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We have updated our official International Masters Games Association website. <u>Check out</u> all interesting information about past and upcoming masters events, find your results and view the photo gallery of the past events.



Join us individually or as a team and become part of the biggest international masters community which promotes lifelong competition, friendship and understanding between adult sportspeople, regardless of age, gender, race, religion, or sport status. All IMGA events are open events, meaning that you can sign up to regional events even if you're not living in the region.

Be active by following us on Facebook and Twitter, where you will find the latest news and connect with others who are interested in IMGA activities.

To watch the latest videos made during the European Masters Games 2015 in Nice, please visit our <u>YouTube</u> <u>Channel</u>.

## Innsbruck to host the Winter World Masters Games in 2020

During the International Masters Games Association Board Meeting held on April 20th in Lausanne, Innsbruck - Tyrol, Austria was selected as the Host City for the third edition of the Winter World Masters Games to be held in 2020.

After the first edition held in Bled in 2010 and the second edition held in Quebec City in 2015, the Games will be coming back to Europe for a third edition.

Innsbruck has hosted numerous international sporting events in the past including the first Youth Olympic Games (YOG) in 2012 and the International Children Games (ICG) in 2016. The high class facilities and the expertise in organising major sporting events will make it an unforgettable experience for the athletes.

Kai Holm, President of the IMGA said he was looking forward to working with Innsbruck as they have everything to bring the Winter World Masters Games to a new level.

Dates, sports and venues will be announced later.







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## The time to register for the Americas Masters Games 2016 is now!

The Road to the Masters is a clear path – register online today, train for your sport, and make your way to gorgeous Vancouver, Canada for the Opening Ceremonies on August 27th – click here to start your Road to the Masters journey.



Sport dates and venues have been announced – sports will take place across a multitude of iconic Vancouver venues. From the historic Brockton Oval, to the 2010 games venue for Curling at Hillcrest, and to the beautiful campus of the University of British Columbia which offers a great Canadian sports hub. Specific sport information can be found at the <a href="website">website</a>.



More information





## Registrations for the World Masters Games 2017 in Auckland, New Zealand are now open!

The countdown is on and with access to some sports strictly limited, participants are encouraged to get in early to avoid disappointment.





Information on the three participant packages can be found <u>here</u> along with a detailed schedule that shows competition days for each sport and discipline.

For the first time ever, participants can choose from three packages – gold, silver and bronze. The recommended package for international travellers is SILVER, which includes city-wide transport for the 10 days of the event, along with an attractions pass to top sights such as the Auckland Sky Tower, Auckland Zoo, Stardome Observatory, Auckland Museum and New Zealand Maritime Museum.

All packages come with official merchandise, a souvenir Games Guide, access to athlete-only social occasions, and the official athlete accreditation pass.

For those planning their trip to New Zealand, flights can be booked around 12 months in advance. Air New Zealand is the partner airline of the Games. Find out more <a href="here">here</a>.

Accommodation can be sourced via the WMG2017 accommodation partner, AOT Group. There are many hotels, motels, bed and breakfasts, apartments, holiday homes and camping options available across the city. Find out more <a href="here">here</a>.

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From the 1st to the 11th of October 2015, Nice had the immense pleasure to welcome the 3rd edition of the European Masters Games. With 27 sports and 7 para-sports, this event was the jewel of the fantastic setting of the capital of Côte d'Azur.





7200 athletes aged 25 to 96 years old competed during 11 days over 40 venues in the city.

The concept of the event being based on the notion of "sport for all" allows amateur sportsmen and women; former Olympians such as Romas Ubartas – disc throwing champion at the Barcelona Olympics; former World Champions such as Nathalie Leroy in karate or even Charles Eugster – the oldest competitor who broke a distance record in athletics to compete against each other.

76 nations were represented. Europeans sportsmen and women from Lithuania, Czech Republic, Italy, Poland, Greece, Germany, Great Britain, Austria or athletes that came from all over the world with delegations from Peru, Mongolia, Ghana, Ethiopia, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Japan, New Zealand and Australia.

The City of Nice is proud to have organised the biggest ever international sporting event for masters athletes in France. Accompanying people, volunteers or athletes, we thank you for having taken part in this big and beautiful sporting and human adventure.

For further information, to sign up for a newsletter or join the community, visit <a href="www.imga.ch">www.imga.ch</a> or follow us on <a href="Facebook, Twitter">Facebook, Twitter</a> and <a href="YouTube">YouTube</a>.

We look forward to seeing you at future Masters events!

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