



**“GymBala 2018”
INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT
IN RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS
BAKU, AZERBAIJAN
AUGUST 18 & 19, 2018
INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP**

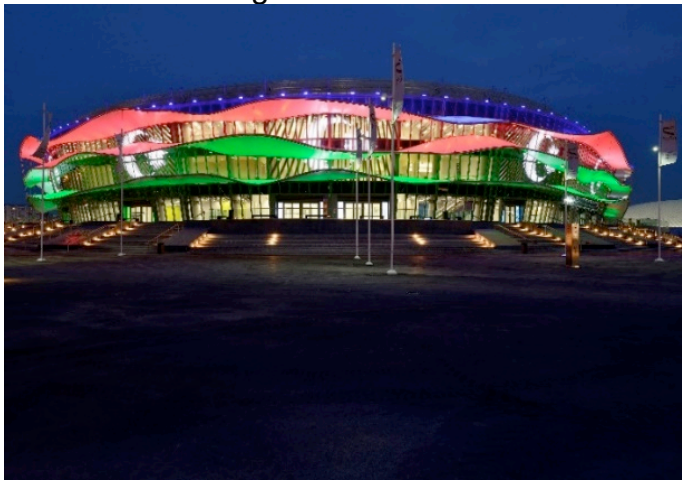


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Dear Friends,

Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation has the pleasure to invite you to the “GYM Bala 2018” International Tournament in rhythmic gymnastics.

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HOST FEDERATION	Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation Contact Person: Fatima Shafizada MGA - Milli Gimnastika Arenası (National Gymnastics Arena) 108 Heydar Aliyev Avenue AZ1029, Baku, Azerbaijan Tel: +99412 493 30 11 Mob: +99455 824 86 12 Fax: +99412 493 95 00 E-mail: administration@agf.az Website: www.agf.az
LOCATION	Baku, Azerbaijan
DATE	August 18 & 19, 2018
VENUE	MGA – Milli Gimnastika Arenası (National Gymnastics Arena) 178 Heydar Aliyev Avenue AZ1029, Baku, Azerbaijan Tel: +99412 566 9699 Fax: +99412 566 9694 Website: www.mga.az 
<p>The MGA was officially opened in April 2014. This gymnastics specialized Arena has already hosted the 30th Rhythmic Gymnastics European Championships (2014), the 1st WTF World Cadet Taekwondo Championships (2014), as well as 2015 NN Table Tennis Club ITTF-Europe Top 16 CUP”, Open Joint Azerbaijan Championships in Gymnastics Disciplines (held as a Test Event for the 1st European Games (2015), Competitions in 6 Gymnastics Disciplines of the 1st European Games (2015), the FIG Artistic Gymnastics World Challenge Cup AGF Trophy (2016), the FIG Trampoline Gymnastics World Cup AGF Trophy</p>	

	<p>(2016 & 2017), the FIG Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup AGF Trophy (2016 & 2017), the Opening Ceremony of the 42nd Chess Olympiad (2016), the FIG Artistic Gymnastics Individual Apparatus World Cup AGF Trophy (2017), events in 3 gymnastics events of the 4th Islamic Solidarity Games (2017), 2017 CEV U16 Volleyball European Championship among Women, the FIG Artistic Gymnastics Individual Apparatus World Cup AGF Trophy (2018)</p> <p>The Arena has the ability to stretch from 5,000 to 9,600 seats, depending on the size and the nature of the event it hosts. This sports facility has become a favourite training camp venue of many gymnasts all over the world.</p> <p>During the given tournament, Training and Warm-up facilities will be located within the MGA.</p>
APPARATUS SUPPLIED	<p>SPIETH Gymnastics</p> <p>Competition floor title: Beijing</p> <p>Colour: Beige</p> <p>FIG certified: Reference number: 652</p>
PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE	<p>August 16: Arrival of delegations, trainings</p> <p>August 17: Podium trainings & Sightseeing tour</p> <p>August 18: All-Around Individual and Group</p> <p>August 19: All-Around Individual and Group</p> <p>August 20: Departure of delegations</p> <p>Detailed schedule of the competitions will be provided upon arrival.</p>
COMPETITION FORMAT	<p>There will be held qualifications in the following age categories:</p> <p>Individual competition</p> <p>Babies – born in 2013 Without Apparatus: min. 3 – max. 7 BD, min. 3 dance steps, min. 2 waves</p> <p>Babies – born in 2012 Without Apparatus: min. 3 – max. 7 BD, min. 3 dance steps, min. 2 waves Ball: min.3 – max.7 BD (according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020)</p> <p>Babies – born in 2011 Without Apparatus: min. 5 – max. 7 BD, min. 3 dance steps, min. 2 waves Hoop: min.3 – max.7 BD (according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020)</p> <p>Youngsters – born in 2010 Without Apparatus: min. 5 – max. 7 BD, min. 3 dance steps, min. 2 waves Rope: min.3 – max.7 BD (according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020)</p> <p>Youngsters – born in 2009 Without Apparatus: min. 5 – max. 7 BD, min. 3 dance steps, min. 2 waves Ball: min.3 – max.7 BD (according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020)</p> <p>Youngsters – born in 2008 Without Apparatus: min. 5 – max. 7 BD, min. 3 dance steps, min. 2 waves Hoop: min. 3 – max. 7 BD (according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020)</p> <p>Pre-juniors – born in 2007 Hoop: according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020 Ball: according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020</p> <p>Pre-juniors – born in 2006 Rope: according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020 Ball: according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020</p>

