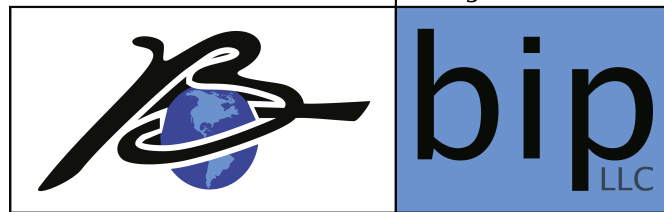


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**July 9-14, 2018
Pula, Croatia**

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2. COMPETITION CALENDAR AND OTHER ACTIVITIES:

July 9: **Arrival of Teams to Pula**

- 18:00: Technical Meeting (Hotel Pula)
- 21:00: Opening Ceremony (City Hall, Pula)
- Lunch served from 12.00 - 16:00
- Dinner served from 18.00 - 19:30
- Buses leave hotel at 19:45 and return at 22:00 from Opening Ceremonies.

July 10-13: Competition Dates

July 13: Championship Day Celebration 15:30 – 21:00 at Dom Sportova
Closing Party at Hotel Pula from 23:00 to 1:00am

July 14: Departure of Teams from Pula

3. HOST CITY, COMPETITION HALLS:

Host City: **Pula, Croatia**

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

4. PARTICIPATING TEAMS:

U23 Division (Brijuni)

- PVK Olymp Praha (Czech Republic)
- BFTM Falconara Juniors (Italy)
- Hungary Select Team (Hungary)
- Croatia Select Team U23 (Croatia)
- Northumbria University (England)
- Team BIP (USA)
- USA East Coast (USA)
- Mountain West Conference All-Star Team (USA)
- USA College National Team (USA)
- BIP SE U23 (USA)

U17 Division (Istra)

- Czech Republic Select (Czech Republic)
- LVBK Sweden (Sweden)
- Croatia Select U17 (Croatia)
- OK Pula U17 (Croatia)
- Firestar Turku (Finland)
- RVS- Latvia (Latvia)
- Hungary Select Red (Hungary)
- Hungary Select Green (Hungary)
- Tianjin Sport Club (China)
- USANY (USA)
- Team Westside (USA)
- Rappresentativa Fipav Modena (ITA)
- OK Nova KBM Branik (SLO)
- BIP SE U17 (USA)
- BIP Chicago (USA)
- North Country Region Team (USA)

5. RULES OF THE GAME

- 5.1 General principle: The matches in Global Challenge are played according to the Rules of the Game of FIVB 2005-18.
- 5.2 Special rules: Group play will be 3 sets to 25 points for each set. Championship rounds will be 3 of 5 sets in the winners bracket and 2 of 3 sets in the consolation bracket.
- 5.3 Special rules: In order to facilitate playing time, the U17 tournament will be allowed a total number of 12 substitutions per set with unlimited entries. Note: the U23 tournament will follow standard substitution rules of 6 total subs and single entry (1 entry).

6. COMPETITION SYSTEM

6.1 Brijuni Division U23 Preliminary Round

The Brijuni Tournament (U23) will comprise 10 teams; five (5) European teams and five (5) USA teams. Teams will play the European vs USA Challenge round robin tournament. Each USA team will play each European team. The matches in the Challenge will be 3 sets to 25 points. Each set won will count as one point. At the end of the Challenge round the top two (2) European teams and the top two (2) USA teams will move into the the four (4) team Championship Tournament. European Teams seeded three (3), four (4) and five (5) and USA teams seeded three through (3), four (4) and five (5) will play a six (6) team consolation tournament to determine places five (5) to ten (10).

- 1) Teams will be seeded #1-#5 for European Teams and #1-#5 for USA Teams based on points (1 per set won).
- 2) If a tie break is needed, we will use: Wins - Set Ratio - and then Point Ratio - in that order
- 3) European #1, #2 and USA #1, #2 will compete in four team Championship tournament. European #3, #4, #5 and USA #3, #4, #5 will compete in a 6 team consolation tournament.
- 4) See bracket for Championship Tournament details.

Istra Division U17 Group Play

The Istra Division (U17) will comprise of 16 teams; ten (10) European teams, five (5) USA teams and one (1) Chinese team. Teams will be divided into four (4) groups of four (4) teams each. Group play matches will be 3 sets to 25 points. Each set won will count as one point. At the end of group play the teams will be seeded #1 - #4 in each group. Teams seeded one (1) in each group will receive an automatic bid into the eight (8) team Championship Tournament. Teams seeded two (2) and three (3) in each group will play a Challenge Match to determine the final teams for the eight (8) team Championships Tournament. Losers of the Challenge Match along with all teams seeded fourth (4) after the group play will play a consolation tournament to determine ranking nine (9) through sixteen (16). Seeding is based upon the following system below.

