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# FINA Artistic Swimming World Series Super Final

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## INFORMATION BULLETIN #1

Duna Arena, Budapest, Hungary  
June 14-16, 2019

The Hungarian Artistic Swimming Federation has the honour to invite the first twelve (12) highest ranked National Federations in each event to the FINA Artistic Swimming World Series Super Final to be held in Budapest, Hungary June 14-16, 2019.

## EVENT CONTACTS

Should you have any questions regarding the information provided in this document do not hesitate to contact us.

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### FINA Artistic Swimming World Series 2019

#1	Paris (FRA)	March 01-03
#2	Alexandroupoli (GRE)	April 05-07
#3	Kazan (RUS)	April 19-21
#4	Tokyo (JPN)	April 27-29
#5	Beijing (CHN)	May 04-06
#6	Greensboro (USA)	May 24-26
#7	Quebec City(CAN)	May 30-June 1
#8	Barcelona (ESP)	May 31-June 2
#9	<b>Budapest (HUN)</b>	<b>June 14-16</b>
	<b>Super Final</b>	

## MESSAGE FROM FINA PRESIDENT

### 3rd FINA Artistic Swimming World Series 2019



It is my great pleasure to welcome all the athletes, coaches and officials to the 3rd edition of the **FINA Artistic Swimming World Series**, to be organised in various cities around the world from February to June 2019.

This year's Series will once again bring together the world's best artistic swimmers who will be vying for top honours and producing magnificent routines to the delight of the audience and spectators.

This thrilling world-class competition, which was first launched in 2017, is an additional and unique opportunity to increase the popularity and exposure of this highly-athletic discipline. Each leg integrates existing artistic swimming events from all over the world and each leg will be held in conjunction with those national Opens and competitions.

The event will kick-off in Europe with three hosts: Paris (FRA) from February 28 to March 3, Alexandroupolis (GRE) on April 4-7 and Kazan (RUS) from April 19-21.

Two Asian hosts, Tokyo (JPN) and Beijing (CHN) will then welcome the 2019 circuit on April 27-29 and May 4-5 respectively.

The artistic swimming competition will then move to North America as Greensboro (USA) will stage the sixth leg from May 24-26 and Quebec City (CAN) the seventh leg from May 30 to June 1. Finally, the circuit will conclude in Barcelona (ESP) from May 31- June 2, before the first Super Final is organised in Budapest (HUN) from June 14-16, 2019.

Following the first two editions, the feedback received from all participants – athletes, coaches and officials, was very positive.

I warmly thank all the organisers of the 3rd edition of the FINA Artistic Swimming World Series 2019 which I have no doubt will successfully host their respective leg.

I wish all the World Series participants the best of luck!



DR. JULIO C. MAGLIONE  
FINA President

## MESSAGE FROM THE TASC CHAIR



We are so excited to announce to you that we will be back in Budapest in the 2019 season. Budapest will host the first ever Artistic Swimming Super Final. On behalf of our entire Artistic Swimming community we extend our thanks to Budapest, for their great loyalty to the FINA Artistic Swimmings ideals and family.

My thanks is also is extended to the public authorities of Budapest and the Government of Hungary for their strong commitment and support of FINA.

We know the Budapest LOC you will work tirelessly to ensure that we can host a top quality event for the athletes in the magnificent Duna Arena.

Special thanks to the many volunteers and the work they will do to get the event ready. We know without volunteers, none of this would be possible.

These World Series have been designed to help increase the visibility of the sport on the world stage, There is no doubt that the World Series belong to our athletes.

The Super Final event will give the top twelve Artistic Swimming Routines in each category the opportunity to create the magic that we all know the sport produces through their excellent performances and great sportsman/ woman conduct.

Wishing everyone good luck as each of you build your strategy and pursue your dreams to be invited to compete in the first ever Artistic Swimming Super final.

One of my favourite quotes comes form A.A. Milne: "I think we dream so we don't have to be apart so long. If we're in each other's dreams we can be together all the time."

