

30 MAY - 7 JUNE 2026




WORLD APNEA 2026 POOL CHAMPIONSHIPS BUDAPEST - DUNA ARENA

ATHLETE
INFO GUIDE

WELCOME TO BUDAPEST 2026

World-class freediving awaits at Duna Arena!

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EVENT SCHEDULE

30 May → 7 June

30 May > Registration Day 1

31 May > Registration Day 2, Official Training Day 1,
Opening Ceremony

1 June > Official Training Day 2

2 June > Competition Day 1 – DYNB

3 June > Competition Day 2 – DNF

4 June > Official Training Day 3

5 June > Competition Day 3 – STA

6 June > Competition Day 4 – DYN

7 June > Departure

UP TO DATE
SCHEDULE & START LISTS:





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VENUE

Duna Arena Pool Complex

Europe's premier aquatic venue



Address: 1138 Budapest, Népfürdő u. 36

[Location on map](#)

[3D Virtual Tour](#)

Conditions:

Dynamic Pool:

- 50m | 10 lanes | 3.0 m deep
- Water: ~ 26–27°C
- Air: ~ 22°C

Static Pool:

- 1.2 m deep
- Water: ≥ 28°C
- Air: ~ 22°C



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EARLY REGISTRATION

1 February → 31 March

Opens > 1 February 2026 · 15:00 UTC

Closes > 31 March 2026 · 23:00 UTC

AIDA Nationals

Nationals must submit their official athlete list to events@aidainternational.org, including:

- athlete name
- athlete's AIDA account email
- disciplines



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EARLY REGISTRATION

1 February → 31 March

Athletes without active National

Direct applications opens 1 February 2026,
email events@aidainternational.org,

including:

- athlete name
- athlete's AIDA account email
- disciplines

First applicant per gender accepted,
additional applicants are waitlisted.

Registration status confirmations will be
sent after registration closes, starting 1 April
2026.



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STEP-BY-STEP REGISTRATION

for athletes

1. Visit the official event page
2. Upload valid medical certificate
3. Upload signed liability release & image
rights form
4. Confirm disciplines by email if not listed
by your National
5. Pay registration fee as per instructions
by national organization





REGISTRATION & ATHLETE SUPPORT

Fees & Quotas

Registration fee:

- €400 per athlete (registration completed by 31 March 2026)

Athlete quotas:

- Up to 4 athletes per discipline, per gender, per National
- Wild card athletes accepted additionally
- Nationals must send athlete details to events@aidainternational.org





REGISTRATION & ATHLETE SUPPORT

Financial Support

Registration fee waivers:

- Fee waiver for 2025 wild card athletes
- One registration fee waiver per gender, per country

Travel and accommodation support grants:

- €35,000 total budget for athlete support,
- Maximum support: €1,000 per athlete
- Grants are for travel and accommodation costs
- Grants are awarded based on application and AIDA criteria
- Grant application details will be sent out after completion of registration.





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Registration Priority

- Athletes selected by AIDA Nationals and wild card athletes have priority until 31 March 2026.
- Other athletes from countries with an active AIDA National may apply by email to events@aidainternational.org.
- These applications will be placed on a waiting list and accepted if places remain.
- Confirmation will be sent after 1 April 2026.



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REGISTRATION & ATHLETE SUPPORT

Late Registrations & Cancellations

Late registration

- Registrations received from 1 April 2026 will be charged €500 per athlete.

Cancellation policy

- Until 31 March 2026, Nationals may replace or cancel athlete registrations without penalty
- After 31 March 2026, any allocated grant or financial support will be lost (only paid registration fees will be refunded)
- From 1 May 2026, no refunds will be issued.

