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**International Youth Fire Fighters Gathering  
from 21<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> July 2024 in  
Borgo Valsugana / Trentino**



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## **Tender XXIV. International Youth Fire Fighters Gathering**

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### **A) General**

The announcement of the 24<sup>th</sup> International Youth Fire Fighters Gathering (IYFG) will take place after decision of the International Youth Leaders Commission and after approval by the Executive Council of CTIF.

**The 24<sup>th</sup> IYFG will take place from Sunday, the 21<sup>st</sup> of July to Sunday, the 28<sup>th</sup> July 2024 in Borgo Valsugana (Trentino), under the direction of the International Youth Leader Commission (IYLC) of the CTIF.**

The local organization is entrusted to the Provincial Association of Volunteer Fire Brigades of the Autonomous Province of Trentino.

The head of the organization for the CTIF is the chairman of the International Youth Leader Commission, Jörn-Hendrik Kuinke.

The CTIF has entrusted the International Competition Director for the IYFG, Michael Wagner, Austria, with the management of the competition.

Information about the technical execution of the International Youth Fire Brigade Competitions can be found in the International Competition Regulations for Youth Fire Brigades in the current version as well as in the specifications on the occasion of the evaluation training 2023.

In case of discrepancies in the interpretation of the competition regulations, only the **GERMAN VERSION** is valid.

The invitation is extended to all CTIF National Fire Brigade Associations, and it is hoped that as many associations as possible will send youth groups to the gathering.

## B) Organisation

### 1. National organizing team

The National Organizing Committee, headed by District Commander Emanuele Conci, is responsible for the organization of the Youth Fire Brigade Meeting.

### 2. Organizing committee of the international youth leadership commission of the CTIF

- Member of the CTIF Executive Council responsible for youth firefighting  
**Nedeljko Vukalović**
- Chairman of the International Youth Leader Commission  
**Jörn-Hendrik Kuinke, Germany**
- Competition manager for the International Youth Fire Brigade competitions  
**Chief fire inspector of the fire department Michael Wagner, Austria**
- International Youth Camp Manager  
**Uroš Leskovar, Slovenia**
- Presentation and exhibition of nations  
**Christian Patzelt, Germany**
- Camp Olympics  
**Jens Tegengren, Finland**

## C) Information about application, registration and costs

### 1. General Regulation

- 1.1. At the 24<sup>th</sup> IYFG the International Application Rules of the Youth Fire Brigades apply in the current version. According to the age limits specified in these regulations, the **age groups 2008 to 2014** can participate in this competition, **with the decision of the IYLC also younger age groups** can participate.
- 1.2. The competition consists of the **fire fighter obstacle exercise and the 400 m relay race**.
- 1.3. The **team strength** of a group consists of **10 youths** (including one reserve member) and **2 youth supervisors**.

Mixed competition groups (boys and girls) may participate but will not be listed as a separate scoring class.

By decision of the IYLC and in agreement with the organizing fire department, there is the possibility for each nation to send an additional group - **exclusively girls** - so that per nation a maximum of 3 groups can participate. These 3 groups must include either 2 boys' groups or mixed groups and 1 girls' group, or also 2 girls' groups and 1 boys' or mixed group, but not 3 boys' groups, 3 girls' groups, or 3 mixed groups.

This is to give girls' groups appropriate opportunities so that the national sending of girls' groups is not at the expense of boys' or mixed groups. This additional sending of a group is always possible only if the organizing fire department has accommodation facilities.

The following participants are admitted to the international youth fire department meeting per national fire department association:

- **three youth groups**
- **one delegation leader-youth**
- **one trainer-youth**
- **one masseur-youth**
- **one translator-youth**

**A maximum of 40 people per nation can be accommodated in the youth camp.**

The nation, which is the last winner of the Vetter-Cup, is allowed to enter the competition with an additional competition group - as the defending champion - of this nation (point 1.3. max. 12 people 10 youths + 2 supervisors).

The nation which is the last winner of the Lappeenranta Cup is allowed to enter the competition with an additional girls' team - as the defending champion - of this nation (point 1.3. max. 12 people 10 youths + 2 supervisors).

According to the decision of the Executive Council of March 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> 1994, the **host country (Trentino)** will have the possibility to send **four competition groups (one of them girls)** to the competition.

