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### **Greetings from the President of the Royal Spanish Canoe Federation**



Dear President, Dear Secretary General,

La Seu d'Urgell will host in Parc Olimpic del Segre the 2<sup>nd</sup> Slalom World Cup **from 6 to 12 June** 2016. On behalf of the Organizing Committee I express our gratitude to International Canoe Federation for selecting again this venue, to host the canoe slalom teams and the media partners. We shall work to fulfill our responsibilities and we will help in your stay with dedication to a nice and fair sport competition.

The Royal Spanish Canoe Federation invites the athletes and canoe teams to attend the ICF Slalom World Cup in La Seu d'Urgell. This First Newsletter will help to inform concerning the event and the travel and hospitality issues. For specific information please contact to the canoeslalomseu@parcolimpic.cat

I look forward to see you soon,

Juan José Román Mangas President of the Royal Spanish Canoe Federation President of Organizing Committee

# Facts about La Seu d'Urgell



The historic city of La Seu d'Urgell, on the Catalan Pyrenees, has a tradition of over 40 years organizing white water canoe competition events. The Olympic games of Barcelona 1992 was a landmark on this support of canoe slalom.

Later those memorable days that permitted slalom to be accepted on the Olympic programme, fifteen World Cup events and the World Championships 1999 and 2009 endorse the facilities on Parc Olímpic del Segre and the organizing team.

The **2016 Canoe Slalom World Cup, to be held from 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> of June**, is a new opportunity to give service to the slalom canoe family.

The challenge aims to improve technology on sport competitions, presence on media (especially TV), and worldwide promotion of canoe slalom through the participation over 40 national teams, and attract tourism in La Seu d'Urgell. The history on the old town, the mountain valley around Cadí-Moixeró Natural Park, and the local dedication to sport should be known.

In addition this occasion will keep active and financially healthy the Olympic facility of Park del Segre.

The World Cup are possible thanks to the support of institutions and sponsorships. On behalf of the organizing Committee we thank their help.

We trust on the contribution of the participant teams and we are ready to work for a fair competition and a happy stay in our country.

On behalf of ICF, RFEP, FCP and the Organizing Committee,

Welcome to the 2016 Canoe Slalom World Cup.

# Parc Olímpic del Segre venue

The Parc Olímpic del Segre is constructed in a branch of the Segre river, which was re-channelled after the damage caused by the exceptional flood of 1982. The slalom course's specific features are as follows:

- Length: 300 m
- Drop: 6,5 m
- Flow: 12 m<sup>3</sup>/s
- Course features: concrete bottom, banks and obstacles of natural boulders
- Spectators capacity: 5.000 people

The Competition Course is accompanied by a beginners course which is 130 m long with a drop of 1,5 m. The designed flow ranges from 3 to  $10 \text{ m}^3$ /s.

The design of the white water canals includes a system of complementary canals and mechanical conveyor belts which enable canoeists to return to their starting point without having to leave their boats. The dynamic conception of the whole facilities leads to intensive use all year round and separation of paddlers according to their levels of skill and ability.

The drop in the Slalom course is created naturally via channels that branch from the Segre river, with a very gentle slope. The feeder canal, 185 in length, and mainly the flat water canal, 650 m in length and 20 m in width, are set aside for training in flat water canoeing and the necessary practice that sport lovers require in waters with a steady current.



# How to get to La Seu d'Urgell



La Seu d'Urgell is placed at 10 km of Andorra and 180 km of Barcelona

GPS: Latitude 42,22N / Longitude 1,28E

**HOW TO GET HERE:** 

#### BARCELONA AIRPORT Novatel (Barcelona Airport - Andorra)

It's necessary to book the ticket. http://www.andorrabybus.com

Tel. (+376) 803789 E-mail:novatel@andorrabybus.com

Timetables: Airport – Andorra: 10.00h – 12:00h – 14:00h – 16:00h – 18:00h - 20:00h – 22:00h Andorra – Airport: 5:00h – 9:00h – 11:00h – 13h00 – 15:00h - 17:00h

#### TOULOUSE AIRPORT Novatel (Gare Matabiau – Andorra)

It's necessary to book the ticket. <u>http://www.andorrabybus.com</u> Tel. (+376) 803789 E-mail: <u>novatel@andorrabybus.com</u> Timetables: Gare Matabiau – Andorra: 10:30h 15:00h – 19 30h Andorra – Gare Matabiau: 5:00h – 10:00h 15:00h

