

**EUROPEAN RAFTING CHAMPIONSHIP  
“BANJA LUKA – VRBAS 2015” R6  
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U19, U23, OPEN, MASTER**

**Date:** May, 19 – 24<sup>th</sup> 2015

**Location:** Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina

**Organizer:** Rafting Club “Kanjon” Banja Luka

**Categories:** R6 (M/F) - Youth, Juniors, Open and Master

**Competition:** R6 (M/F): Downriver, Sprint, H2H, Slalom

**River:** Vrbas, Banja Luka, class 3 – 4

**Boats:** RobFin 420

**River:** Vrbas River is fast mountain river, with several white water sections and pool drops. Length that is used for rafting is 31km. (from dam to downtown). Vrbas is crossing two canyons: canyon Tijesno (5km) and canyon Podmilacje (8km). Level of the water depends of dam, usual limits are 25 to 100 cubic meters, and in spring it is over 500 cubic meters. Grade is 3-4. In may water temperature is 12-15°C, air temperature is over 20-25°C.

**Entry fee:** €600 (EUR) per team

**Deadline for payment via bank transfer is April, 1<sup>st</sup> 2015.**

Also, you can pay entry fee onsite in cache, when you arrive in the camp Krupa na Vrbasu but must be registered on this date.

**Race rules:** The race format will be according to the IRF rules. Please refer to [http://www.internationalrafting.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/Race\\_Rules.pdf](http://www.internationalrafting.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/Race_Rules.pdf)

**Rafts and equipment:** Official raft will be RobFin 420 (length 417, width 190, tubes 52, thwarts 3, material PVC, color sky blue) provided by the organizer. Teams are responsible for their own PFD, paddles, paddling clothing, throw bags and any additional paddling

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accessories they might require. We recommend a 3mm neopren wetsuits for competitors.

**Transport:** Yours

**Accommodation:** Organizer will provide camping place free of charge for all competitors in the Krupa on Vrbas, with hot water, showers and toilets. You need to bring your own tents and other camping equipment. In case that teams want other kinds of accommodation, we can help you to find accommodation for maximum lowest price in the city. All contacts for that kind of accommodation and booking are:

**Guideline Travel Agency**

**Contact person:** Miss Sanja Brkic

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**or:** info@guidelinebl.com

For other informations like a transportation, restaurants, nigh life, etc., you can visit website of Touristic organization of Banja Luka at [www.banjaluka-tourism.com](http://www.banjaluka-tourism.com).

**Meals:** Organizer will provide two meals free of charge for all competitors during competition (breakfast and diner). Meals will be combined with domestic and international food. Please write in registration form if you have special requirements (for example: if you don't eat pork meat, you must tell us that we can make special menu for you).

**Registration form:** Registration form will be posted at the IRF site ([www.internationalrafting.com/](http://www.internationalrafting.com/)) until December 1th , and there you need to fill all required informations (team names, names of participants, substitutes and other stuff, etc...)

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**Registration:** Last date for registration is **April, 1<sup>st</sup> 2015**.

Complete the registration form with all required informations and send it to registration e-mail address: [kanjon@teol.net](mailto:kanjon@teol.net).

**Judges:** During competition, organizer will provide accomodation, food and transport for all IRF judges free of charge. Judges who will come to this event need to send confirmation at the e-mail address: [lag@blic.net](mailto:lag@blic.net)

**Awards:** Organizer will provide medals for winning teams

**Visas:** All schengen countries doesn't need visas (Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom). For all other countries, please check Ministry of Foreign Affairs Bosnia and Herzegovina web site: [http://www.mvp.gov.ba/konzularne\\_informacije/vize/Default.aspx](http://www.mvp.gov.ba/konzularne_informacije/vize/Default.aspx) and see do you need visa to enter in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

**How to find us:** Rafting centre "Kanjon" is located about 11 km from the city of Banja Luka. You need to drive through main road M-16 to Jajce, and after 11 km, you will see big rafting centre on the left side, with restaurant, rafts, etc...

**GPS coords: 44.690915,17.202988**

**Camp "Krupa na Vrbasu"** is located about 15 km from the rafting centre "Kanjon" or 26 km from the city of Banja Luka, on the same main road M-16 to Jajce.

**GPS coords: 44.61592,17.147423**

**Contact :**

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us:

**Rafting club "KANJON"** [kanjon@teol.net](mailto:kanjon@teol.net)

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**SCHEDULE**

**May 19 (Tuesday) – DAY 0 – Arrival**

08:00 – 20:00 Registration – camp “Krupa na Vrbasu”  
18:00 Captains meeting – camp “Krupa na Vrbasu”

**May 20 (Wednesday) – DAY 1 – Official training U19, U23, Open, Master**

08:00 – 20:00 Registration – camp “Krupa na Vrbasu”  
10:00 – 13:00 Training H2H for U19,U23, Master – “Bijeli buk”  
13:00– 16:00 Training H2H for Open – “Bijeli buk”  
18:00 Captains meeting  
20:00 Opening ceremony

**May 21 (Thursday) – DAY 2 – Sprint & H2H - U19, U23, Master**

10:00 – 14:00 **Sprint and H2H for U19, U23, Master – “Bijeli buk”**  
15:00 – 17:00 Training sprint for Open – “Bijeli buk”  
18:30 Captains meeting – camp “Krupa na Vrbasu”  
20:00 Prize giving ceremony for Sprint and H2H - U19, U23, Master – camp “Krupa na Vrbasu”

**May 22 (Friday) – DAY 3 – Sprint and H2H - Open**

10:00 – 15:00 **Sprint & H2H – Open – “Bijeli buk”**  
16:00 – 18:00 Training downriver for U19, U23, Master – “Krupa na Vrbasu – Karanovac”  
20.00 Captains meeting – camp “Krupa na Vrbasu”  
21:00 Prize giving ceremony for Sprint and H2H - Open – camp “Krupa na Vrbasu”

**May 23 (Saturday) – DAY 4 – Slalom (Tijesno Canyon)**

15:00 – 18:30 **Slalom - U19, U23, Master – Canyon “Tijesno”**  
19:30 – 22:00 **Slalom- Open – Canyon “Tijesno”**  
23:00 PARTY – Rafting Center “Kanjon”

**May 24 (Sunday) – DAY 5 – Downriver**

09:30 – 11:00 **Downriver -U19, U23, Master – “Krupa na Vrbasu”**  
11:30 – 13:30 **Downriver - Open – “Krupa na Vrbasu”**  
15:00 Prize giving ceremony -Slalom, Downriver and Overall and official closing ceremony

**The organizer reserves the right to change race schedules!**