



# IFBB EUROPEAN FIT MODEL CUP

April 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 RIGA, LATVIA



# **INSPECTION REPORT**

#### WELCOME

Dear Friends,

The Latvian Bodybuilding, Fitness & Bodyfitness Federation and the city of Riga extend a warm welcome to all IFBB-affiliated National Federations from all the European countries planning to participate in the IFBB European Fit Model Cup 2018.

On behalf of the Latvian Bodybuilding, Fitness and Bodyfitness Federation I have a great pleasure to invite you to participate in the IFBB European Fit Model Cup to be held on April 21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 in Riga, the capital of Latvia. I would be glad for you to join us for this significant event, to discover our beautiful and welcoming country and make the 2<sup>nd</sup> IFBB European Fit Model Cup more successful and magnificent. Please find enclosed the regulations of the competition and other necessary information.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Riga.

Sincerely Yours,

Christina Vedernikova Latvian Bodybuilding, Fitness & Bodyfitness Federation President



# **ABOUT RIGA**

Riga, the capital of Latvia, was officially founded in 1201. Riga is located along the Baltic Sea. The historical core of Riga is situated on the right bank of the Daugava River.

Due to its geographical location on the Baltic Sea (where East and West meets), Riga has been an important center of trade, finance and culture for centuries. Representatives of many nations have lived and worked in Riga – apart from local Livs and Latvians, Germans, Swedes, Russians and Poles also considered Riga to be their city.



Riga has unique values due to its rather intact medieval architecture. The regular building of the turn of the 19th and 20th centuries is characteristic for the planning of the historic center, oriented towards the direction of main streets in the Old City, which emerged approximately in the 14th century. In some districts of Riga, for various reasons, complex wooden constructions of that time have still been preserved, and that is an amazing phenomenon in the 21st century. In 1997, the historic center of Riga due to this valued architecture was inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List. In 2014, Riga was nominated as a Capital city of culture in Europe.



# **VENUE SITE**

Royal Casino SPA & Hotel Resort (Terbatas street 73, Riga) www.royalcity.lv





Royal Casino SPA & Hotel Resort is a unique, luxury, biggest entertainment complex in the Baltics for the lovers of good leisure. Here are situated casino and hotel, SPA and fitness centre "Global Fitness", karaoke bar and restaurants, as well as five clubs, everything to make your leisure unforgettable.

Concert Hall Studio 69 is located in the city centre of Riga. Entertainment centre is only 15 minutes' walk from the Old Riga, 30 minutes from the Riga International Airport.



# **OFFICIAL AIRPORT**

Riga International Airport is the largest airport in the Baltic States with direct flights to over 90 destinations in 30 countries. The airport has several offers for traveling towards and back from city center. You can choose between taxi, rented car, public transport and even international buses. Public transport costs about EUR €2 one way and taxi is about EUR €15 one-way.

More information about public transport connections, taxicabs and location can be found on lower part of the airport home page <a href="https://www.riga-airport.com">www.riga-airport.com</a>



Feel free to use also international airport info service number +371 29311817 if you have any uncertainties.



#### **VISA**

A valid passport is required to enter the territory of the European Union (Schengen Zone). Schengen Area nowadays covers most of the European Countries with an exception made for the UK and the countries that are soon to be part of this agreement as Romania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus and Ireland. Although not members of the European Union, the following countries like Norway, Iceland, Switzerland and Lichtenstein are also part of the Schengen zone enjoying the same freedom of movement policy, as the others EU-country citizens do not require a visa.

All other persons should consult the Latvian Embassy in their country to determine if they require a visa. For more information you can visit site of MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF LATVIA: <a href="http://www.mfa.gov.lv/konsulara-informacija/valstis-kuru-pilsoni-var-iecelot-latvija-bez-vizas">http://www.mfa.gov.lv/konsulara-informacija/valstis-kuru-pilsoni-var-iecelot-latvija-bez-vizas</a>. An Official Letter of Invitation will be made available if required.

An athlete, included in an official National Federation team, who request and receive an invitation from the IFBB Head Office or the Organizing Committee of an IFBB sanctioned event for visa purposes, and uses that visa to unlawfully stay in the host country or any other country, will be subjected to the disciplinary proceedings and measures.

The relevant National Federation is responsible to carefully control the proper, legal use of the visa by his/her athlete and it will be subjected to a fine and/or a suspension, in case od any misuse and/or unlawful utilization of the same visa.

#### RECCOMENDED OFFICIAL HOTEL

#### **Monica Centrum Hotels**

Elizabetes street 21, Riga, +371 67031900 www.monika.centrumhotels.com



A luxury hotel situated in a prestigious part of central Riga. A spirit of hospitality and elegance lingers at Monika Centrum Hotels, which opened its doors in December 2005. This luxurious and artistically designed hotel gives royal treatment to all its guests. Here, you will always feel at home.

- Double room: EUR €69 per night (breakfast included)
- Single room: EUR €58 per night (breakfast included)

When booking, use the booking code: **CUP2018** Deadline for booking with special discount price is April 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **PARTICIPATION**

The contest is open for all IFBB/EBFF-affiliated National Federations from Europe. The number of competitors participating in these championships is unlimited.

Online Pre-Registration of athletes will only be considered if they are recommended by the National Federation of the athlete by sending the Final Entry Form with their names directly to the Organizing Committee, to the IFBB Technical Committee and IFBB Head Office in Madrid not later than April 09<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (Monday). The final decision to allow an athlete to compete in this event rests with the IFBB.

