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TO: Umpire Correspondents, Badminton Europe Member Associations
RE: Umpire Course alongside the YONEX Latvia International 2019

Dear All,

Badminton Europe will be organising an umpire course alongside the YONEX Latvia International 2019 and Member Associations are invited to nominate participants.

Attending an umpire course is a prerequisite to be assessed towards the Badminton Europe Accredited Umpire level.

Please ensure that your nominations fulfil the necessary entry requirements listed below.

Here are the details for the umpire course:

Umpire course in Jelgava, Latvia

Dates: 28 May – 2 June 2019

Transport: Participants coming by plane should land at **Riga International Airport (RIX)**. Transport from and to Riga International Airport as well as transport between the official hotel and the venue will be provided by the organizer.

Arrival: at Riga International Airport (RIX), no later than the **28 May 2019 at 10:00**, it is mandatory to be there on time.

Departure: Sunday 2 June 2019 after 19:00 or Monday 3 June 2019

Tournament: YONEX Latvia International 2019

Places: 10 umpires can be accepted

Location: Zemgales Olimpiskais Centrs, Kronvalda 24, LV-3004 Jelgava, Latvia

Course instructors: Preben Nøies & Ivo Kassel

Closing date for nominations – **26 February 2019**

The course **does not** offer assessment – it focuses on education.



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Prerequisite / requirement for entry:

Must be a **National Graded Umpire** and meet the following criteria:

- Good communication skills in the English language
- Umpire experience: international experience is mandatory
- Know the Laws of Badminton, the updated ITTO's and the Technical Officials' Code of Conduct (available here: <https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/statutes/>)

Relevant personal skills also required:

- Enthusiasm to learn and develop new skills
- Approachability
- Decisiveness
- Good listening skills
- Willingness to take on responsibility
- Initiative
- Candidates should be in good health and have a reasonable level of physical fitness

Practical Details

The local organisers will pay for the accommodation (in shared double rooms) and meals (or meal allowance) for all the participants from the arrival day until the departure day as listed above. Those attending the course must cover their own travel costs to/from Jelgava, and it is hoped that Member Associations will assist their candidates with these expenses.

Nominations

Nominations must be made no later than **26 February 2019** using the nomination form here: [Nomination form BEC Umpire Course](#)

Umpires who have been selected to attend the course will be notified through their national association soon after the entry closing date.

If you have any questions on the content of this information, please contact the Badminton Europe Office.

Kind regards,

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