



7th EHF Referee Candidates Course

16th – 20th December 2009 in St. Gallen, Switzerland



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The city of St. Gallen

The compact metropolis of eastern Switzerland between Lake Constance and Appenzellerland has a charming, traffic-free old town. Colourfully-painted oriel windows are a town feature. The Abbey precinct with the cathedral and Abbey Library has been accorded UNESCO World Heritage listing.



St. Gallen's most famous landmark is its Baroque cathedral with the Abbey Library, which houses some 140,000 documents – in part handwritten and over a thousand years old.

The library probably also has Switzerland's most beautiful Rococo hall. The entire Abbey precinct was declared a UNESCO world heritage site in 1983.

The name and foundation of the town stem from the Irish missionary monk Gallus who founded a hermitage here around 612. From 747, the then St. Gallen monastery was already following Benedictine Rule, which required the contemplative study of books and accordingly also stipulated the presence of a library. In the Middle Ages, the town developed into an important hub of culture and education in Europe. Later, the St. Gallen embroideries attracted international recognition and brought prosperity to the town.

St. Gallen is a university town with a focus on the economic sciences. The home town of the renowned «Mummenschanz» theatre group offers a varied cultural offering with theatres and museums. In summer, the romantic art-nouveau Dreilinden-Weiher open-air pool with its splendid views over the town attracts visitors to swim.

The excellent location in the four-country corner Switzerland, Germany, Austria and the Principality of Liechtenstein make St. Gallen the best starting point for excursions into the Appenzellerland with the Säntis, and to Lake Constance. Whether by rail or bicycle, the cycling and inline paradise of Lake Constance can be reached quickly along the Lake Constance Cycle Path. The combination of rail 'n' bike allows captivating tours to be undertaken which cross national borders. For walkers, the 'Bridge Trail' which passes over 18 bridges in the Sittertobel near St. Gallen is an experience: much about the design and construction of bridges is learnt en route.

A six-hour section of the 'Route of St. James' leads from Rorschach to Herisau via St. Gallen.

The Voralpen-Express connects Lake Constance with Lucerne via St. Gallen in 2:45 hours. This 149-km-long transversal travelling across the foothills of the Alps is interesting from a technical rail viewpoint, but also impresses with stunning landscapes such as the Toggenburg, Lake Zurich, and hill moor of Rothenturm.



EHF Competitions Commission / Technical Refereeing Committee

The Competition Commission (CC) has been part of the EHF structure since the foundation of the European Handball Federation in 1992. Back then, there was a Technical Commission dealing with all the technical matters in handball.

Due to the rapid development in handball, the Technical Commission soon split into two new commissions, the Competitions Commission and the Methods Commission. The responsibility of the CC is to deal with all the competitions matters of the EHF events, playing system of competitions and regulations based on the EHF Refereeing structure.

The CC includes a Chairman and four other members elected by the Congress with specific fields of activity, such as men's competitions, women's competitions, club competitions and last but not least refereeing.

In order to guarantee high level refereeing all over the European handball courts, various programmes have been targeting referee- and delegate education with a special focus on young referees and female referees.

To take the subject to the next level, the EHF Executive Committee made a decision to set up a new specialised body. The EHF Technical Refereeing Committee (TRC) has been called into being to serve as a kind of think tank contributing to the further development of the European refereeing standards.

The EHF Technical Refereeing Committee held its first meeting on Friday, 9 January 2009 in the EHF Headquarters, Vienna.

The chairman of the committee is Sándor Andorka, responsible for refereeing matters within the EHF Competitions Commission. The members Carol Domenge (FRA), Jiri Konecny (CZE) and Dragan Nachevski (MKD) complete this committee.





EHF Competence Academy & Network (EHF CAN) - Organiser

The European Handball Federation (EHF) is the governing body of Handball in Europe! Its 50 Member Federations represent and stand for 50 different kinds of national and international handball know-how. Those individual national handball schools/philosophies shall be made use of by involving experts in order to contribute to the variety of handball education in Europe!

Handball know-how exchange and transfer in Europe shall be fostered as an EHF service for the EHF Member Federations by making use of national and international handball experts as well as external lecturers from sport science, medicine, other sports, economy (marketing, equipment suppliers) and media (press, TV, Internet).

The EHF Competence Academy & Network (EHF CAN) shall be established as an educational service centre for EHF Member Federations with the possibility of granting scholarships in order to minimize or delete financial burdens for them. The same holds good for internal EHF Office management training on the job.

