

# FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DE GYMNASTIQUE

## WORLD CUP ACRO, BELGIUM – ANTWERP (PUURS), 11-13.02.2016 B CATEGORY



### DIRECTIVES

Event ID: 14333

Dear affiliated Member Federation,

Following the decision of the FIG Presidential Commission, the Gymnastics Federation of Belgium has the pleasure to invite your Federation to participate in the aforementioned official FIG World Cup.

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<b>ORGANIZING COMMITTEE</b>	Ambitious Pro Gymnastics - Address: Jan De Donckerlaan 4, 2870 Puurs - Belgium - Contact person: Danny Cuyt - Phone number: +32 (0)468 10 20 18 - E-mail: <a href="mailto:cuyt.danny@gmail.com">cuyt.danny@gmail.com</a> - Website : <a href="http://www.fiac.be">www.fiac.be</a>
<b>LOCATION</b>	Puurs – Antwerp - Belgium
<b>DATE</b>	From February 11 <sup>th</sup> to 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2016
<b>VENUE</b>	Sportcomplex De Vrijhals - Address: C. Verschaevestraat 15, 2870 Puurs - Belgium
<b>APPARATUS SUPPLIER</b>	Jansen-Fritsen ( <i>Apolo Antwerp 2013</i> )
<b>PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE</b>	08/02/2016 - 09/02/2016: Arrival delegations 10/02/2016: Orientation meeting and judges meeting 11/02/2016: Qualifications 12/02/2016: Qualifications 13/02/2016: Finals 14/02/2016: Departure delegations

## **PARTICIPATION**

The World Cup Competitions consist of Qualifications and Finals in all 5 categories.

### **Participation in the Qualifications:**

- All competitors must take part in the qualifications.
- In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up for the World Championships shall be applied. Nevertheless the gymnasts not qualified for the finals and with same final score will receive the same World Cup points.

### **Participation in the Finals:**

Category A and B tournaments must offer a Final in all 5 categories.

- The top eight units with no more than 2 per NF/per category from the qualifications qualify for the Finals.
- In addition, if the Organizing Member Federation has not qualified in any category, it may nominate one participation in max. 1 category of its choice.
- Maximum participation in the finals is therefore 8+1 participants in one category and 8 in the other four categories.
- Such "Wild Card Participant" must have participated in the respective category in the qualification.
- In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up for the World Championships shall be applied.

### **World Cup Competitions may exceptionally be combined with other Competition.**

#### **Cancellation Policy**

- The organizing member Federation (LOC) may cancel the competition in the respective category if at the time of the definitive entry there are less than 4 countries registered in a category. In case of such a cancellation, the LOC must reimburse, in full, the entry fee and payments made for accommodation. Should flights have to be cancelled due to the above, the risk is at the charge of the participating member Federations (NF).
- The participating member Federations (NF) may cancel its participation in a specific category without any penalty or payment for fees, accommodation and meals already booked, in case of less than 4 participating countries in that category after the definitive deadlines.
- Procedure and deadlines for the cancellation of a category by the LOC or participation by the NF is as follows:
  - FIG shall inform LOC and NF about the participation, within 5 days after the Definitive registration deadline.
  - LOC and NF have the possibility to cancel the event (in a specific category) respectively their participation within 5 days after information by the FIG. Such notification must be sent by e-mail or fax to the FIG. Cancellations after this deadline will not be accepted.

