



To: Presidents, Chief Executives, General Secretaries & National Technical Directors.  
Rugby Europe Member Unions

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**Via Email**

Dear Members,

## 2015 Competitions Update

Subsequent to a meeting of Rugby Europe's Executive Committee today, this second Competitions Update serves to provide you with absolute clarity regarding this year's events.

For Seven a side Rugby in Europe, 2015 represents a hugely important year. With all Rugby Europe Senior Sevens Tournaments forming part of the Olympic qualification process, the eyes of the Rugby world will be upon us and the profile of our competitions will be significantly enhanced. It is important that we capitalise on this together and that everyone involved, players, team management, officials, works together to deliver the best product.

May I remind all Unions that the Executive Committee of Rugby Europe sanctioned the creation of a Competitions Review Working Group which is tasked with analysing current competition structures to assess their suitability to the development and performance needs of Member Unions and to do so in a way that it financially sustainable, commercially viable and helps to increase the profile of Rugby Europe and its stakeholders.

This Working Group meets once a month and is due to provide a report and recommendations to the Executive Committee in 2015.

On the next page you will find a schedule of all annual Rugby Europe Competitions including dates, participants and hosts, as approved by the Executive Committee of Rugby Europe. In one or two cases, some details require refinement however, it is hoped that the information provided, as approved by the Executive Committee, allows you to prepare for the year ahead.

On behalf of Rugby Europe, may I wish you all a very enjoyable and successful 2015.

If you have any questions relating to the content of this document, please do not hesitate to contact me at any time.

Yours sincerely,

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## 15 a Side Rugby

### **Men's Under 20 European Championship** **Brno, Czech Republic** **20 – 29 August, 2015 TBC**

The Executive Committee has **approved** the continuation of the competition in 2015 and will review proposals relating to its future from the Competitions Review Working Group, in April of this year.

The Czech Rugby Union is the incumbent host of this event and had previously planned to host this on a two year cycle. Having delivered a successfully run competition in 2014, the Czech Union will once again play host this year.

Cyprus has confirmed that it will not participate in 2015 thus a negotiations are ongoing with one Member Union which is keen to participate. Confirmation of the 8<sup>th</sup> team will be provided as soon as possible.

### **Men's Under 20 European Championship – 15 a side** **Brno, August 2015 TBC**

#### **U20 TEAMS**

Czech Republic  
Switzerland  
Ukraine  
Luxembourg  
Moldova  
Latvia  
Hungary  
Serbia TBC

### **Men's Under 19 European Championship – 15 a side** **23 October – 1 November, 2015**

This competition is proposed to be held in Lisbon, Portugal from 23rd October to 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015.

Teams will be seeded according to their final ranking in the Men's Under 18 competition in Toulouse in March / April of 2015.

There being no additional requests by Unions to participate in this competition, Rugby Europe can confirm the following teams to participate:

#### **U19 TEAMS**

Georgia  
Portugal  
Spain  
Russia  
Netherlands  
Belgium  
Romania  
Poland

During this time, the Under 18 qualification competition will also be held, to decide which team will occupy the last spot and 8<sup>th</sup> seed position in the Elite Division of the 2016 U18 competition.

Seedings for this competition will be finalised after the Rugby Europe U18 Championship in Toulouse, taking into consideration these unions performance in that competition and the likelihood that a large number of players will participate in both competitions.



## Men's Under 18 European Championship

Elite, Div A & Div B, Toulouse, France

26 March – 5 April, 2015

### ELITE DIVISION TEAMS AND SEEDINGS

1. England
2. Ireland
3. Wales
4. France
5. Scotland
6. Italy
7. Georgia
8. Portugal

#### Quarter Finals

- M1 – England v Portugal  
M2 – Ireland v Georgia  
M3 – Wales v Italy  
M4 – France v Scotland

### DIVISION A TEAMS AND SEEDINGS

1. Russia
2. Romania
3. Spain
4. Poland
5. Germany
6. Belgium
7. Netherlands
8. Sweden

#### Quarter Finals

- M1 – Russia v Sweden  
M2 – Romania v Netherlands  
M3 – Spain v Belgium  
M4 – Poland v Germany

### DIVISION B TEAMS AND SEEDINGS

1. Czech Republic
2. Switzerland
3. Luxembourg
4. Ukraine
5. Serbia
6. Lithuania
7. Croatia
8. Latvia

#### Quarter Finals

- M1 – Czech Republic v Latvia  
M2 – Switzerland v Croatia  
M3 – Luxembourg v Lithuania  
M4 – Ukraine v Serbia

