to each race. We ask team leader to give information about the needed number of tickets for each race in advance (by 01.03.2016) to OC via e-mail oc@ugrasport.com.

C.6. COMPETITION PROGRAM

<i>Date</i>	<i>Trainings</i>	<i>Zeroing</i>	<i>Competitions</i>	<i>Team captains' meetings</i>	<i>Ceremonies</i>
14.03. Mon			Arrival		
15.03. Tue	14:00 – 16:00 men 17:00 – 19:00 OT, women			13:15 Election of juries	20:30 Opening Ceremony
16.03. Wed	14:00 – 16:00 women 17:00 – 19:00 OT, men				
17.03. Thu	14:00 – 15:30 men	17:15 - 18:05 women	18:15 Sprint women 7,5 km		Flower ceremonies and Award ceremonies are in the stadium at the end of the races
18.03. Fri	14:00 – 15:30 women	17:15 –18:05 men	18:15 Sprint men 10 km		
19.03. Sat	11:30 – 13:00 Women men	16:00 - 16:30 women 17:45 –18:15 men	16:45 Pursuit women 10 km 18:30 Pursuit men 12,5 km		

20.03. Sun	13:35 - 14:05 women	14:20 Mass start women 12,5 km	20:30 Award ceremony Closing ceremony
	16:15 –16:45 men	17:00 Mass start men 15 km	

The time in the competition program is local. The difference between local time and CET is + 4 hours.

C.7. LAY-OUT OF COURSES AND MAP OF THE STADIUM

Lay-out of courses and map of the stadium are available on the OC home page: www.ugrasport.com

D. MEDIA INFORMATION

D.1. MEDIA CENTER

The Media center is located at the stadium, 1st floor of “Media Center” building.

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D.3. PRESS CONFERENCES

Press Conferences will be held in the Media Center after each competition

E. ENTRIES

E.1. ENTRY DEADLINES

Entry by number, lodging reservation	on-line	15.02.2016
Entry by name, final lodging reservation	on-line	29.02.2016
Application form for using radio frequency	F1	15.01.2016
Application form for visa	F2	15.02.2016
Application form for import of rifles	F3	01.02.2016
Application form for the charter flight	F4	Preliminary 15.01.16 Final 25.02.16
Application for Wax Truck	F5	15.02.2016
Prize money Form	F6	20.03.2016

F. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

F.1. MOBILE PHONES STANDARD

GSM 900, GSM 1800, 3G, LTE.

F.2. VOLTAGE

220 W (50 hz), euro-outlets