<b>“HORS CONCOURS” GYMNASTS</b>	<p>The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to add only for the qualifications “hors concours” competitors. These competitors are in addition to the official participants of the Organizing Member Federation’s competitors; they must be named before the start of the qualifications and <b>cannot qualify for the final</b>. They will have to start first.</p> <p>The Organizing Member Federation is allowed to name 1 Men’s Pair, 1 Woman’s Pair, 1 Mixed pair, 1 Women’s Group and 1 Men’s Group as “hors concours” competitors.</p>																								
<b>FEDERATIONS INVITED</b>	The Organising Member Federation must invite all FIG Member Federations who have paid their annual membership fee for Acrobatic Gymnastics.																								
<b>SIZE OF DELEGATION AND FIG LICENCE</b>	<p>Participation is limited to 3 “units” per NF in each category</p> <p>Only senior gymnasts in good standing with the correct age and holding a valid FIG License may participate. The Organizing Committee will be responsible for checking the validity of the gymnast’ Licenses. No gymnasts will be accepted without a valid FIG License at the deadline of the Nominative Registration.</p> <p>The Organising Member Federation (OMF) may limit the participation with criteria to be defined by the OMF. Those criteria must be approved by the FIG.</p> <p>The maximum size of the invited delegation is as follows:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Head of delegation</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr> <td>Team Manager (if 4 and more units)</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr> <td>(if 8 and more units)</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr> <td>Coaches (if 1 units)</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr> <td>(if 2 to 5 units)</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr> <td>(if 6 to 8 and more units)</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr> <td>(if 9 and more units)</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr> <td>Gymnasts (3 units per category)</td><td>39</td></tr> <tr> <td>Medical Doctor</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr> <td>Paramedical Staff (if 1 to 3 units)</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr> <td>(if 4 and more units)</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr> <td>Judges</td><td>2</td></tr> </table> <p><i>A unit being a pair or a group.</i></p> <p>Out of competition gymnasts will not be accepted</p>	Head of delegation	1	Team Manager (if 4 and more units)	1	(if 8 and more units)	2	Coaches (if 1 units)	1	(if 2 to 5 units)	2	(if 6 to 8 and more units)	3	(if 9 and more units)	4	Gymnasts (3 units per category)	39	Medical Doctor	1	Paramedical Staff (if 1 to 3 units)	1	(if 4 and more units)	2	Judges	2
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<b>AGE LIMITS</b>	Age limit: minimum 15 years (born in 2001 or before)																								
<b>JUDGES AND JURIES</b>	<p>The number of Juries (judges’ panels) may be decided by the organizing member federation depending on the number of participating competitors and judges.</p> <p>The Juries are set up by a draw - directed by the FIG Technical Representative - from the judges present at the event. Priority will be given to the judges of the highest category.</p> <p>A jury must consist of one Chair of Judges’ Panel, 4 Artistic, 4 Execution and 2 Difficulty judges.</p> <p>No panel may include more than one member from a single federation (excluding the CJP and D judges)</p> <p>The CJP must be of Cat. I</p> <p>The Difficulty Judges must be Cat. I or II</p> <p>The Execution and Artistry judges must be Cat. I, II or III.</p> <p>The FIG Technical Representative will serve as President of the Superior Jury.</p> <p>Each participating federation must provide minimum one judge. Failure to do so will</p>																								

