

# 9th EHF Regional Course for Handball Delegates

EHF CAN

26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> May 2008 in Vilnius, Lithuania



## Hosting City Vilnius

The capital city of Vilnius – Venue of the 9<sup>th</sup> EHF Regional Course for Handball Delegates

The capital of the Republic of Lithuania is VILNIUS.

Naturally, it is the largest city in the country with an area of 392 square kilometres. Buildings cover 20.2% of the city and the remaining area is prevailed with the greenery (43.9%) and waters (2.1%).

The Old Town, historical centre of Vilnius, is one of the largest in Eastern Europe (360 ha). The most valuable historic and cultural heritage is concentrated here. The buildings in the old town - there are about 1.5 thousand of them - were built in a number of different centuries, therefore, it is a mixture of all European architectural styles. Although Vilnius is often called a baroque city, here you will find some buildings of gothic, renaissance and other styles. Because of its uniqueness, the Old Town of Vilnius was inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List.

The history of the capital city is a reflection of the nation's past and the experiences of lives of cultures of Western and Eastern Europe. Pagan cult sites, Orthodox churches, Catholic baroque, and traces of the Jewish way of life are all witnesses to the historical multicultural life in the city and testify to the wide open history of this Eastern European city.

However, with the restoration of independence in Lithuania and the re-establishment of the state, wide and promising opportunities opened up also for the development of sports. The sports administration system has been reconstructed, and new state and public sports organizations have been set up. Issues connected with physical education and state sports administration are managed by the Physical Education and Sports Department and a governmental institution set up in 1990.

In 1994 Lithuania hosted the Women's Youth European Championship for Handball with 12 participating national teams from all over Europe. On that occasion the EHF carried out the first EHF delegate course ever in Vilnius on 9/10 September 1994.







### Course Basics

The 9th EHF Regional course for Handball Delegates takes place in Vilnius/LTU from May 26-28, 2008. The course will be held on the occasion on a 6 Nation Women's Tournament organized by the LTU Handball Federation with the national teams of BLR, KAZ, LAT, LTU I, LTU II students and POL.

### Who should attend

Within the EHF Regional Delegate Course Programme the course in Vilnius/Lithuania offered the last chance for registering EHF delegates, who have not attended any delegates' course in the past years, to take part in that kind of obligatory EHF educational service in the 2007/2008 season.

Please be aware that EHF delegates, who will have not attended any EHF Course for Handball Delegates by the end of 2007/2008 season, are not eligible to be registered by their respective Nation Federation as EHF delegate for the upcoming 2008/2009 season.

Therefore it was within the responsibility of the respective National Federations to exactly evaluate the situation of each EHF delegate regarding the registration of the above mentioned course in Vilnius.

A delegate course for the newly registered delegates in the 2008/2009 season was confirmed on the 1st CAN meeting which took place on May 2nd, 2008 in Vienna. This 10th EHF Regional Delegates' Course shall be carried out during the first weekend of the M 18 ECh in Brno/CZE from August 7 - 11, 2008.

#### **Finances**

Following the EHF course concept the cost for local transfers from the airport or railway station shall be borne by the organiser.

Cost for full board and lodging for all participants as well as cost resulting form infrastructure (e.g. conference room rent) will be borne by the EHF.









