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# Welcome in Luxembourg



Dear Indiacca sports friends and participants, I greet you on behalf of the Indiacca Federation Luxembourg (IFL) and I am very pleased to host the 6th World Championship which are scheduled to take place at the premises of The National Sports and Culture Centre d'Coque in the Capital city of the Grand Duchy.

It's an exceptional privilege to welcome the participating teams together with their staff and accompanied by their friends and fans. During one week, Luxembourg will be in the "Indiacca" spotlight and will share its hospitality with all our Indiacca friends from all over the world.

I assure you that the organizing committee will do its utmost to ensure that the entire tournament and organisation will be held at the highest possible level and will contribute creating nice souvenirs and memories to look back upon.

Through our national slogan "Luxembourg let's make it happen" I am looking forward to see you all in Luxembourg and I wish you an excellent competition.

**Marco AARDOOM**

President of the Indiacca Federation Luxembourg (IFL)

# Let's play Indiacca

Dear Indiacca friends,

All national federations got some time ago a short video from us promoting the world championships in Luxembourg. The message the players send us at the end of the clip is clear: Indiacca is a sport for everyone, woman or man, old or young. You can play it as a recreational leisure or as a competitive sport.



There are a lot more Indiacca players in the world than the ones we will see at the world championships. All of them are part of the big Indiacca family. Only some members of that family, mainly the world wide best, will meet in 2021 in Luxembourg.

World championships in Indiacca is not only about winning or losing. It is also about meeting old friends, get in touch with new people and socializing. Even if the local OC will do everything to offer the best Indiacca playing fields in Luxembourg, another of our main goals is to offer you a great time here in Luxembourg. Social events are highly important too. We are convinced that you will love it.

See you in Luxembourg and ... let's play Indiacca.

**Laurent SCHÜSSLER**

Chairman of the local organizing comitee (OC)

# About Luxembourg

**Luxembourg**, officially the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, is a small landlocked country in Western Europe. It is bordered by Belgium to the west and north, Germany to the east and France to the south. Its capital, Luxembourg City, together with Brussels and Strasbourg, is one of the three official capitals of the European Union. Its culture, people, and languages are highly intertwined with its neighbours, making it essentially a mixture of French and German cultures, as evident by the nation's three official languages: French, German and the national language, Luxembourgish.

With an area of 2,586 square kilometres, it is one of the smallest sovereign states in Europe. In 2018, **Luxembourg** had a population of 602,005, which makes it one of the least-populous countries in Europe. Foreigners account for nearly half of Luxembourg's population. As a representative democracy with a constitutional monarch, it is headed by Grand Duke Henri and is the world's only remaining grand duchy. Luxembourg is a developed country, with an advanced economy and one of the world's highest GDP (PPP) per capita.

**Luxembourg** is a founding member of the European Union, OECD, United Nations, NATO and Benelux. The city of Luxembourg, which is the country's capital and largest city, is the seat of several institutions and agencies of the EU.

According to data from the World Health Organization, healthcare spending on behalf of the government of **Luxembourg** topped \$4.1 Billion, amounting to about \$8,182 for each citizen in the nation, placing it among the highest spending countries on health services and related programs in 2010 among other well-off nations in Europe with high average income among its population.

# Countries whose citizens are exempted from the visa requirement for a trip to Luxembourg

Belgium: Valid ID card or valid passport without a visa

Estonia: Valid ID card or valid passport without a visa

Germany: Valid ID card or valid passport without a visa

**Hongkong: Valid passport without a visa and recognized by the competent authorities. The exemption only applies to holders of the “Hong Kong Special Administrative Region” passport**

**India: Valid passport with a visa which shall extend at least three months after the date of departure.**

Japan: Valid passport without a visa and recognized by the competent authorities

Poland: Valid ID card or valid passport without a visa

South Korea: Valid passport without a visa and recognized by the competent authorities

Switzerland: Valid ID card or valid passport without a visa

Full list: <https://maee.gouvernement.lu/dam-assets/services-aux-citoyens/visa-et-immigration/list-of-countries-whose-citizens-require-a-visa.pdf>

# About Luxembourg City

**Luxembourg City** is the capital city of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg (also named "Luxembourg"), and the country's most populous commune. Standing at the confluence of the “Alzette” and “Pétrusse” rivers in southern Luxembourg, the city lies at the heart of Western Europe, situated 213 km by road from Brussels, 372 km from Paris, and 209 km from Cologne. The city contains Luxembourg Castle, established by the Franks in the Early Middle Ages, around which a settlement developed.