	<p>Clubs: according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020</p> <p>Juniors – born in 2003-2005 Hoop, ball, clubs & ribbon: according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020</p> <p>Group competition Babies – born in 2011-2013 - Groups may consist of 4-6 gymnasts, length of exercise: 01:15-01:30 Without Apparatus: min. 5 – max. 7 BD, min. 3 dance steps, min. 2 waves, min. 3 collaborations Balls: min. 5 – max. 7 BD (according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020)</p> <p>Youngsters – born in 2008-2010 - Groups may consist of 4-6 gymnasts, length of exercise: 02:15-02:30 Hoops: according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020 Balls: according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020</p> <p>Pre-juniors – born in 2006-2007 - Groups shall consist of 5 gymnasts. Ribbons: according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020</p> <p>Juniors – born in 2003-2005 - Groups shall consist of 5 gymnasts. Ribbons: according to the FIG CoP 2017-2020</p> <p>According to the qualification results the awarding will be as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Top 3 gymnasts will be awarded in the all-around.• Top 3 gymnasts will be awarded per each apparatus. Only 1 gymnast per country can be awarded in the apparatus finals. 2 gymnasts from host country are allowed to be awarded in the apparatus finals.															
FEDERATIONS INVITED	The Organizing Member Federation invite all FIG Member Federations in good standing.															
SIZE OF DELEGATION	<div>The maximum size of invited delegation is as follows:</div> <table><tr><td></td><td>Individual</td><td>Group</td></tr><tr><td>Head of Delegation</td><td>1</td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Coach</td><td>1-4</td><td>1-4</td></tr><tr><td>Gymnasts</td><td>2 per each age category</td><td>2 per each age category</td></tr><tr><td>Judges</td><td>1 per each age category</td><td>1 per each age category</td></tr></table>		Individual	Group	Head of Delegation	1	1	Coach	1-4	1-4	Gymnasts	2 per each age category	2 per each age category	Judges	1 per each age category	1 per each age category
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	Host country is allowed to have unlimited number of gymnasts.															
AGE LIMITS	<p>Individual gymnasts: Babies: born in 2011-2013 Youngsters: born in 2008-2010 Pre-juniors: born in 2006-2007 Juniors: born in 2003-2005</p> <p>Group teams: Babies: born in 2011-2013 Youngsters: born in 2008-2010 Pre-juniors: born in 2006-2007 Juniors: born in 2003-2005</p>															
JUDGES AND JUDGES' PANELS	<p>Competitions will be evaluated by two Judges' Panels as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 Difficulty (D) Judges (FIG Brevet)															

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 Execution (E) Judges (FIG Brevet) • 2 Line (L) and 1 Time (T) Judges (FIG Brevet) <p>Priority will be given to the highest categories. No more than one judge per Federation per panel will be permitted except the host country. Host country will be allowed to have 2 judges per each age category.</p>				
REGISTRATION DEADLINES	<table> <tr> <td>Definitive entry form</td><td>June 16, 2018</td></tr> <tr> <td>Nominative entry form</td><td>July 16, 2018</td></tr> </table> <p>The entry forms shall be sent to the following e-mail address: administration@agf.az</p>	Definitive entry form	June 16, 2018	Nominative entry form	July 16, 2018
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ENTRY FEES	40 EUR per individual gymnast, 100 EUR per group				
ACCOMMODATION	<p>Holiday Inn Baku Hotel**** Address: Keykab Khanim, AZ1000, Baku, Azerbaijan Tel.: +994 12 599 1100 Website: https://www.ihg.com/holidayinn/hotels/ru/ru/baku/bakhi/hoteldetail</p> <p>The costs per person/night at Park Inn By Radisson Baku Hotel are as follows: EUR 120.- (single room, including breakfast) EUR 80.- (twin room, including breakfast)</p> <p>The invited participating federations must pay for the accommodation expenses of their delegation members. The accommodation request should be sent to the LOC (administration@agf.az) at latest July 16, 2018. 100% of the accommodation costs must be transferred to the LOC's bank account at latest by August 1, 2018. You can also pay your accommodation expenses upon arrival by cash.</p>				
MEALS	<p>Holiday Inn Baku Hotel**** Lunch - EUR 20.- (each) Dinner - EUR 25.- (each) Lunch will also be offered at MGA (competition venue) at the cost of EUR 15.- (each).</p> <p>The invited participating federations must pay for the meals expenses of their delegation members. The meals request should be sent to the LOC (administration@agf.az) July 16, 2018 at the latest. 100% of the meals costs must be transferred to the LOC's bank account by August 1, 2018 at the latest. You can also pay your meals expenses upon arrival by cash.</p>				
FINAL BANQUET	The Organizing Committee will host a Farewell Banquet for all Delegation members provided their accommodation was booked through the Organizing Committee at the conclusion of the event in the evening of August 19, 2018 .				
INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION	<p>The invited participating federations must pay for the International travel costs of their delegation members. The LOC will meet and see of the official members of the delegations at Heydar Aliyev International Airport (GYD), bus or railway station in Baku. The Travel Details must be sent to the LOC (administration@agf.az) at latest by July 16, 2018</p>				
LOCAL TRANSPORTATION	<p>The LOC will organize shuttle buses from Official Hotels to the Competition Venue (training venue is within the competition venue) and back. The LOC will organize buses for sightseeing tour and farewell banquet as well.</p>				

