# FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE GYMNASTIQUE



# FIG RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS WORLD CUP AGF TROPHY BAKU (AZE) 27 – 29 APRIL 2018 INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP



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# **DIRECTIVES**

**EVENT ID: 14966** 

Dear FIG Affiliated Member Federation,

Following the decision of the FIG Executive Committee, the Gymnastics Federation of **Azerbaijan** has the pleasure to invite your Federation to participate in the aforementioned official FIG World Cup.

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HOST FEDERATION	Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation Contact Person: Nurlana Mammadzada MGA - Milli Gimnastika Arenası (National Gymnastics Arena) 108 Heydar Aliyev Avenue AZ1029, Baku, Azerbaijan Tel: +99412 493 30 11 Direct: +99412 5984082 / Mob: +99450 385 39 69 Fax: +99412 493 95 00 E-mail: office@agf.az Website: www.agf.az	
LOCATION	Baku, Azerbaijan	
DATE	<b>27-29</b> April 2018	
VENUE	MGA - Milli Gimnastika Arenası (National Gymnastics Arena) 108 Heydar Aliyev Avenue AZ1029, Baku, Azerbaijan Tel: +99412 566 9699 Fax: +99412 566 9694 Website: www.mga.az	



The MGA was officially opened in April 2014. This gymnastics specialized Arena has already hosted the 30<sup>th</sup> Rhythmic Gymnastics European Championships (2014), the 1<sup>st</sup> WTF World Cadet Taekwondo Championships (2014), as well as 2015 NN Table Tennis Club ITTF-Europe Top 16 CUP", Open Joint Azerbaijan Championships in Gymnastics Disciplines (held as a Test Event for the 1<sup>st</sup> European Games (2015), Competitions in 6 Gymnastics Disciplines of the 1<sup>st</sup> European Games (2015), the FIG Artistic Gymnastics World Challenge Cup AGF Trophy (2016), the FIG Trampoline Gymnastics World Cup AGF Trophy (2016 & 2017), the FIG Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup AGF Trophy (2016 & 2017), the FIG Artistic Gymnastics Individual Apparatus World Cup AGF Trophy (2017), the 4<sup>th</sup> Islamic Solidarity Games (2017). The Arena has the ability to stretch from 5,000 to 9,600 seats, depending on the size and the nature of the event it hosts. This sports facility has become a favourite training camp venue of many gymnasts all over the world.

During the given World Cup, Training and warm-up facilities will be located within the MGA.

#### APPARATUS SUPPLIED

**SPIETH Gymnastics** 

Competition floor title: Beijing

Colour: Beige

FIG certified: Reference number: 652

Number of RG floors:

Training & Warm-up hall: 7-9

Warm-up area: 2 Competition hall: 1

# APPARATUS CONTROL

The presence of at least one Technician from the Official Apparatus Manufacturer will be guaranteed by the Organizing Member Federation for the installation of the RG competition floors in the competition hall, the warm-up hall, and the training hall(s), as well as throughout the duration of training, podium training, warm-up and competition.

The Technical Delegate, accompanied by the Technician of the Apparatus Manufacturer will proceed to the apparatus control in the competition hall, warm-up hall and training hall(s) prior to training and competition.

The Apparatus control includes the check of the dimensions of the RG competition floors which must respect the valid FIG Apparatus Norms. All floors must be set up correctly and the RG competition floors in the different halls must be identical.

PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE	25 April:	Arrival of delegations	ning Orientation Mosting		
SCHEDULE	26 April:	Judges' Instruction	ning, Orientation Meeting,		
		Scoring System Train	ning for Judges		
	27 April:	<b>.</b> .	ring for budges round Individual and Gr	oun	
	28 April:		round Individual and Gr	•	
	29 April: Finals Individual and Group				
	30 April: Departure of Delegations				
		mpetitions must be sepa any other Competitions.	rate and distinct competition	on, and ma	ay not b
COMPETITION	Individuals	Individuals			
FORMAT		ch serve as qualification for		11.61	
	All Indiv	ridual gymnasts have to pa	articipate in the All-Around	qualificatio	n
	Apparatus Fina	als:			
			pparatus from the All-Arour	nd qualifyin	g
	Compe	Competition participate in the Finals			
Group competitions:					
	<ul> <li>All-Around which serve as qualification for the Routine Final:</li> <li>All Groups have to participate in the Qualifications</li> </ul>				
	Final Group Ro	outines:			
	The top eight (8) groups of each Group Routines will qualify for the Finals.				
FEDERATIONS	The Organizing Member Federation invite all FIG Member Federations in good				
INVITED	standing.				
SIZE OF			with the correct age and		
DELEGATION AND	License at the time of registration until the end of the competitions may participate.				
FIG LICENSE	No gymnasts will be accepted without a valid FIG License at the deadline of the				
	Nominative Re	Nominative Registration.			
	The maximum	size of the invited delegat	ion is as follows:		
			Individual	Group	Joint
	Head of Dele	gation	1	1 1	1
	•	er (for Groups only)	-	1	1
	Coach	,	max. 1 per gymnast	1	-
	Gymnasts		2	6	8
	Medical Doct	or	1	1	1
	Paramedical	Staff	1	1	2
	Judges		2	2	2
AGE LIMITS	16 years in the	vear of the competition			
		16 years in the year of the competition			
JUDGES AND	Competitions v	vill be evaluated by two Ju	idges' Panels as follows:		
JUDGES' PANELS					

# 4 Difficulty

- 4 Difficulty (D) Judges (min. cat. 2)
- 6 Execution (E) Judges (min. cat. 3)
- 2 Line (L) and 1 Time (T) Judges (min. cat. 4)

Priority will be given to the highest categories.

Not more than one judge per Federation per panel will be permitted except for Time and Line Judges.

The Judges' Panels are set up by a draw from the judges present at the event. The

draw will be directed by the RG Technical Delegate. The participating member federations must send minimum one qualified judge if they participate with individual gymnasts and one qualified judge if they participate with a group. The Organizing Member Federation is responsible that there are enough FIG brevetted judges present with the appropriate valid category of brevet for their function. Should there not be sufficient judges as per the on-line nominative registration, or not sufficient cat. 1 and 2 judges, the Organizing Member Federation must propose to the FIG for prior approval of the Technical Delegate the name of neutral additional judges to complete the panels (plus 2 reserves). These judges, once approved, have to be invited at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation. Such invitation must be made through the respective Member Federation. Should the Organizing Member Federation fail to propose names for additional judges, the FIG Office in consultation with the Technical Delegate concerned will invite these judges at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation. The Organizing Member Federation will apply a fine of CHF 2'000 per missing judge (to be paid to the LOC by 15 March 2018 should a federation fail to bring the required number of judges or judges without the requested qualification (brevet). FIG TECHNICAL The FIG Technical Delegate will be proposed by the FIG RG TC. He/she will serve as President of the Superior Jury. DELEGATE Provisional, Definitive and Nominative Registrations must be made exclusively on-line REGISTRATION via the FIG platform. **DEADLINES** Provisional registration 15 December 2017 (4 months prior to the event) Definitive registration: 15 February 2018 (2 months prior to the event) Nominative registration 15 March 2018 (4 weeks prior to the event) Late registrations are subject to fines as follows: CHF 500.-Fine for missing or late Provisional Registration Fine for missing or late Definitive Registration CHF 750.-Fine for missing or late Nominative Registration CHF 500.-The gymnasts' drawing of lots will take place at the FIG Headquarters in Lausanne (SUI) within two weeks after the closing date of the nominative registration. Registrations and payments made after the gymnasts' drawing of lots will not be accepted and the Delegations will not be authorized to participate.

#### DRAWING OF LOTS

#### **ENTRY FEES**

No Entry Fee will be applied for this event.