*The Adolphe Bridge in Luxembourg City*

As of January 2018, **Luxembourg City** had a population of 116.323 which is more than three times the population of the country's second most populous commune ( Esch-sur-Alzette).

Places of interest include the Gothic Revival Cathedral of Notre Dame, the fortifications, the AM Tunnel (an art gallery underground), the Grand Ducal Palace, the “Gëlle Fra”, a war memorial, the casemates, the Neumünster Abbey, the Place d'Armes, the Adolphe Bridge or the city hall.

[www.luxembourg-city.lu](http://www.luxembourg-city.lu)

# How to get there

Luxembourg has efficient road, rail and air transport facilities and services. The road network has been significantly modernised in recent years with 147 km of motorways connecting the capital to adjacent countries. In 2020, it was the first country to make public transportation free.

**By air:** Luxembourg Airport is the main airport in Luxembourg. Previously called Luxembourg Findel Airport due to its location at Findel, it is Luxembourg's only international airport. 16 airlines are flying from and to Luxembourg. The airport is located 5 kilometres of the city centre.

[www.lux-airport.lu](http://www.lux-airport.lu)



*Luxembourg Airport*

**By train:** Luxembourg railway station (“Gare Lëtzebuerg” in Luxembourgish or “Gare de Luxembourg” in French) is the main station serving Luxembourg City. It also functions as the country's international railway hub, with services to all the surrounding countries: Belgium, France and Germany. Since June 2007, the LGV Est has connected the station to the French TGV. network. The station is located 2 kilometres south of the city centre

**By car:** Situated in the heart of Europe, bordered by Belgium, France and Germany, Luxembourg is connected to the far corners of Europe by an excellent network of highways. The capital is directly linked to the highways A1 (Trier), A13 (Saarbrücken), A3 (Metz) and A6 (Brussels).

# Free public transport

From March, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020, on, all the public transport in Luxemburg is free. This includes bus, train and tram. We recommend you to use mainly the public transport during the World Championships as the parking places close near the Coque have to be paid and traffic in Luxembourg City can be very crowdy during rush hours.

Example given from all the hotels close to the airport (pages 13-14) the sports hall Coque can be reached in less then half an hour by taking bus N° 18 and then the tram (Station called Coque/picture). There is only one tram line in Luxembourg.

The same to get back to the hotel.



*Le tram stand at the Coque*

# The venue

The National Sporting and Cultural Centre, better known as d'Coque, is an indoor arena in Kirchberg, a quarter of Luxembourg City. It will be the sixth edition of the world championships in Indiacca from 3rd to 7th, August 2021.

