TO THE MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS OF FIFA

Circular no. 1643

Zurich, 25 July 2018
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Bidding for the following FIFA World Cups:

- FIFA U-17 Women’s World Cup 2020
- FIFA U-20 Women’s World Cup 2020

Dear Sir or Madam,

FIFA is pleased to open the bidding for the above-listed FIFA World Cups. We invite all member associations to join the bidding process by completing and submitting the enclosed declaration of interest form.

Please note that this form does not formally bind member associations to bid for the above tournament(s). Rather, the document serves to provide FIFA with a shortlist of interested member associations. Once the form is submitted, the member associations interested shall receive the portfolio of bidding and hosting documents (including the requirements) and will then be able to reconfirm their interest in bidding for the above tournament(s), which will then be binding.

1. **Instructions**

For the avoidance of doubt:

- Member associations may declare their interest in hosting one or both FIFA World Cups available. That means that a member association can declare interest in hosting:
  
  o the FIFA U-17 Women’s World Cup 2020; or
  
  o the FIFA U-20 Women’s World Cup 2020; or
  
  o both the FIFA U-17 Women’s World Cup 2020 and the FIFA U-20 Women’s World Cup 2020.

- A different host will be appointed for each FIFA World Cup. That means that even if a member association bids for both FIFA World Cups, it can only be appointed to host one FIFA World Cup (i.e. either the FIFA U-17 Women’s World Cup 2020 or the FIFA U-20 Women’s World Cup 2020, but not both).
2. **FIFA World Cups**

A brief synopsis of each competition is set out below.

**FIFA U-17 Women’s World Cup 2020**

The FIFA U-17 Women’s World Cup is held every two years and the FIFA U-17 Women’s World Cup 2020 will be the seventh edition of the competition. Sixteen (16) teams will participate in the final competition. The duration of the competition is expected to be approximately 20 days and the competition is expected to take place during a period of favourable weather conditions in the host country.

**FIFA U-20 Women’s World Cup 2020**

The FIFA U-20 Women’s World Cup is held every two years and the FIFA U-20 Women’s World Cup 2020 will be the tenth edition of the competition. Sixteen (16) teams will participate in the final competition. The duration of the competition is expected to be approximately 20 days and the competition is expected to take place during a period of favourable weather conditions in the host country.

3. **Declaration of interest form**

In order to express an interest in hosting one or both of these competitions, please complete and sign the enclosed declaration of interest form and submit it to FIFA by **17:00 CET (Central European Time) on 24 August 2018** at the latest.

The completed form may be submitted to FIFA by email, marked for the attention of the FIFA Bidding Team, to the following address: bidding@fifa.org.

4. **Timeline for the bidding process**

The table below sets out the timeline for the bidding process.\(^1\)

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<td>24 August 2018</td>
<td>Deadline for the member associations to declare their interest in hosting one or both of the above-listed FIFA World Cups by submitting the completed and duly executed declaration of interest form.</td>
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<td>31 August 2018</td>
<td>FIFA to send out the bidding and hosting documents to those member associations that have declared an interest.</td>
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<td>28 September 2018</td>
<td>Deadline for the member associations to re-confirm their interest in bidding by submitting the signed terms and conditions of the bidding process.</td>
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<td>18 January 2019</td>
<td>Deadline for the member associations to submit their definitive bids, including all signed bidding and hosting documents (hosting agreement, host city agreements, government guarantees, etc.).</td>
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<td>Q1 2019</td>
<td>Expected appointment date of the hosts by the FIFA Council.</td>
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\(^1\) The timeline is subject to change as determined by FIFA.
5. **Subsequent steps**

Those member associations who express an interest in bidding to host one or both of the competitions will then receive the terms and conditions of the bidding process from FIFA, together with the bidding and hosting documents. These documents will further explain what is required from member associations when submitting a bid, as well as outline the requirements for staging the competitions.

Please note that all documents provided by FIFA to the member associations in relation to the bidding process will be in English. FIFA will not provide translations in any other language and will not accept the submission of any such documents in any other language.

Should you have any further questions or need assistance in completing the form, please do not hesitate to contact the FIFA Bidding Team at bidding@fifa.org, who will be pleased to assist you.

Yours faithfully,

FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE
DE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

Fatma Samoura
Secretary General

Encl. Declaration of Interest form

cc. FIFA Council
Organising Committee for FIFA Competitions
Declaration of interest

By signing below and returning this declaration of interest form to FIFA, we hereby confirm that

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(insert name of member association)

declares its interest in hosting the:

☐ FIFA U-17 Women’s World Cup 2020
☐ FIFA U-20 Women’s World Cup 2020

(Please tick one or both boxes, as appropriate)

Duly authorised, for and on behalf of:

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(insert name of member association)

General Secretary

Surname: _____________________________ (block capitals)
First name: ____________________________ (block capitals)
Title: ________________________________ (block capitals)
Place and date: ________________________ (block capitals)
Signature: ____________________________

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President

Surname: _____________________________ (block capitals)
First name: ____________________________ (block capitals)
Title: ________________________________ (block capitals)
Place and date: ________________________ (block capitals)
Signature: ____________________________