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

**Boulevard Hotel\*\*\*\*\*** (Official Hotel)

Address: Baku White City

Baku, Azerbaijan

Tel.: +99412 310 00 10 Fax.: +99412 310 00 11

Website: www.boulevardhotelbaku.com

The costs per person/night at Boulevard Hotel are as follows:

EUR 145.- (single room, including breakfast) EUR 85.- (twin room, including breakfast)

## Intourist Hotel\*\*\*\*\*

Address: Mikail Useynov Avenue 51

AZ1003, Baku, Azerbaijan Tel.: +99412 310 3310 Fax: +99412 310 3323

Website: www.intouristhotelbaku.com

The costs per person/night in Intourist Hotel are as follows:

EUR 160.- (single room, including breakfast) EUR 100.- (twin room, including breakfast)

## Emerald Hotel\*\*\*\* (Low cost)

Address: 4 Mehdi Abbasov str., Baku, Azerbaijan

Tel.: +99412 520 4441, +99412 520 4144

Website: www.emeraldbaku.com

The costs per person/night in Emerald Hotel are as follows:

EUR 55.- (single room, including breakfast) EUR 45.- (twin room, including breakfast)

The prices charged for the hotel rooms cannot exceed the usual hotel rates.

The invited participating federations must pay for the accommodation expenses of their delegation members, except for the below mentioned gymnasts for whom accommodation will be paid by the LOC (from the official arrival day to the official departure day):

- The top three (3) gymnasts in the All-Around ranking from the previous World Championships present at the event
- The top three (3) Groups in the All-Around ranking from the previous World Championships present at the event

The Organizing member Federation shall determine the hotel at its discretion, but may not choose the "low cost" category hotel for the above mentioned gymnasts.

While the Accommodation Request must be submitted to the LOC online via Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation's website **by 15 February 2018** at the very latest, the Hotel rooms will be allocated on a "first come, first serve" basis. The link and appropriate code for access to the online program will be sent to each participating Federation after the deadline of the Provisional Registration.

100% of the accommodation costs must be paid to the LOC by 15 March 15 2018.

#### **MEALS**

The LOC proposes the following options for having meals at the below-mentioned hotels/competition venue and costs which can be ordered by delegations if they wish:

#### **Boulevard Hotel**

Lunch - EUR 20.- (each) Dinner - EUR 25.- (each)

#### **Intourist Hotel**

Lunch - EUR 25.- (each) Dinner - EUR 30.- (each)

#### **Emerald Hotel**

Lunch - EUR 15.- (each) Dinner - EUR 15.- (each)

Lunch will also be offered at MGA (competition venue) at the cost of EUR 15.- (each).

The invited participating federations must pay for the meals expenses of their delegation members, except for the below mentioned gymnasts for whom meals will be paid by the LOC (from the official arrival day to the official departure day):

- The top three (3) gymnasts in the All-Around ranking from the previous World Championships present at the event
- The top three (3) Groups in the All-Around ranking from the previous World Championships present at the event

The Meal Request must be submitted to the LOC online via Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation's website by **15 March 2018** at the very latest.

100% of the costs for the meals must be paid to the LOC by 15 March 2018.

# CANCELLATION POLICY

#### Accommodation:

Rooms cancelled **between 15 March and 30 March 2018** will be subject to a cancellation fee of 20% of the total accommodation payment.

Rooms cancelled after **30 March 2018** until arrival of the delegations on site or "no shows" will be subject to a cancellation fee of 100% of the total accommodation cost.

#### Meals

Meals cancelled after **16 April 2018** will be subject to a cancellation fee of 100% of the total meal cost.

#### **FINAL BANQUET**

The Organizing Committee will host a Farewell Banquet for all Delegation members provided their accommodation was booked through the Organizing Committee at the conclusion of the event in the evening on 29 April 2018.

# INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION

The invited participating federations must pay for the International travel costs of their delegation members.

The LOC will meet and see of the official members of the delegations at Heydar Aliyev International Airport (GYD), bus or railway station in Baku.

The Travel Details must be submitted to the LOC online via Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation's website by **15 March 2018**.

# LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

The LOC will organize shuttle buses from Official Hotels to the Competition Venue (training venue is within the competition venue) and back.

The LOC will organize buses for sightseeing tour and farewell banquet as well.

#### **VISA**

Please verify immediately with your travel agent or Embassy or Consulate of Azerbaijan in your country if a visa is required for your travel to Azerbaijan.

The delegation members who need a visa to enter Azerbaijan have to obtain their visas at the Embassy of Azerbaijan of the corresponding country beforehand (before arrival). Only the citizens of the countries where there is no Embassy of Azerbaijan will be issued a visa upon their arrival at Heydar Aliyev International Airport. If this is the case, the LOC will send the Federations concerned authorization from the Migration Service of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Azerbaijan Republic enabling them to get their visas at the airport, provided that the request is made in due time.

The further details regarding the visa (documents required both for getting the visa at the Embassies of Azerbaijan abroad and Heydar Aliyev Airport) and visa fees can be found at the following links:

- 1) http://www.mfa.gov.az/?language=en&options=content&id=184
- 2) http://mfa.gov.az/?language=en&options=content&id=277
- 3) http://mfa.gov.az/files/file/visa%20fees.pdf

The Organizing Committee will be happy to assist each Delegation member with an official invitation letter / Authorization from Migration Service, provided that the request is made to the LOC online via Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation's website by **15 March, 2018 at the latest**.

The request must include the function, full name, gender and other passport details, the arrival and departure dates of the Delegation Member as well as the city the visa application support letter must be sent to. In addition, the online system will require upload of passport copy for each member of the delegation.

Moreover, there is also an option of obtaining e-visa which is a tourist visa. For this e-visa, no visa support letter is required. The list of countries the citizens of which may obtain e-visa can be found in the following link: <a href="https://evisa.com.az/en/pages/countries">https://evisa.com.az/en/pages/countries</a> The link for more detailed information is as follows:

http://billurtur.az/index.php?do=visa.

In case, if the Federations prefer to get e-visa for their delegations' members, they need to apply for it at least 15 working days prior to the arrival date. The last minute application may cause problems. There were cases when the validation date of e-visa was 2 days after the arrival date which made it impossible to enter Azerbaijan on the official arrival date. Therefore, the application for e-visa shall be submitted well in advance and the LOC shall also be informed that e-visa will be obtained by the Federation concerned by **15 March 2018**.

#### **INSURANCE**

The Host Federation, the LOC and the FIG will not be held responsible for any liabilities in case of accidents, illness, repatriation and the like. The FIG Technical Regulations foresee that all participating Federations are responsible for making their own arrangements to have the necessary valid insurance coverage against illness, accidents and for repatriation for all the members of their Delegation. The LOC will verify the insurance upon arrival of the delegation members (e.g. cover note or photocopy of the valid policy).

Delegation members with insufficient insurance cover must inform the LOC in advance. The LOC will subsequently offer insurance at the Federations own charge as follows: 15 Euro per person/day.

Details on IMSSA procedure: https://www.imssa-sos.com/en/. Access code:

- FIG
- 22AYCA094186

#### **ACCREDITATION**

Accreditation cards will be distributed at the Accreditation Centre situated at the Competition Venue upon arrival of the delegations.

The following items will be checked there with the Heads of delegations:

- The passport of gymnasts and all members of the delegations
- Transport Departure
- The medical insurance for the members of the delegations
- 2 sets of Audio CD's of the music
- National anthem and national flag

In order to accelerate the process of the accreditation, each participating Federation is kindly requested to upload photos and passport copy of each member of its delegation (gymnasts, head of delegation, team manager, judges, coaches, medical staff and etc.) into the LOC's online program via Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation's website.

The deadline for the photos upload (identity colour photo in JPG format, size – 45mm x 35mm, resolution: 800x600plx) is **15 March 2018**. Please clearly indicate the corresponding full name (with correct spelling) in the file title.