VISA	<p>Please verify immediately with your travel agent or Embassy or Consulate of Azerbaijan in your country if a visa is required for your travel to Azerbaijan. The LOC will assist you with a visa support letter provided that the participating delegations have sent the visa request form by July 16, 2018 at the latest.</p> <p>More information about the visa can be obtained on the following links:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) http://www.mfa.gov.az/?language=en&options=content&id=184 2) http://mfa.gov.az/?language=en&options=content&id=277 3) http://mfa.gov.az/files/file/visa%20fees.pdf 4) www.evisa.gov.az <p>The more information on visa can be obtained from the LOC's following e-mail: office@agf.az</p>
INSURANCE	<p>The Host Federation and the LOC will not be held responsible for any liabilities in case of accidents, illness, repatriation and the like.</p> <p>The participating Federations are responsible for making their own arrangements to have the necessary valid insurance coverage against illness, accidents and for repatriation for all the members of their Delegation.</p> <p>The LOC will verify the insurance upon arrival of the delegation members (e.g. cover note or photocopy of the valid policy). Delegation members with insufficient insurance cover must inform the LOC in advance. The LOC will subsequently offer insurance at the Federations own charge as follows: 15 EUR per person/day.</p>
ACCREDITATION	<p>Accreditation cards will be distributed at the Accreditation Centre situated at the Competition Venue upon arrival of the delegations.</p> <p>The following items will be checked there with the Heads of delegations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The passport of gymnasts and all members of the delegations • Licenses (juniors only) • Transport – Departure • The medical insurance for the members of the delegations • 2 sets of Audio CD's of the music • National anthem and national flag <p>In order to accelerate the process of the accreditation, each participating Federation is kindly requested to send photos and passport copy of each member of its delegation (gymnasts, head of delegation, judges, coaches and etc.) to the following email: administration@agf.az</p> <p>The deadline for the photos send (identity color photo in JPG format, size – 45mm x 35mm, resolution: 800x600plx) is July 16, 2018. Please clearly indicate the corresponding full name (with correct spelling) in the file title. Sending of photos in due time will prevent the delegations from waiting at the accreditation center.</p>
FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS	<p>Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the LOC by the given deadline in the Invitation/Directives may still have the possibility to participate, but the LOC will not guarantee the hotel booking, meals and local transportation.</p> <p>Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the Organizing Member federations upon arrival will not be accredited.</p>
BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION	<p>Beneficiary: Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation Beneficiary's account: AZ75PAHA38190EURHC0190012035 Bank: "PASHA Bank", Baku, Azerbaijan SWIFT PAHAAZ22 Correspondent: Raiffeisen Bank International AG Account with Institution: Am Stadtpark 9, 1030 Vienna Correspondent account: 1-55.081.095 SWIFT BIC: RZBAATWW Each participating member Federation is kindly requested to integrate the payment's purpose as follows: "GYM Bala 2018".</p>

	The participating federation is responsible for covering all bank fees in connection with the bank transfers.	
COMPETITION MANAGMENT	Competitions' director Yevgeniya Zhidkova Tel: +99412 493 30 11 E-mail: competition@agf.az	Competitions' secretary Nigar Mirzayeva Tel: +99412 493 30 11 E-mail: events@agf.az
MEDICAL SERVICES	The Local Organizing Committee will provide first aid medical services. Physiotherapists will be present during the competitions.	
SCORING SERVICE	SMART SCORING Company will provide a scoring service.	
RULES AND REGULATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGF Statutes • FIG Apparatus Norms (for juniors only) • FIG License rules (for juniors only) • FIG RG CoP 2017-2020 	
DEADLINES SUMMARY	Definitive Registration	June 16, 2018
	Nominative Registration	July 16, 2018
	Accommodation Request	July 16, 2018
	Travel Details' Submission	July 16, 2018
	Visa Request Form	July 16, 2018
	Meals' Request	July 16, 2018
	Send photos to accelerate accreditation	July 16, 2018
	Payment of the Accommodation & Meals Costs by bank transfer	August 16, 2018

Sincerely Yours,

Baku, April 21, 2018



Nurlana Mammadzada
Secretary General
Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation