



2019 World Deaf Indoor Athletics Championships

Inspection Report

(24 April 2018)



- Name of the event:** 2019 World Deaf Indoor Athletics Championships (WDIAC)
- Location of the event:** Tallinn, Estonia
- Planned date of the event:** 14 - 17 March 2019
- Date of the inspection:** 13 - 15 April 2018
- Members of the inspection group:**

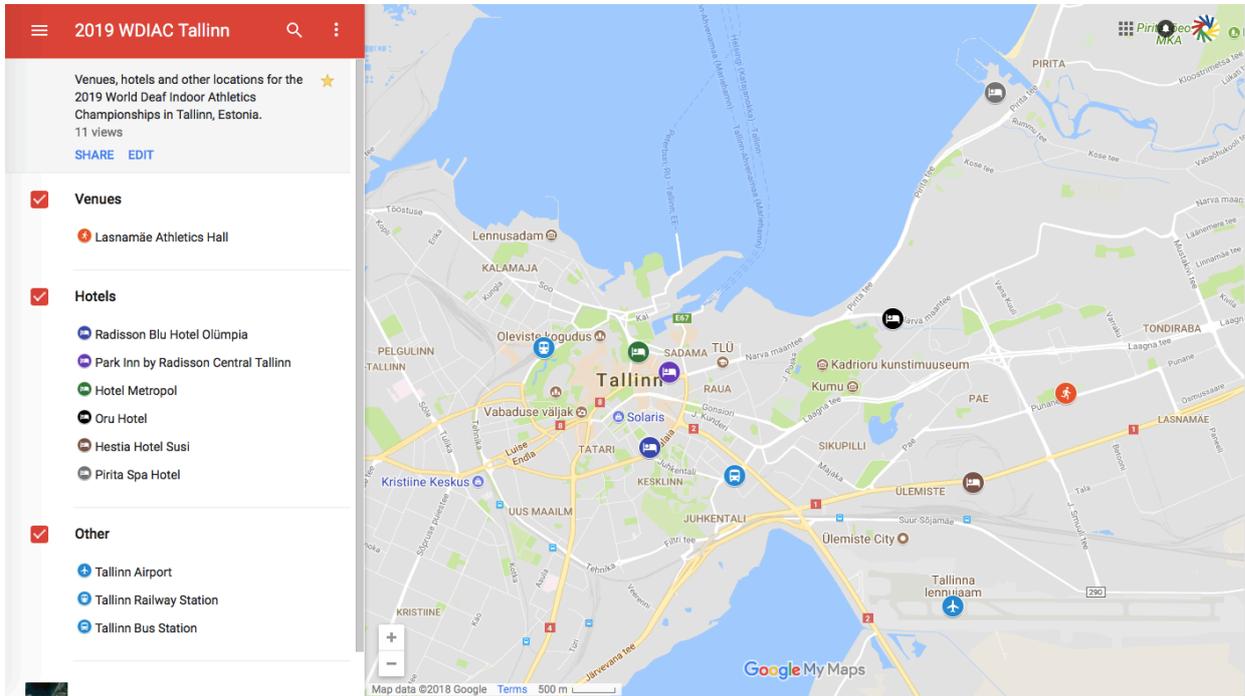
Richard PEARCE	ICSD Technical Director - Athletics
Sergei MATVIJENKO	Estonian Deaf Sports Union President
Ilvi VARE	Estonian Deaf Sports Union Vice President
Kaido TIISLÄR	Estonian Deaf Sports Union General Secretary
Argo PURV	Estonian Deaf Sports Union Sports Coordinator
Timo TARVE	Estonian Athletics Association Chief Referee

6. Location Maps:





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7. Venues inspected:

<p>Lasnamäe Athletics Hall</p>	<p>Purpose: Competition and Training Venue Address: Punane 45, 13619 Tallinn, Estonia Comments: The Lasnamäe Athletics Hall is an IAAF certified indoor athletics facility. The stadium consists of a 6 lane banked 200m track, 8 lane central 60m track, 6 lane outer 60m track, 1 lane 200m warm-up track, long/triple jump pit, pole vault pit, shot put pit, and seating for spectators (see photos below).</p>
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8. Accommodation inspected:

