

2nd Trisome Games 2020 Antalya, Turkey

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INTRODUCTION

Jose Costa Pereira and I visited Antalya on November 23 and 24 2018 to inspect the facilities that were being proposed for the 2nd Trisome Games of 2020.

We received full co-operation from TOSSFED, the Turkish organisation that would be responsible for staging the Games. Throughout they were most co-operative and excellent hosts for Jose and I and I want to express our sincere thanks for this.

Jose and I were very grateful for the assistance and company of the International Officer for TOSSFED Tolga Nasuh Aran.

We were able to visit a number of sports facilities and Jose was able to assess the suitability of each. At the same time I was able to assess the accommodation and other elements of the logistics essential for the smooth running of the Games.

SECURITY

We are very aware of the concerns that some of you have about the security of your stay in Turkey and so we made specific care to address this question.

Firstly, it is necessary to know that Antalya is a tourist centre and in the south of Turkey and well aware from previous problems that have taken place in Istanbul and the north of Turkey. In 2015 the International political conference of G20 took place in Antalya and a Turkish Expo with 4 million visitors was also focused on Antalya.

The presence of numbers of security personnel is apparent in all the hotels. In addition all residents at the hotel are given a security band. Not only does this band allow all residents to access facilities of the hotel but it also allows the security staff to monitor who comes and who goes within the hotel building.

It must be pointed out that security at the hotel is designed to keep non-residents out of the hotel, and not to keep residents in the hotel. This latter requirement is the responsibility of the team management.

We also met with a senior member of the Antalya Sport Security Service. He was able to inform us that Antalya has hosted a large number of International Sports events over the past years involving thousands of sports people and supporters.

The Sport Security Service in collaboration with the police has provided security for these events without any incidents. They will also be covering all the venues we will be using with both their personnel and the police.



Every year there have been important sports events in Antalya
In 2018 The Judo World Cup attracted 28 Nations
In 2017 19 Nations attended the Archery World Cup
In 2013 FIFA stages the Under-20 World Cup
More events and more details may be found on Wikipedia

On a personal level, Jose and I have attended many Sports events in Turkey without incident, and throughout our stay and travelling via Istanbul airport neither Jose nor I felt at any risk throughout.

Of course the decision to come to the Games relies on a decision of each team and we respect that. However, we hope you will all feel reassured and we hope to see you in Antalya in 2020.

DATES

The event will take place at the beginning of April 2020 the final dates will be announced when the invitation letter is sent to all members.

This period has been selected because the temperature at this time will be quite moderate in the region of 20° to 22° centigrade.

SPORTS FACILITIES

Athletics

We visited the Track and Field facilities that were of a high standard. There was a good quality 8 lane track and all the other requirements for the Field events. Changing facilities and other essential rooms were of an equally high standard





The seating in the stand for the Teams and the Supporters was excellent and would provide ample space for all that could be expected to attend.

Tennis

The 2 tennis courts are hard courts and adjacent to the athletics track. As can be





seen from the photograph the courts are in good condition there are fences surrounding the courts and the nets themselves are good. There is a small stand although other spectators will be able to see the games from outside the netting around the court. Changing facilities for the tennis players are within the facilities of the athletics stadium, which is 200 m away from the tennis courts themselves.

Swimming



The swimming pool is an excellent facility.





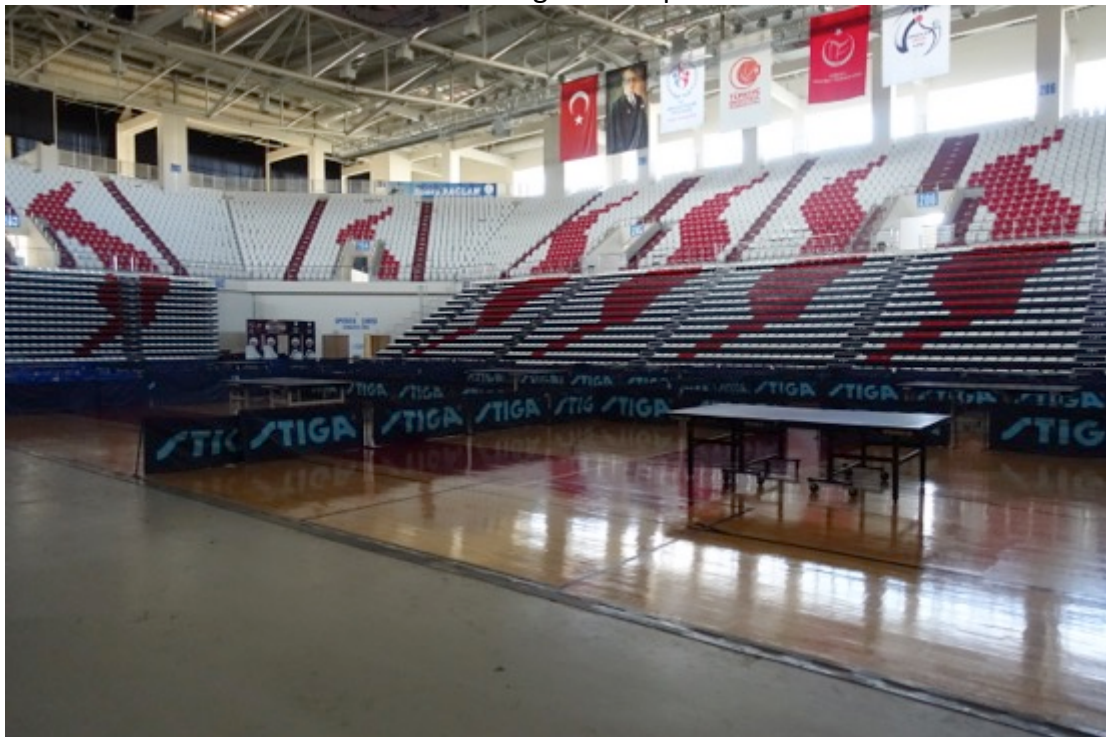
The pool is an eight Lane 50 m pool. The stands are large with ample accommodation for both the teams and for supporters and spectators. The starting blocks have a small step, which is useful since because the pool is an overflow pool the starting blocks are quite high from the deck. There is ample space beside the pool on the deck to allow for the teams where necessary without interfering with the role of the officials. There is also a warm up and cool down pool.

