

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

1. The 2018 European Championships will be staged by seven European Sports Federations and the Host Cities of Glasgow and Berlin.
2. The Glasgow 2018 sports programme will start with a day of qualifications on Thursday 02 August and will run until Sunday 12 August, while the Berlin 2018 European Athletics Championships will be held between Tuesday 07 August and Sunday 12 August.
3. The European Broadcasting Union (EBU), and part of its business arm, Eurovision Production Coordination (EPC), will act as both the broadcast partner (representing European public service media) and the host broadcaster (overseeing the overall production of the event).
4. In total, the European Championships will span 10 days of television programming from Friday 03 August to Sunday 12 August 2018. The event has a potential television audience of around 1.03 billion with many more viewers across multiple digital platforms. There will be up to 300 hours of host broadcaster coverage, and an anticipated 2,700 hours of television coverage.
5. The EBU has already confirmed more than 35 EBU Members will show the first edition in August 2018.
6. Around 3,000 athletes will travel to Scotland as part of a total delegation of around 8,500 including officials, media and others. A further 1,500 athletes will compete in Berlin.
7. Berlin's Olympic Stadium will be the venue for the European Athletics Championships with the road races and race walking events held throughout the city.
8. The European Aquatics Championships will take place at Glasgow's Tollcross International Swimming Centre, with diving at Edinburgh's Royal Commonwealth Pool, synchronized swimming at the Scotstoun Sports Campus, and open water swimming at Loch Lomond.
9. Four European Cycling Championships will be staged in Glasgow. Track, Road, Mountain Bike and BMX will attract 650 of Europe's top names to the Sir Chris Hoy Velodrome, the Cathkin Braes Mountain Bike Trails, the streets of Glasgow and the surrounding metropolitan area, and a new world championship and Olympic standard BMX track to be built in the Knightswood area of the city.
10. The European Golf Team Championships will take place at the Gleneagles PGA Centenary Course in Perth and Kinross.
11. The European Artistic Gymnastics Men's and Women's Championships will be staged at The SSE Hydro, the venue for the 2015 FIG World Gymnastics Championships.
12. The European Championships for both Rowing and Triathlon will both be staged at Strathclyde Country Park in North Lanarkshire.