



SOPOT, POLAND

A - CLASS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

19-26 August 2017



Polish A-class Association and UKS NAVIGO Sailing Club on behalf of Polish Sailing Association, would like to host A-class World Championships in Poland in 2017.



SOPOT

Sopot is the most popular summer resort on polish coast, well known for its wonderful sandy beaches and the longest wooden pier in Europe (512 m long), with a modern marina for 120 yachts, which may be a great sighting place for spectators and tourists.

Sopot has already hosted a number of international cultural and sport events - for example IAAF World Indoor Championships in 2014. The city is known as well for wide choice of gastronomy types, very popular among tourits and locals.

Sopot hosted many sailing events in past from: World and European Championships in RSX, Bic Techno, Finn, 505, Match Race events and many others.

City authorities well known for supporting sailing especially among youth are very interested in A-class World Championships.

The vicinity of two big cities like Gdańsk and Gdynia offer a lot of sight seeing opportunities such as the medieval city of Gdansk, medieval castle in Malbork, modern Gdynia.





Dear A-class Catamaran Sailors,

I would like to recommend Sopot as the best sailing spot to organize A-class Catamaran World Championships

Our city is very friendly for sailors. There are new facilities such as Sopot Marina and Sailing Centre, where UKS NAVIGO Catamaran Club is situated.

UKS NAVIGO has long experience in organizing catamaran regattas. Every year the Club organizes 3 events of Polish Catamaran Cup. One of them is Polish Catamaran Championships – Polish Open attended by catamaran competitors from all over the Europe.

Sopot has hosted a lot of prestigious sailing events, international regattas, European and World Championships in Match Racing, trimarans and windsurfing.

Our city has o lot of attractions. There is the longest wooden pier in Europe and wonderful sandy beaches. You can find good music and art there and you can enjoy Sopot night life by visiting famous pubs and clubs.

I am convinced that Sopot will be the best choice for A-class Catamaran World Championships 2017. I heartily invite you to our beautiful city.

Yours sincerely.

Jacek Karnowski



UKS NAVIGO SAILING CLUB AND SAILING AREA

UKS NAVIGO Sailing Club is the biggest catamaran club in Poland. A-class is most popular class. A-class sailors in Navigo: Marcin Badzio, Tymek Bendyk, Jacek Noetzel, Jakub Kopyłowicz – Exploder constructor and many others.

The Club is situated near the center of the town, right next to the beach.

The facilities where built in 2013 and consists of: boat area, sheds, office, conference room for 100 people, toilets, showers, small restaurant, camp site, playground.

Sailing area is situated in Gdansk Bay, protected from the open sea by Hel Peninsula. There are no rocks and no shallows. The racing area is almost unlimited. Depending on the wind direction buoys can be placed near the famous wooden pier, especially for spectators. It is always a great attraction for inhabitants and tourists.

Sailing conditions could be very variable and depend on the wind direction. The waves are rather small. Water is not salty. The temperature of the water in August is aproximetly 20 C, air temperature is aproximetly 22 C.



JOURNEY

There are diverse ways to get to the venue:

- by car from every part of Europe (motorways)
- by plane -GDANSK LECH WALESA AIRPORT (15 km from UKS NAVIGO Club with very good connections) www.airport.gdansk.pl
- by ferry to Gdynia and Gdansk (10 km from UKS NAVIGO Club) www.polferries.com/ferry www.stenaline.com
- easy containers shipping with the boats to Gdynia and Gdansk harbours from every part of the world.



ORGANIZATION

- It is possible to organize training sessions before the regattas.
 Anyone who would like to arrive earlier and train individually is welcome.
- Registration to the regatta will be on line.
- We cooperate with very experienced international judges, what guarantees a professional level of regatta organization. In our sailing area every year World and Europeans Championships take place.
- Race Committee Office will be situated in the club house.
- All additional support boats and race boats will be kept in Sopot Marina at the end of the pier.
- Competitors' boats will stay on the beach (white, gentle sand) next to the club, and will be compound and guarded all the time.
- Boats will be launched directly from the beach. Very easy and friendly area 15 m from the shore water it is deep enough to sail.
- Containers will be located in the club in a special compound area.
- It is possible to put a tent or a camping caravan in the club.
- During the regatta there will be a boat service in the club.
- Medical care will be provided
- All additional events and parties will be hosted in the club.
- Every day after sailing there will be a buffet for sailors (food and beverages).
- There is a free WI-FI access in the club.

SCHEDULE

Suggested event format would be as follows:

Saturday 19th August, Registration & measurement 9.00 – 18.00

Sunday 20th August, Registration & measurement 9.00 – 13.00 13.00 Skipper's Meeting 15.00 Practice race. 18.00 Opening Ceremony in the center of the town Welcome Party

Monday 21th August, Races 1 and 2 Warning signals at 12.00 Party

Tuesday 22th August, Races 3 and 4 Warning signals at 12.00 Party

Wednesday 23th August, Races 5 & 6 Warning signals at 12.00 Gala Evening Dinner

Thursday 24th August, Reserve day Social events

Friday 25th August, Race 7 & 8 Warning signals at 12.00 Party

Saturday 26th August, Race 9

Presentation, Closing Ceremony, Goodbye Drinks and Buffet.

PROMOTION

Big media interest in World A-class Championships. Lot of spectators – locals and tourists.

We guarantee photo and film service for the regatta.

There will be a special website and a dedicated FB profile especially for this event where we will publish all information (photos, videos, results) about the regattas and any additional events.

Regatta should have a local TV, local and specialized newspapers coverage.

ACCOMMODATION

Second part of August is the end of holiday season providing a wide choice of available accommodation in hotels and apartments near our club.

For example:

- in our sailing center: http://www.skz.sopot.pl/#/hotel/1-50-111/Opis.html
- in the club vicinity: MERA SPA HOTEL (high class hotel) http://www.meraspahotel.pl/
- camp site in the club, reservation: <u>katamaran@sopot.pl</u>
- in the club vicinity: SOPOCKI ZDRÓJ http://www.sopocki-zdroj.pl/
- 5 minutes from the club: VILLA BALTICA (high class hotel) http://www.villabaltica.com/

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