



25th Winter Universiade in Erzurum, January 27th – February 6th, 2011



Dear Sport Friends,

As you know, the 25th Winter Universiade to be held in Erzurum from January 27th to February 6th, 2011, is approaching very fast and I would like to share with you some important information which you will find necessary and will make your preparation easier. The information here-under concern the travel, accommodation, visa and rifle & ammunition procedures.

Travel

All delegations will be responsible for the costs related to travel from their city of origin to Istanbul or Ankara (Turkey). Upon entrance in Turkey, all delegations are considered as guests of 2011 WU Organizing Committee. Free of charge charter flights to Erzurum will be arranged from Istanbul (Ataturk airport) and Ankara. The number of charter flights per day will be known later on. Delegations that will arrive late in the evening will be transferred and accommodated free of charge to a hotel designated by the OC. Air transportation to Erzurum will be organised the next day.

There will be special welcome desks in Istanbul and Ankara airports, which will assist each delegation to transfer to their relevant charter flight. The support team will be composed only by professionals especially trained by Turkish Airlines. The 2011 WU Erzurum OC would recommend all delegations to preferably fly to Ankara as the internal transfer from the international to the domestic terminal is less difficult.

Detailed information will be delivered to all delegations during the HOD meeting planned from September 30 to October 2, 2010.

Luggage

In Erzurum, the International Airport customs clearance is now operational, which means that the luggage will be directly sent from the airport of origin to the Erzurum Airport. There will be no need to pick up the luggage during the transfer in Istanbul or Ankara.

The OC will send special stickers to each delegation in advance (not removable) with the 2011 WU logo in order to easily recognize the luggage of all Universiade participants.

Visa

Visa payments are exempted. Please refer to the link <http://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa> for delegations needing the entry visa.

Rifle & Ammunition

All rifles and ammunition will be taken out only in Erzurum. All delegations will check their rifles and ammunition upon arrival at the Airport in Erzurum and transportation will be safely organized by OC Security Department. Upon arrival, the weapons and ammunition will be stowed in storage room inside the Athletes' Village. Specific forms will be spread out in advance to all delegations before entering Turkey.

Accommodation fee

The Accommodation fee within the Athletes' Village will be of 25 USD/day/ participant (athletes & officials). The fee for Extra Officials will be communicated shortly.

With my best sport regards,

Milan AUGUSTIN
Director of Winter Universiade