



**XXII Rhythmic Gymnastics
International Tournament
in Portimão (POR) - JUNIORS
APRIL 17th – 20th, 2008**



To the Presidents of
Gymnastics Federations
Affiliated in FIG

Lisbon, 3rd of October of 2007

Dear Madam,
Dear Sir,

The President of the Gymnastics Federation of Portugal and the Mayor of the City of Portimão have the pleasure of inviting you to participate at the **XXII Portimão International Rhythmic Gymnastics Tournament for Juniors**, which will happen from April **the 17th, Thursday, to Sunday the 20th**.

This event has gained throughout the years a well known reputation for its standard and quality as a Rhythmic Gymnastics Competition.

The XXII Portimão RG Tournament will be organised under the control of Gymnastics Federation of Portugal together with the III FIG World Cup event.

Portimão is one of the most important cities of Algarve, the southern region of Portugal internationally recognised for its excellent weather and for the particularly warm hospitality of its people.

We are looking forward to seeing you again, as well as the gymnasts of your team.

Kindest regards,

Manuel Boa de Jesus
President of Gymnastics Federation of Portugal



**II Rhythmic Gymnastics
World Cup
in Portimão (POR) – Category A
APRIL 17th – 20th, 2008**



Ginástica Rítmica
**Taça do
Mundo**
Portimão 2008
XXII Torneio Internacional

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Dear Gymnastics Friends,

The President of the Gymnastics Federation of Portugal and the Mayor of the City of Portimão have the pleasure of inviting you to participate at the **III Rhythmic Gymnastics FIG World Cup Series - Portimão 2008**, which will happen from April **the 17th, Thursday, to Sunday the 20th**.

The event is a category A Competition counting for the World Cup Series 2007-2008 of the International Gymnastics Federation (FIG).

The event will be organised under the control of Gymnastics Federation of Portugal, together with the XXII edition of the Portimão RG International Tournament.

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III World Cup Rhythmic Gymnastics Category A



XXII Portimão Rhythmic Gymnastics International Tournament

in Portimão (POR) - APRIL 17th – 20th, 2008

DIRECTIVES

Lisbon, 3rd of October of 2007

Dear President,

The FIG has assigned the organisation of the above mentioned Rhythmic Gymnastics World Cup competition to Portuguese Gymnastics Federation, together with the XXII Portimão Rhythmic Gymnastics International Tournament. The Competitions will be organised following the FIG Statutes 2007 edition, the Technical Regulations 2008 edition, the World Cup Rules 2007 – 2008, the Code of Points 2007 and all other Rules and Guidelines, as well as any complements or amendments decided in the meantime.

We are pleased to send the following information:

ORGANISING FEDERATION

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ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Portuguese Gymnastics Federation

Municipality of Portimão – Sports Department

ExpoArade

EVENT INFORMATION

Date: 17th to 20th of April 2008

Competition Category: World CUP – Cat. A for Individuals and Groups

Competition Name: II RG World CUP of Portimão

PLACE OF COMPETITION

Portimão ARENA

Park of Fairs and Exposition of Portimão

Caldeira do Moinho

8500 – 726 Portimão – Portugal

Phone : + 351 282 410 440; Fax : + 351 282 410 445

Capacity: 4.000 Spectators

COMPETITION FORMAT

III Portimão Rhythmic Gymnastics World CUP

Competition by apparatus for individuals and groups
(See Specific FIG WCup Rules 2007 – 2008 / 2.4)

Senior Individual

- Rope
- Hoop
- Clubs
- Ribbon

Senior Groups

- 5 Ropes
- 3 Hoops and 4 Clubs

XXII Portimão Rhythmic Gymnastics International Tournament

All-Around Competition
Competition by apparatus (Finals)

Junior Individual

- Rope
- Hoop
- Ball
- Ribbon

ENTRY / REGISTRATION

Entries can only be made by FIG affiliated federations. Late entries cannot be taken into consideration.

- January 18Th, 2008 - provisional registration
- February 15Th, 2008 - definitive registration
- March 14th, 2008 - nominative registration + Photo for accreditation
- March 28th, 2008 – Travel Plans

FINANCIAL TERMS

The organization will take in charge full board accommodation and local transportation for all delegations and for the top 8 World Ranking list gymnasts, from 17th to 20th of April. Travel expenses, additional days or person's costs are to be borne by the respective federations.

PAYMENTS: All necessary payments must be made in cash (EUROS) to the Portuguese Gymnastics Federation upon arrival.

PARTICIPATION

Gymnasts from FIG affiliated federations in good standing. For the III Portimão RG World CUP, the maximum size of delegation respects the World Cup Rules.