	<p>result in a fine of Swiss Francs 2'000.- to be paid to the Organizing Member Federation.</p> <p>The Organizing Member Federation is responsible that there are enough FIG brevetted judges present with the appropriate category of brevet for their function. Should there not be sufficient judges, the Organizing Member Federation may propose to the FIG for approval the name of neutral additional judges to complete the panels (plus 1 reserve). These judges, once approved, have to be invited at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation. Should the Organizing Member Federation fail to propose names for additional judges, the FIG will invite such judges at the cost of the Organizing Member Federation.</p>												
<b>FIG TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND EC MEMBER</b>	<p>The FIG Technical Delegate and EC member (if applicable) will be designated by the FIG.</p> <p>The FIG Technical Delegate will serve as President of the Superior Jury.</p>												
<b>REGISTRATION DEADLINES</b>	<p>There are no Provisional Registrations for this event.</p> <p>Definitive and Nominative Registrations must be made exclusively on-line via the FIG website (<a href="http://www.fig-gymnastics.com">http://www.fig-gymnastics.com</a>) or accordingly. These registrations will only be accepted from FIG Gymnastics Member Federations.</p> <table><tr><td>Definitive registration:</td><td>04/11/2015</td><td>(2 months prior to the event) If possible on Wednesday</td></tr><tr><td>Nominative registration</td><td>06/01/2016</td><td>(4 weeks prior to the event) If possible on Wednesday</td></tr></table> <p>Last registrations are subject to fines as follows:</p> <table><tr><td>Fine for missing or late Definitive registration</td><td>CHF 750.-</td></tr><tr><td>Fine for missing or late Nominative registration</td><td>CHF 500.-</td></tr></table> <p>Registrations and payments made after the gymnasts' drawing of lots will not be accepted and the Delegation members concerned will not be authorized to participate.</p>			Definitive registration:	04/11/2015	(2 months prior to the event) If possible on Wednesday	Nominative registration	06/01/2016	(4 weeks prior to the event) If possible on Wednesday	Fine for missing or late Definitive registration	CHF 750.-	Fine for missing or late Nominative registration	CHF 500.-
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<b>DRAWING OF LOTS</b>	<p>The drawing of lots (starting order) will take place at the FIG Headquarters in Lausanne (SUI) two weeks after the closing date of the nominative registration.</p>												
<b>ENTRY FEES</b>	<p>The non-reimbursable cost for the Entry Fee is of 50,00€ per gymnast. It must be paid at the time of the definitive entry.</p>												
<b>ACCOMMODATION</b>	<p><b>HOTELS:</b></p> <table><tr><td><b>3Paardekens</b> Begijnenstraat 3 2800 Mechelen 0032(0)15/34 27 13</td><td><b>Wolsack</b> Wollemarkt 16 2800 Mechelen 0032(0)15/56 95 20</td><td><b>Elisabeth</b> G. de Stassartstraat 26 2800 Mechelen 0032(0)15/28 84 00</td></tr><tr><td colspan="3"><b>Essenza</b> Essendries 2 2870 Kalfort-Puurs 0032(0)3/288 33 33</td></tr></table> <p>The costs per person/night in these Hotels are as follows:</p> <p>Fullboard = Hotel + Transportation + breakfast + lunch + dinner</p> <p>130,00 € (single room – FULL BOARD) 95,00 € (double room – FULL BOARD) 85,00 € (triple room – FULL BOARD) 75,00 € (quadruple room – FULL BOARD) (only for Men's Groups)</p>			<b>3Paardekens</b> Begijnenstraat 3 2800 Mechelen 0032(0)15/34 27 13	<b>Wolsack</b> Wollemarkt 16 2800 Mechelen 0032(0)15/56 95 20	<b>Elisabeth</b> G. de Stassartstraat 26 2800 Mechelen 0032(0)15/28 84 00	<b>Essenza</b> Essendries 2 2870 Kalfort-Puurs 0032(0)3/288 33 33						
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	<p><b>Low cost Hotel:</b></p> <p><b>Youth Hostel - De Zandpoort</b> Zandpoortvest 70 2800 Mechelen</p> <p>Fullboard = Hotel + transportation + breakfast + lunch + dinner € 60,00 per person/night (single, double, triple, quadruple and 6-persons)</p> <p>The prices charged for the hotel rooms will not exceed the usual hotel rates. While the Accommodation Form must be returned to the LOC by 04/11/2015 at the very latest, the Hotel rooms will be allocated on a “first come, first serve” basis.</p> <p>50% of accommodation must be paid to the LOC by 04/11/2015 at the very latest. Entries without the payment of this 50% will be considered as invalid and will be refused. The 50% is only refundable if cancellations are made before 31/12/2015. The remaining 50% of the accommodation costs must be paid by 06/01/2016. Cancellations after the 06/01/2016 are not refundable.</p>
<b>MEALS</b>	<p>Breakfast will be served at the hotel.</p> <p>Lunch and Dinner will be served close to the competition hall.</p>
<b>FINAL BANQUET</b>	<p>A farewell dinner will be organized and will be followed by a farewell party. All delegations who have booked their accommodation through the OC, are invited to participate without additional payment.</p> <p>Extra tickets will be available at the LOC office at 25,00 € per person.</p> <p>Requests for extra tickets can be made until 12/02/2016.</p>