	Uploading of photos in due time will prevent the delegations from waiting at the accreditation centre.
FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS	Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the FIG (e.g. annual membership fees, unpaid invoices, etc.) will not be allowed to participate in this World Cup.  Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the LOC by the given deadline in the Invitation/Directives may still have the possibility to participate, but the LOC will not guarantee the hotel booking, meals and local transportation.  Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the Organizing Member federations upon arrival will not be accredited.
BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION	Beneficiary: Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation Beneficiary's account: AZ75PAHA38190EURHC0190012035 Bank: "PASHA Bank", Baku, Azerbaijan SWIFT PAHAAZ22 Correspondent: Raiffeisen Bank International AG Account with Institution: Am Stadtpark 9, 1030 Vienna Correspondent account: 1-55.081.095 SWIFT BIC: RZBAATWW  Each participating member Federation is kindly requested to integrate the payment's purpose as follows: FIG Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup AGF Trophy 2018. The participating federation is responsible for covering all bank fees in connection with the bank transfers.
TIE BREAKING RULES	In case of a tie at any place, the tie breaking rules for the RG World Championships as outlined in the current FIG Technical Regulation Section 3 shall be applied.  After application of the tie breaking rules outlined in the current FIG Technical Regulation Section 3, if there is still a tie:  For participation to the Apparatus Final (Individual) and Final Routine (Group):  • The tied gymnasts / groups will proceed to the final  For Prize money:  • The prize money of the tied ranks will be added and divided by the number of ties  For World Cup Points:  • The World Challenge Cup points of the equal ranks will be added and divided by the number of ties  For Yearly winner:  • The number of ranks of the three counting competitions achieved by the respective gymnast/group will be added and the gymnast/group with the lowest total will prevail.  • If there is still a tie, the total score of the three counting exercises will be added and the gymnast/group with the highest total will prevail.  • If there is still a tie, the total execution score of the three counting exercises will be added and the gymnast/group with the highest total execution score will prevail
PRIZE MONEY	The Prize Money paid by the Organizing Member Federation (free of any deductible taxes) will be distributed in CHF (or its equivalent in Euro) according to the requirement mentioned in the 2017-2020 RG World Cup Rules.

Individuals All Around	CHF 6'000
Individuals by apparatus	CHF 3'250
Groups All Around	CHF 3'500
Groups Finals 5 and 3+2 each	CHF 3'500

#### **Individuals All Around:**

Ranking	Total of CHF 6'000
1	2'000
2	1'500
3	1'000
4	500
5	400
6	300
7	200
8	100

## <u>Individuals – per apparatus</u>:

Ranking	Total of CHF 3'250
1	1'000
2	750
3	500
4	300
5	250
6	200
7	150
8	100

## **Groups All Around:**

Ranking	Total of CHF 3'500
1	2'000
2	1'000
3	500

## Groups – per routine (5 and 3+2) each:

Ranking	Total of 3'500
1	2'000
2	1'000
3	500

Should less than 4 federations participate in the World Cup competition (Individual Gymnasts and/or Groups), no prize money will be paid.

## ASSIGNMENT OF WORLD CUP POINTS FOR THE RANKING LIST

The results and the updated FIG World Cup Ranking List will be published on the FIG website within 24 hours after the end of the respective competitions provided that all procedures before and after the competitions are duly respected by the Organizing Member Federation.

#### Separate World Cup Ranking Lists for:

- Individual All-Around
- Individual per apparatus
- Group All-Around

#### Group Routine

are established for the four World Cup Series, beginning with the first World Cup competition of the series and ending with the last World Cup event of the series (4 competitions).

For the Individual All-Around and Apparatus Ranking Lists, World Cup Points are assigned to the competitors **by name**.

For the Groups All-Around and Routine Ranking Lists, World Cup Points are assigned to the **Federation**. The Groups are listed **by Federation** only.

Rank	Points	
	Individuals	Groups
1	50	50
2	45	45
3	40	40
4	35	35
5	30	30
6	25	25
7	20	20
8	18	15
9	16	10
10	14	5
11	12	4
12	10	3
13	9	-
14	8	-
15	6	-
16	4	-
17	2	-
18	1	-

Should less than 4 federations participate per apparatus or per category in the World Cup competition (Individual Gymnasts and/or Groups), no World Cup Points will be given.