The EHF "CAN" shall be established to develop and deliver sport specific educational and training programmes in order to ensure that coaches, officials, athletes and administrators from all over Europe (and the world) have access to the highest quality education relating to "handball know-how" and competence in e-learning, blended learning, interdisciplinary educational courses of various duration, summer schools or mainstream 2-4 semester courses within the European Education Credit Transfer System (ECTS framework).

The EHF "CAN" shall set-up Business Executive Education programmes for further educating and training sporting administrators, resort managers and event executives in the Handball Event Management Business, e.g. also in event-related courses.

The EHF "CAN" shall contain a documentation centre including production of modern teaching aids and media as well as cooperation agreements with research&developing partners, suppliers, universities and testifying institutions.

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Swiss Handball League Games (Men's 1st Division)

Wednesday, 16 December 2009

Venue	Time	Teams
Buechenwald, Gossau	19.30	Fortitudo Gossau vs. RTV 1879 Basel
Eulachhalle, Winterthur	19.30	Pfadi Winterthur vs. Kadetten Schaffhausen

Friday, 18 December 2009

Venue	Time	Teams
Eulachhalle, Winterthur	19:30	Yellow Winterthur vs. TSV St. Otmar St. Gallen
Schachenhalle, Aarau	20:00	HSC Suhr Aarau vs. HC Kriens-Luzern
Schweizersbild, S'hausen	20:00	Kadetten Schaffhausen vs. BSV Bern Muri
Saalsporthalle, Zürich	20:00	SG GC Amicitia vs. Pfadi Winterthur
Sporthalle, Obersiggenth.	20:00	TV Endingen vs. Wacker Thun

Sunday, 20 December, 2009

Venue	Time	Teams
Rankhof, Basel	16:00	RTV 1879 Basel vs. HSC Suhr Aarau
Lachenhalle, Thun	16.30	Wacker Thun vs. SG GC Amicitia
Krauerhalle, Kriens	16:30	HC Kriens-Luzern vs. TV Endingen
Mooshalle, Gümligen	17:00	BSV Bern Muri vs. TSV St. Otmar St. Gallen
Buechenwald, Gossau	17:30	Fortitudo Gossau vs. Yellow Winterthur

International Women's Tournament 'Brühl Cup'

Schedule not available

Course Basics

It is the seventh EHF Referee Candidates course held by the EHF, and the first one during the current season 2009/10. The course which will be held from 16 to 20 December 2010 in Switzerland is open to a maximum of 6 pairs and is carried out in cooperation with the Swiss Handball Federation. For the same period and venue the IHF has invited five international pairs to participate in their Global-Referee-Training-Programme with parallel sessions.

EHF Candidates will be appointed to referee games at the women's international level (Brühl Cup) and the men's first division level in the Swiss Handball League.

The following EHF Referee Candidates courses were held to date:

