



2013, October 24th

To the presidents of the National Federations

Finswimming Commission
Michel GAUNARD

Dear Ami,

For several years, CMAS Championships in long distance have known a problem with number of countries, taking part in this type of competition.

Taking this problem which persists in time and following observations made during the last European juniors championships or CMAS Games in KAZAN, time to make modifications is coming. It's necessary to think the practice of finswimming in global view as in swimming pool or in long distance. For these reasons, the commission swims with palms decided to propose changes.

A first meeting of the commission took place in KAZAN on August 3rd and a second in GENEVA on September 27th. These working sessions made it possible to work out a project which was presented during the meeting of the sport committee on Friday, October 18th. Then, the **proposal was submitted to the vote of the BOD 184 of the Saturday, October 19th which approved it.**

The target of this change of configuration is double:



1. To reduce the distances to make the championship more accessible and attractive;
2. Reduced duration of the championship for a problem of economy by the federations.

So I inform you that the program "Open Water" **as from 2014** for CMAS championships (European seniors Championships in LIGNANO and world juniors championships in CHANIA will be as follow:







Only one day of competition.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Morning: 4x2Km mix team (2 male athletes + 2 female athletes)• Afternoon: 6Km individual |
| Each country can register maximum (4) swimmers for individual distance and (1) relay team |





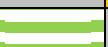

The general configuration of these two championships will be like below:

	Arrival day/Departure day
	Training day
D	Day Competition

Senior Championships 2014 Lignano

	27/07	28/7	29/7	30/7	31/7	1/8	2/8	3/8	4/8
Pool			D1	D2	D3	D4	D5		
Open Water								D1	

Junior Championships 2014 Chania

	25/6	26/6	27/6	28/6	29/6	30/6	1/7
Pool			D1	D2	D3		
Open Water						D1	


We wish that this new philosophy of practice of this speciality our sport, will answer more your waiting's, your sporting possibilities and financial potential.

So, I hope that more federations of which yours will join this project by registering your teams to these various championships 2014, so as to continue the development with the international level of finswimming.

Staying disposal,

Receive my sporting greetings.

President Finswimming Commission



Michel GAUNARD