#### Semi Finals – ALL DIVISIONS

- M5 – Winner M1 v Winner M4  
M6 – Winner M2 v Winner M3  
M7 – Loser M1 v Loser M4  
M8 – Loser M2 v Loser M3



### **Final Round – ALL DIVISIONS**

M9 – Winner M5 v Winner M6

M10 – Loser M5 v Loser M6

M11 – Winner M7 v Winner M8

M12 – Loser M7 v Loser M8

### **Division C**

**7 – 12 April, Kecskemet, Hungary**

#### **DIVISION C TEAMS AND SEEDINGS**

1. Austria
2. Hungary
3. Denmark
4. Moldova

8<sup>th</sup> April

M1 – Austria v Moldova

M2 – Hungary v Denmark

11<sup>th</sup> April

M3 – Loser M1 v Loser M2

M4 – Winner M1 v Winner M2

### **Division D**

**7 – 12 April, Andorra**

#### **DIVISION D TEAMS**

1. Bulgaria
2. Andorra
3. Bosnia
4. Israel
5. Malta

#### ***Proposed Tournament Format***

Day 1: Teams Arrive, Pre Tournament Meetings Held

Day 2: 18H: M1 N°5 Malta vs N°2 Andorra / 19h30: M2 N°4 Israel vs N°3 Bosnia

Day 3: 17h: M3 N°1 Bulgaria vs N°5 Malta / 18h30: M4 N°2 Andorra vs N° 4 Israel

Day 4: 17h: M5 N°4 Israel vs N°1 Bulgaria / 18h30: M6 N°3 Bosnia vs N° 2 Andorra

Day 5: 17h: M7 N°1 Bulgaria vs N°3 Bosnia / 18h30: M8 N°5 Malta vs N°4 Israel

Day 6: 17h: M9 N°2 Andorra vs N°1 Bulgaria / 18H30: M10 N°3 Bosnia vs N°5 Malta

20H Final banquet

Day 7: Teams Depart

#### ***Rationale***

The model proposed sees all teams taking part in shortened matches lasting 35 minutes (17 mins 30 seconds per half)

Teams will only be required to play one of these matches per day however, on occasion, they will be required to play matches on consecutive days, without a rest day.

That said, this only represents 70 minutes of competitive rugby over 2 days thus alleviating major concerns relating to player welfare. Further, with all matches scheduled to take place in the evening time, teams have 2 hours of recovery before playing their next match.

The format allows all teams to play against one another, maintaining the integrity of the competition. It provides an important opportunity at this level, for teams to play against other styles of rugby and to benefit from the touring and international competition experience. There are opportunities for interaction between teams and the possibility of carrying out some Training and Education workshops.

This competition will be played on a World Rugby Reg 22 approved artificial surface.



### **Under 17 Cross Border Competition**

This initiative will not take place in 2015.

### **Under 15 / 17 Camps**

Rugby Europe's Executive Committee has confirmed the withdrawal of funding from this initiative.

It is the view of the Committee, after consultation with World Rugby, that in the event Unions see significant benefits in hosting and participating in U15/17 camps, this initiative is better served by being driven by Member Unions according to their needs and means and funded by Unions through the World Rugby development grants with the support and assistance of the World Rugby Regional Development Managers.

### **Women's European Trophy – 15 a side**

**Geneva or Zug (TBC), Switzerland 28 October – 1 November 2015**

This competition is proposed to take place in the same 'window' as in 2014.

It is proposed that a 4 team tournament take place once again, including the teams from 2014.

#### **WOMEN'S EUROPEAN TROPHY TEAMS**

1. Belgium
2. Russia
3. Switzerland
4. Czech Republic

### **Additional Women's Competition**

**Spain, May 2015 TBC**

The Spanish Rugby Federation has proposed hosting a competition in May.

Currently, the 4 Team proposal would include Spain along with 'A' Teams from Wales, Scotland and Italy.



## Seven a Side Competitions - Senior

It should be noted that all SENIOR Seven a side competitions in 2015, for Men and Women form part of the Olympic Qualification process. This includes the Men's and Women's Grand Prix Series, Divisions A & B and Men's Division C.

As a result, all teams will be subject to the Olympic Eligibility criteria contained within World Rugby's Regulation 8. Unions are requested to read and understand these Regulations in their entirety.

