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1. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



It is with great pleasure that I welcome the world's best open water swimmers and their respective National Federations to the World Aquatics Open Water Swimming World Cup 2023.

This year we get to see the class of open water athletes compete across five events: 8-9 May, Somabai (EGY); 20-21 May, Golfo Aranci (ITA); 27-28 May, Setubal (POR); 5-6 August, Paris (FRA); 1-2 December, Eilat (ISR).

Since the first annual international open water swimming series in 2007, the events have proven to be an important event tour on the aquatics calendar. Over the years, we have routinely seen incredible performances and competitive races on the world stage. With established champions raising their level while new talents emerge on the global stage, the quality of the competition has never been higher.

Reserved for the best open water swimmers in the world, this prestigious event series in 2023 will see more than 300 athletes from over 50 countries compete in one of World Aquatics' most demanding and exciting competitions.

I have no doubt that our fantastic host cities will provide our athletes and spectators with great entertainment and hospitality. And thanks to the support of the Local Organising Committees, local authorities, volunteers and international media, the World Aquatics World Cup 2023 will represent another milestone in the history of this spectacular competition.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to the host cities and sponsors for hosting what is set to be a captivating series. To all the athletes competing, I wish you the best of luck!



Captain Husain Al-Musallam

World Aquatics President

2. MAYOR OF SETÚBAL MESSAGE



The city of Setúbal has been, since 2006, the stage of great emotions at each new stage of the World Aquatics Open Water Swimming World Cup, with the presence of the most important elite swimmers from all over the world.

The Sado River framed by the Arrábida Mountains was also the scene of the 2012, 2016 and 2021 Olympic Games Qualifications, which further reinforces that the investment and effort we have made to promote the municipality and its potential in the field of aquatic sports has been worthwhile.

In recent years we have gained the confidence of countries, athletes, and coaches. A recognition that we have also received from our peers in similar organizations, as result of a well-coordinated work that allowed us to win the confidence of the Portuguese Swimming Federation and the World Aquatics.

Besides the official teams, many are the persons involved that take advantage of the approximately one-week period that the athletes spend in Setúbal to visit our country, namely the Blue Coast region and the Lisbon Metropolitan Area, with visible economic returns for the tourism sector.

These values, countable but immeasurable, assure us that we are on the right track, on the path to promote, publicise and value our land, our sport, our people and our traditions.

To the athletes, managers, coaches, and other elements of the delegations from various countries who return to Setúbal, or visit us for the first time, welcome!

To the swimmers who inspire our young athletes and show them the path to which effort and dedication lead, I wish the best sporting success and that Setúbal and the river Sado continues to be a reference in your careers, remembered as one of the places where you achieve results of excellence.



André Martins

Mayor of Setúbal

3. PRESIDENT OF PORTUGUESE SWIMMING FEDERATION MESSAGE



The Portuguese Swimming Federation has the honor to organise, once more, in partnership with Setúbal Municipality, in the beautiful Albarquel beach, the Open Water World Cup, in the stage of the three last Olympic Qualifying Events, and as the aquatic's world recognizes it, one of the most challenging stages that really shows the true spirit of the discipline.

Since 2006 Portugal and the city of Setúbal receive the best world swimmers of the Olympic Marathon that face a 10km Open Water course in the ending of Sado river embraced by the Sado's and Serra da Arrábida's natural reserve, in an astonishing landscape and a rich local culture.

Knowing that the sport needs to reinvent itself as competition model and that World Aquatics (AQUA) is developing, together with the LOC's, new references that adjust the model in order to gather the swimmer's interests and the organisational costs, and that set the discipline as major interest to all great swimmers in medium and long distance as they do in the pool.

Also together with this competition, we will have the challenge of another stage of the National Open Water Circuit and also promotional events that contribute for the development of a discipline that in Portugal gathers leisure, physical activity, competition and health, all together with beautiful sightseeing's and the Portuguese gastronomy.

A deep welcome to all wishing that the success of this organisation be also yours and the fulfilment of your goals.

Best of luck to you all!



António Silva

Portuguese Swimming Federation President

4. INTRODUCTION

This Venue is one of the most iconics within the Open Water Swimming World Cup, generation after generation, Setúbal stays as a challenging race. Continuously since 2006, it was a stage for all the World Top OWS swimmers, and stage for 3 Olympic Qualifiers.

The following information has been prepared in order to assist your National Federation in its decision to attend this event.

5. EVENT CONTACTS

Should you have any questions or queries regarding the information provided in this document please feel free to contact the Portuguese Swimming Federation.

