



To all  
European National Basketball Federations

## **FIBA Europe Coaching Certificate (FECC) 2023- 2025 – Invitation & Application**

28<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Dear Friends,

We are pleased to inform you that the FIBA Europe Coaching Certificate (FECC) is planned to start its 9<sup>th</sup> term in 2023.

The purpose of the FECC programme is to focus on the coaches, who are working with young players.

In order to address the issues mentioned and to support the coaching education across Europe, we introduced this coaching development programme, where the coaches attend three coaching clinics over a period of two years. The clinics are always organised in conjunction with the European Youth Championships with an examination part as the final element.

The first clinic will take place at the FIBA U16 European Championship in 2023. The second clinic is scheduled for the summer of 2024 at the venue for the FIBA U18 European Championship with the third and final clinic taking place in the summer of 2025 at the venue for the FIBA U20 European Championship.

The clinics will be held during the last 7 days (plus two travel days) of each tournament.

The purpose of organizing the clinics in line with the European Championships for U16, U18 and U20 men is with the view to monitor the development of the young players between the age of 15 and 20 over a period of two years and three major competitions.

There are significant benefits from the programme for each individual coaches, their clubs and the National Federations, like:

- ✓ Coaches will gain a competent level of knowledge of European youth basketball (Identification)
- ✓ High quality coaching clinics (Development)
- ✓ Coaches will bring their knowledge back home and in turn raise national coaching standards
- ✓ Gain a reputable coaching qualification with great references
- ✓ Secure top-level education for young talents

The curriculum for the FIBA Europe Coaching Certificate has been developed by some of the best known coaching experts in youth basketball.



### **Nomination requirements:**

- ✓ Every National Federation can nominate at least one coach and a maximum of three coaches, male or female, with the help of the National Coaching Association.
- ✓ Each Federation will receive one guaranteed spot with the other two candidates put on the waiting list.
- ✓ If a federation nominates more than one coach, the potential second spot will be granted to female coaches first. Therefore, we encourage you to have minimum one female coach in two nominations in order to get a potential second spots. If you do not have a female candidate, you can still nominate two men, but the second man will be first put on the waiting list.
- ✓ The nominations must be put in rank order with a brief description of each candidate (see attached application form).
- ✓ Please be aware that the coaches will be attending three European Championships in the upcoming summers at the U16, U18 and U20 championships. Therefore, you shouldn't nominate current or potential national team coaches who will participate in those championships.

The current youth national team coaches of other age categories are welcomed; however please note that many of them will be in active preparation for their own championships or competing at the same time and therefore won't be able to attend the complete course as required.

- ✓ There is a limit of 60 European coaches per programme. After the expiry of the registration deadline, the remaining places will be allocated to coaches from the waiting list by FIBA Europe.
- ✓ Please be aware that this course is only for the nominated coaches. Family, friends or any other persons should not be accompanying the participants.

### **Coaches' qualification:**

- ✓ All nominees are required to be current youth coaches or are participating in the development of youth basketball in their respective countries
- ✓ All nominees are required to have good command of the English language, both written and oral. All clinics, resources and the actual examinations (including the paper assignments) will be in English and therefore knowledge of English is essential
- ✓ Other qualifications can be set by each National Federation
- ✓ All nominations will have to be approved by FIBA Europe



### Participation conditions:

- ✓ The nominated coaches must attend all three clinics in full
- ✓ To receive the FIBA Europe Coaching Certificate the candidates must pass the exam

### Application forms:

- ✓ Please use the application form we sent you via E-Mail.
- ✓ Fill out the form electronically (in Microsoft office word)
- ✓ Please send the completed form to the E-Mail address below
- ✓ Attach a current headshot photo of each coach in good quality to your email. Please use the name of each coach as the title for their .jpg file

### Deadlines:

- ✓ Application deadline – **1<sup>st</sup> March 2023** (to be sent to the E-Mail address below)
- ✓ Announcement of all FECC participants by FIBA Europe is planned in mid-March 2023

We enclose some supplementary information regarding the actual certification programme. For further information like the curriculum and examination regulations please check [here](#).

There is no participation fee; however, the cost of travel and accommodation will be covered by the participants, although we suggest, that the National Federations support their nominated coaches. Flights have to be booked by coaches/National Federation. The hotel will be appointed by FIBA Europe. We will confirm the exact prices, as soon as we receive them. If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us directly.

We sincerely hope that you continue to use this unique project to improve the standard of youth coaching across Europe.

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Attachments: Annex, application form