### Rugby Europe Men's Sevens Grand Prix Series

#### 3 Legs

Moscow, Russia 6/7 June 2015	Lyon, France 13/14 June 2015	Exeter, England 11/12 July
1. France		
2. Scotland		
3. England		
4. Russia		
5. Spain		
6. Belgium		
7. Wales		
8. Georgia		
9. Portugal		
10. Germany		
11. Italy		
12. Lithuania		

#### Promotion and Relegation

The Team finishing in 12<sup>th</sup> position after three legs, will be relegated to Division A and be seeded Number 1 for the 2016 Division A Tournament.

#### SGPS Olympic Qualification

The highest eligible country which has not prequalified through the HSBC Sevens World Series, will qualify directly to the Olympic Games

The second country who has not prequalified through the HSBC Sevens World Series, will qualify directly to the World Rugby Global Repechage Tournament in 2016.

All other eligible SGPS countries will qualify for the Rugby Europe Olympic Repechage Tournament (EORT) on 25 /26 July 2015.

#### Order of Play and Draw to Determine Pools for Legs 2 and 3

The Executive Committee has approved an amendment to the playing order and the mechanism to decide the composition of Pools for Tournaments subsequent to the first leg of a given Series.

#### Rationale

In order to create consistency between Rugby Europe and World Rugby's Senior Seven a Side competitions, two small amendments have been made.

1. The order of play on Day 1 of a two day tournament, will ensure that the team representing the Host Union plays in the last match of the day, whilst ensuring that all teams benefit from the same or similar rest periods between matches.
2. That for Series legs subsequent to the first, the top 3 teams will be placed into Pools A,B and C. Teams finishing in positions 4 – 6 will be drawn in to pools A, B or C for the second leg and occupy the second position in each pool. The same process will be carried out for teams 7 – 9 who will occupy third place in their pool and teams 10 – 12 who will occupy fourth place
3. The draw will take place during the final banquet after each leg of the Series as required



4. The pools for the first leg of the Series will be devised based on the final Series ranking position from the 2014 Series, therefore:

POOL A	POOL B	POOL C
1. France	2. Scotland	3. England
6. Belgium	5. Spain	4. Russia
7. Wales	8. Georgia	9. Portugal
12. Lithuania	11. Italy	10. Germany

## Men's Division A

### 2 Legs

Estergom, Hungary 6/7 June 2015	Gdansk, Poland 20/21 June 2015
1. Romania	
2. Poland	
3. Cyprus	
4. Sweden	
5. Ukraine	
6. Israel	
7. Latvia	
8. Denmark	
9. Moldova	
10. Monaco	
11. Hungary	
12. Czech Republic	

### Order of Play and Draw to Determine Pools for the Second Leg in Gdansk

The Executive Committee has approved an amendment to the playing order and the mechanism to decide the composition of Pools for Tournaments subsequent to the first leg of a given Series.

#### Rationale

In order to create consistency between Rugby Europe and World Rugby's Senior Seven a Side competitions, two small amendments have been made.

1. The order of play on Day 1 of a two day tournament, will ensure that the team representing the Host Union plays in the last match of the day, whilst ensuring that all teams benefit from the same or similar rest periods between matches.
2. That for Series legs subsequent to the first, the top 3 teams will be placed into Pools A,B and C. Teams finishing in positions 4 – 6 will be drawn in to pools A, B or C for the second leg and occupy the second position in each pool. The same process will be carried out for teams 7 – 9 who will occupy third place in their pool and teams 10 – 12 who will occupy fourth place
3. The draw will take place during the final banquet after the first leg in Estergom.
4. The pools for the first leg of the Series will be devised based on the final Series ranking position from the 2014 Series, therefore:

POOL A	POOL B	POOL C
1. Romania	2. Poland	3. Cyprus
6. Israel	5. Ukraine	4. Sweden
7. Latvia	8. Denmark	9. Moldova
12. Czech Republic	11. Hungary	10. Monaco

### Promotion and Relegation

The Team ranked first after both legs of the competition will be promoted to the Sevens Grand Prix Series and will be seeded number 12 for the 2016 Series

Teams ranked 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> in Division A after both legs, will be relegated to Division B and will be seeded 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> respectively for the 2016 Division B Tournament.



### Men's Division A - Olympic Qualification

The Winner of Division A qualifies to participate in the Rugby Europe Olympic Repechage Tournament (EORT). Other countries may also qualify for this Tournament. This is dependent on the number of SGPS teams that qualify for EORT which shall be known at the completion of the HSBC Sevens World Series.