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6. CALENDAR

LEG	DATE	LOCATION
#1	MAY 08-09	HURGHADA (EGY)
#2	MAY 20-21	GOLFO ARANCI (ITA)
#3	MAY 27-28	SETUBAL (POR)
#4	AUGUST 5-6	PARIS (FRA)
#5	DECEMBER 1-2	EILAT (ISR)

7. EVENT KEY DATES

April 21	ACCOMMODATION DEADLINE - Submission of accommodation forms
May 8	REGISTRATION DEADLINE – Final Nomination, Visa, Travel Details
May 8	SPORT ENTRIES DEADLINE
May 23 to 27	OFFICIAL TRAINING
May 26	TECHNICAL MEETING – 17:00 (at the venue)
May 27	COMPETITION – 10k Individual
May 27	COMPETITION – Mass Participation 200m / 600m
May 28	COMPETITION – 4x1500m Mixed Team Relay
May 28	COMPETITION – Mass Participation 2k

8. OFFICIAL SCHEDULE AND COMPETITION PROGRAMME

Training Schedule will be as follows:

Date	Morning Period	Venue	Afternoon Period	Venue
May 23	9h00 – 11h00	Swimming Pool	15h00 – 17h00 16h00 – 18h00	Ocean Swimming Pool
May 24	9h00 – 11h00	Swimming Pool	15h00 – 17h00 16h00 – 18h00	Ocean Swimming Pool
May 25	9h00 – 11h00	Swimming Pool	15h00 – 17h00 16h00 – 18h00	Ocean Swimming Pool
May 26	9h00 – 11h00	Swimming Pool	15h00 – 17h00 16h00 – 18h00	Ocean Swimming Pool
May 27	9h00 – 11h00	Swimming Pool	14h00 – 15h00 16h00 – 18h00	Ocean Swimming Pool
May 28	9h00 – 10h30	Swimming Pool		

If the Weather conditions do not favor outdoor training, a 25m indoor pool will be available

The World Aquatics Open Water Swimming World Cup, Setubal 2023 competition will include a 10k swim race for men and women, and also a 4x1500m Mixed Team Relay.

May 27th:

16:00 – 10k Men Race;

16:10 – 10k Women Race;

May 28th:

15:30 – 4x1500m Mixed Team Relay;

Awarding ceremonies will take place at the competition venue. Immediately after the race.

All Announcements, instructions, and commands during the event will be in English.

9. PARTICIPANTS

Entries will be accepted only from National World Aquatics Member Federations which must also register a coach for each respective swimmer. A coach can be responsible for up to two (2) swimmers only. The coach is responsible for representing his/her swimmers at the Technical Meeting, and feeding the swimmer during the event. The World Aquatics Technical Delegate together with the Chief Referee will accept entries and register only swimmers accompanied by the respective coach who is in charge of swimmer recognition during the race. A swimmer without a coach present will not be allowed to start the race. Each National Federation that has entered one or more swimmers in an Event must also have at least one representative (e.g. team leader, coach) present.

10. ENTRY PROCESS

Registration: All National Federation registrations and sport entries must be done through the World Aquatics General Management System (GMS) via <https://data.worldaquatics.com/> Each National Federation must complete their registrations before the designated deadlines.

11. TECHNICAL & TEAM LEADERS MEETING

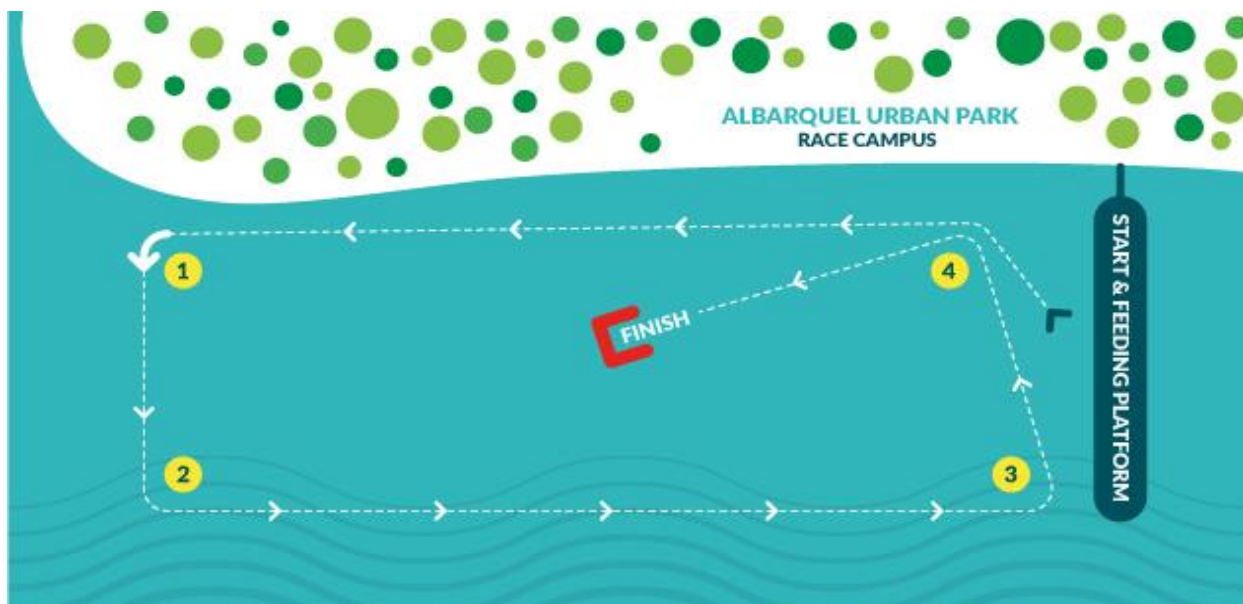
The Technical Meeting will take place on Friday the 26th of May at 17h00. At least one representative from each National Federation must attend this meeting.

