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The IN-JET Tournament will be an international tournament sanctioned by IPCH and valid for World Ranking, the main goal of the competition is to provide an opportunity for the classification of athletes before the European Championship and an opportunity to play on an international stage before the competition that will be held in Denmark in October 2024.

This event will be organized under the aegis of the World Ability Sport and the IPCH by the local organizing committee (LOC).

The competition will be a 3-team tournament and the event will offer educational opportunities for Officials as well.

GENERAL INFORMATION

ACCOMMODATIONS

The accommodations will be at the Villaggio Marzotto Jesolo, Venice Italy
<https://villaggiomarzotto.it/>

SPORT VENUES

The competition will be held at the Pala Marzotto inside the Village for Accommodations.

A second sport venue will be available at Palestra "[Antiche Mura](#)" (7 Km from the Village)



TRANSPORT

The accommodation venues are easily reachable by public transportation from:

- Official Airport is Marco Polo Venice - Located 35 km (30 minutes) from Villaggio Marzotto
- Official Train station Venice Mestre - Located 38 km (30 minutes) from Villaggio Marzotto.

To enable to LOC to coordinate transportation plans, all participants will be asked to provide their travel schedules in advance.

LOC guarantees accessible transportation for wheelchair users and will provide participants with detailed information about the connections available to reach the venue.

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INSURANCE

Each participant is responsible for obtaining the appropriate insurance for the entire length of their stay.

The Local Organizing Committee, World Ability Sport or IPCH are not responsible for any insurance claims.

ORGANIZATIONAL RIGHTS

World Abilitysport and IPCH in close cooperation with the Organizing Committee, withholds the right to consider organizing the event if less than 2 national teams will register.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information or any questions, please contact

IPCH: competition@powerchairhockey.org

Referee Committee:

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refobservers@powerchairhockey.org

Classification Committee

classification@powerchairhockey.org

LOC: info@fipps.it

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THE IPCH CLASSIFIERS:

A Classifier is a person authorized as an official and certified by the IPCH to conduct some or all components of Athlete Evaluation as a member of a Classification Panel. Classifiers are fundamental to the effective implementation of the IPCH Classification Rules. IPCH will appoint some classifiers for each competition and event, each of whom will have a key role in the organization, implementation, and administration of classification for the PCH.

A Classifier will be authorized to act as a Classifier if they have been certified by IPCH as having the relevant Classifier Competencies following an IPCH Classifier course.

IPCH CLASSIFIERS COMPETENCIES AND SKILLS:

Competencies a classifier must have include:

- 1) a thorough understanding of the Classification Rules.
- 2) an understanding of the sport for which they seek certification to act as a Classifier, including an understanding of the technical rules of the sport.
- 3) understanding the IPC Code and the International Standards for Classification.
- 4) a professional qualification(s), level of experience, skills and competencies to act as a Classifier for IPCH.

IPCH Classifiers must either:

- a) be a certified health professional in a field relevant to the Eligible Impairment category which IPCH at its sole discretion deems acceptable, such as a physician or physiotherapist for Athletes with a Physical Impairment or
- b) have an extensive coaching or other relevant background in the sport PCH; or a recognized and reputable academic qualification which encompasses a requisite level of anatomical, biomechanical and sport-specific expertise, which IPCH at its sole discretion deems to be acceptable.

All IPCH Officials need to be able to communicate in English (both in writing and oral communication)

REQUIREMENTS FOR ATTENDING THE COURSE:

For this course it will be mandatory for the participants to prepare themselves by:

1. attending the online IPC classification course <https://www.paralympic.org/classification-education>
2. studying the IPCH Classification Manual.

The maximum number of classifier trainees for this course will be 8.

If applications exceed the total number of available slots, the IPCH Classification Committee will conduct interviews to determine the final list of participants.

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PROGRAM:

Arrival date	17 April 2024	
Departure date	21 April 2024	
Program <i>provisional and subject to change</i>	17/04/2024	Arrivals 17.00 Start of the course Theoretical part
	18/04/2024	Theoretical course Start of classification panels
	19/04/2024	Classification panels In-match observations - afternoon
	20/04/2024	In-match observations
	21/04/2024	Departures

PARTICIPATION FEE

The **participation fee** for the Classifiers Course is **350€** per participant and includes:

- 4-night stay accommodation on a shared basis (double rooms)
- Full board stay (3 meals per day starting from dinner on 17th April)
- World Abilitysport Fees
- Accreditation to the tournament
- Recognizable clothes

Travel costs are at the expense of the participants / PCH National organizations they represent.

APPLICATION PROCESS - DEADLINES:

1. All candidates must their application before the **12th of February 2024** by filling out this form <https://forms.gle/g7X87jzWhRjDtTgBA>
2. After receiving the applications, IPCH will organize interviews to get to know more about the candidates and fine-tune the course program. *If more than 8 candidates will apply to the course, these interviews will also be part of the selection process. In this second case, interviews will be conducted between 12th February and 29th February.*
3. Confirmation to the candidates and their National PCH Organizations / World Abilitysport members / NPC will be sent by **1st March 2024**.
4. Payment of the participation fee shall be made after receiving confirmation from IPCH. Further instructions to complete the payment and deadlines will be provided.

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THE IPCH REFEREE OBSERVERS:

While the fans in the stadium are glued to the match and players on the field, the referee observer in the stands keenly watches the referee team.

Observers play an integral role in the development and progression of referees.

The role of the observers is to:

- Help referees, improve and become better as all-round match officials.
- Provide match-day support to the referees through immediate feedback providing a detailed analysis of the referee's strengths and development areas based on the observation guidelines as well as on the wishes and expectations of the referees concerned.

IPCH REFEREE OBSERVERS' COMPETENCIES AND SKILLS:

1. Should be at least 24 years of age (minimum age is 18)
2. Should have experience as a referee or referee observer in powerchair hockey or a similar sport (ice hockey, floorball) or any team sport. Experience in sports for people with disability will be considered a plus.
3. Knowledge of or previous experience in powerchair hockey (for example previous coaches, former players, etc.)
4. Alternatively, should have experience in working in a coaching or leadership role with a focus on improvement through feedback.

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For this course it will be mandatory for the participants to prepare themselves by:

1. Studying the IPCH Game Rules and other relevant regulations (www.powerchairhockey.org/general-regulations/ and www.powerchairhockey.org/competition-regulations/)
2. If not familiar with the sport watch some videos from the latest competitions (<https://www.youtube.com/powerchairhockey>)

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The maximum number of Referee Observers trainees for this course will be 6.

If applications exceed the total number of available slots, the IPCH Referee Committee will conduct interviews to determine the final list of participants.

PARTICIPATION FEE

The **participation fee** for the Classifiers Course is **250€** per participant and includes:

- 3-night stay accommodation on a shared basis (double rooms)
- Full board stay (3 meals per day starting from dinner on 18th April)
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