#### YEARLY WINNER

The yearly winner of the World Cup Series is the Gymnast/Group with the highest number of points of each of the World Cup Series Ranking List of the respective year after the last event of the series, **counting the 3 best results out of 4**.

A special award ceremony will be held at the last World Cup Competition of the year in which the winning gymnasts/groups shall receive a Cup.

#### **EVENT MANAGER**

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MEDIA

Communication policy is planned to be implemented via the Federation's official

,	website, Facebook page and twitter account.		
	Press Officer Bika Abdullayeva Tel: +99412 493 3011 E-mail: info@agf.az		
SOCIAL MEDIA	www.facebook.com/pages/Azerbaijan-Gymnastics Federation/156431321068611 https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI8-Mfc5w5pchi33D2aWmxA www.twitter.com/AzerbaijanGym https://www.instagram.com/agf.az/		
MEDICAL SERVICES	The Local Organizing Committee we Physiotherapists will be present during the		
OFFICIAL HOSPITAL	MediClub 45, Uzeyir Hajibayov str., Baku, Azerbaijan Tel.: +99412 497 0911		
DOPING CONTROLS	The Organizing Member Federation will provide at its own charge a minimum of 4 doping controls for Individual gymnasts and 4 for Groups.  Appropriate medical premises will be provided to carry out a required number of doping controls by AMADA (Azerbaijan National Anti-Doping Agency) according to the WADA regulations.		
MARKETING	FIG advertising and publicity norms must b	pe respected.	
TELEVISION	Television coverage is compulsory.		
	The Organizing Member Federation must guarantee the production of a basic feed (international signal). The International signal must be available for the FIG and its Right holders free of charge at the international Broadcasting Centre or at the Gateway without any limitations and free of any access fees.  Contact persons Elsevar Dunyamaliyev Deputy Chairman  Arzu Abdullayev Technical Director		
	E-mail: aztv.elsever@mail.ru Mob.: +99450 319 33 00	E-mail: webmaster@aztv.az Mob.: +99450 212 08 90	
SCORING, RESULT SERVICE AND VIDEO CONTROL	SMART SCORING Company will provide a scoring and result service, including video control system, which allows the recording, storage and provision of compilation of the recorded images for the Difficulty Judges, the Superior Jury and the President of the Superior Jury. The videos will be sent to the FIG within one week after the competition.		
RULES AND REGULATIONS	The competition will be organized under the following FIG rules, as valid in the year of the competition, except for any deviation mentioned in these directives:  Statutes  Code of Ethics  Technical Regulations  World Cup Rules for Rhythmic Gymnastics  Licenses Rules  Code of Points and relevant Help Desk  General Judges' Rules  Specific Judges' Rules for Rhythmic Gymnastics  Medical Organization of the Official FIG Competitions  Doping Control Rules  Media Rules  Apparatus Norms		

	<ul> <li>Advertising and Publicity Rules</li> <li>Accreditation Rules</li> <li>Regulations for Awards Ceremonies and subsequent decisions of the FIG Executive Committee</li> </ul>		
DEADLINES	Provisional Registration (online, FIG)	15 December 2017	
SUMMEAR	Definitive Registration (online, FIG)	15 February 2018	
	Nominative Registration (online, FIG)	15 March 2018	
	Accommodation Request (online, LOC)	15 February 2018	
	Travel Details' Submission (online, LOC)	15 March 2018	
	Visa Request Form (online, LOC)	15 March 2018	
	Meals' Request (online, LOC)	15 March 2018	
	Upload of photos to accelerate accreditation process	15 March 2018	
	Payment of the Accommodation Costs	15 March 2018	
	Payment of the Meals	15 March 2018	
	Payment of the fine for missing judge	15 March 2018	

Sincerely Yours,

Baku, 22 June 2017



Farid Gayibov Secretary General Azerbaijan Gymnastics Federation