The Meeting will take place in the Venue.

12. VENUE & COURSE INFORMATION

The **10k** Competition will be organized on a **2000m** course, swimmers must complete **5 laps**. For the **4x1500m** Mixed Team Relay, same shape, but only **1500m** course.

Sprint Laps: Laps considered for the Sprint Ranking will be laps 1, 2 and 4.



An updated and detailed course will be delivered closer to the competition.

13. RULES

Please note that all the events in the World Cup will be conducted according to latest World Aquatics Competition Regulations, in force at the time event.

World Aquatics Competition Regulations can be found [here](#)

14. ACCREDITATIONS & EVENT INFORMATION DESK

The Organizing Committee will provide all Swimmers and Team Staff with an official Accreditation card.

Only accredited people will be allowed to access certain venue areas. All accredited people are requested to carry their Accreditation Cards with them at all times and to show them upon request.

Where to collect

Accreditation can be collected at the Information Desk in the official hotel. Team managers will be required to present photographic identification for all team members.

The team Hotel will have an Information Desk where all the information will be provided, and where the accreditations will be delivered.

15. POINT SYSTEM & PRIZE MONEY

Point system and prize money distribution is explained within the 2023 Rules & Regulations

World Aquatics Open Water Swimming World Cup 2023, Rules and Regulations can be found [here](#).

16. MEDICAL

All Medical Support will be delivered by the local health authorities and in articulation with the World Aquatics Medical and Safety Officers, as well as World Aquatics Rules and Procedures.

17. VISA INFORMATION & TRANSPORTATION

All visitors to Setúbal, Portugal should have a valid visa for their entry and stay in the country.

The Portuguese Swimming Federation will facilitate an entry visa to Portugal to all participants and coordinate all the required procedures upon completion of registration in the World Aquatics GMS no later than **May 8, 2023**.

For additional information on whether a Visa is needed for entry into the Setubal, Portugal please visit <http://www.sef.pt/portal/v10/PT/asp/page.aspx> Please note that application for Visa may take up to 3 or more days depending on various criteria.

The Lisbon International Airport ([https:// www.ana.pt/pt/lis/home](https://www.ana.pt/pt/lis/home)) is the official airport. National Federations will be received at the Welcome Desk and will be provided with transportation services only between the Airport, the Official Team hotel and the Competition /Training Venue. **IMPORTANT:** Please make sure you enter your travel Information In the GMS. Otherwise the LOC will not be able to ensure the transportation service upon your arrival.

Transportation schedules will be provided upon arrival and as part of the detailed Information Package.

18.ACCOMMODATION & MEALS

The Portuguese Swimming Federation will organise accommodation to all participating athletes and team officials of that event as per World Aquatics Open Water Swimming World Cup Rules & Regulations, upon request via the Accommodation Form.

You can download the accommodation form [here](#). Please make sure you proceed with your reservations no later than **April 21, 2023**.

The Official Event hotel for the World Aquatics Open Water Swimming World Cup, Setubal 2023 (Portugal) will be:

Hotel Novotel Setúbal ★ ★ ★ ★ https://all.accor.com/hotel/1557/index.pt.shtml	
Type	Price (full board) per night/per person
Single	215 €
Twin	185 €
Triple	165 €

Payment dates: **May 1st 2023**



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