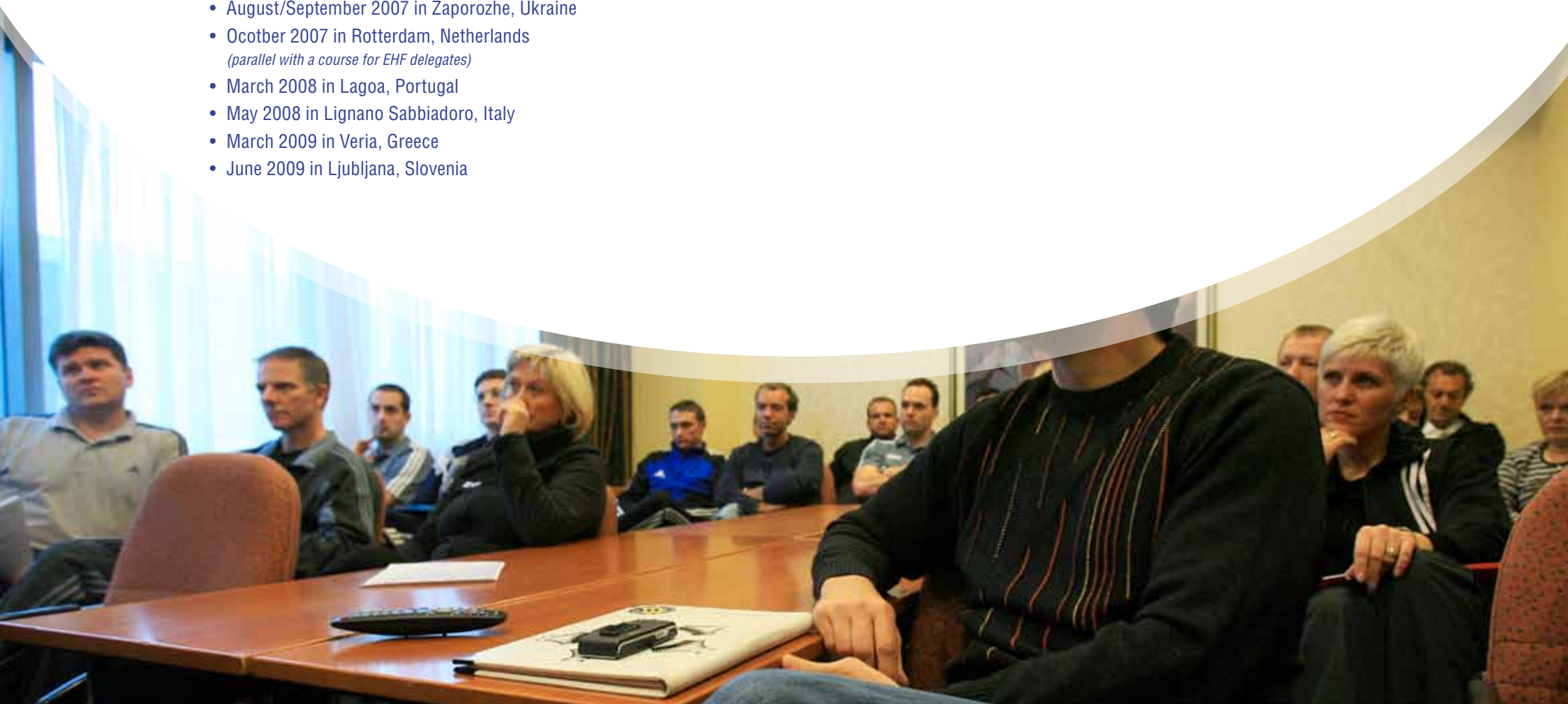
- August/September 2007 in Zaporozhe, Ukraine
- October 2007 in Rotterdam, Netherlands
(parallel with a course for EHF delegates)
- March 2008 in Lagoa, Portugal
- May 2008 in Lignano Sabbiadoro, Italy
- March 2009 in Veria, Greece
- June 2009 in Ljubljana, Slovenia

Finances

The responsibility for organisational matters is with the organising federation. They are responsible for bearing the local costs such as food, accommodation and the local transport. Daily allowances and flight costs for the EHF lecturers and the EHF office staff member/s will be borne by the EHF.

Travel costs for the participants are either borne by themselves or their National federation.

If the referees do clearly not meet the EHF requirements for passing the course, a share of the course costs will be refunded via their National federation.





Presenters



Sandor Andorka / CC Refereeing

EHF Competitions Commission Member since 2004
Chairman EHF Technical Refereeing Commission
Former Top IHF and EHF Referee
IHF - PRC Member



Peter Olsson / SWE

EHF Lecturer since 2008
Former top IHF and EHF Referee
Specialist Refereeing



Klaus Feldmann / GER

EHF Lecturer since 1998
IHF Lecturer since 1998
Coaching specialist



Roland Bürgi / IHF guest speaker

EHF Lecturer since 2008
IHF - PRC member since 2004
Specialist Refereeing



Marcos Bestilleiro / EHF

EHF Office Staff Member since 2004
Business Unit Competitions (Refereeing/Delegates)
Course Administration



Curriculum of EHF Referee Candidate Educational Courses

1. Organisation

EHF in cooperation with National Federations as local organisers
(High level handball tournament obligatory)

2. Type

Course for EHF referee candidates nominated by National Federations (based on the EHF Structure of Refereeing)

3. Course lecturers/administrators

- a) 3 lecturers from CC (*refereeing & coaching*) and EHF Lecturer Staff
- b) 1-2 administrators from EHF Office / EHF CAN

4. Duration 5 – 7 days

5. Language English

6. Entry Criteria

- a) A copy of the passport.
- b) A handball CV of the candidate(s).
- c) Medical attest of max. 1 month old.
- d) A summary of the physical tests and the results signed as a true statement by the chief-referee

7. Basic requirements

- a) Physical conditions (Cooper test, Shuttle Run test etc.)
- b) Theoretical knowledge (IHF Rules, EHF Regulations etc.)
- c) Language: Ability to communicate in English.
- d) Ability to manage a match on the highest national level in a sufficient way.
- e) Ability to learn “on the job” and to improve.
- f) Realistic view on his/her actual level of competence and the domains of competency which have to be improved (realistic objectives).

