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DAILY BULLETIN 2

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PROGRAMME

Monday 22 July

afternoon/evening arrivals of key organizers

Tuesday 23 July

whole day arrivals of participants, registration, housing of the teams

10:00 - 22:00 Event Office open – Olomouc „Envelopa“

17:00 – 19:00 Model/Training (sprint) „Prolog“ – Prostějov

Wednesday 24 July

8:00 - 19:00 Event Office open – Olomouc „Envelopa“

9:00 - 11:15 Model/Training (forest) - Čechy pod Kosířem

14:00 - 16:00 General Technical Meeting – compulsory for representative of all entered teams

15:30 - 16:30 Technical and Sprint Training - Olomouc “Korunní pevnůstka”

20:19 - 21:29 Opening Ceremony - Olomouc „Envelopa“

Thursday 25 July

7:00 - 8:00 Event Office open – Olomouc „Envelopa“

9:30 - 11:30 Sprint Qualification – Bouzov

15:30 - 19:00 Sprint Final – Mohelnice

Friday 26 July

7:00 - 8:00 Event Office open – Olomouc „Envelopa“

9:30 - 13:00 Middle Distance Competition - Velký Kosíř

Saturday 27 July

7:00 - 8:00 Event Office open – Olomouc „Envelopa“

9:30 - 14:00 Sprint Relay Competition - Olomouc “Korunní pevnůstka”

14:00 - 14:30 Closing Ceremony - Olomouc “Korunní pevnůstka”

Sunday 28 July

7:00 - 9:00 Event Office open – Olomouc „Envelopa“

morning departure of participants

FAVORITES

Next week will see University Orienteers from 16 countries compete in 3 disciplines – Sprint, Middle Champ; Sprint Relay – at the 1 st European University Championships. Who will be the athletes to look out for?

Women's Sprint

The Woman to beat and definite favourite for Gold has to be local Czech runner Tereza Janošíková. She was 19th in the Sprint at both Worlds and European's last year, as well as picking up a JWOC Sprint Silver, again, and Long bronze in 2018. She is currently ranked 20th in the World for Sprint in the IOF rankings. She will be a tough customer to beat! But she is not short of challengers who will be hungry to profit from any mistakes she might make. Laura Ramstein from Austria and studying in Switzerland was 27th at WOC last



year and currently ranked 53rd is certainly a good tip for a medal, along with 64th ranked Swiss Deborah Stadler. But could Latvia's Liga Valdemanė surprise us (WR-112) or Germany's Paula Starke (WR-130) or Switzerland's Hanna Müller (WR-105)?

Men's Sprint

No clear favourite but the medals could well come from one of 5 contenders, each with a WR of between 69 – 88! Tristan Bloemen BEL could well take the Gold like he did at EYOC Sprint back in 2012 (WR-69), but then the Swiss have two solid sprinters in Philipp von Arx (WR-78) and Jannis Schönleber (WR-73). And then the French have Arnaud Perrin (WR-88) and Maxime Raturier (WR-76) who will surely get at least one medal!? This is likely to be one very tight race.

Women's Middle

Tereza, Laura and Liga are the only top 100 ranked Women in the Forest at EUOC. It is in fact Laura currently in 73 who leads, 5 places ahead of Tereza, with Liga in 81st. But who will secure Gold? Stadler is next best in 121 with Zsafia Sarkozy HUN (125), Starke (135) and Swiss Müllers in 143 & 147 not far behind. Who will hit the controls cleanly and who will blow it!?

Men's Middle

Some of the good male sprinters are not as good in the forest and none of the Men present are ranked in the top 100. Bloeman is in fact best in 108th. He was 44th last year at WOC and EOC Long. Could he even do the double and win both Sprint and Middle? He'd be the Pride of Belgium if he could pull it off. Swiss Sven Hellmüller is ranked 124 in the Forest and Arnaud Perrin 126 will certainly be capable of medals but will they be able to hold it together?

As usual in orienteering, there are always surprises and chances to be taken. Good luck to all competitors and enjoy the great Czech Orienteering on offer!



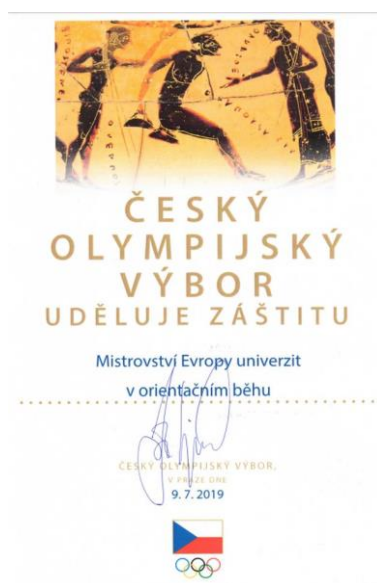
Tereza Janošíková is one of the biggest favourite of women's class. Photo: Klára Mašinová.

ORGANIZERS

The ones who were following academic championships during last few years are already familiar with the names appearing on the list of organizers. With some minor changes the organizing committee stayed the same as while WUOC 2014. The reason is simple, the Event Director and Vicedirector of WUOC 2014 Jindřich Smička, put the bet on time-proven team of organizers. To mention few: Marek Otruba, head of the regional orienteering department. Roman Zbranek, main course setter with experiences from many national competitions, besides national controller during EOC 2016. Lukáš König, IT specialist, worldwide respected specialist in his orienteering domain. Dušan Vystavěl, technical delegate, Event Director of WUOC 2014 and nearly year ago elected representative of IOF Council and other more than 70 organizers.

SUPPORT

The President of the Czech Olympic Committee, Mr. Jiří Kejval, awarded the 1st European Universities Orienteering Championship 2019 with their auspices.



INFORMATION

- Website <https://orienteering2019.eusa.eu/>
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