GIRONA AIRPORT Novatel (Girona Airport – Andorra- Girona Airport) It's necessary to book the ticket. <u>http://www.andorrabybus.com</u> Tel. (+376) 803789 E-mail: <u>novatel@andorrabybus.com</u> Timetables: Girona Airport – Andorra: 20:00 h Andorra – Girona Airport: 15:00 h

BARCELONA (CITY) Barcelona Bus Station (Estació del Nord) – La Seu d'UrgellAlsina Graells <a href="http://www.alsa.es">http://www.alsa.es</a>Tel. (+34) 902 422242Timetables:Barcelona – La Seu d'Urgell: 6h30 - 7h00 - 7h30- 10h30 - 13h00 - 15:00h – 19:00hLa Seu d'Urgell – Barcelona:5h30 - 6h15 - 6h30 - 11h30 - 15h30 - 16h30 - 19h45

LLEIDA Lleida (Bus Station) – La Seu d'Urgell Alsina Graells <u>http://www.alsa.es</u> Tel. (+34) 902 422242 Timetables Lleida – La Seu d'Urgell: 8h45 -16h15 -19h30 La Seu d'Urgell – Lleida: 6:00 h - 6h15 - 15h45 - 16h30

# Airports to get to La Seu d'Urgell



#### **AIRPORT DESCRIPTION**

Airport Andorra - La Seu d'Urgell	10 km	5 min
<ul> <li>Three international airports available in Spain:</li> <li>✓ Barcelona (BCN)</li> <li>✓ Girona-Barcelona (GRO)</li> <li>✓ Alguaire-Lleida</li> </ul>	190 Km 220 Km 140 Km	2h15min 2h30min 2h
Two airports available in France: ✓ Toulouse-Blagnac ✓ Perpignan Airport	210 Km 150 Km	3h 2h

#### **ROADS TO THE VENUE/CITY**

LA SEU: Highway A2 Barcelona – Lleida, Road C-14: Cervera, Ponts, la Seu d'Urgell.

#### **RAIL NETWORK**

LA SEU: The rail network does not reach La Seu. But La Seu can be reached by taking the train from Barcelona to Puigcerdá followed by a bus to La Seu (Alsa – Alsina Graells).

# **Canoe Slalom Cluster in the Pyrenees**

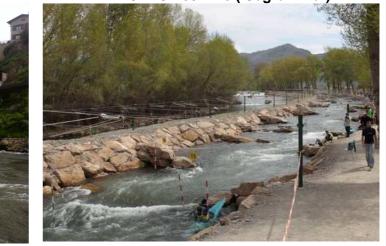


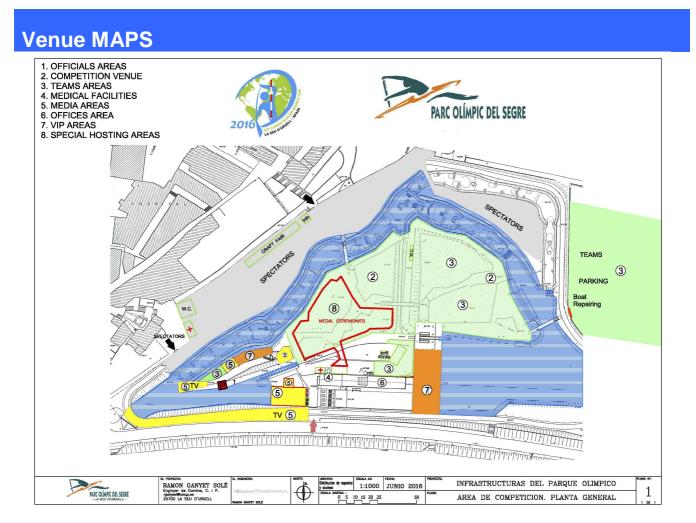
Distance from La Seu d'Urgell to:

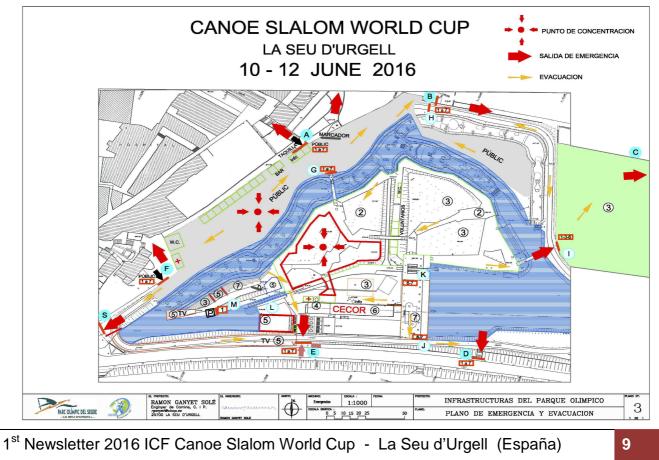
Arfa	4 km	5 min
Ponts	60 km	50 min
Sort	46 km	1 h
Foix	120 km	2 h
Pau	280 km	4 h

