

## Umpire invitation of Yonex Latvia International 2022

Dear umpire coordinator,

**We invite your umpires to participate at the Future Series badminton tournament [Yonex Latvia International 2022](#), part of Badminton Europe Circuit. The event will be held in [Zemgales Olimpiskais centrs](#), Kronvalda street 24, in Jelgava, Latvia.**

According to the provisional schedule the tournament will start on Wednesday, August 31, 2022. We expect umpires to arrive Wednesday, August 31, before Umpires Briefing at 10:35. The Umpire briefing will take place both at the Zemgale Olympic Center and online at Zoom.

However, Wednesday's games will only take place if there are more than 64 participants in one of the qualifying tournaments. Otherwise, we will start on Thursday, September 1, morning, as in previous years. We will confirm tournament starting date after closing of entries, after August 2.

The finals in any case will be held at 15:30 on Sunday, September 4 and should be completed by 20:00. Umpire is expected to be available to leave late on Sunday's evening. Based on our previous experience, we will be able to manage Umpiring at the Finals taking into account departure times. Alternative departure time, for example, Monday's morning is also possible.

We are also ready to cooperate part-time, including to arrive later or to leave earlier.

### **The provisional time schedule of Yonex Latvia International 2022:**

- \* Wed, 09:30, August 31 - Team Managers Meeting (Venue & Zoom)
- \* Wed, 10:35, August 31 - Umpires Briefing (Venue & Zoom)
- \* Wed, 12:00, August 31 - Qualification rounds

**(\*) if there are more than 64 participants in one of the qualifying tournaments.**

**In other circumstances, the tournament will start later and the Umpires briefing will be 90 minutes before the start of the tournament. If the tournament starts on Thursday, September 1, then the Umpires briefing will take place on Wednesday, August 31 at 21:00 (Venue & Zoom)/**

Thu, 9:00, September 1 - Qualification rounds

Fri, 9:00, September 2 - Qualification rounds

Fri, 13:00, September 2 - Official Opening Ceremony

Fri, 13:30, September 2 - 1/16 finals

Sat, 10:00, September 3 - 1/8 finals

Sat, 16:00, September 3 - 1/4 finals

Sun, 10:00, September 4 - 1/2 finals

Sun, 15:30, September 4 - Finals and award ceremonies (one or more, depending on the order)

The final frame schedule be published on [www.YLI.lv](http://www.YLI.lv) at least 20 days before the start of the tournament.

## Conditions and opportunities for Umpires in Latvian tournament

Hotel accommodation at [Hotel "Senlīči"](#) (Senlīči, Jaunsvirlauka, Jelgavas novads). Umpire will be expected to share a room with a colleague.

Meals will be provided. Breakfast at the hotel, lunch and dinner in the sports hall. Umpires will be provided also with regular coffee and snacks.

There will also be an opportunity to play badminton on tournament courts.

The tournament traditionally hosts an official opening ceremony with a photo session of the technical officials on Friday; a social event on Saturday; prize for umpires of the final games; sponsorship prize, a T-shirt.

New this year: all Umpires of the tournament will receive special tossing coin.

Travel to Riga, Latvia is at the umpire's own expense.

The organizer will provide the transport between Riga International Airport and Jelgava.

The offers of cooperation partners will be published on the tournament website page "[Transport](#)", including including offers to travel to and from Latvia.

## Practical seminar for new umpires

The most important novelty of this year is a seminar for new umpires.

During the tournament with support of BWF we will organize an umpires seminar.

There will be a theoretical lecture on Wednesday, August 31, but the practice will be on the courts. Each new umpire will be assessed and individually consulted.

The seminar will be led by Gunārs Lūsveris, a BWF certified umpire.

This is a great opportunity for new umpires to have their first international experience abroad.

The conditions for the seminar participants and the other judges are the same and all of us will work together as the Technical Officials team.

## Application and deadlines

We would like to ask You to confirm this invitation not later than August 5, 2022 (preferably by the e-mail [yli@badminton.lv](mailto:yli@badminton.lv), copy to: [gunars@badminton.lv](mailto:gunars@badminton.lv)).

Please do not book any travel arrangements until umpire appointments confirmation has been received. We will confirm umpire appointment after publication of M&Q.

Deadline to send travel details is August 25, 2022.

More detailed information about the provisional time schedule, addresses and other information relevant to technical officials will be updated on the website of the tournament page "[Officials](#)".

We are looking forward to welcoming Your experienced and new umpires!

Kind regards,

Gunars Lusveris,  
Umpires Coordinator  
Latvian Badminton Federation

