Information pack for 2025 BEC Congress

Time schedule

27th March (Thursday)

Arrival of delegates

20:00 – 22:00 Welcome drinks - hotel lobby

28th March (Friday)

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11:00 – 11:15	Welcome (Pacific meeting room)
11:15 – 12:00	Keynote speaker – Emma Zwiebler
12:00 – 12:15	BWF Elections
12:15 – 12:45	Solibad
12:45 - 13:00	Expo 2027
13:00 - 14:30	Lunch (Dining room)
14:30 - 15:00	BEC Candidates for Election
15:00 – 15:20	Digital Development
15:20 - 15:40	High Performance
15:40 - 16:40	Diversity Workshop
16:40 - 17:00	Closing
17:00 - 18:45	Personal time
18:45 – 22:00	Departure & Dinner Restaurant Velika Skadarlija in Belgrade city
22:00	Departure to hotel / free time

29th March (Saturday)

09:00 - 10:00	58th Annual Delegates' Meeting Registration (Conference Lobby)
10:00 - 11:15	58th Annual Delegates' Meeting (Part 1) (Pacific meeting room)
11:15 – 11:45	Coffee break
11:45 - 14:00	58th Annual Delegates' Meeting (Part 2)
14:00 - 18:00	Personal time
18:00 - 18:45	Official reception (Conference Lobby 1st floor)
18:45	2025 BEC Awards Ceremony (Pacific meeting room)

30th March (Sunday)

Departure for all delegates

Schedule may change according to unexpected factors.

Sportity App

We will be using the Sportity App to share information during the 2025 BEC Congress. Please make sure to download the app and turn on the notifications as this will be a very important way of receiving information about the Congress during the weekend. Password is "**BEC25**", please see the poster attached in the email for more information.

Transport

In order to go through the Passport control process at the airport more smoothly and to avoid queuing, the participants of BEC Congress will have the opportunity to use the special passport control gate for the official personnel. When you arrive at the airport, look for the airport personnel in the blue wests with "Here to help" lettering and inform them that you are

participating in the Badminton Europe Congress and which country you are from. They will escort you to the special passport control booth "Službena lica" or "Staff only".

At the arrival hall, after the baggage claim area, the person from the organization will be waiting for you with the dedicated signs, and direct you to the driver.

Please note that participants arriving in Belgrade and departing will have organized route transport between Airport Nikola Tesla Belgrade (BEG) and Crowne Plaza Belgrade hotel. Transport will be organized in groups so it might happen that you will have to wait for a few minutes for the transport to leave the airport.

Please be informed that departure from the hotel will be organized approximately 3 hours in advance of the scheduled flight departure time. A departure overview will be available in the Sportity App.

The local person who is responsible for transport is Jelena.

She can be contacted at +381 64 66 55 993 via WhatsApp or Viber.

Hotel

Hotel address: Crowne Plaza Belgrade Vladimira Popovića 10 Belgrade 11070 Serbia

Hotel has a parking outside based upon availability. Price is approximately 25€/day. Please note that parking expenses shall be covered by yourself.

Spa and fitness center is available free of charge for all guests.

A la carte restaurant "Prime" within the hotel working hours are 12.00 - 23.00.

Lobby bar working hours are 7.00 - 00.00.

"Riddle" cocktail bar is available at the hotel as well with working hours 18.00 – 02.00.

Dress code

Please be informed that there is required dress code during the 2025 BEC Congress. Below you can find more information:

Welcoming reception and Members' Forum → smart casual Dinner on Friday → smart casual Annual Delegates' Meeting → smart casual Awards Ceremony → formal

Recommendations for Friday night in the city center

After the Friday dinner there will be a bus going back to hotel. However, there will be a short bus stop in the city centre for the people who want to stay in the city (finding their way back to the hotel by themselves) with the following recommendations from the organizers:

1. "Skadarlija Street", Belgrade, Skadarlija street

Skadarlija (Serbian Cyrillic: Скадарлија) is a vintage street, an urban neighborhood and former municipality of Belgrade, Serbia, located in the Belgrade municipality of Stari Grad (Old Town). Skadarlija became a bohemian part of the city at the turn of the 20th century. The taverns of Skadarlija became the gathering places of the most famous individuals who were the part of Belgrade culture.

2. "Beton Hala", Belgrade, Karađorđeva street 2-4

Beton Hala, which translates to "Concrete Hall" in English, is a unique and contemporary waterfront district located along the banks of the Sava River in the heart of Belgrade. Once an industrial warehouse, it has been transformed into a thriving cultural, entertainment and culinary hub.

People who will want to go back to hotel shall just stay on the bus.

Recommendations for Saturday afternoon

1. "Kalemegdan fortress and Knez Mihailova street"

Kalemegdan Fortress, located in the heart of Belgrade, offers a stunning blend of history and natural beauty, with panoramic views of the confluence of the River Sava and Danube. Just a short walk away is Knez Mihailova Street, a bustling pedestrian zone lined with elegant 19th-century buildings, offering a vibrant atmosphere of shops, cafes, and cultural landmarks, making it the perfect spot for both locals and tourists. Together, they represent the rich cultural heritage and lively spirit of Belgrade.

2. "Belgrade Waterfront and Galerija mall"

Belgrade Waterfront is a modern and ambitious development along the Sava River. The waterfront's picturesque promenade stretches along the river, providing a scenic place for leisurely walks, cycling, and enjoying cafes with stunning views of the water. Nearby, Galerija Shopping Mall offers a premier retail experience, with a wide range of international brands, restaurants, and entertainment options, making it a popular destination for shopping and leisure.

Currency

The official currency in Serbia is Dinar (RSD). The current rate is approximately 1 EUR = 117,5 RSD. All restaurants, shops, caffes, etc. accept card payment.