<p>Radisson Blu Hotel Olümpia</p>	<p>Rating: ★★★★★ Address: Liivalaia 33, 10118 Tallinn, Estonia Distances: 1.1km walk to City Centre 3.3km drive to Airport 5.5km drive to Lasnamäe Athletics Hall Comments: Hotel Olümpia is a superior large modern hotel with 390 rooms, an excellent swimming pool and fitness center, a multifunctional conference center, and free wifi. It is located a short walk from the Tallinn Old Town.</p>
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<p>Park Inn by Radisson Central Tallinn</p>	<p>Rating: ★★★ Address: Narva maantee 7c, 10117 Tallinn, Estonia Distances: 0.5km walk to City Centre 3.5km drive to Airport 5.5km drive to Lasnamäe Athletics Hall Comments: The Park Inn is a modern hotel with 245 rooms, a small fitness center, sauna, and jacuzzi, and free wifi. It is located very close to Tallinn Old Town and the Port of Tallinn, from where ferries cross the Gulf of Finland.</p>
<p>Hotel Metropol</p>	<p>Rating: ★★★ Address: Roseni 13, 10111 Tallinn, Estonia Distances: 0.5km walk to City Centre 4.2km drive to Airport 6.2km drive to Lasnamäe Athletics Hall Comments: Hotel Metropol is another modern hotel with 149 rooms and free wifi. It is the most centrally located of the selected hotels in the renovated Rotermanni district and very close to Tallinn Old Town and the Port of Tallinn.</p>
<p>Oru Hotel</p>	<p>Rating: ★★★ Address: Narva maantee 120, 10127 Tallinn, Estonia Distances: 3.0km drive to City Centre 4.6km drive to Airport 3.0km drive to Lasnamäe Athletics Hall Comments: Oru Hotel is a smaller modern hotel with 50 rooms, 2 conference rooms, and free wifi. Located near to Kadriorg Park and in the vicinity of the Song Festival Grounds, Oru Hotel is a 10min drive from Tallinn Old Town and close to the sea.</p>
<p>Hestia Hotel Susi</p>	<p>Rating: ★★★ Address: Peterburi tee 48, 11415 Tallinn, Estonia Distances: 4.8km drive to City Centre 3.1km drive to Airport 2.1km drive to Lasnamäe Athletics Hall Comments: Hotel Susi is a modern medium sized hotel with 99 rooms, 4 conference and meeting rooms, a beauty parlour, and free wifi. Located closest of the selected hotels to the Lasnamäe Athletics Hall and the airport, Hotel Susi is a 10min drive from Tallinn Old Town.</p>
<p>Pirita Spa Hotel</p>	<p>Rating: ★★★ Address: Purje 9, 11911 Tallinn, Estonia Distances: 5.8km drive to City Centre 7.5km drive to Airport 6.7km drive to Lasnamäe Athletics Hall Comments: Pirita Spa Hotel is a large and spacious hotel with 265 rooms, a sports center (25m swimming pool, gym, sauna, & mini golf), Estonia's largest spa, a beauty center, and a large seminar and conference center. Located next to the beach at the site of the 1980 Moscow Summer Olympics sailing event, Pirita Spa Hotel is less than a 15min drive from Tallinn Old Town.</p>



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9. Transportation:

The following transportation will be organised by the 2019 WDIAC Organising Committee (OC):

Tallinn Airport <-> Hotels	On arrival, buses / coaches will pick up team athletes and officials from the airport and transport them to the official hotels. On departure, buses / coaches will pick up team athletes and officials from the official hotels and transport them to the airport.
Tallinn Railway Station <-> Hotels	By prior arrangement with the 2019 WDIAC OC, team athletes and officials can be transported from the railway station to the official hotels on arrival and from the official hotels to the railway station on departure.
Tallinn Bus Station <-> Hotels	By prior arrangement with the 2019 WDIAC OC, team athletes and officials can be transported from the bus station to the official hotels on arrival and from the official hotels to the bus station on departure.
Hotels <-> Lasnamäe Athletics Hall	Daily buses / coaches will transport team athletes and officials between the official hotels and the Lasnamäe Athletics Hall for competition and training.