- 1) Points won during group play.
- 2) If a tie break is needed we will use: Wins - Set Ratio - and then Point Ratio - in that order
- 3) See bracket for Championship Tournaments details.

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Brijuni Division U23 USA vs. European Challenge

USA Teams

USA College National Team
Mountain West Conference
Team BIP
USA East Coast
BIP SE

European Teams

PVK Olymp Praha
Croatia Select Team
Hungary Select Team
BFTM Falconara Juniors
Northumbria University

July 10-12, 2018

Date	Time	Sportova 1	Sportova 2	Uljanik
July 10	10:00	USA CNT vs. Hungary (4)	MWC vs. PVK Olymp (5)	
July 10	11:30	Team BIP vs. Falconara (7)	USA East Coast vs. Croatia (8)	
July 10	13:00	BIP SE vs. Northumbria (10)		
July 10	16:00	PVK Olymp vs. USA CNT (14)	Croatia vs. MWC (15)	
July 10	19:00	Hungary vs. BIP SE (19)	Falconara vs. USA East Coast (20)	
July 10	20:30	Northumbria vs. Team BIP (21)		

Date	Time	Sportova 1	Sportova 2	Uljanik
July 11	10:00	Team BIP vs. PVK Olymp (30)	USA East Coast vs. Hungary (31)	
July 11	11:30	BIP SE vs. Falconara (33)	USA CNT vs. Croatia (34)	
July 11	13:00	MWC vs. Northumbria (36)		
July 11	14:30	PVK Olymp vs. BIP SE (39)		
July 11	16:00	Falconara vs. USA CNT (41)	Hungary vs. MWC (42)	
July 11	17:30	Northumbria vs. USA East Coast (43)	Croatia vs. Team BIP (44)	

Date	Time	Sportova 1	Sportova 2	Uljanik
July 12	9:30	USA East Coast vs. PVK Olymp (52)	MWC vs. Falconara (53)	
July 12	11:00	USA CNT vs. Northumbria (55)	Team BIP vs. Hungary (56)	BIP SE vs. Croatia (57)

July 12, 2018 Consolation Matches (2 of 3 sets) Brijuni Division U23

Date	Time	Sportova 1	Sportova 2	Uljanik
July 12	16:00	USA #4 vs. Euro #5 (65)	Euro #4 vs. USA #5 (66)	

July 12, 2018 Championship Matches (3 of 5 sets) Brijuni Division U23

Date	Time	Sportova 1	Sportova 2	Uljanik
July 12	18:00	Euro #1 vs. USA #2 Semi (68)	USA #1 vs. Euro #2 Semi (69)	

July 13, 2018 Consolation Matches (2 of 3 sets) Brijuni Division U23

Date	Time	Sportova 1	Sportova 2	Uljanik
July 13	8:30	USA #3 vs. W#66 (74)	Euro #3 vs. W#65 (75)	
July 13	11:30	W#74 vs. W#75 5th/6th (80)	L#74 vs. L#75 7th/8th (81)	L#65 vs. L#66 9th/10th (82)
July 13	13:00		L #68 vs L#69 3rd/4th (84)	

July 13, 2018 Championship Match (3 of 5 sets) Brijuni Division U23

Date	Time	Sportova
July 13	19:00	W#68 vs. W#69 Finals (88)

Istra Division U17 Groups

Umag

Croatia Select
BIP SE
Hungary Green
Fipav Modena

Poreč

NKBM Branik
BIP Chicago
LVBK Sweden
North Country

Rovinj

Hungary Red
USANY
RVS- Latvia
Tianjin Sport Club

Pula

Czech Republic Select
Westside
Firestar Turku
OK Pula

Istra Division U17 Group Matches Competition Schedule

July 11-12, 2017

Date	Time	Sportova 1	Sportova 2	Uljanik
July 10	8:30	Croatia vs Modena (1)	NKBM vs. N. Country (2)	Czech Republic vs OK Pula (3)
July 10	10:00			Hungary Red vs. Tianjin (6)
July 10	11:30			BIP SE vs. Hungary Green (9)
July 10	13:00		USANY vs. Latvia (11)	Westside vs. Turku (12)
July 10	14:30	OK Pula vs. Westside (13)	BIP Chicago vs. Sweden (14)	Tianjin vs. USANY (15)
July 10	17:30	Hungary Green vs. Croatia (18)	Latvia vs. Hungary Red (19)	Turku vs. Czech Republic (20)
July 10	19:00			Sweden vs. NKBM (23)
July 10	20:30		Modena vs. BIP SE (25)	N. Country vs. BIP Chicago (26)