## **2. Devices and Equipment**

2.1. Competition equipment will be provided to the teams by the National Organizing Committee and by the international competition Committee as specified in the competition regulations.

2.2. Each participant must bring his own personal equipment. Required are the usual national working suit (no sportswear or tracksuit) of the fire department youth (uniform), as well as a protective helmet for the obstacle exercise. During the competition and training, the usual national working suit (no sportswear or tracksuit) and footwear (preferably uniform color) are to be worn. The wearing of spikes or studded shoes is not permitted during the competition and training.

**The clothing of the competitors must be identical at the training as well as at the competition.**

### **3. Command language**

- 3.1 Orders and commands can be given in the respective national language. The start to the obstacle exercise is given by **a signal whistle, which must be brought along**, and an announcement with a start signal.
- 3.2. In the relay race the start signal is given with a start pistol.

### **4. Training**

- 4.1. In order to give all competitors equal chances, the competition groups can train on two days before the actual competition on the competition site in the same stadium.
- 4.2. The training and competition schedule will be given to the delegation leader-youth when the nation registers. Each group will receive equal training times.

### **5. Festive activities**

The opening ceremony of the Youth Fire Brigade Meeting will take place on Monday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 in the central square of the city of Borgo Valsugana .

The line-up for the ceremonial opening of the 24<sup>th</sup> International Youth Fire Brigade Meeting on July 22<sup>nd</sup> will be in alphabetical order, using the Italian spelling of the country names.

At the opening ceremony and at the award ceremony, the nations will carry their name plaque at the top and their national flag behind it, which will be provided by the organizing country.

The plate bearer is provided by the organizing country and the flag bearer is provided by the own nation.

The youth groups are allowed to take their own flags/pennants at the opening ceremony as well as at the award ceremony in their group.

For the ceremonial announcement of the winners on Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024, all youth groups will appear in the same order as at the opening of the youth camp.

## 6. Registration for Partizipation

- 6.1. In order to carry out the preparations in a timely manner, it is necessary to make the **pre-registration by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023**, and the definitive participant registration by **June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the latest**.
- 6.2. All-boys and all-girls groups as well as mixed groups are admitted. If there are more than three groups of girls, there will be a separate classification.
- 6.3. After all registrations have been received, the competition schedule will be drawn up, showing on which day, at which time and on which competition track the groups will compete.
- 6.4. For the training sessions as well as on the day of the competition, a valid passport or a valid identity card must be presented to the calculation committee at the registration at the training / competition site for each participant.
- 6.5. With the registration for the participation in the 24<sup>th</sup> IYFG it is confirmed that the competition regulations are accepted.
- 6.5. The pre-registration per nation until 31.12.2023 is done with the following LINK:

<https://forms.office.com/r/u7O9GxUndp>



## 7. Partizipation Fee for competitors

- 7.1. Participation fees are to be paid for the following participants:
  - competitors
  - delegation leader-youth
  - trainer-youth
  - translator-youth
  - masseur-youth
  - judge-youth
  - busdriver

The participation fee is € 210,-- per participant for the whole duration of the event. :

from 21<sup>st</sup> of July **dinner** until 28<sup>th</sup> of July **breakfast**

The participation fee must be paid by April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at the latest to:

**IBAN:** IT43U0810235350000055059202  
**SWIFT/BIC:** CCRTIT2T27A  
**Recipient:** Com.Org.24MA Edizione Giochi  
**Stadt:** Borgo Valsugana (TN) - Italy  
**Account owner:** Cassa Rurale Valsugana e Tesino

7.2. We would like to point out that for organizational reasons no groups can arrive before July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

Accommodation is **not possible after July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024** for organizational reasons.

## 8. Judges

The judging staff is composed of firefighters from those national firefighting associations sending groups to the 24<sup>th</sup> IYFG.

According to the competition rules, the number of judges is fixed at 3 judges per nation.

The registration of the judges must be done by **February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024** via the following LINK:

<https://forms.office.com/r/HWXhGisbrp>



**Only judges who have participated in the judges training in Linz/Austria in November 2023 are to be sent.**

The **participation fee** according to point 7 is to be paid for **each nominated judge**.