### Men's Division B 1 Leg

Zagreb, Croatia 20/21 June, 2015
1. Croatia
2. Bulgaria
3. Switzerland
4. Norway
5. Luxembourg
6. Slovenia
7. Slovakia
8. Greece
9. Winner Division C
10. Runner Up Division C
11. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Division C
12. 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Division C

To be hosted by the Croatian Rugby Union at the same venue and location as the Women's Division B competition.

### Promotion and Relegation

The Winner and Runner up in Division B will be promoted to Division A and will be Seeded 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> respectively for the 2016 Division A competition

The Teams finishing in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> place will be relegated to Division C and seeded in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place respectively for the Division C Tournament in 2016.

In the event that Rugby Europe reverts to a regionalised Division B tournament to replace Division C, the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> ranked teams from Division B will be appropriately allocated and Seeded accordingly.

### Men's Division B - Olympic Qualification

The highest ranked eligible team from Division B qualifies to participate in the Rugby Europe Olympic Repechage Tournament (EORT).

This is with the exception of Slovakia who are not a Member Union of World Rugby.

Greece's membership of World Rugby is currently under suspension thus unless this is reversed by 20 June, Greece will also be considered ineligible to qualify to EORT.

### Order of Play

The Executive Committee has approved an amendment to the playing order.

The order of play on Day 1 of a two day tournament, will ensure that the team representing the Host Union plays in the last match of the day, whilst ensuring that all teams benefit from the same or similar rest periods between matches.

### Pools

POOL A	POOL B	POOL C
1. Croatia	2. Bulgaria	3. Switzerland
6. Sloveia	5. Luxembourg	4. Norway
7. Slovakia	8. Greece	9. Highest Ranked Eligible Div C
12. 4 <sup>th</sup> Ranked Eligible Div C	11. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ranked Eligible Div C	10. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ranked Eligible Div C





## Men's Division C 1 Leg

**6-7 June, 2015, Zenica, Bosnia & Herzegovina**

1. Bosnia\*
2. Turkey
3. Estonia
4. Serbia\*
5. Belarus
6. Austria\*
7. Iceland
8. Montenegro
9. Liechtenstein
10. San Marino
11. Ireland\*
12. Malta\*

### Headlines

- In order to create a 12 team Tournament, Division C top seeds Greece, have been promoted to Division B as 8<sup>th</sup> seed with all teams in Division C moving up one ranking place.
- The top two teams in Division C will be promoted to Division B and compete in the 2016 Division B tournament

### Olympic Qualification

- Only Full and Associate Members of World Rugby may qualify for the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio.
- Whilst acknowledging that the 2015 Senior Sevens tournaments form part of the Olympic qualification process, they are also annual Rugby Europe events.
- The Olympic Process will see the four highest ranked World Rugby Full and Associate Members from Division C qualifying to play in the next phase of qualification; Division B in Zagreb on 20 / 21 June, 2015.

### Hypothetical Example – Olympic Qualification

- Referring to the table above, World Rugby Full Members are marked with an asterisk (\*).
- If this table was to represent the final ranking positions after the Division C tournament, then the four teams who are eligible to qualify for the next phase (Division B) would be Bosnia, Serbia, Austria and Ireland.

### Promotion Process for 2016 Rugby Europe Competitions

- In normal, non Olympic qualifying years, the top two teams are promoted to Division B.
- In order to ensure the integrity of Rugby Europe competitions year on year, the top two ranked Rugby Europe teams be promoted to Division B for 2016, regardless of whether they are Full or Associate Members of World Rugby.

### **Order of Play**

The Executive Committee has approved an amendment to the playing order.

The order of play on Day 1 of a two day tournament, will ensure that the team representing the Host Union plays in the last match of the day, whilst ensuring that all teams benefit from the same or similar rest periods between matches.

### **Pools**

<b>POOL A</b>	<b>POOL B</b>	<b>POOL C</b>
1. Bosnia & Herzegovina	2. Turkey	3. Estonia
6. Austria	5. Belarus	4. Serbia
7. Iceland	8. Montenegro	9. Liechtenstein
12. Malta	11. Ireland	10. San Marino



## Rugby Europe Women's Sevens Grand Prix 2 Legs

Kazan, Russia 13/14 June 2015	Brive, (Malemort) France 20/21 June 2015
1. Russia	
2. France	
3. England	
4. Netherlands	
5. Spain	
6. Portugal	
7. Italy	
8. Ireland	
9. Wales	
10. Germany	
11. Ukraine	
12. Scotland	

### Promotion and Relegation

The teams ranked 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> at the completion of the Series will be relegated to Division A and occupy seeding positions 1 and 2 respectively

### Women's SGPS - Olympic Qualification

The highest eligible country, which has not prequalified through the Women's Sevens World Series, will qualify directly to the Olympic Games.