Date	Time	Sportova 1	Sportova 2	Uljanik
July 11	8:30	Czech Republic vs. Westside (27)	Hungary Red vs. USANY (28)	Croatia vs. BIP SE (29)
July 11	10:00			NKBM vs. BIP Chicago (32)
July 11	11:30			Hungary Green vs. Modena (35)
July 11	13:00		N.Country vs. Sweden (37)	Tianjin vs. Latvia (38)
July 11	14:30		Ok Pula vs. Turku (40)	

July 11, 2018 Challenge Matches Istria Division U17 (3 of 5 sets)

July 11	19:00	Umag #2 vs. Pula #3 (45)	Rovinj #2 vs. Poreč #3 (46)	
July 11	20:30	Poreč #2 vs. Rovinj #3 (47)	Pula #2 vs. Umag #3 (48)	

July 12, 2018 Consolation Matches Istria Division U17 (2 of 3 sets)

Date	Time	Sportova 1	Sportova 2	Uljanik
July 12	8:00	L#47 vs. Pula #4 (49)	L#48 vs. Rovinj #4 (50)	L#45 vs Poreč #4 (51)
July 12	9:30			L#46 vs. Umag #4 (54)

July 12, 2018 Championship Matches Istria Division U17 (3 of 5 sets)

Date	Time	Sportova 1	Sportova 2	Uljanik
July 12	12:30	Pula #1 vs. W#47 Q (58)	Rovinj #1 vs. W#45 Q (59)	
July 12	13:30			
July 12	14:30	Poreč #1 vs. W#48 Q (62)	Umag #1 vs. W#46 Q (63)	
July 12	16:00			
July 12	18:00			
July 12	20:00	W#58 vs. W#59 Semi (71)	W#62 vs. W#63 Semi (72)	

July 12, 2018 Consolation Matches Istria Division U17 (2 of 3 sets)

Date	Time	Sportova 1	Sportova 2	Uljanik
July 12	12:30			L#49 vs. L#50 (60)
July 12	13:30			L#51 vs. L#54(61)
July 12	14:30			W#49 vs. W#50 (64)
July 12	16:00			W#51 vs W#54 (67)
July 12	18:00			L#58 vs. L#59 (70)
July 12	20:00			L#62 vs. L#63 (73)

July 13, 2018 Consolation Matches Istria Division U17 (2 of 3 sets)

Date	Time	Sportova 1	Sportova 2	Uljanik
July 13	8:30			L#60 vs L#61 15th/16th (76)
July 13	10:00	W#64 vs. W#67 9th/10th (77)	L#64 vs. L#67 11th/12th (78)	W#60 vs. W#61 13th/14th (79)
July 13	13:00	L#71 vs. L#72 3rd/4th (83)		W#70 vs. W#73 5th/6th (85)
July 13	14:30			L#70 vs. L#73 7th/8th (86)

July 12, 2018 Championship Matches Istria Division U17 (3 of 5 sets)

Date	Time	Sportova 1
July 13	16:00	Finals W#71 vs W#72 (87)

Awards Ceremony after Brijuni (Gold) Championship Match

7. OFFICIAL RATIFICATION OF MATCHES

In both the Brijuni (U23) 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.

The Championship Bracket is played best 3 of 5 in the winners bracket. The consolation bracket is best 2 of 3 sets with the 3rd set to 15 points if needed.

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8. OFFICIALS

Pool play matches and the Consolation Bracket in the Championship Tournament will have one “up” official and one score keeper. All championship matches will have one “up” official, one “down” official and one score keeper. The Championship Final Match in both divisions will also have line judges.

9. SPECIAL NOTES

***Teams must arrange eating times with the hotel if they fall outside the normal eating hours.**

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

***Each night updates will be posted via Twitter. So all coaches should receive the Twitter updates on their mobile phone.**

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

***Closing Ceremonies Party featuring “6-Pack Čukur” from 11:00pm to 1:00am at the swimming pool.**

10. The European 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 designed to educate USA Coaches and Athletes on International Volleyball Rules.

-The Tournament is a mix between a European friendly match concept and a formal tournament.

11. Livestreaming of matches.

All matches on Court 1 and Court 2 in Dom Sportova will be livestreamed at the following sites:

COURT 1 : <https://livestream.com/accounts/9015567/events/8276072>

COURT 2 : <https://livestream.com/accounts/9015532/events/8276085>

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

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