

# 5<sup>th</sup> EHF Referee Candidates Course

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## Hosting City Veria

An ancient town. A blessed place. Here, nature and history mingled thousands of years ago. At the Eastern foot of the magnificent

Mount Vermion, by the mythical Pierian

Mountains, the hospitable capital of

the Prefecture of imathia unfolds its ingenuous beauty. From this place the bright green plain of Campania is extended meeting the light blue waters of Aliakmonas, the river, which, as a natural border, separates the wooded volumes of both Mount Vermion and the

Pierian Mountains. Here the remnants

of ancient Veria's past - near Vergina, the ancient Aiges - the centre of the ancient

Macedonian culture - revive the brilliant history of the region.

Font and digester of invaders, tribes, populations and civilisations, Veria incorporated morals and customs, traditions and religions in the canvas of a culturally rich past. The numerous Byzantine and post Byzantine churches, the traditional districts of Kiriotissa and Barbuta, the impressive modernised - classical buildings that remained, harmoniously coexist with the current town, which is a modern commercial, historical and cultural centre of Macedonia.

The river Tripotamos, which is a source of life for Veria for many centuries, is meant to connect its impetuous flow with the historical discourse of the town. In this MaceDonian ground, the dense forests and the imposing mountaintops of Vermion, the Ski Centre of Seli, the aquatic natural beauty of the rivers, the astonishing Byzantine temples and the monasteries, the various cultural activities, compose a magical destination. A place where the visitor feels the charm of nature and history tastes the local products and discovers the genuine cultural life of the region.

**Ancient Veria**: For 2700 years, the least, Veria travels in time reflecting the light of civilisation. It is, as it appears, the most ancient town of Macedonia and preserves its continual presence by the same and name and at the same territorial grounds.

**Byzantine Veria**: The rich Byzantine heritage of the town is safeguarded impressively enough, as regards the temples, for centuries, showing its important cultural and economic blossoming of the time.



# EHF Competitions Commission / Technical Refereeing Commitee

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), Bjarne Munk Jensen (DEN), Jiri Konecny (CZE) and Dragan Nachevski (MKD) complete this committee.







### Course Basics

It is the fifth EHF Referee Candidates course held by the EHF, and the first one during the current season 2008/09. The course which will be held from 5 to 8 March 2009 in Veria/GRE, is open to a maximum of 6 pairs and is carried out in connection with a tournament for women's club teams (HC Megas Alexandros Giannitsa/GRE, AC Aris Thessaloniki/GRE, HC Naisa Nis/SRB, HC Municipal Roman/ROU, HC Metalurg Skopje/MKD, HC CSKA Sofia/BUL). The tournament consists of 12 matches (2 games per referee pair).

Four EHF Referee Candidates course were held to date:

- August/September 2007 in Zaporozhe/UKR
- October 2007 in Rotterdam/NED (parallel with a course for delegates)
- March 2008 in Lagoa/POR
- May 2008 in Lignano Sabbiadoro/ITA

## **Finances**

The responsibility for organisational matters is with the organising federation. They are responsible concerning 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 of the referee candidates have to be covered by the participants themselves or their federations.







- 3. The lecturers evaluate the respective matches, using also
- 4. The candidates have to evaluate the matches too, both in a technical/tactical way, their behavior in standard and more complex situations and an overall impression of their performance (Do they have a realistic view?)
- 5. Theoretical tests:

the official EHF match report.

- IHF Rules Book written test: 30 questions
- Where in the rules it is written...? 10 sentences

#### Information, communication etc. after the matches/tournament

1. After the tournament, the lecturers will have a final meeting with the candidates and inform them about their opinion, evaluation and the results as well as their advice to the EHF Competitions Commission / CC. (This is no discussion meeting!)

#### The advice can be:

- a.) Acceptation as an EHF couple.
- b.) No direct acceptation, but advice to attend an EHF course.
- c.) No future as an international couple.
- 2. The CC decides to award the couple with the status of an EHF couple or not.
- 3. The federations have the right to candidate the couples for the second time for an EHF course. Failing for the second time means no chances for an international career anymore.
- 4. After awarding the EHF office will inform the federation concerned and will fulfill the necessary formalities.
- 5. Immediately after the formalities the EHF can nominate the "new international referees" in European competitions.