The second country who has not prequalified through the Women's Sevens World Series, will qualify directly to the World Rugby Global Repechage Tournament in 2016.

All other eligible WSGPS countries will qualify for the Rugby Europe Olympic Repechage Tournament (EORT) on 18 / 19 or 25 / 26 July 2015.

### Order of Play and Draw to Determine Pools for the Second Leg in Brive

The Executive Committee has approved an amendment to the playing order and the mechanism to decide the composition of Pools for Tournaments subsequent to the first leg of a given Series.

### Rationale

In order to create consistency between Rugby Europe and World Rugby's Senior Seven a Side competitions, two small amendments have been made.

1. The order of play on Day 1 of a two day tournament, will ensure that the team representing the Host Union plays in the last match of the day, whilst ensuring that all teams benefit from the same or similar rest periods between matches.
2. That for Series legs subsequent to the first, the top 3 teams will be placed into Pools A,B and C. Teams finishing in positions 4 – 6 will be drawn in to pools A, B or C for the second leg and occupy the second position in each pool. The same process will be carried out for teams 7 – 9 who will occupy third place in their pool and teams 10 – 12 who will occupy fourth place
3. The draw will take place during the final banquet after each leg of the Series as required
4. The pools for the first leg of the Series will be devised based on the final Series ranking position from the 2014 Series, therefore:

POOL A	POOL B	POOL C
1. Russia	2. France	3. England
6. Portugal	5. Spain	4. Netherlands
7. Italy	8. Ireland	9. Wales
12. Scotland	11. Ukraine	10. Germany



## Women's Division A 1 Leg

Kaunas, Lithuania 13/14 June
1. Belgium
2. Sweden
3. Romania
4. Georgia
5. Moldova
6. Finland
7. Czech Republic
8. Poland
9. Switzerland
10. Norway
11. Hungary
12. Lithuania

### Promotion and Relegation

The Winners and Runners up in this competition will be promoted to the 2016 Women's SGPS and occupy seeding positions 11 and 12 respectively.

The Teams finishing in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> place will be relegated to Division B and occupy seeding positions 1 and 2 respectively,

### Women's Division A - Olympic Qualification

The Winner of Division A qualifies to participate in the Rugby Europe Olympic Repechage Tournament (EORT) on 18/19 or 25 / 16 July.

Other countries may also qualify for this Tournament. This is dependent on the number of WSGPS teams that qualify for EORT, which shall be known at the completion of the Women's Sevens World Series.

### Order of Play

The Executive Committee has approved an amendment to the playing order.

The order of play on Day 1 of a two day tournament, will ensure that the team representing the Host Union plays in the last match of the day, whilst ensuring that all teams benefit from the same or similar rest periods between matches.

### Pools

POOL A	POOL B	POOL C
1. Belgium	2. Sweden	3. Romania
6. Finland	5. Moldova	4. Georgia
7. Czech Republic	8. Poland	9. Switzerland
12. Lithuania	11. Hungary	10. Norway



## Women's Division B 1 Leg

Zagreb, Croatia 20/21 June 2015
1. Denmark
2. Croatia
3. Israel
4. Latvia
5. Malta
6. Turkey
7. Slovakia
8. Luxembourg
9. Bulgaria
10. Serbia
11. Austria
12. Slovenia

### Promotion and Relegation

The Winners and Runners Up from Division B will be promoted to Division A and occupy seeding positions 11 and 12 respectively.

### Women's Division B - Olympic Qualification

The highest ranked eligible team from Division B qualifies to participate in the Rugby Europe Olympic Repechage Tournament (EORT).

Turkey and Slovakia will not be eligible to qualify for EORT as they are not World Rugby Member Unions.

### Order of Play

The Executive Committee has approved an amendment to the playing order.

The order of play on Day 1 of a two day tournament, will ensure that the team representing the Host Union plays in the last match of the day, whilst ensuring that all teams benefit from the same or similar rest periods between matches.