10. Officials:

The following officials have been appointed to the 2019 WDIAC OC and further appointments will be made as preparations progress:



Name: **Toomas SEPP**
Tallinn City Chief Executive Officer
Position: Organising Committee Chair



Name: **Timo TARVE**
Estonia Athletics Association Chief Referee
Position: Competition Director



Name: **Sergei MATVIJENKO**
Estonia Deaf Sports Union President
Position: Sports Liaison Officer



Name: **Ilvi VARE**
Estonia Deaf Sports Union Vice President
Position: General Coordinator



Name: **Kaido TIISLÄR**
Estonia Deaf Sports Union General Secretary
Position: Treasurer



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Name: **Argo PURV**
Estonia Deaf Sports Union Sports Coordinator
Position: Athletics Technical Delegate

The ICSD Technical Director will be responsible for appointing an IAAF Technical Delegate for the Championships and the Competition Director will be responsible for appointing a sufficient number of qualified national athletics officials.

11. Inspection notes:

Tallinn:

- Tallinn is the capital and largest city of Estonia.
- Situated on the shore of the Gulf of Finland, it occupies an area of 160km² and has a population of 450,000.
- Tallinn's Old Town is one of the best preserved medieval cities in Europe and is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- Tallinn is the major political, financial, cultural and educational center of Estonia and is the birthplace of many international companies, including Skype.

Competition Dates:

- At the request of the 2019 WDIAC OC, the closing date for Final Registrations will be moved from 14 February 2019 to 31 January 2019.
- At the request of the 2019 WDIAC Competition Director an additional period of competition will be included after the opening ceremony on 14 March 2019 should the number of entries require it.

Competition Venue:

- The Lasnamäe Athletics Hall is approved by the ICSD Technical Director as the venue for the 2019 WDIAC and an IAAF permit will be applied for.
- The track surface will be upgraded in August 2018 in preparation for the Championships and will need to be re-measured and re-certified by an IAAF approved measurer.
- The projector screen at the Lasnamäe Athletics Hall was deemed to be too small and will be temporarily replaced by a large video screen for the Championships.

Starting Lights:

- The 2019 WDIAC OC has chosen to use the starting light system developed by the Japanese Deaf Athletics Association.
- The starting light system to be used is a new version of the system successfully used for the 2016 WDIAC in Stara Zagora, Bulgaria.
- The new starting light system will need to be inspected and approved by the ICSD Technical Director prior to the start of the Championships.

Accommodation:

- All the inspected hotels are approved by the ICSD Technical Director as accommodation for the 2019 WDIAC.
- It has been decided that following hotels close to Tallinn Old Town will be recognised as official hotels for the 2019 WDIAC:
 - Radisson Blu Hotel Olümpia (★★★★)
 - Park Inn by Radisson Central Tallinn (★★★)
 - Hotel Metropol (★★★)
- The 2019 WDIAC OC will add a 2 star (★★) hotel close to Tallinn Old Town to the list of official hotels to provide a lower cost accommodation option for those countries that want it.
- The 2019 WDIAC OC is currently negotiating prices with the hotels and will send accommodation and transport packages to ICSD members in early May.



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12. Additional information (if any):

None.

13. Conclusions:

In spite of the late ratification of Estonia as host for the 2019 WDIAC in January 2018, the OC has made considerable progress in the short time since then. The 2019 WDIAC OC has been established and is working smoothly and effectively with the ICSD TD and other important partners such as the Estonian Athletics Association. The ICSD TD inspection visit to Tallinn was very successful with a range of impressive facilities and good quality hotels being made available for the Championships.

I have every confidence that Estonia will host an excellent World Deaf Indoor Athletics Championships in March 2019.