Besides what is foreseen in the FIG WC Rules 2007-2008 (points 2.5 and 2.6), the Organization will support accommodation and meals costs for the following persons:

	<u>XXII Portimão RG International Tournament</u>	III Portimão RG World CUP		Delegation
	Individual Juniors	Individual Seniors	Group	
Head of Delegation	1			1
Coach				
Gymnasts	1 (*)	1 (**)	6 (***)	8
Judge	1			1
	Total			10

(*) Each country will only present a total of 4 exercises for junior competition. So each country can participate with 1 or 2 gymnasts performing in **total of 4 exercises** (one of each apparatus)

(**) Even if federations have **more than 1 gymnast in the top 8 World Ranking List**, are entitled to participate in the WC qualification competition with a maximum of four (4) gymnasts **supported by the organization** if the gymnasts are also:

- Ranked in the top eight (8) of the World Ranking List or the current all-around champions: Olympic Champion, World Champion, Champion of each of the Continental Unions.

(***) The organization will only support the costs for the 10 Olympic qualified group gymnasts.

JUDGES

Each Federation has to nominate one judge with valid FIG brevet minimum cat. 2 for A and D or cat.3 for EX.

Note: All participating federations must send minimum one qualified judge Requirements. Failure to do so will result in a fine of Swiss Francs 2'000. - To be paid to the organizing federation. (See Specific FIG Judges' Rules 2007 – 2008 / 2.9).

WORK PLAN

The Workplan will be published on Internet and sent to the participating federations in due time. http://www.gympor.com/noticias_en.php

VISA

Please check immediately if you need a visa to gain entry into Portugal. The Organising Committee will be happy to assist with an official invitation.

ACCOMMODATION / MEALS

The organization will take in charge full board accommodation to all participant delegations in apartments (up to four persons per apartment).

The meal plan has been arranged by the O.C. with a wide variety of freshly produced food inspired from around the world; supplemented with a salad bar, fresh fruits and bread.

TRANSPORTATION

Local transport from Faro airport to the official hotel in Portimão and Competition Venue will be provided by the Organising Committee to all delegations.

Regular shuttle bus will secure all transfers during trainings and competition.

ACCREDITATION

Accreditations are distributed at the Portimão Arena at the arrival of the Delegations. In order to accelerate the accreditation procedure, please send in to the Organizing Committee a photo of each of the delegation members (if possible in electronic format or passport photo) together with the nominative registration.

Note: Photos taken upon arrival shall be charged to the National Federations at a cost of **€10 each**.

EXTRA ACCREDITATIONS AND ACCOMMODATIONS

Additional accreditation for coaches (up to two max.), doctor or physiotherapist (up to two max.) can be obtained by filling the Application Form. Accreditation Cost - €125 per person, per gymnasts €10.

The price of extra accreditation includes access to competition area, training area, farewell party and OC's local transport system. Accommodation and meals will be charged apart. No further accreditations may be issued. Any additional person is considered as a spectator.

Accommodation prices are as follows:

3 star apartments:

T1	1	Pax	37,00 €
T1	2	Pax	21,00 €
T1	3	Pax	16,00 €
T1	4	Pax	13,00 €

4 star hotel:

SGL	72,00 €
DBL	42,00 €

4 star hotel (upper class):

SGL	88,00 €
DBL	50,00 €

All prices are per person and per day and include breakfast

DRAWING OF LOTS

The draw of the starting order for the gymnasts will be done during the Head Delegations meeting and the draw for judges will be done during the judges meeting under the control of the Competition Manager and Organizer.

PRIZE MONEY

The Prize Money will be distributed as follows:

Gymnasts	Individuals (per apparatus) Total of 5'000*	Groups (3+2 apparatus) Total of 5'000*	Groups (5 apparatus) Total of 5'000*
1	1500	2500	2500
2	1200	1500	1500
3	800	1000	1000
4	500	---	---
5	400	---	---
6	300	---	---
7	200	---	---
8	100	---	---

* Amounts in Swiss Francs.

No prize money, medals and World Ranking Lists points will be given, if there are less than 4 participating federations per apparatus.

EQUIPMENT

Manufacturer: Speith

Colour of the floor: beige

INSURANCE

The participating federations guarantee, that all members of the delegation are fully insured against health and accident risks as well as for repatriation during their travel to and stay in Portugal.

The FIG and the OC decline all responsibility.

Federations who show evidence of insufficient coverage or cannot give proof of their insurance (copy of the policy e.g.) will have to take out an insurance or complete it in Portugal for the duration of the event (at the charge of the federations).

IMPORTANT REMARKS

- Federations which have not fulfilled their financial obligations towards the FIG and O.C. (e.g. annual membership fees, insurance, etc.) will not be allowed to participate in the World Cup or International Tournament.
- All participating Federations commit themselves to respect the Statutes and all FIG Rules.

APPENDIX

- Form A: Provisional Entry form
- Form B: Definitive Entry form
- Form C: Nominative Entry form
- Form D: Flight Plan form

Organising Committee

Jaime Lança de Morais
(President OC)