Please be aware that it is FULL RESPONSIBILITY AND OBLIGATION OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION to verify if each one of the athletes to be registered on this international event are NOT suspended or fulfilling any period of ineligibility due to Anti-Doping Rule Violation or any disciplinary case at national or international level.



#### REGISTRATION

Official Athlete Registration will take place on Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> from 17:00 till 19:00 and Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00 till 11:00 at Royal Casino SPA & Hotel Resort (Venue site).

All athletes will have to produce their Passports and IFBB International Cards at the Registration. Any athlete who has not yet purchased or renewed her IFBB International Card will have to buy one at registration. IFBB Cards are EUR €30 and are mandatory.

# **REGISTRATION FEE**

Registration fee is EUR €150 per athlete. Participants pay directly at the Registration.

# TEAM MANAGERS & JUDGES MEETING

Team Managers and Judges Meeting will start on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12:00 at the Venue site.

# CATEGORIES OPEN AT THE 2017 EUROPEAN FIT MODEL CUP

Women's Fit Model: Up to and incl. 163 cm Women's Fit Model: Up to and incl. 168 cm

Women's Fit Model: Over 168 cm Women's Fit Model: Overall

Minimum number of competitors to run a category should be 5. If less than 5 athletes, categories will be combined.

The rules of the Fit Model category can be found on <a href="www.ifbb.com">www.ifbb.com</a> or by clicking on the link: <a href="http://www.ifbb.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Womens-Fit-Model-Rules-2017.pdf">http://www.ifbb.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Womens-Fit-Model-Rules-2017.pdf</a>



#### **AWARDS**

Top six athletes in each category will be awarded with a trophy and a certificate. Overall in each discipline will have a trophy.

#### **JUDGES**

To be taken into consideration during selection of judges' panel at the competition, IFBB International Judges must be included in the Final Entry Forms sent by National Federations, according to the IFBB Rules.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** IFBB International Judges must have a valid IFBB Judge's Card with the IFBB yearly judges fee of EUR €50 paid for 2018. All judges must be present at the Team Managers and Judges Meeting, which will start on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12:00 at the Venue site.

#### TANNING NEEDS

The IFBB has banned all tans that can be wiped off. An official will check the tan of all athlete's backstage and if the tan comes off by simple wiping, the athlete will be told to remove the tan before going on stage.

During the 2018 European Fit Model Cup there will be offering Tanning Services at the Venue Site. The price for two layers of Jan Tana will be EUR  $\in$ 70. Reservations & booking is available through the secretariat@ifbb.lv until April 20<sup>th</sup> or during the Registration on April 21<sup>st</sup> from 16:00 till 19:00 and April 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00 till 11:00.

#### **LANGUAGE**

The official language in Latvia is Latvian. English and Russian is widely spoken in hotels, restaurants, shopping and tourist areas.

#### TIME DIFFERENCE

UTC +3 hours (EEST - Eastern European Summer Time Zone).

#### **CLIMATE**

Climate in Riga is influenced by its proximity to the sea; therefore, it is moderately warm and humid. The daily mean temperature in April is  $+5.4^{\circ}$ C; average precipitation (rainfall) -11 days.

# **CURRENCY**

The national currency in Latvia is EURO. Current exchange rates of EUR to other currencies at: <a href="http://www.xe.com/currency/eur-euro">http://www.xe.com/currency/eur-euro</a>

#### ELECTRIC CURRENT

The electrical outlets are 220 V, 50 Hz. Socket/plug of type C plug, with two round prongs, popularly known as the euro plug and used in all continental Europe countries. Detailed info at: http://www.worldstandards.eu/electricity/plugs-and-sockets/

#### **CORRESPONDENCE & INFORMATION**

Further information can be requested:

Christina Vedernikova

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#### FINAL ENTRY FORM

The deadline date for sending the Final Entry Form is April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018. National Federations must submit the actual names of all Official Participants (Athletes by category and Delegates, including Judges) in the Final Entry Form.

Please send Your Entry Form no later than April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to:

**Organizing Committee Secretary** 

Ms. Vanesa Belova

E-mail: secretariat@ifbb.lv

**IFBB Technical Committee** 

Eng. Andrew Michalak

E-mail: amichalak5@gmail.com

Please send a copy to International Federation of Bodybuilding and Fitness Head Office:

Ms. Diana Mozos

E-mail: info@ifbb.com

#### COMPETITOR INFORMATION FORM

This form must be completed by each competitor BEFORE the weigh-in/height measurement and must be given to the LBFBF Registrar at the weigh-in/height measurement. This information is used to promote the competitor during the competition on the stage, in the press, on TV, the website and other media.

#### TENTATIVE SHEDULE

**April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 (Saturday)** – Arrivals

17:00 – 19:00 – Registration / weigh-in at Royal Casino SPA & Hotel Resort

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 (Sunday)** 

10:00 – 11:00 – Registration / weigh-in at Royal Casino SPA & Hotel Resort

12:00 – Team Managers and Judges Meeting at Royal Casino SPA & Hotel Resort

13:00 – IFBB Open Latvian Championships 2018 (prejudging & finals)

18:00 – IFBB European Fit Model Cup 2018 (prejudging & finals)

April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 (Monday) – Departures