There are excellent changing and shower facilities and other rooms suitable for the officials and for the recording of events, start sheets and results.

The Third Major Sport Hall Provision

The main hall that will be used for the Opening Ceremony, Futsal and Basketball. The other sports are all accommodated within this one major sporting facility.

There is a room for the Technical meetings for all sports.





JUDO



TABLE TENNIS



Within this Sports Hall there are ample changing facilities and showers for all the teams.



Judo, table tennis and gymnastics have purpose-built rooms with all the appropriate facilities. Spectator facilities will be provided, as appropriate, within these halls.

MEDICAL

Each venue will have a doctor, paramedics and an ambulance on standby.

There will also be a doctor at the hotel.

Doping

Neither SUDS nor the other Sports Federations can sign to WADA. As you will know from my President's Report, WADA has changed the rules for organisations wishing to sign to their Anti-Doping Policy and this has put such a signing beyond the reach of small organisations such as ours. If you wish for more details please visit the WADA website.

However, the SUDS Doping group led by our Medical Officer Arly Heide has developed an in-house anti-doping strategy (again explained in my previous report). It is anticipated that this will be rolled out in Antalya.

Trisome 21 Protests.

Again, SUDS under the guidance of its Medical Officer has developed a test should it be necessary to challenge the eligibility of any athlete in Antalya. This involves the use of a test from which the results can be obtained in a few days. This information can be made available to the medical officers of any of the teams on request.

ACCOMMODATION

Jose and I met with representatives of the hotels and we able to discuss the needs of both the teams and the supporters.





ROOMS

Teams

The teams will be accommodated in a five star hotel.



At this time it is not possible to give the name of the hotel that will be used. However, there are a number of hotels that could meet the needs for the teams. Therefore, the information given here is generic but does reflect the actual accommodation facilities when the name is finally announced.

The hotel will have sufficient accommodation for all the teams that we anticipate will be attending. The photographs indicate the style of rooms. There will be rooms to accommodate single, two beds, single or double, and also rooms that can accommodate up to 6 people.

All rooms are en-suite with wardrobe space etc.

The food at the hotel will be a buffet style for both breakfast and dinner. It will offer a selection that we anticipate will meet the needs of all cultures. Special diets, which should be indicated when the appropriate entry forms are completed and sent back, will also be accommodated.

The same consideration will be given to the contents of the daily lunch pack.

The hotel will have a large outdoor swimming pool and other leisure facilities.

Supporters

The supporters will be accommodated in a different hotel from the teams. However, the facilities within this Hotel will also be five-star and will be very similar to the facilities of the hotel the teams will be.



DIET

The diet options available included much to suit a European diet. Indeed in the area we are going the main industry is tourism and as such the food available is international and certainly a good percentage being European.

Specific diets such as gluten free, vegetarian and dairy free will be made available. The multi-cultural nature of the indigenous population helps with the variety of diets catered for.

The culture is a mix of Muslim and Christian and everywhere we have visited both cultures exist side-by-side in harmony.

Facilities within the hotels, the venues and other public places have always been of a high standard of hygiene.

TRANSPORT

More details will follow but it is anticipated that no journey from airport, hotel and venue will be more than 30 minutes.

COST

The final cost is under discussion but the projected figures are expected to be approximately \$1,000 per person to include entry fee, hotel, meals and internal travel. There will be a Capitation tax of \$30 per person per Sport. This needs to be noted since in Florence some athletes were entered for more than one sport. This is perfectly acceptable but be aware that the Capitation Tax is per Sport. A similar figure of approximately \$1,000, is expected for the Supporters Package.

NOTE

For previous events some teams, have made the decision to stay in a hotel of their choice. This is, of course, an option they may wish to consider. However, they should carefully consider the hotel offered within the entry form. Should Teams decided to stay elsewhere. They need to consider that they will still be charged by the organising committee for the Entry Fee for the competition travel throughout the competition period to include pickup and drop-off at the airport and travel between hotel and the venues, plus meals at lunchtime, Capitation taxes and entrance to the farewell dinner.

Similarly, the supporters should also consider the potential for additional charges, which for them may include in some cases admission to the events, should they decide to stay in a hotel of their choice.



IN CONCLUSION

The bidding process for the Trisome Games is a thorough one. From the 4 countries that expressed an intention the SUDS Executive Board decided upon Turkey.

The bid was a comprehensive one and gave the Board confidence; this was reinforced by the thorough knowledge that the Board members had of previous events organised in Turkey by the National organisation TOSSFED.

Of course the bid is only the beginning of a long negotiation process and this, the first inspection of the facilities, was a significant part of this process.

A further inspection will take place in August 2019 when those areas discussed with the LOC at this visit will be followed up. Representatives for all the Sports will be able to view the facilities and discuss the delivery of their sport with the organisers.

The next round of information will come in the form of the Invitation Letter from the Organisers when Teams will receive more information and be asked to confirm their intention of entering the 2nd Trisome Games of 2020.

As we approach 2020 there will be more information. Therefore, I will; be send ing out updates as and when I have something more to tell you.

Of behalf of the LOC, TOSSFED and Jose Costa Pereira,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Geoff Smedley'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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