### Pools

POOL A	POOL B	POOL C
1. Denmark	2. Croatia	3. Israel
6. Turkey	5. Malta	4. Latvia
7. Slovakia	8. Luxembourg	9. Bulgaria
12. Slovenia	11. Austria	10. Serbia



**European Olympic Repechage Tournament  
1 Leg Men, 1 Leg Women**

<b>WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT 18/19 or 25/26 July 2015</b>	<b>MEN'S TOURNAMENT 25/26 July 2015</b>
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5 Unions have expressed an interest in hosting one or both of these Repechage Tournaments. These Unions have received a tender document. After due process is observed, the Rugby Europe Executive Committee will appoint a host or hosts of these Tournaments in late February.

The make up of the teams competing in the Men's and Women's European Olympic Qualifier cannot be known at this time.

However, we can be sure that it will include all teams from the Men's and Women's Sevens Grand Prix Series who have not pre-qualified through the HSBC Sevens World Series or by winning the Men's or Women's Sevens Grand Prix Series.

The number of SGPS and WSGPS teams to qualify for the European Qualifying Tournament will have a bearing on the number of teams who qualify from Division A. In both the Men's and Women's Qualification process, the winner of Division B will be afforded a place in the European Qualifying Tournament.

**Eligibility Criteria to be observed for the European Olympic Qualification Process**

I was requested during the Rugby Europe General Assembly to provide a note to assist the interpretation of World Rugby regulation 8 for Rugby Europe members for our Tournaments that fall into the Olympic Qualification process for Rio 2016.

Firstly I wish to clarify that all Division C,B, A and SGPS Tournaments for both Men and Women are Olympic Events as they are part of the European Olympic Qualification Tournament structure. As such all Participating Countries in our 2015 Rugby Europe Tournaments must adhere to the Regulation 8 eligibility regulations as adapted for Olympic Events.

In this regard Regulation 8 requires that Players must comply with clause 8.1 ( the standard criteria of eligibility). Clause 8.6 requires that all Players must additionally be a National of the Country of the participating Union as demonstrated by being a passport holder.

Clause 8.7 identifies a process allowed by the Olympic Charter whereby players may transfer between Countries, with clause 8.7.2 identifying the permitted stand down period required under Regulation 8.

This note is for guidance and should not be read in isolation. Please read and understand World Rugby Regulation 8 and the associated guidance notes as this is the document to which all Unions must adhere. Should you have any queries arising from this, please follow the processes for clarification identified within the World Rugby Regulations.



## Seven a Side Competitions – Age Grade

### Men

#### Rugby Europe Men's Under 19 Sevens Championship

Vichy, Comité D'Auvergne, France 25/26 April
1. France
2. Russia
3. Portugal
4. Poland
5. Ireland
6. Belgium
7. Romania
8. Italy
9. Germany
10. Lithuania
11. Israel
12. Moldova
13. Latvia
14. Denmark
15. Hungary
16. Luxembourg

#### Order of Play

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#### DRAFT - Pools

POOL A	POOL B	POOL C	POOL D
1. France	2. Russia	3. Portugal	4. Poland
8. Italy	7. Romania	6. Belgium	5. Ireland
9. Germany	10. Israel	11. Lithuania	12. Moldova
16. Luxembourg	15. Hungary	14. Denmark	13. Latvia

**Note:** In order to be fair to all participants, Rugby Europe reserves the right to alter the seedings and the make up of the Pools once the 16<sup>th</sup> participating team is secured and assessment of their playing level is made.



## Women Rugby Europe Under 18 Women's Sevens Championship

Liege, Belgium 12/13 September, 2015
1. Russia
2. England
3. Ireland
4. Italy
5. Netherlands
6. Portugal
7. Wales
8. Germany
9. Belgium
10. Spain
11. Ukraine
12. Hungary

### Order of Play

The Executive Committee has approved an amendment to the playing order.

The order of play on Day 1 of a two day tournament, will ensure that the team representing the Host Union plays in the last match of the day, whilst ensuring that all teams benefit from the same or similar rest periods between matches.

### Pools

POOL A	POOL B	POOL C
1. Russia	2. England	3. Ireland
6. Portugal	5. Netherlands	4. Italy
7. Wales	8. Germany	9. Belgium
12. Hungary	11. Ukraine	10. Spain

### European Champions Trophy Club Competition

Moscow, Russia 29/31 May, 2015
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This is a European Club Sevens Championship, licenced by Rugby Europe and run by the Rugby Union of Russia.

Applications for your club teams to participate in this competition should be made to Dimitry Shmakoff [shmakoff@rambler.ru](mailto:shmakoff@rambler.ru) with a copy to Howard Thomas [howardthomas@carnaby10.com](mailto:howardthomas@carnaby10.com)