MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL FINA MEMBER FEDERATIONS IN EUROPE

FROM: FINA Office, Lausanne

DATE: 7th May 2019

RE: FINA DIVING DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL FOR JUDGES
    Graz, Austria (AUT) / 6 – 7 June 2019

Dear Friends,

I have the pleasure to send you the following information related to the organisation of the FINA Diving Development School scheduled to be held in Graz, Austria (AUT), from 6th to 7th June 2019.

The purpose of this course is to achieve the following objectives:

- Enlarge the number of judges and enhance the quality of the existing ones;
- Create a uniform pattern of interpretation and application of Diving rules, thus raising the quality of judging;
- Use the course as an instrument to develop and promote Diving worldwide.

Please note the following information related to the designation & development courses for Diving judges:

- The FINA Diving Development Schools are designed to meet the needs of those National Federations who have requested judges’ instruction and do not have any judges training in place
- The course caters to those participants with limited basic knowledge or no experience in judging
- Candidates must be at least 16 years old on December 31 of the year of the Development School
- Online Test: all the participants must pass a mandatory test through the FINA Learning Platform by the end of the school they have registered for.
Please find below the details related to the organisation of this course:

**DATE:**
- **Arrival:** 5th June 2019
- **Course:** 6th – 7th June 2019
- **Departure:** 7th June 2019 in the evening or 8th in the morning

**PARTICIPANTS:**
Each National Member Federation may nominate diving judges for this course.

**REGISTRATION:**
All participants must be registered by the 20th May 2019 in the FINA General Management System (GMS) using your federation login details. The link to the FINA GMS is [https://data.fina.org](https://data.fina.org).

Please kindly note that the specific discipline of the school must be added to the attendee’s GMS profile as well as his/her personal email address in order to submit the registration. Without this information, the registration will be rejected.

If you require any assistance with the registration, please contact [aquaticsdb@fina.org](mailto:aquaticsdb@fina.org)

**NATIONALITY:**
Please take into consideration that when a competition official represents his/her country in a competition, he/she shall be a citizen, whether by birth or naturalisation, of the nation he/she represents, provided that a naturalised citizen shall have lived in that country for at least one year prior to that competition (FINA Handbook - Edition 2017, General Rules 2.5).

**APPROVALS:**
FINA will start to approve the registrations once the required number of attendees has been reached (10).
The approvals will be done on a first come first served basis, provided that the maximum number of participants (30) has not been reached.

**ONLINE TEST:**

Each approved participant will receive access to the FINA Learning Platform on the day following the registration deadline and must pass the test by the end of the school.

The login details and instructions will be sent to the candidate’s email address as submitted in the registration.

Once a participant has passed the test, he/she will be able to download a certificate that must be shown to the lecturer at the end of the school.

**PLACE:**

Graz, Austria

**ARRIVAL AIRPORT:**

Graz Airport (GRZ)

**TRAVEL:**

Each National Federation is responsible for the travel expenses of the nominated diving judges.

We kindly ask you to not book any flight tickets until your participants have been approved.

**VISA SUPPORT:**

Participants requiring visa assistance are kindly requested to contact Austrian Swimming Federation.

**ACCOMMODATION:**

Each National Federation will cover the accommodation expenses of the nominated diving judges.

**Austria Trend Hotel Europa Graz**

Bahnhofgürtel 89

8020 Graz
Website: Click here

Single room: EUR 180/night (full board)
Double room: EUR 280/night (full board)

RESERVATIONS: Please confirm your reservation with the Austrian Swimming Federation.

LOCAL TRANSPORT: Transfers from and to the airport will be provided by the OC for those participants accommodated at the official hotel.

In order to organise the local transportation, please provide the participants’ flight arrival and departure details to the Austrian Swimming Federation.

MEETING VENUE: Austria Trend Hotel Europa Graz & Pool Eggenberg (Auster)

PROGRAMME: Please find attached the school programme.

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We strongly believe that the FINA Diving Development Schools for Judges will powerfully contribute to the improvement of our sport.

For any further details please contact the FINA Office in Lausanne:

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We look forward to receiving your nominations through the FINA GMS by no later than the 20th May 2019.

Yours sincerely,

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