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To: Member Associations

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## REFERENCE

Player Scholarships for [Centre of Excellence \(CoE\)](#) or for a [Certificated Training Centre \(CTC\)](#)

Dear Member Associations,

We would like to inform you that Badminton Europe has a Player Scholarship Program which will run until Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of December 2019. Players can apply through their Member Association for the CoE in Holbaek (Denmark) and for the CTC`s in 2019.

Badminton Europe do expect the players on Scholarships to:

- Be a part of a Badminton Europe Member Association
- Invest their time 100% in the Scholarship
- Provide maximum dedication to perform in the program
- Contribute at the centre with their training mates
- Be a part of the training centre structure while enjoying the experience
- Contribute with strong team spirit

Badminton Europe reserves the right to decline an application due to budget, ranking and/or practical reasons.

We offer scholarships both the CoE and the CTC`s and we reserve the right to recommend a Scholarship to attend one of the CTC`s instead of the CoE if we find it to be a better match.

### More information about the [CoE](#):

The Scholarship to the CoE allow players to be a part of daily practice at CoE for a period of one or two weeks.

The Scholarship is preferable for Elite and U-19 Players.

Singles players are invited to apply for a CoE Player Scholarship.

The Scholarship consists out of free accommodation, free lunch and dinner, training, coaching and shuttlecocks. Breakfast is organised with the CoE players and will be eaten at the accommodation. Players will have to cover their travel to the CoE. Players who travel by plane will have to take the train from the airport to Holbæk station where they will be picked up and brought to the CoE.

Our experience is that players get a great learning experience and a lot of good networking no matter if he or she is coming alone to the CoE or together with a coach, for example on a Coach Scholarship (Invitation Letter sent out to all Member Associations the 20<sup>th</sup> of February 2019).

The completed application for a Player Scholarship to the CoE should reach Michael Nørbæk at least **two weeks before** the preferred start date. Badminton Europe welcomes applicants applying as early as possible.

In order to be considered for a CoE Player Scholarship, Badminton Europe will assess the player in order to evaluate his/her potential, to qualify for future European Championships or European Junior Championships.



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#### More information about CTC's:

There is no maximum time for the Scholarships at CTC's. It will depend on an individual agreement with the centre but the minimum time is two weeks.

The Scholarship has no age limit.

Singles and doubles players are invited to apply for scholarship to the CTC's. If applying as a doubles pair, Badminton Europe recommends that the nomination is for two people as a pair to attend a training centre for the same period.

The players will have to pay for their own travel, accommodation and food in connections with attending a CTC. The Scholarship will be in the form of a financial grant to assist players in paying these costs: this will be a fixed amount of 500 Euros. More information about the price structure [here](#).

The CTC's have the discretion to accept or decline players who are eligible for a Badminton Europe Scholarship.

The completed application for a Scholarship to train at a CTC should reach Michael Nørbæk at least **four weeks before** the preferred start date. Badminton Europe welcomes applicants applying as early as possible.

The Criteria to be eligible for a Player Scholarship is different from CTC to CTC. Badminton Europe's Guiding Criteria is therefore to be placed in top 350 in singles or top 100 in doubles on the World Ranking

When filling out the nomination form clarify which CTC you prefer to enter on a Scholarship:

<b>Denmark:</b> Greve or Odense	<b>Germany:</b> Bonn	<b>Hungary:</b> Pecs	<b>Ireland:</b> Dublin
<b>Italy:</b> Milan	<b>Netherlands:</b> Arnhem	<b>Spain:</b> Madrid or Oviedo	<b>Sweden:</b> Uppsala or Malmö

#### **Application**

Please complete the attached application form as soon as your preferred choice to attend CoE or one of the CTC's and dates are known and send it to [michael.noerbaek@badmintoneurope.com](mailto:michael.noerbaek@badmintoneurope.com).

Kind regards,

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