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Dear Member Associations

Following the recent communication of the entry invitation for the World Junior Championships 2016 to be held in Bilbao Spain, BWF are pleased to reconfirm details below of the World Junior Championships 2016 Participation grant.

OBJECTIVE

The aim of the participation grant is to enable teams from lesser resourced member associations to experience and take part in the World Junior Championships. The team event is the main focus as it is considered that players who come for the team event invariably stay to take part in the individual competition.

For 2016, in order to be eligible for the grant funding, it is also now mandatory for teams to participate in the CEP (cultural and education programme) which will be run alongside the tournament by the hosts. This should provide a rich and interesting experience for your athletes.

As previously any team which finished in the top 15 at either of the last two World Junior Championships (2015 & 2014) will not be eligible for grant aid.

INELIGIBLE TEAMS

The following teams are not eligible for grant funding in 2016. The Top 15 – World Junior Championships 2015:

1. China
2. Indonesia
3. Chinese Taipei
- 3 Japan
- 5 Malaysia
- 6 Thailand
- 7 Denmark
- 8 Hong Kong
- 9 India
- 10 Korea
- 11 Singapore
- 12 Germany

- 13 Canada
- 14 England
- 15 Netherlands

In addition from the World Junior Championships 2014 the following teams were ranked in the top 15 and are therefore ineligible for the participation grant in 2016:

- 1. Vietnam
- 2. Russia
- 3. Philippines

PARTICIPATION GRANT CALCULATION

The participation grant is available for teams to spend on travel and accommodation and is available as follows to eligible teams:

Eligible teams approximate flight distance (from Capital City of MA to Bilbao) - up to 4,000 Km - \$3,500 USD

Eligible teams approximate flight distance - (from Capital City of MA to Bilbao) - between 4,001 Km- 9,000 KM - \$5,000 USD

Eligible teams approximate flight distance - (from Capital City of MA to Bilbao) - over 9,001 KM - \$6,500 USD

Distances between Capital Cities are established by GPS and are fairly consistent across websites detailing such information. The website BWF are using for this purpose is www.timeanddate.com – (click on Calculators tab and select Distance Calculator).

You are kindly advised to confirm by email to Venu Mahalingam v.mahalingam@bwfbadminton.org for your travel grant request.

PROCESS

Eligible teams must indicate their desire to be included for consideration for the Participation Grant **by email before 30 June 2016.** **There is no need to fill in a form, a simple email asking to be included for consideration for the participation grant will suffice.**

CONCLUSION

BWF believe that the criteria outlined above will be successful in boosting participation in the World Junior Championships and enable participants to enjoy a rich and rewarding experience.

Any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Darren Parks". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Darren Parks
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