See You in Budapest Artistic Swimming Family and Keep Dreaming!

Warmest regards,



LISA SCHOTT  
chairman of the FINA TASC

## MESSAGE FROM THE HUNGARIAN MINISTER OF STATE FOR SPORT



### *Improving our rankings*

Though the memories of the 2017 FINA World Championships might be fading a bit – still, it will stay with us forever as it was a true celebration of Aquatics –, Hungary has a strong desire to remain in the mainstream of the world of FINA. Last year we staged a handful of major events: Artistic Swimming World Series, World Junior Artistic Swimming Championships, Water Polo Men's World League Super Final, Open Water World Series, Swimming World Cup – with all respect to other nations who are also excellent partners of FINA as they stage a handful of events year by year as well, in 2018 no other country welcomed as many big FINA meets as Hungary did.

And these series shall continue this season, which is even more fitting to the vibrant life of Budapest as the city is picked for the role of Europe's Sport Capital 2019. The FINA Artistic Swimming World Series Super Final will be one of the highlights of the long series of international events we host this year. Alone in aquatics our experienced and committed organisers already work hard to create the best environment for the participants of the FINA Women's World League Super Final, the open water World Series, the World Junior Swimming Championships and the Swimming World Cup leg. And let me also share how proud we are to have the respective editions of the World Championships in table tennis, fencing, kayak-canoeing and modern pentathlon in Hungary as well.

I think this is quite a strong proof of the commitment of the Hungarian Government which considers sport a key and highlighted area in all aspects. Sound financial backing, hosting a handful of international events, heavy investments in sport infrastructure and mass sport activities are all among the principles we stick firmly and constantly.

It's our core target to significantly improve our country's position in several rankings including the people's everyday sport activities. And we are on the right track to achieve this – I think events like this Super Final where sport's pure beauty is mixed with outstanding athletic performance would truly support our mission.

Let me thank FINA and the artistic swimming family for their trust and love towards Budapest and Hungary.



DR. TUNDE SZABO  
minister of state for sport

## MESSAGE FROM THE FINA ARTISTIC SWIMMING BUREAU LIAISON



### *No one can stop us now!*

In the previous decade, Hungary hosted mostly swimming, water polo and open water swimming competitions, prestigious FINA and continental events – but now we can proudly add that Budapest is also home of artistic swimming.

It started with European Championships in all disciplines, then came the ‘big boom’, the FINA World Championships in 2017 – and these competitions were followed by stand-alone artistic swimming events in 2018. Hungary joined in to stage a leg of the FINA Artistic Swimming World Series and the World Junior Artistic Swimming Championships also took place in our capital.

The Duna Arena and Budapest will not remain without outstanding artistic swimming meets in 2019 either. The Hungarian Artistic Swimming Federation will host the Super Final, the final stage crowning the eight legs of the FINA Artistic Swimming World Series 2019.

The rules are obvious, this competition gathers the best representatives of this beautiful discipline.

With establishing this new competition, FINA also aims to promote the discipline on an even higher level. This is one of the reasons why athletes can only receive prize money for their World Series performances if they participate in the Super Final as well. In fact, the pot of the Super Final is larger than that of the whole World Series.

The best artistic swimmers and the FINA Family can be sure that the Hungarian organisers will provide ideal conditions in order to prove that FINA made the right decision and chose the best venue for the dream Super Final.