## 9. Prices and evaluation

During the 24<sup>th</sup> International Youth Fire Fighters Gathering, the Vetter Cup and the Challenge Trophy of the City of Lappeenranta will also be awarded.

In the Vetter Cup, all competing groups are judged together, and the first three groups receive cash prizes.

The Lappeenranta Challenge Trophy is for the first girls group.

Each competition group receives a medal, each participant receives a competition badge.

The youth supervisors, youth delegation leaders, youth trainers, youth translators, youth masseurs, youth judges, members of the IYLC, advance team, as well as the local organization personnel will receive the competition badge.

## D) Information about youth camp

### 1. Housing

For the 24th International Youth Fire Brigade Meeting there are enough quarters available in the local schools in Borgo Valsugana.

Accommodation for youth groups and coaches, heads of delegations, masseurs, trainers will be provided in classrooms. Camp beds will be provided for each participant. You have to bring your own bedding, WC and shower facilities are available.

The youth judges are accommodated in shared rooms (youth hostel). The rooms are equipped with sleeping beds, WC and shower.

It is possible that the youth participants will also be accommodated in a school. There are also real beds, but central WC and shower facilities are available.

Drivers of team transport vehicles (TTV) can be accommodated at the school (if registration has been made and the participation fee is paid).

**If chauffeurs (bus drivers from external companies) are required, the nations must register them in good time (info@ctif2024.com) so that their own quarters can be provided for them. The costs are to be borne by the respective participating nation.**

Youth delegation leaders, youth coaches, youth masseurs can stay overnight in a hotel at their own expense or at the expense of the association, but the delegation leader remains responsible for his delegation, i.e., he cannot transfer his responsibility to another person. **However, the participation fee must be paid in full.**

- 1.1. Supervisors and youth must be accommodated in the youth camp. Only the youths who are registered in the camp can take part in the competition.
- 1.2. On the day of arrival a **deposit of 200,00 €** per youth group is to be paid. The deposit serves as security that all furnishings are handed over properly and in complete condition on the day of departure. The deposit will be refunded upon departure, provided there have been no defects.



## **2. Program**

The detailed program for the 24<sup>th</sup> IYFG will be sent to the nations after group registration. Training and competition times will be created after registration of the groups.

### **2.1. Exhibition of Nations**

The exhibition of the Nations will take place on the central shopping street of the city of Borgo Valsugana on Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The nations are to involve the population and youth groups through a participatory action, in order to arouse interest in youth work and promote exchanges among the nations. For this exhibition, each nation will have an area of about 3 by 3 meters at its disposal. Each nation will be provided with a wooden hut.

For the design, bring posters, photos, maps, flags and country-specific exhibits.

In general, no alcoholic beverages may be served. Failure to comply with this regulation may result in the closure of the stand.

### **2.2. Presentation of Nations**

Each nation must present a performance (folklore) of between 3 and 5 minutes with young people and attendants participating in the International Youth Fire Brigade Meeting. A performance by persons not registered at the International Youth Fire Brigade Meeting is not allowed.

The young people should be actively involved in the planning. The ideas should be innovative and different from the previous youth encounters.

The presentation of the nations will take place on Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024, in the central square of the town of Borgo Valsugana.

### **2.3. Camp Olympics**

The Camp Olympics will take place on a lawn area after the competition (Thursday). In addition to the groups, the nations can send a mixed group (of kudes youth, supervisor youth, delegation leader youth) to the Camp Olympics. These groups will be evaluated separately.

## 2.4. Timetable

Sunday	21.07.2024	Arrival / Registration
Monday	22.07.2024	Training / Opening event
Tuesday	23.07.2024	Training / Concert
Wednesday	24.07.2024	Training
Thursday	25.07.2024	Competition / Camp Olympics / Comradeship evening
Friday	26.07.2024	Excursion program / Presentation of the Nations
Saturday	27.07.2024	Exhibition of the Nations / Closing celebration
Sunday	28.07.2024	Departure

## E) **Other Information**

For the translators brought by the nations, the second language is GERMAN. This is required for the participation in the International Youth Fire Brigade Meeting.

1. For fans there is a possibility to book accommodation - all information can be found on the official website:

**[www.ctif2024.com](http://www.ctif2024.com)**

2. Official email address for on-site organizational inquiries.

**[info@ctif2024.com](mailto:info@ctif2024.com)**

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