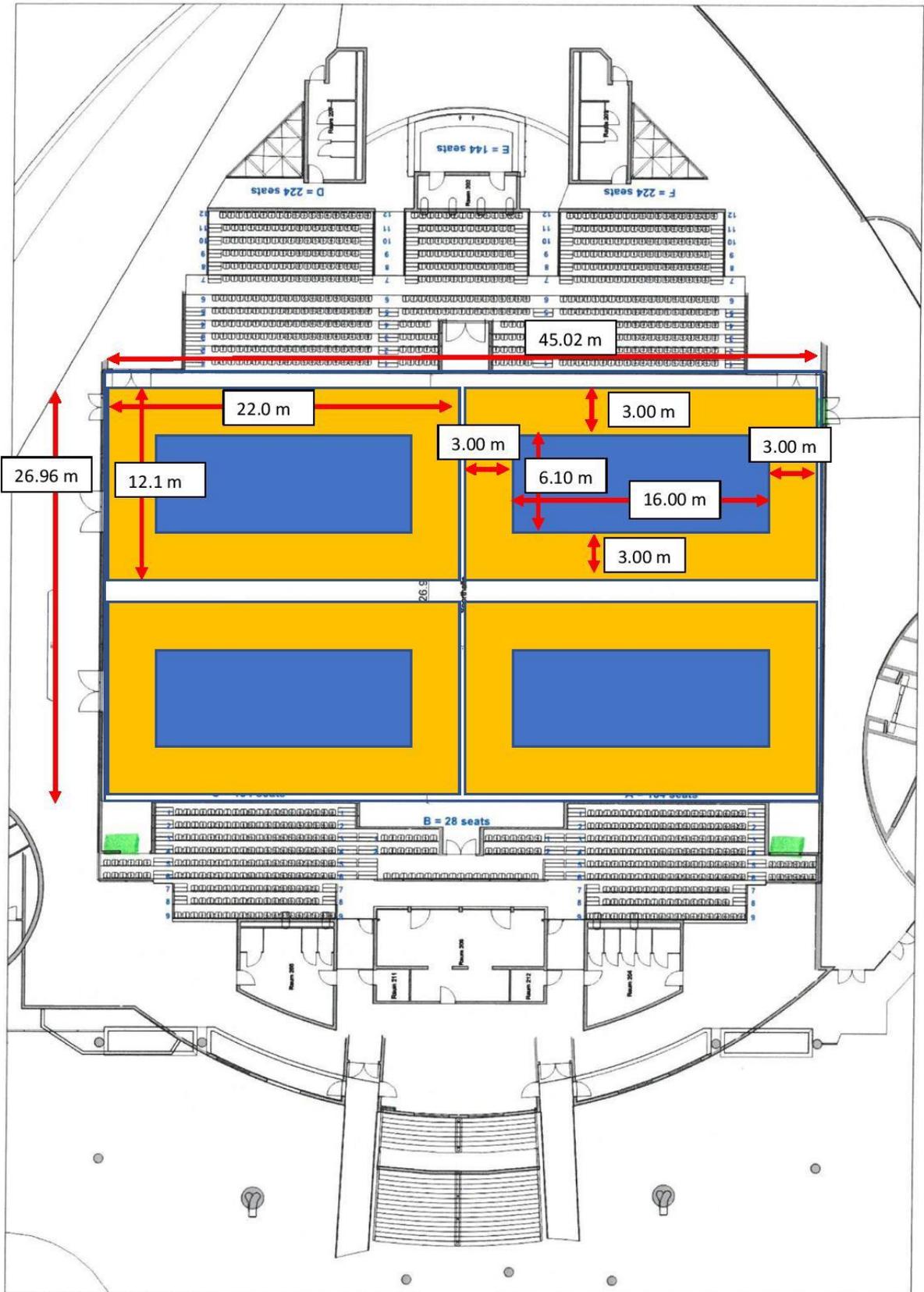
In 1982, first the olympic swimming pool opened its doors. The striking shell-shaped roofline is reminiscent of a seashell, and is made of spans of pre-stressed concrete. With the swimming pool extension undertaken by architect Roger Taillibert in 2002, the Centre National Sportif et Culturel was created.



*Outside view of d'Coque in Kirchberg*

In addition to its function as a national sports centre, d'Coque also provides facilities for major sporting and cultural events, concerts and conferences. The 4.300 square meter "Arena" offers room for 8.000 people. The Coque also hosts two restaurants, an \*\*\*-hotel and a wellness center as well as a climbing wall.

The Indiacca World Championships will be held in the "Gymnase" with a floor space of 1.240 square meter and an accommodation of 988 fixed seats and about 500 stand places.





*The Gymnase in the Coque*

The warm up area is situated in a part of a multi-purpose area of 1.400 square meter which is divisible into three parts.

**The delegations have the possibility to train on Monday and on Tuesday in the main hall/ or the warm-up area. Please contact therefore the local OC.**

The general assembly and all the other meetings of the IAA will also be held in the Coque.

Coque hosted in 2013 the Games of the Small States of Europe with competitions in swimming, basketball and volleyball. Each year many national and international competitions are organized in any or more of the facilities of d'Coque, example given the finale of the 2007 Women's European Volleyball Championship or more recently the 2017 European Team Championships in table tennis.

