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4th World University Baseball Championship
July 17th - 27th, 2008, Czech Republic

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100 days till the beginning

The count down of days until the beginning of the Championship has started on Wednesday, April 9th. The double-digit numbers remind of just one thing – July 17th and the beginning of the Championship is coming near. A banner at the websites will show the number of days till the start.

Preparations are entering the last phase in all spheres:

Ballparks: The ballparks in Brno, Olomouc, Blansko and Choceň are ready. There is still some work to be done in the facilities, but these are just above-average adjustments for higher comfort of players and spectators. Portable stands for 1200 spectators will be built at the Brno Stadium. The reconstruction of the Arrows Ostrava ballpark is going on as planned. The new field shall fulfill all standards including 600 seats for spectators and new lighting. Portable tribunes will be built for the purpose of the WUBC.

Accommodation: The accommodation for the teams is prepared, the details and especially the numbers are being specified now. FISU delegates and the management of the Championship can look forward to the best hotels: Holiday Inn in Brno and Imperial in Ostrava.

Transportation: The transportation of guests and umpires is arranged thanks to the CAREnt company. More than 10 cars will be used in the peak time. Negotiations with the Student Agency are held concerning the bus transport.

Honorary Organizing Committee: The Honorary Organizing Committee will consist of public and sport personalities not only from the Czech Republic, as obvious from the received letters of patronage.

Organizing Committee: The composition of the Organizing Committee is being specified now, but for sure the committee will consist of many experienced members. People are the most important part of the organization "machine" and we are sure they will prove to be professionals.

Preparations of the Czech National Team: The preparations have started in January within the Senior National Team. Now the team concentrates on batting practice. All the players will be presented during the Prague Baseball Week, where they will play against Sweden and AIST from USA. More pre-games will be played before the WUBC. The results of the team will be significant for the impression of the whole Championship.



IBAF representative in the Technical Commission

We have the pleasure to officially inform you that Mr. Riccardo Fraccari, has been nominated by the International Baseball Federation (IBAF) as Technical Delegate for the 4th World University Baseball Championship.

Mr. Fraccari will be included in the Technical Commission composed by him, the FISU Technical Chairman for Baseball – Mr. Richard Naylor, the Technical delegate of the Organizing Committee and three representatives of the participating countries.

