



TO: Umpire Correspondents, Badminton Europe Members
RE: Umpire Nominations for the 2026 European U15 Championships

Dear All,

Badminton Europe (BEC) is pleased to invite you to nominate umpires for the following BEC event:

2026 European U15 Championships

Location: **Sotra, Norway**
Venue: Sotra Arena: Idrettsvegen 50, 5353 Straume
Date: 7 – 10 October 2026

For this event, the following umpires can be nominated:

- BWF umpires
- BEC Accredited/Certificated umpires
- National umpires

Point of arrival

The official point of arrival for the event is Bergen Airport Flesland (BGO). The umpires will have to arrive latest at 16:00 on Tuesday 6 October 2026 to attend the umpire briefing. Departure 11 October 2026.

Travel Support

Badminton Europe provides a travel grant for all foreign umpires appointed for BEC events. The basic grant consists of 250 Euros per umpire which will be paid to the umpire's Member's account after the event. It is therefore hoped that the Member will assist their umpire/-s with their travel costs and visa expenses (if needed).

Umpires requiring a visa to travel to the BEC Event, to which they are appointed, will receive an additional support of 50 Euros.

To additionally support umpires coming from remote European destinations in comparison to the host nation, the following Members are entitled to an increased travel support of 350 Euros (+50 Euros for visa expenses if applicable): Portugal, Greece, Cyprus and Türkiye.

National Umpire Workshops and Appraisals

Badminton Europe will offer a National Umpire Workshops and Appraisal (NUWA) at this event. A NUWA is intended for national level umpires and consists of a theoretical (lectures) and practical part (umpiring at the event). The NUWA is part of umpires' pathway at the initial stage, i.e. before being selected for an Assessment towards the BEC Accredited level.



Accommodation/Briefing

Umpires will be provided with bed and breakfast accommodation in twin rooms. In the hotel Scandic Bergen City, Håkonsgate 2-7, Bergen. In addition, umpires will be provided with lunch and dinner in the venue during the event.

The umpire briefing will take place in the venue 6 October at 19:00.

Umpire Clothing

BEC and BWF umpires must bring their BEC polos while National umpires must bring their national polos. All must be wearing black. Additional clothing will not be brought to the event.

Nominations

Nominations must be made using the link here: [nominations for EU15C26](#). Each Member can nominate a maximum of four umpires for the event.

Any changes to the nominations, or any enquiries, must be made to the Badminton Europe office - umpires@badmintoneurope.com

It is possible that the number of nominations will exceed the number of umpires required. Therefore, please do not book any travel until umpire appointments have been confirmed. Umpires can be asked to depart on different days, so travel cannot be booked until after the selection is announced.

The closing date for receiving umpire nominations is **26 July 2026**. The selection will be announced shortly after the deadline.

Thank you in advance for your nominations!

Kind regards,

Sven Serré
Chair of the TOC

Niklas Pedersen
Event Manager