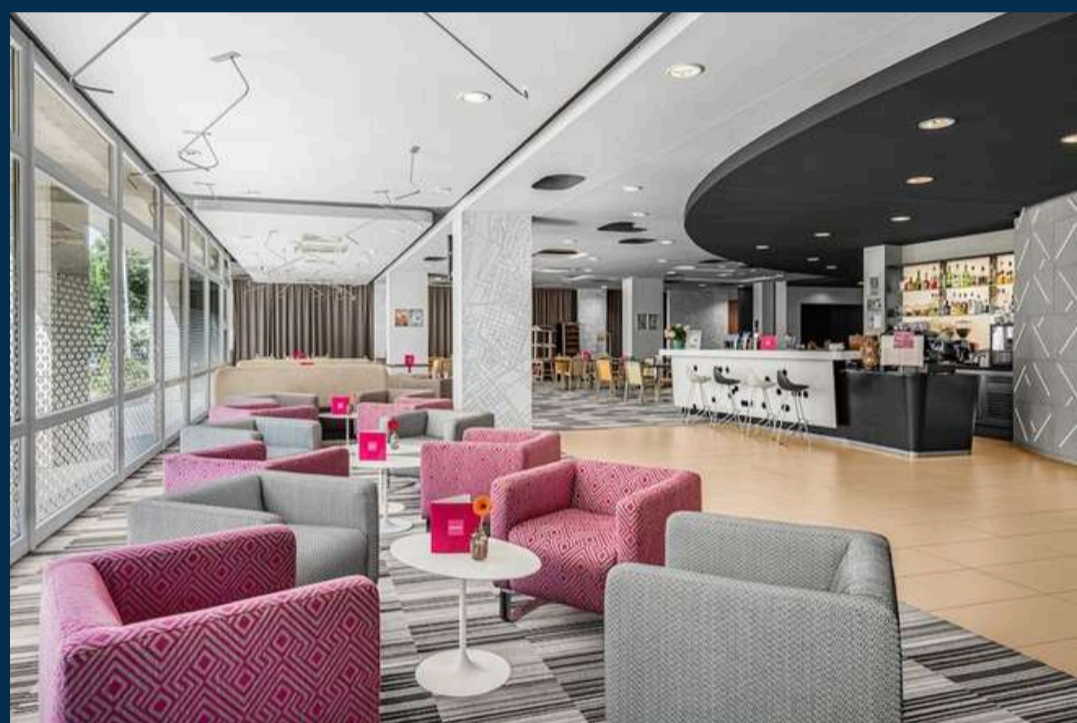




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Radisson Park Inn Hotel Budapest



Address: 1138 Budapest, Szekszárdi u. 16–18

 **Location on map**

 **Website**

Check-in time: 3:00 pm | Check-out time: 12:00 pm

Contact: reservations.budapest@parkinn.com.

Alternative accommodation:

Athletes may also book independently.



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LOCAL TRANSPORTATION


Hotel → Pool: 2km

A shuttle bus service (Hotel–Pool–Hotel) will operate on all competition days.

Budapest also has an excellent public transport system.

Typical travel times from the official hotel to the pool:

 **Bike: 8 min**

 **Bus: 15 min**

 **Tram: 20 min**

 **Metro: 27 min**

 **Walk: 32 min**





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TRAVEL INFORMATION

Arrival Budapest Airport

Budapest Ferenc Liszt International Airport

- Located ~16 km from the city centre
- Great EU connections & Wizz Air hub



Getting to the City / Official Hotel

- 100E Bus: direct to center (frequent)
- Taxi / private transfer: ~20–40 minutes, depending on traffic



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PRIZES

per discipline, per gender

The 2026 World Championships will offer record-level awards across all competition categories:

Discipline	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
DYNB (Men/Women)	€1,500	€1,000	€750
DNF (Men/Women)	€1,500	€1,000	€750
STA (Men/Women)	€1,500	€1,000	€750
DYN (Men/Women)	€1,500	€1,000	€750





PRIZES

for the overall world champions:

Category	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
Men Overall	€2,000	€1,500	€1,000
Women Overall	€2,000	€1,500	€1,000

In addition to the monetary prizes, the overall champions will also be recognised as the most consistent and outstanding athletes across the entire championship by receiving the prestigious Molchanova award.





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WORLD RECORD

Bonuses

€2,000

per new World Record
(all disciplines, all categories)

Maximum potential:
€16,000+ in WR prizes alone

Grand Total Prize Pool:
€50,000+



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