<b>INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION</b>	<p>The travel schedule Form must be returned to the LOC by 06/01/2015</p>
<b>LOCAL TRANSPORTATION</b>	<p>The delegations that book their accommodation through the LOC will be offered transport:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Between all airports in Belgium or Brussels railway stations and the official hotel</li> <li>- Between the official hotel and the competition venue</li> </ul>
<b>VISA</b>	<p>Please verify immediately with your travel agent or the Belgian Embassy or Consulate in your country if a visa is required for your travel to Belgium. The Organizing Committee will be happy to assist each Delegation member with an official invitation letter, provided that the request is made before 6/01/2016 to the LOC. The request must include the function, full name, gender, date of birth, citizenship and passport number, passport expiry date, the arrival and departure dates of the Delegation Member as well as the city the visa application support letter must be sent to.</p>
<b>INSURANCE</b>	<p>The Host Federation, the Organizing Committee 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 (except for gymnasts and judges).</p> <p>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: €5 per person/day with a minimum of € 50 per contact.</p>
<b>ACCREDITATION</b>	<p>Each delegation will be taken to the accreditation desk upon arrival.</p> <p>The following items will be checked there:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- FIG-license</li> <li>- Total payment of participation</li> <li>- Insurance – every delegation member needs a valid insurance</li> <li>- Music exercises</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- National anthem and national flag</li><li>- Transport – confirmation of departure</li></ul> Your accreditation badge will be available there. Please wear your accreditation all times.																				
<b>FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS</b>	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 these World Cups. 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.																				
<b>BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION</b>	Bank : AXA Bank Belgium nv-sa-AG Address: Grotesteenweg 214 2600 Antwerpen Account name: Events For Gymnastics vzw Account number: 751-2032242-35 SWIFT: AXABBE22 IBAN: BE57 7512 0322 4235 Each participating member Federation is kindly requested to integrate the payment's purpose as follows: FIAC 2016 – Your country or Federation – Subject. The participating federation is responsible for covering all bank fees in connection with the bank transfers.																				
<b>CANCELLATION POLICY</b>	The Organizing Committee may fix the deadline for non-reimbursement payments. In this case the deadline for non-reimbursement accommodation, meals and banquet, must be 3 (three) days after the deadline for Definitive Registrations, at the very earliest.  The LOC strongly recommend that each Federation takes a cancellation insurance for their accommodation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Rooms (full board) cancelled from 4/11/2015 until 30/12/2015 at the very latest will be subject to a cancellation fee of 0%.</li><li>- Rooms (full board) cancelled from 31/12/2015 until 06/01/2015 at the very latest will be subject to a cancellation fee of 50% to be paid by the Federation concerned.</li><li>- Rooms (full board) cancelled from 07/01/2016 until arrival of the delegations on site or 'no show' will be subject to a cancellation fee of 100% to be paid by the Federation concerned.</li></ul>																				
<b>TIE BREAKING RULES</b>	In case of a tie at any place, the tie-breaking rules as set up for the World Championships shall be applied. The gymnasts with same final score will receive the same World Cup points.																				
<b>PRIZE MONEY</b>	The Prize Money, free of any deductible taxes, will be distributed in EURO as follows:  <table><tr><td colspan="2"><u>For Tournaments Category B:</u></td><td>Total</td><td>CHF 7.800.-</td></tr><tr><td colspan="4"><i>Pairs and Groups</i></td></tr><tr><td>•</td><td>Gold</td><td>300.-</td><td>(per gymnast)</td></tr><tr><td>•</td><td>Silver</td><td>200.-</td><td>(per gymnast)</td></tr><tr><td>•</td><td>Bronze</td><td>100.-</td><td>(per gymnast)</td></tr></table> In case of a tie, the prize money will be added and divided by the number of gymnasts:  1, 1, 3 (prize money for rank 1 and 2 is added and divided by 2) 1, 2, 2, (prize money for rank 2 and 3 is added and divided by 2)  No prize money, medals and World Ranking Lists points will be given, if there are less than 4 participating Member Federations per category. This must be mentioned in the invitations.	<u>For Tournaments Category B:</u>		Total	CHF 7.800.-	<i>Pairs and Groups</i>				•	Gold	300.-	(per gymnast)	•	Silver	200.-	(per gymnast)	•	Bronze	100.-	(per gymnast)
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## ASSIGNMENT OF WORLD CUP POINT FOR THE RANKING LIST