ARFA - 4 kms (Segre River)

PONTS - 60 kms (Segre River)







# **Organizing Committee**



Sr. D. Juan José Román Mangas RFEP President and Organizing Committee Chairman

Sra. D<sup>a</sup> Ana Muñoz Merino Sports Director of Spanish Sports Council

Sr.D. Gerard Figueras Albá Secretary General of Sports of Generalitat de Catalunya

Sr. D. Albert Batalla Siscart Mayor of La Seu d'Urgell

Sr. D. Joan Reñé Huguet President of Lleida provincial Council

Sr. D. Joan Ignasi Rosell Urrutia President of Catalan Canoe Federation

Sr. D. Jean Michel Prono Chairman of ICF Canoe Slalom Committee

Sr. D. Ramon Ganyet Solé Manager Director of Organizing Committee

Sr. D. Enric Balastegui Artigues Presidente of CADí Canoe Kayak club

Sra. D<sup>a</sup>. Núria Vilarrubla Cortina Secretary General of Organizing Committee

Sr. D. Francesc Ganyet Solé Manager of Parc Olímpic del Segre

# Provisional competition programme



6 to 9 June		Official training by groups	
Wednesday, 8 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 h	Team leaders meeting	
Thursday, 9 <sup>th</sup>	16:00 h 17:30 h 18:00 h 20:00 h	Self-service check in boat and equipment Finals demonstration run Technical Officials meeting Heats demonstration run and Technical rehearsal Opening ceremony	
Friday,10 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 - 19:10 h	Heats: C-1 M, C-1 W, K-1 M, K1-1 W and C-2 M	
Saturday, 11 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 - 12:10 h 12:30 - 14:00 h 15:15 h 16:30 – 18:30 h	Semi-final C-1M, C-1 W and K-1 M Final C-1M, C-1 W and K-1 M Medals ceremony Trials SLALOM CROSS K1M and K1W	
Sunday, 12 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday, 12 <sup>th</sup> 9:30 - 11:15 h         Semi-final K-1 W and C-2 M           12:00 - 13:00 h         Final K-1 W and C-2 M           13:05 h         Medals ceremony		
	15:30 – 17:20 h 17:25 h 19:00 h	Slalom Cross 1/8 Final, ¼ Final, Semi-final and Final Medals ceremony Snack for teams, judges, volunteers and organization	

# White Water Slalom cross: a new official competition

#### Why a new slalom cross format is developed?

- To welcome new athletes from other canoeing disciplines
- To provide a more accessible competition format
- To open more competition sessions on the Olympic venue
- To present a TV oriented and spectators' friendly competition (Easy to follow, spectacular, unpredictable or at least with a spectacular suspense)
- This format has to be easy to develop, easy to organise for National Federations.

#### Which framework?

- Head to head, 4 boats competing together a maximum for the final phase
- Kayak boat only, one female and one male event
- Same boat for all at the competition (plastic from recreational market)
- Spectacular start line but fair, ramp when possible
- Course marked with special gates (or obstacles), it imposes a spectacular trajectory with options but using extreme white water features of the particular course
- Two symmetric upstream gates on same line or close (athletes chose which one they negotiate)
- Eskimo roll zone
- Time duration around 45 seconds long
- No timing of the head to head series. It is possible that individual time trials are organised to qualify the start field of the head to head phase and built the bracket
- No penalty touch, elimination for for gate (obstacle) missed

#### **Milestones for implementation**

Prepare a specific set of ICF rule articles for this event to be presented to the Board for vote at the 2016 Congress and implementation in 2017 and having the first and official 2017 ICF kayak slalom cross World Championships organized in Pau



# **Entries and Important dates to remember for Team Leaders**



#### Numerical and Nominal entries:

Entries will be done on the form designed and provided by the ICF, which will be available on-line on: ICF integrated sport data platform (SDP) <u>https://icf.msl.es/icf/icf.jsp</u> Numerical entries: before 26<sup>th</sup> April

Nominal entries: before 27<sup>th</sup> May

For further information relating to the SDP process: <u>http://www.canoeicf.com/online-entries</u> or <u>http://www.canoeicf.com/reminder-online-entries</u>

All entries sent after 27<sup>th</sup> May will have to be accepted by the Chairman of the ICF Canoe Slalom Committee (ICF rules - art. 11.2)

#### Please, remember:

Respect of the deadlines Quality of the biography information and picture provided for athletes and team staff members

