

Invitation letter

Hungarian Fencing Federation



ONE SERIES, NINE CITIES
GRAND PRIX
2025/26

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13-15 MARCH
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FIE – GRAND PRIX INVITATION LETTER

Name of Competition: WESTEND Grand Prix: Women's epee GP in memoriam József Sákovics, Men's epee GP in memoriam Győző Kulcsár

Type of Competition: FIE Grand Prix competition in Men's & women's épée

City, Country, dates: Budapest, Hungary, 13-15 March, 2026

Dear Fencing Friends,

On behalf of the Hungarian Fencing Federation, we are pleased to invite you to the Westend Grand Prix competition in Men's & women's épée, taking place in Budapest, Hungary from 13 to 15 March 2026.

Below you will find all essential information for your planning and participation.



ORGANISER

Host Federation: Hungary

Full Name of the National Federation: Hungarian Fencing Federation

Address: Budapest, Istvánmezei út 1-3. ZIP code H-1146

Telephone Number: +36 1 460 6910

Email: hunfencing@hunfencing.hu

COMPETITION VENUE

Name of the Venue: BOK Hall

Full Address and access information: 1146 Budapest, Dózsa György út 1.

COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Detailed day by day schedule

Thursday - March 12th:

14:00-19:00 Accreditation – payment of entry fee –weapon control in the competition venue (women's epee)

Friday – March 13th - Women's qualification:

09:00 Start of the competition (pools and preliminary table until T64)

14:00-19:00 Accreditation – payment of entry fee –weapon control in the competition venue (men's epee)

Saturday - March 14th - Men's qualification:

09:00 Start of the competition (pools and preliminary table until T64)

Sunday - March 15th - T64 and finals for both weapons:

09:00 T64 Women

10:30 T64 Men

18:00 Finals (Women Semifinals, Men Semifinals, Finals)

cc. 20:30 Medal Ceremony

PARTICIPATION

Individual Event

- Each federation may enter up to 12 fencers.
- The organising country may enter up to 20 fencers plus the number needed to make up the pools (local fencers only).

ENTRIES

Entries for fencers and coaches must be made strictly via the FIE website (www.fie.org), in accordance with FIE Rules and regulatory deadlines.

Notes:

Coaches must be entered via the FIE website and must have a FIE license valid for the current season.

Eligibility:

- All participants must hold a FIE license valid for the current season.
- Minimum age: No fencer may obtain an FIE license, enabling him or her to enter for an official FIE competition, until he or she has reached their 13th birthday.



ENTRY FEES

Entry fee: 120 €

Fees may be paid: in cash at registration before the start of the competition. The organizers only accept EUR or HUF (and **only in cash**). If you wish to pay in advance by bank transfer, please send us an email with the names of the participants.

Deadline: for bank transfer payment requests, please send the email before 04. March 2026 to vracaric.eszter@hunfencing.hu

REFEREE OBLIGATION

Referees are appointed by the FIE.

Delegations do not have to provide referees.

Rules and equipment control: Competition and equipment control in accordance with all FIE rules.

COMPETITION FORMULA

Individual Event

By direct elimination with a mixed system consisting of one round of eliminating pools and a preliminary direct elimination table, followed by a main direct elimination table of 64 fencers to qualify 8 or 4 fencers for a direct elimination final.

MANDATORY

Competition results/management software

Fencing Time is the FIE official and mandatory competition results/management software. It is obligatory for senior events.

ANTI-DOPING

Anti-Doping control must be done according to FIE rules which can be found on:

<https://static.fie.org/uploads/37/185549-2.1.FIE%20Anti-Doping%20Operational%20Instructions%20-%202025%20ang.pdf>

ACCOMMODATION & TRANSPORT

Official hotels, transport, and special rates:

Accommodation name	Stars	Address	Rate
Danubius Hotel Arena	4	H-1148, Budapest, Ifjúság útja 1-3. 2 minutes' walk from the venue. LINK	single: 170 EUR/room/night with BB twin: 190 EUR/room/night with BB half board: 40 EUR/person/day (lunch or dinner) full board: 80 EUR/person/day (lunch and dinner) airport transfer: 45 EUR/person/one way Room prices include buffet breakfast, taxes, free WIFI Internet and wellness-fitness

- Accommodation email: **Mrs. Eszter ANDRÁSI** via andrasi.eszter@hunfencing.hu
- Deadline: **2026.02.15.**
- Transportation information: Please, note that we only arrange airport transfers for those who book their accommodation through our federation as well!
- Transport email: **Mr. Gergely HAJAS** via hajas.ergegely@hunfencing.hu
- Airport: Budapest Airport (BUD)

VISA SUPPORT

The Organizing National Federation declares that its national authorities guarantee the granting of visas to all the participants of the member federations of the FIE.

To avoid delays, all delegations are required to submit their visa requests in time.

Participants who require a visa are kindly requested to begin the application process as early as possible.

To facilitate visa issuance, the Organizing Committee will provide official invitation letters upon request.

Please send the personal data of the participants that you wish to include in the invitation letter to benedek.soproniszabo@hunfencing.hu .

- The personal data should be sent in an editable format (Word, Excel, Text)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Hungarian Fencing Federation (Budapest, Istvánmezei út 1-3. ZIP code H-1146), **Benedek Soproni-Szabó**, International Secretary of the Federation (benedek.soproniszabo@hunfencing.hu)

Best regards,

Henriette Tamas, dr.

Secretary General

<http://www.hunfencing.hu/>