TAMÁS GYARFÁS  
FINA Executive Member  
Artistic Swimming Bureau Liaison

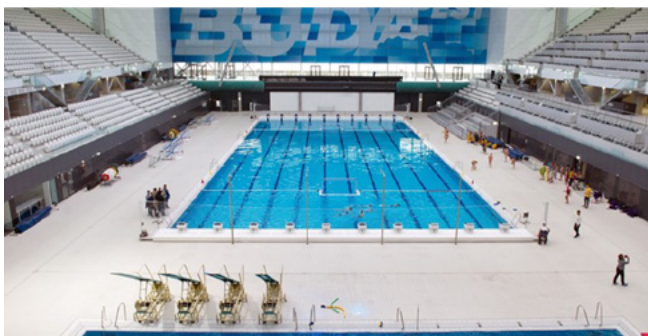


## Competition information

**Training days:** June 11-13, 2019  
**Competition days:** June 14-16, 2019  
**Venue:** Duna Arena  
**Address:** Népfürdő utca 36, Budapest, Hungary, 1138



**Competition pool:** 50m x 25m, depth: 3.0m  
**Practice Pool:** 50m x 25m, depth: 2.2m



**Seating capacity:** Grandstands 5,300 spectators

## COMPETITION RULES

The competition will be organized according to FINA 2019 Artistic Swimming World Series Rules and Regulations.

Events: Technical Routines (Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet and Team) and Free Routines (Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet, Team, Highlight and Free Combination)

Participants eligibility: Federations accumulate points by participating in the World Series competitions. The top 4 results of each Federation will be cumulated to have an overall ranking by category: Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet and Team. The first twelve (12) highest ranked National Federations in each event (Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet and Teams) attend the Super Final.

The Host Country is granted with the possibility to swim each event supposing they have participated and obtained points at four of the World Series competitions. They can enter either by qualifying or as 13th competitor, but in this case they swim first for the certain event.

Ranking and Awards: Federations will continue to collect points at this competition. The final ranking will determine the winner in each category.

Prize money will be given to the six (6) highest ranked Federations in the Super Final as follows:

<b>1st place:</b>	<b>100'000.- USD</b>
<b>2nd place:</b>	<b>70'000.- USD</b>
<b>3rd place:</b>	<b>50'000.- USD</b>
<b>4th place:</b>	<b>40'000.- USD</b>
<b>5th place:</b>	<b>30'000.- USD</b>
<b>6th place:</b>	<b>20'000.- USD</b>

The ranking will be established by adding the results of each Federation in every category (Solo, Duet, Mixed Duet and Team).

Plaquette will be awarded to the first three (3) highest ranked National Federations according to this ranking.

With this occasion plaquette will be awarded to the first three (3) highest ranked National Federations of the World Series in each category.



## COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Music practice according to schedule, otherwise open practice from 09:00-20:00 on training days. Meetings for Team Leaders and Technical Officials will be held in the afternoon on June 13, 2019 led by the FINA Technical Delegate.

<b>June 11</b>	Training
<b>June 12</b>	Training
<b>June 13</b>	Training Team Leaders' Meeting Technical Officials' Meeting
<b>June 14</b>	Competition Day 1 Solo Technical Routine Duet Technical Routine Mixed Duet technical Routine Team Technical Routine
<b>June 15</b>	Competition Day 2 Solo Free Routine Duet Free Routine Mixed Duet Free Routine Team Free Routine
<b>June 16</b>	Competition Day 3 Highlight Routine Free Combination End of Event Gala



## END OF EVENT GALA

After finishing the last event a Gala exhibition is held to entertain the public and ourselves as a worthy end of the competition. Federations are kindly asked to prepare with a maximum two-minute-long show-like routine.

## TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

Every participating NF must bring a minimum of one and a maximum of two A or G FINA judges. An A judge will be given priority over G judges and all FINA judges must have successfully passed the Judges Exam administered at a FINA Artistic Swimming Judges Certification School in 2018, and the 2018 on line exam and be on the current FINA List. The list of judges for each competition must be sent in advance to the FINA office. Practice judges are accepted at all events of the Series, maximum one judge per Federation. Neutral Judges: One Neutral Judge per federation is invited to apply to the OC to attend World Series. In the event of low foreign participation in a ASWS Leg FINA may appoint one (1) or two (2) neutral judges to ensure a balance between the judges' nationalities.