8. Testing

- a) Theoretical: 1 rule test
- b) Practical: 2 physical tests (Shuttle run test, Cooper test)

9. Topics of lectures

- a) Expectations (*physical conditions, theoretical knowledge, English knowledge*)
- b) Procedure before, during and after a match (preparation for the match, responsibility, interrelations, conversations)
- c) Refereeing from the coach point-of-view (entering the goal area, passive play, foul in attack play, dramatic behaviour, advantage)
- d) What do the coaches desire from referees (formal factors, decision-making, communication)
- e) Fair-play-acting (fake actions, injury or not, provocative behaviour)
- f) Common line for our success (goalkeeper, back court player, centre back/playmaker, pivot, winger, defence specialist, counter-attack, the order of the substitution area)
- g) Moving path on the court (correct moving, moving mistakes)
- h) Defensive actions in the goal area, 7 m or not? (intentional and unintentional entry, infringement of goal area, blocking dash using goal area and above goal area)
- i) Refereeing is about communication (facial expressions, personality, progressive behaviour)

10. Working Sessions

- a) Theoretical: 12 – 15 hours (due to relating tournament/match schedule)
- b) Practical: 35 – 40 hours (officiating, observation tasks)

11. Feedback session (obligatory) based on the EHF evaluation sheet

- a) Self assessment with referee group
- b) Self assessment with lecturer group

12. Certificate/Status/Follow-up

- a) EHF certificate on successful attendance.
- b) Recommendation to CC regarding the awarding of status of EHF referee
- c) EHF CAN Documentation CD containing lecturers' presentations and teaching tools.
- d) Course documentation for download on <http://activities.eurohandball.com/>

List of Participants

Name

EHF Technical Official(s)

Sandor Andorka
Peter Olsson
Klaus Feldmann
Marcos Bestilleiro

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GER
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EHF Referee Candidates (6 couples)

Ion Bustamante* / Javier Alvarez Mata
Said Bounouara / Khalid Sami
Arnar Sigurjonsson / Svavar Petursson
Havard Kleven / Christian Ramberg
Samuel Bernet / Dominique Wick
Robin Sager / Stefan Styger

ESP
FRA
ISL
NOR
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SUI

* EHF Status



Course Schedule

Wednesday 16.12.09	13:00 <i>at the latest</i> 13:00-14:00 14:45 <i>at the latest</i> 15:00-15:30 15:30-16:00 16:00-16:30 Evening 22:00	Arrival Lunch Mensa Check-in hotel Welcome and Opening What do we expect from EHF-refs Match preparation 2 games / Swiss 1 st division, men Dinner
Thursday 17.12.09	09:00-10:30 11:00-12:00 13:00-13:30 13:30-14:00 14:00-15:00 15:00-16:00 17:00-18:00 19:00	Shuttle run test Lunch Rules test Analysis / match day 1 What does the trainer expect from referees + Refereeing from the point of view of a coach 7-metres Cooper test Official dinner/reception
Friday 18.12.09	09:00-09:30 09:30-10:00 10:00-10:30 11:00-11:30 11:30-12:30 13:00-14:00 Later afternoon Evening Afterwards	Test – where in the rules it is written...? Video test – progressive punishment IHF-GRTP (concept, strategy) Match preparation Actual policy in rule interpretation Lunch Individual departure to match venues 4 games / Swiss 1st division, men Individual dinner
Saturday 19.12.09	08:30-09:00 09:00-10:30 10:30-11:00 Afterwards	Analysis / match day 2 Course topic t.b.d. / depending on REF needs Match preparation Individual lunch and departure to match venues 6 games / Brühl tourn. (senior women's teams) 3 games / Swiss 2nd division, men Individual dinner
Sunday 20.12.09	09:00-09:30 09:30-10:00 before noon Afterwards 22:00-23:00	Analysis / match day 3 Evaluation / video test individual departure to match venues 1 game / Brühl tournament (senior w-teams) 4 games / Swiss 1st division, men Summary and closing
Monday 21.12.09		Departure