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Appendix: Photos

Tallinn



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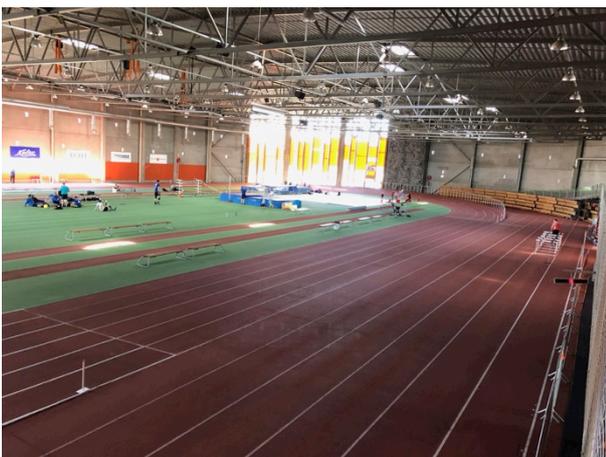
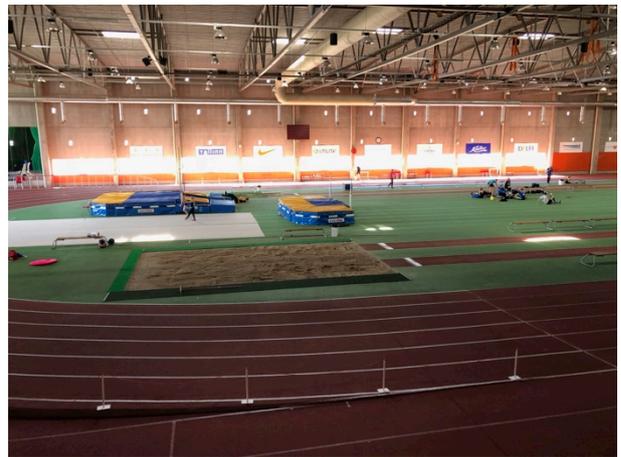




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Lasnamäe Athletics Hall





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Radisson Blu Hotel Olümpia





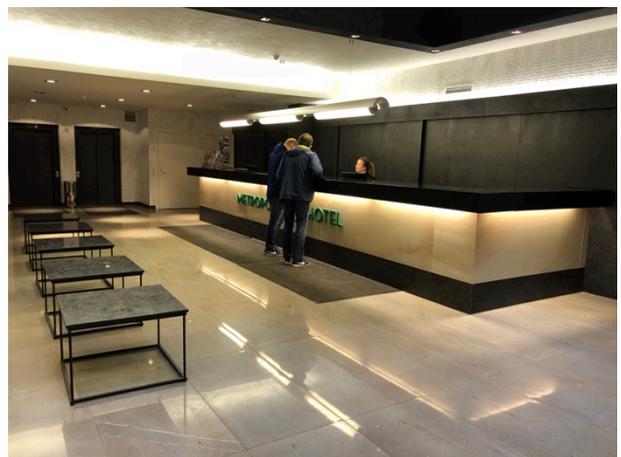
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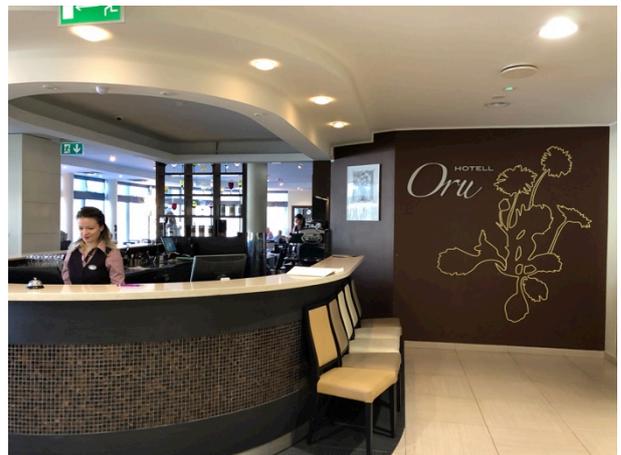




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