#### Information number boats x nation:

http://www.canoeicf.com/sites/default/files/2016\_icf\_csl\_world\_cup\_quota\_information. pdf

#### **KEY DATES:**

April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Last day for numerical entries by ICF online system		
May 27th	Last day for NOMINAL ENTRIES and ACCREDITATION by ICF on line system		
June 6 <sup>th</sup>	Opening free official period training		
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Team Leaders Meeting		
June 9 <sup>th</sup>	Opening Ceremony		

# Accreditation and participation fee

#### ICF ON-LINE ACCREDITATION SYSTEM: https://icf.msl.es/icf/icf.jsp

This system will allow National Federation delegation members and Officials to register online and get the accreditation at their arrival on site.

If you are in need of a User ID and Password or have a suggestion or a problem, please contact Michael Noyelle to: <u>isis@canoeicf.com</u>

#### PARTICIPATION FEE FOR ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE TEAMS:

Price of each accreditation for all days: 105 Euros

It Includes:

- Training in the course during official period
- Automatic Chrono and video service in the competition days
- Drinks and fruits in the competition days
- Snack in the closing party

#### NATIONAL FEDERATION (NF) categories: 27<sup>th</sup> May dead line for reception

Qualification	Symbol	Remarks	Cost
Athletes	Aa	Limited to registered athletes on ICF online entries	105 €
Team Leader	Ac	2 accreditations max. per nation	105€
Technical staff	Ao	-	105€
Medical Staff	Am	-	105 €
National Federations guests	NF-VIP*	Gives access to the VIP area	105€
President or Secretary General of NF	NF-VIP	2 per nation To be validated by ICF	Free
International Officials	ICF ITO	According to the list edited by the ICF	Free

#### HOW TO PAY PARTICIPATION FEE?

The payment can be made by bank transfer or on site at your arrival at La Seu d'Urgell.

Bank Transfer needed details:

#### IBAN: ES49 2100 3603 7022 0026 1988

#### SWIFT Code: CAIXESBBXXX

Banc account name: PARC DEL SEGRE SA c/ Circumval.lació s/n 25700 La Seu d'Urgell - Spain

# Accommodation, entries, press, media and VISA information



#### ACCOMMODATION

Please, see this web site <u>http://www.turismeseu.com</u>, where you can find all the options (hotels, rural accommodations, etc...) For more information or booking you can call Tel. (34) 973 35 15 11 or send an e-mail: reserves@turismeseu.com

#### PRESS AND MEDIA INFORMATION

Information will be available at http://canoeslalomseu.parcolimpic.cat in the section "Press"

There will be live coverage by TVE for all competition: heats, semi-final and final

#### **BOAT STORAGE**

Boat storage will be placed near flat water in Parc Olímpic del Segre

#### **INTERNET ACCESS**

Free wireless internet access will be available at Parc Olímpic del Segre

#### ACCESS PARC AND PARKING

Free access pass and car parking near Parc Olímpic del Segre will be guaranteed.

#### VISA

The Royal Spanish Federation of Canoeing is pleased to inform: If you need a visa, please as soon as possible send us this details by e-mail to: <u>correo@rfep.es</u>

Name	Family Name	Date of birth	Passport number	Expiry date	Sex	Status	Nationality

# Information from the organizer

#### TRANSPORTATION

The Organizing committee will provide with transportation from and to Barcelona airport for all members of the ICF Jury.

Also Organizing Committee can organize transportation from and to Barcelona airport for the teams, their members and all ICF officials.

If you are interested, please as soon as possible contact by e-mail: <u>canoeslalomseu@parcolimpic.cat</u>

#### MEDICAL SERVICES IN LA SEU D'URGELL

The health care services of the Sant Hospital Foundation will be available for canoeists and accompanying personnel.

This Hospital has beds, orthopaedic and surgical departments and emergency services including treatment at accommodation.

The official training days and competitions days (according to the programme) in Parc Olímpic del Segre will be covered by first aid and ambulance service for transportation to hospital if necessary.

#### WEATHER IN LA SEU D'URGELL

The weather is gentle and the climate is Mediterranean.

In June, the temperatures are warm at day and cool at night with sunny days. The average daily temperature is 20° C, and average rainfall is 67mm/month.

During the competition hours, the maximum temperature is around 25 °C



## Contacts





### **CONTACTS:**

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La Seu d'Urgell Tourist information

http://www.canoeicf.com

http://www.turismeseu.com

La Seu d'Urgell Town hall

http://www.laseu.cat

Catalan Canoeing Federation

http://www.fcpiraguisme.com



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