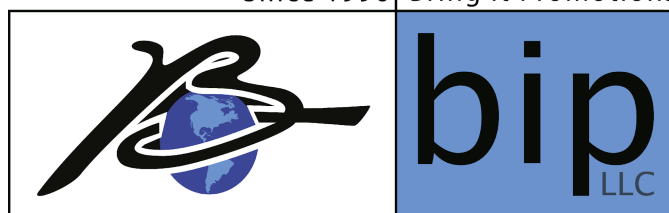


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Bring It Promotions Presents 21st Annual Global Challenge



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

Bulletin #2

**July 13-18, 2026
Pula, Croatia**

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2. COMPETITION CALENDAR AND OTHER ACTIVITIES:

July 13: **Arrival of Teams to Pula**

- 18:00: Technical Meeting (Hotel Pula)
- 20:45: Opening Ceremony (City Hall, Main Square, Pula)
- Lunch served from 12.00 - 16:00
- Dinner served from 18.00 - 19:00
- Buses leave the hotel at 19:00 return at 22:00 from
- Opening Ceremonies.

July 14-17: Competition Dates

July 17: Championship Day Celebration 17:00 – 21:00 at Dom Sportova
Tee shirt exchange in the Hotel Pula after Closing Ceremonies
Closing Party at Hotel Pula from 22:00 to 01:00

July 18: Departure of Teams from Pula

3. HOST CITY, COMPETITION HALLS:

Host City: Pula, Croatia

Competition Halls: **Dom Sportova**
Trg Kralja Tomislava 7
52100 Pula
650m (.4 miles) from Hotel (8-minute walk)

Sportska dvorana Stoja
Brijunska ul. 3A,
52100, Pula

4. PARTICIPATING TEAMS:

U17 Division (Istra)

- BIP SE, USA
- WorldWide Volley, USA
- Team Uplift, USA
- Team Westside, USA
- Northern California High Performance, USA
- Dish It Out, USA
- LOVB Volleyball (League One Volleyball), USA
- Cranes Volleyball Club, Canada
- South Peace Volleyball Club, Canada
- Native Dream Team, Indigenous Peoples of Turtle Island
- OK Pula, Croatia
- Israel Volleyball Academy, Israel
- Slovenia U16 National, Slovenia
- OTP Banka Branik, Slovenia
- PSA Fire Ants Red, Turkey
- PSA Fire Ants White, Turkey
- Team RVS, Latvia
- Team JSS, Latvia
- SteelVolleys AG Linz, Austria
- Team Mamutties 1, Slovakia
- Team Mamutties 2, Slovakia
- USC Eugendorf, Austria

U20 Division (Brijuni)

- WorldWide Volley, USA
- Team BIP SE, USA
- Team Firestorm, USA
- BOSE Volley, Norway
- BFTM Ancona, Italy
- OTP Banka Branik, Slovenia
- SteelVolleys AG Linz, Austria

5. RULES OF THE GAME

- 5.1 General principle: The matches in the Global Challenge are played according to the Rules of the Game of FIVB 2005-24.
- 5.2 Special rules: To facilitate playing time, the U20 and U17 tournament will be allowed a total number of 12 substitutions per set with unlimited entries.
- 5.3 Teams will have 10 minutes to warm up between matches. All teams must warm up before the end of the previous match and be ready to handle the ball upon taking the court.

6. COMPETITION SYSTEM

6.1 Brijuni Division U20

The Brijuni Tournament (U20) has seven (7) teams. Group play matches will be best 2 of 3 sets. If the 3rd set is required, it will be played to 15 points. Group play will be a USA vs. European Challenge where all USA teams play each European team. At the end of group play, European teams will be ranked #1-#4 and USA teams will be ranked #1-#3. Teams will then play a seven-team tournament with the USA #1 given a first round bye. All matches in tournament play are 2 of 3 sets. If a 3rd set is required; it will be played to 15 points. Teams are ranked based on the following:

- 1) Match Record
- 2) Set Ratio
- 3) Point Ratio

6.2 Istra Division U17

The Istra Division is twenty-two (22) teams divided in five (5) groups. The top two (2) teams and the top three (3) teams from the five team groups will advance to a twelve (12) team Istra Gold Championship. The bottom two (2) teams from each group will advance to a ten (10) team Istra Silver Championship. Teams are ranked based on the following:

- 1) Match Record
- 2) Set Ratio
- 3) Point Ratio

In the Gold and Silver Championship, teams will be seeded #1-#12 (Gold) and #1 - #10 (Silver) based upon the results of group play.

Please note, the Tournament Director reserves the right to change the order of seeds 1-4, 5-8 and 9-12 to create better international matches.

Tournament schedule and brackets are found online at:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/13lEmkp7-OgcCLr3dOCA6AgGB0AEHP91h-Z4GCS2C9aw/edit?usp=sharing>

7. OFFICIAL RATIFICATION OF MATCHES

In both the Brijuni (U20) and Istra (U17) tournaments, after teams are eliminated from the Championship Bracket, they will continue to play matches in the Consolation Bracket to determine their final position in the tournament. Please note that in the Istra (U17) division the teams will be divided into a Gold and Silver Tournament playing for an actual Championship with awards.

8. OFFICIALS

Matches in the Brijuni (U20) division will all be 2 of 3 sets to 25 points. If a 3rd game is needed, it will be played to 15 points. One (1) official will be used for all matches except the Finals.

Matches in the Istra (U17) division will be 2 of 3 sets. If a 3rd game is needed, it will be played to 15 points. Tournament play will be the best 2 of 3 with the 3rd set to 15 points if needed. The Gold Championship game will be the best 2 of 3 and the Silver Championship will be the best 2 of 3. One (1) official will be used for all matches except the Finals.

9. SPECIAL NOTES

***Teams must arrange eating times with the hotel if they fall outside the normal eating hours (Breakfast 6:45-10, Lunch 12-3, Dinner 6:30-10)**

***** Water will NOT be provided at the tournament *****

***Have players bring as many T-shirts as possible for T-shirt exchange with other players.**

***Closing Ceremonies Party featuring “6-Pack Čukur” from 22:30 pm to 1:00 at the swimming pool.**

10. The Global Challenge is based upon the following Core Objectives:

- The Tournament is first and foremost a Developmental Tournament
- The Tournament is designed to match teams from opposite sides of the Atlantic
- The Tournament is a mix between a European-friendly match concept and a formal tournament.

11. Live Streaming of matches.

All matches will be live-streamed through BallerTV. You can sign up for the event at

<https://www.ballertv.com/events/2026-global-challenge-tournament/countdown>

12. Opening Ceremonies will be live streamed on the Global Challenge Facebook page starting at 9 pm local Pula time.

<https://www.facebook.com/bringitusaglobalchallenge>

13. Coaches, please discuss sea urchins with your team. We don't want anyone's tournament ruined because they stepped on a sea urchin.