## ENTRY PROCESS AND PROTOCOL

Preliminary entries may be sent by e-mail to **superfinalbp2019@gmail.com** until May 07, 2019. Final entries deadline June 02, 2019.

## VISA INFORMATION

Our aim is to make the Visa process smooth and quick although the official procedure takes time, please take this into consideration when applying until May 07, 2019. The OC will provide Visa assistance. Those who attend an event held in the EU beforehand may apply for a double or multiple entry to avoid another procedure when coming to Hungary.

## ACCREDITATION

In order to make the accreditation procedure more convenient, please email all the members' (athletes, officials) photographs in jpg (size: 4.5x3.5cm/200KB~1MB) to **superfinalbp2019@gmail.com** no later than June 02, 2019. Please indicate the country (3 letters) and respective member's name in every file name, eg. DAVID\_Janka\_HUN\_Athlete





## PASSPORT CHECK

During the Team Leaders' Meeting passports will be checked for each competitor to verify sports nationality.

## DRAW

During the Team Leaders' Meeting upon the principality of fairness and the TASC recommendations.

## MEDICAL SERVICES

The OC will provide first aid and medical services June 11-16, 2019.

## DOPING CONTROL

The doping control testing will be organized and implemented according to FINA DC Rules and WADA International Standards, and under the supervision of FINA.

## NATIONAL ANTHEMS AND MUSIC

Team Managers/Coaches are responsible for submitting their music (competition+gala) electronically to the Sound Centre Manager to [music.superfinalbp2019@gmail.com](mailto:music.superfinalbp2019@gmail.com). Each submission shall be labelled as to event, name of the competitors and national federation. During practice sessions Team Managers/Coaches should check their music with the Sound Centre Manager. Please also bring your music on a USB stick or CD as a backup.



## ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation may be booked on a first come first served basis. Because of high season please assure your rooms as early as you can. Preliminary accommodation forms submission by May 07, 2019. Rooming lists submission by June 02, 2019. Please also inform us about your special needs e.g. early check-in or late check out.

## TEAMS

### **Danubius Grand Hotel Margitsziget and Health Spa Resort Margitsziget (1.7 km)**

Margaret Island, 1007-Budapest, Hungary

**Single:** 195 EUR/night/person

**Double:** 145 EUR/night/person



### **Hotel Budapest (6.8 km)**

Szilágyi Erzsébet fasor 47, 1026-Budapest, Hungary

**Single:** 160 EUR/night/person

**Double:** 110 EUR/night/person

## Danubius Grand Hotel Margitsziget and Health Spa Resort Margitsziget

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Danubius+Health+Spa+Resort+Margitsziget/@47.5338673,19.0505253,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m5!3m4!1s0x4741dbe368ff3983:0x841b29c396212da8!8m2!3d47.5338637!4d19.052714?hl=en>

## Hotel Budapest

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## LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

The OC will provide transportation to and from the airport and railway stations, official hotels and the venue. All teams and persons accommodated at the official hotels will be provided with all necessary internal travel and transport arrangements free of charge. Regular shuttle buses will operate during training and competition days. Detailed schedule upon arrival.

## CATERING

Breakfast and dinner are served at the hotels, lunch is served at the venue. Lunchtime will be prolonged to provide enough time to teams if necessary.

Allergies or other special dietary needs should be reported until June 02, 2019 to be taken into consideration

## KEY DATES

<b>Visa Form:</b>	May 07, 2019
<b>Preliminary Entry Form:</b>	May 07, 2019
<b>Preliminary Accommodation Form:</b>	May 07, 2019
<b>50% deposit of accommodation:</b>	May 07, 2019
<b>Final Entry Form:</b>	June 02, 2019
<b>Final Accommodation Form:</b>	June 02, 2019
<b>100% payment of accommodation:</b>	June 02, 2019
<b>Travel Form:</b>	June 02, 2019
<b>Accreditation information:</b>	June 02, 2019
<b>Music submission:</b>	June 02, 2019



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