Adress: d'Coque, 2, rue Léon Hengen, L-1745 Luxembourg-Kirchberg

[www.coque.lu](http://www.coque.lu)

# Hotels

## Hotel NH Luxembourg

1 Route de Trèves, 2633 Senningerberg



148 rooms

Price per double room per night: 125 Euro, breakfast included

Single rooms are also available

[www.nh-hotels.de/hotel/nh-luxembourg](http://www.nh-hotels.de/hotel/nh-luxembourg)

## Hotel Ibis Aéroport

Route de Trèves, 2632 Luxembourg



157 rooms

Price per double room per night: 100 Euro, breakfast included

Price per triple room per night: 120 Euro, breakfast included

Single rooms are also available

[www.hotel-ibis-luxembourg.com/en](http://www.hotel-ibis-luxembourg.com/en)

## **Hotel Ibis Budget**

Route de Trèves, 2632 Luxembourg



71 rooms

Price per double room per night: 77.50 Euro, breakfast included

Price per triple room per night: 85 Euro, breakfast included

Single rooms are also available

[www.hotel-ibis-luxembourg.com/en](http://www.hotel-ibis-luxembourg.com/en)

## **Youth Hostel Luxembourg**

2, rue du Fort Olisy, 2261 Luxembourg



240 beds in 50 rooms

Price per person and per night: 26,70 Euro (for non-members, 2020)

Double and single rooms are also available

[www.youthhostels.lu/en/youth-hostels/youth-hostel-luxembourg](http://www.youthhostels.lu/en/youth-hostels/youth-hostel-luxembourg)

The delegations are requested to contact the hotels directly. Reservations are also to be done by themselves! All these hotels have free parking facilities and are **just 15 minutes from the venue by using public transport** (bus and tram).

Please mention **Indiaca 2021** to get these special prices.

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There are a lot of other hotels in Luxembourg City. Some of them are more expensive than those stated.

### **Hotel Sofitel Europe (5 stars)**

4, Rue du Fort Niedergrunewald, 2015 Luxembourg

[www.sofitel.accorhotels.com/de/hotel-1314-sofitel-luxembourg-europe/index.shtml](http://www.sofitel.accorhotels.com/de/hotel-1314-sofitel-luxembourg-europe/index.shtml)

### **Novotel Luxembourg Kirchberg (4 stars)**

6 rue Fort Niedergrünwald, 2226 Luxembourg

[/www.accorhotels.com/de/hotel-1930-novotel-luxembourg-kirchberg/index.sht](http://www.accorhotels.com/de/hotel-1930-novotel-luxembourg-kirchberg/index.sht)

# Provisional event schedule

Monday, August, 2nd:	Arrival of the teams
Tuesday, August, 3rd:	Arrival of the teams, general meeting of IIA and other meetings, opening ceremony, welcome dinner.



*Parc Kirchberg. location of the opening ceremony*

Wednesday, August, 4th:	Qualifiers
Thursday, August, 5th:	Qualifiers
Friday, August, 6th:	Qualifiers, half finals, classification games.
Saturday, August, 7th:	Finals, prize ceremony, farewell party.
Sunday, August, 8th:	Departure of the teams

# Dinner at the venue

The local OC offers the possibility to have dinner in a reserved area inside d'Coque on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday (accredited persons only).

Each day 1 vegetarian and 1 non-vegetarian menu will be proposed.

Reservations for the different meals must be made before May, 1st, 2021.

**Detailed information about the menu and the price will follow.**

Spectators and participants have also the possibility to buy drinks and little snacks at a selling point close to the playing fields in the “Gymnase” the whole day.

Due to the venue's central location, there is a wide number of restaurants around in Kirchberg.

# Ceremonies

The opening ceremony will be held outside the Coque at the amphitheater of the Central Parc in Kirchberg on Tuesday, August, 3rd, from 19.00 on. The delegations are asked to be ready in the established area for preparation at 18.30 and dressed in their official uniform or sportswear (but all the same) preceded by a board bearing its name or accompanied by its flag.

The welcome dinner will start at about 20.15 at the Arena of d'Coque.

The closing ceremony in the "Gymnase" of d'Coque will follow the prize ceremony on Saturday, August, 7th at about 19.30. From 21.00 a farewell party at a place still tbd will close the championships.



# Official contract signed

Mr Marco Aardoom (left), chairman of the Luxembourgish Indiacas Federation IFL and Mr Karlheinz Bühner (right), president of the International Indiacas Association IIA signed recently the collaboration contract for the World Championships 2021 in Luxembourg. Also present was Mr. Christian Jung, CEO of the Coque.



# Partners and suppliers

Organizing an event like the World Championships would not be possible without our partners.

A big **THANK YOU** to

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***Further information will follow  
in August, 2021.***