



ECA European Canoe Slalom Championships 2014

29th of May – 1st of June 2014, Vienna, Austria



Event information

Vienna is a perfect spot to host European Canoe Slalom Championships 2014, because **300 athletes** from all over Europe will find a **brandnew course** opened in August 2013 with interesting characteristic.

European Championships are held since 1996, the EC in the VERBUND-Wasserarena in Vienna is the **15th in history** - so Vienna hosts a little anniversary event.

From all the disciplines of canoeing the white-water slalom is probably the most spectacular one. A flawless passing of hanging gates as short as possible is the canoe slalom's goal. In Vienna the canoeists have to pass 18 to 25 gates at a distance of 250 meters. At the European Championships the course is determined by ECA-officials and coaches. There will be downstream gates (green-white) and upstream gates (red-white). So, the athletes are fighting against waves, rolls, obstacles and different currents within constant water conditions, because strong pumps support 12 cubic meter in a second through the channel.

The **White Water Canoe Slalom Course**, in the „Verbund Wasserarena“ is a very specific channel. It's a difficult and fast course and it's located at a nice spot on the Donauinsel close to the Danube. **27 nations** entered their athletes for the European Senior Canoe Slalom Championship in Vienna and there will be **300 competitors** contesting for the medals.

Course Length: 255m - **Drop:** 3,75m - **Width:** 10 - 16m - **Flow rate:** 8 - 12m³ / sec. - **Grade:** III / IV

The 15th European Canoe Slalom Championships will be staged in the following boat classes: K1 Women, K1 Men, C1 Women, C1 Men, C2 Men. In addition to single in each class will also fight in team competitions for medals

The defending champions from the European Canoe Slalom Championships in Krakow 2013 are:
K1: Jiri Prskavec (CZE), Czech Republic (Men-Team), Fiona Pennie (GB), France (Women-Team);
C1: Jan Benzien (GER), Slovakia (Men-Team), Caroline Loir (FRA); C2: Pierre Labarelle/Nicolas
Peschier (FRA), France (Men-Team).

Participating countries 2014:

Albania	Cyprus	Greece	Luxembourg	Russia
Andorra	Czech R	Hungary	Malta	Serbia
Armenia	Denmark	Ireland	Macedonia	Slovak Republic
Austria	Estonia	Israel	Moldova	Slovenia
Belgium	Finland	Italy	Netherlands	Spain
Bos' Herzegovina	France	Latvia	Norway	Sweden
Belarus	Georgia	Italy	Poland	Switzerland
Bulgaria	Germany	Latvia	Portugal	Turkey
Croatia	Great Britain	Lithuania	Romania	Ukraine

Television Facts 2014

TV production:	Host Broadcaster sports tv media distribution www.stvmd.com High Definition 1080i including international graphic in English 10 cameras
Highlight Show:	1 x 48 min and 2x 24min (part1&2) fully edited program, voice-over In English, time code script and word script in English, available on 4th of June 2014 via download ftp or on tape, all formats available
Unilateral Requests:	Special footage on request download via ftp or on tape
News :	available via EBU Saturday May 31th and Sunday June 1st
Live Feeds:	2 Live Feeds – Saturday May 31th 2014 and Sunday June 1st up to 12,5 hours in total