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

Separate World Cup Series Ranking Lists are established for every category beginning with the first World Cup event of the year and ending with the last World Cup event of the year as follows:

- Men's Pairs
- Women's Pairs
- Mixed Pairs
- Women's Groups
- Men's Groups

Pairs are listed **by name**, but considered **as an entity**.

In case of change of partner, the Mixed Pair is considered as a new Pair.

Groups are listed **by name**, but considered **as an entity**.

One change of name in a Trio is allowed, but in case of a second change of name, the Trio is considered as a new Trio.

The World Cup Points are assigned to the competitors as follows:

**Finals:** ranking from 1st to 8th place

**Qualifications:** ranking from 9th to 16th place

Rank	World Cup Cat. B
1	30
2	25
3	20
4	18
5	16
6	14
7	12
8	10
9	8
10	7
11	6
12	5
13	4
14	3
15	2
16	1

The gymnasts with same final score will receive the same World Cup points.

In the case that there are less than four (4) federations participating per apparatus or per category, no World Cup Points will be given.

"Wild Card Participants" will not receive any World Cup Points.

"Hors concours competitors" will not receive World Cup Points.

## WINNER OF THE ANNUAL WORD CUP

The winner of the annual World Cup per category is the individual gymnast / pair / trio / group with the highest number of points of the World Cup Series Ranking List after the last event of the year:

	A special award ceremony will be held at the last World Cup Competition of the year (Cat. A) in which the World Cup winner will receive the World Cup.
<b>EVENT MANAGER</b>	- Contact person: Danny Cuyt - Phone number: +32 (0)468 10 20 18 - E-mail: <a href="mailto:cuyt.danny@gmail.com">cuyt.danny@gmail.com</a>
<b>MEDIA</b>	Streaming of the competition
<b>SOCIAL MEDIA</b>	<a href="http://www.facebook.com/GymnastiekFederatie">www.facebook.com/GymnastiekFederatie</a> <a href="http://www.twitter.com/gymfed">www.twitter.com/gymfed</a>
<b>MEDICAL SERVICES</b>	The medical services will be provided by the OC. A physiotherapist and a team of the Red Cross with ambulance service will be available during the competitions.
<b>OFFICIAL HOSPITAL</b>	Sint-Jozef Hospital
<b>DOPING CONTROLS</b>	For World Cup Competitions and Series, A and B Category, the Organizing Member Federation will provide a minimum of 5 doping controls at its own charge. Failure to do so will result in the deposit being lost in full.
<b>MARKETING</b>	FIG advertising and publicity norms must be respected.
<b>VIDEO CONTROL SYSTEM</b>	Should IRCOS not be available, the Organizing Member Federation must provide another video control system which allows to treat inquiries and records all exercises of the competition in a quality which allows to judge the exercises.
<b>RULES AND REGULATIONS</b>	<p>The competition must be organized under the following FIG rules, as valid in the year of the competition, except for any deviation mentioned in these directives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statutes</li> <li>• Technical Regulations</li> <li>• Code of Points and relevant Newsletters</li> <li>• Licenses Rules</li> <li>• World Cup Rules for Acrobatic Gymnastics</li> <li>• General Judges Rules</li> <li>• Specific Judges' Rules for Acrobatic Gymnastics</li> <li>• Medical Organization of the Official FIG Competitions</li> <li>• Doping Control Rules</li> <li>• Media Rules</li> <li>• Apparatus Norms</li> <li>• Advertising and Publicity Rules</li> <li>• Regulations for Awards Ceremonies</li> </ul> <p>and subsequent decisions of the FIG Executive Committee</p>



<b>DEADLINES SUMMARY</b>	Definitive Registration (on line)	04/11/2015	
	Nominative Registration (on line)	06/01/2016	
	Accommodation Form	04/11/2015	
	Travel Schedule Form	06/01/2016	
	Visa Request Form	06/01/2016	
	Payment of the Entry Fee	04/11/2015	
	Payment of the Accommodation Costs – 50%	04/11/2015	
	Payment of the Accommodation Cost – 100%	06/01/2016	
	Payment of the fine for missing judge	06/01/2015	
<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>	In combination with the World Cup there will be a Youth tournament. The 2 events will be clearly separated in the competition schedule and do not hinder the World Cup competitions, its training and warm-up in any way.		

Sincerely Yours,

Ghent  
30.06.2015

Place and date:



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Signature of the President or  
Secretary General of the FIG  
affiliated NF (Sonja Deneyer)