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Bulletin 1

Welcome to Gothenburg

Dear student-athletes, dear friends,

I am delighted to welcome you to Gothenburg, for the 2026 FISU World University Championship Cheerleading.

I would like to address you first, dear student-athletes, who are and who always be the beating heart of FISU.

Competing at the World University Championships is a career highlight for many of you. For others, it is a step up to the next level of performance. What you all have in common is your love of sport, your commitment, your fair play and your respect. You come together as rivals, from different places and different backgrounds, but you will almost certainly leave as friends.

Despite the challenging times we are all facing, you remind us of the special power of young people to reassure us that a better world is possible. You remind us of the need to prioritise sport, sustainability, inclusivity and healthy social exchange. FISU firmly believes that university athletes are the role models and future leaders the world needs.

Over the following four days, you will compete alongside some of the best student-athletes on the planet. The FISU World University Championships demand skill, athleticism, and single-minded determination to do your best. But beyond the competition, FISU urges you to have fun. May you return home with memories that will last a lifetime!

None of FISU's events would be possible without the generosity of our hosts. I want to extend our sincere gratitude to the Swedish University Sports Federation and the Swedish Cheerleading Federation for their dedication, and the volunteers for their passion.

FISU is also grateful for the ongoing support of the International Sports Federations. Together, we aim to provide the highest level of technical excellence on and off the field of play.

I am confident that the 2026 FISU World University Championship Cheerleading in Gothenburg will give you every opportunity to shine, to interact and to grow as people.

I wish you the best of luck!

Leonz Eder
FISU President



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Host country: Sweden



Official language: Swedish

Population: 10,529,000

Capital City: Stockholm

Currency: Swedish Krona (SEK)

Electricity:

Power sockets – Type C/F

Standard voltage – 230 V

Frequency – 50 Hz

Time zone: UTC +1 (CET); UTC +2 (CEST during summer)

Calling code: +46

Emergency number: 112 (police, ambulance, fire – available 24/7, English-speaking operators)

Average temperatures in June:

Average daytime temperature: 18–22°C

Average nighttime temperature: 10–14°C

Daylight: Up to 18–20 hours of light, especially in southern Sweden

Weather: Generally mild and pleasant with occasional rain showers



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Gothenburg

Welcome to Gothenburg – the proud host city of the 2026 FISU World University Championship Cheerleading!

Known for its coastal charm, innovative and sustainable spirit, and warm hospitality, Gothenburg is the perfect stage for the world's top university athletes to come together. As Sweden's second-largest city, it offers the perfect mix of tradition and modernity – from scenic archipelagos to lively city streets and world-class venues.

With a strong local cheerleading community, commitment to youth sports, and a reputation for hosting major international events, Gothenburg promises a championship experience to remember. Whether you're competing, coaching, or cheering from the stands – prepare for inspiration, excitement, and a touch of Scandinavian magic.

FISU 2026 – see you in Gothenburg!



Organizers

On behalf of the International University Sports Federation (FISU), the 2026 World University Championship Cheerleading will be organized by

- Swedish University Sports Federation
- Swedish Cheerleading Federation
- Gothenburg and CO



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Schedule (tentative)

Tuesday 2.6.2026	Wednesday 3.6.2026	Thursday 4.6.2026	Friday 5.6.2026	Saturday 6.6.2026	Sunday 7.6.2026	Monday 8.6.2026
Arrivals	Arrivals	Arrivals	Competition day 1	Competition day 2	Competition day 3	Departures
Accreditation	Accreditation	Accreditation	Reception		Award Ceremony	
Trainings	Trainings	Trainings			Closing ceremony	
		General Technical Meeting				
		Judges meeting				
		Opening Ceremony				



Divisions

Division	Team Size	Gender Requirements
Coed (Premier & Elite)	16–20 athletes (+2 reserves)	<i>Mixed Gender</i>
All Female (Premier & Elite)	16–20 athletes (+2 reserves)	<i>Female</i>
Division	Team Size	Gender Requirements
Pom	16–20 athletes (+2 reserves)	<i>Mixed Gender</i>
Hip Hop	16–20 athletes (+2 reserves)	<i>Mixed Gender</i>
Jazz	16–20 athletes (+2 reserves)	Mixed Gender
Division	Team Size	Gender Requirements
Pom Doubles	2 athletes	<i>Mixed Gender</i>
Hip Hop Doubles	2 athletes	<i>Mixed Gender</i>



Participants

All athletes must satisfy the following conditions:

- a) Be a national of the country they represent.
- b) Be at least 18 and no older than 25 years of age on the 31 December of the year of the event, for 2026.
- c) Athletes participating in FISU sport events must represent the same country as in their respective International Federations events. Changes of sport nationality must follow respective IF rules.
- d) Each athlete and official shall be in possession of a valid ICU ID card

Only the following may participate as athletes in a FISU World University Championship:

- a) Students who are currently officially registered as proceeding towards a degree or diploma at a university or similar institute whose status is recognised by the appropriate national academic authority of their country.
- b) Former students of the institutions who have obtained their academic degree or diploma in the calendar year preceding the event



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Participants

One team per country allowed for divisions of

- Team Cheer University Coed (Premier or Elite)
- Team Cheer University All Female (Premier or Elite)
- and 1 team per country allowed for all Team Performance Cheer divisions
- A maximum of one team per division per delegation is permitted

The total delegation size should not exceed 14 athletes and 18 officials.

Each country may enter a maximum of 20 athletes with 2 alternates for each of the 6 team divisions available to each country, 2 athletes with zero alternates for the doubles divisions.

Each country may enter a maximum of 12 coaches (2 coaches per team division, 1 coach per double division) and a maximum of 6 delegation officials.



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Registration

DEADLINES

General entry 5 /1 / 2026

Quantitative entries 5 / 3 / 2026

Deposit 50% 28/ 2 / 2026

Individual entries 5 / 5 / 2026

Deposit 50% 5 / 5 / 2026

Accreditation & Team confirmation 2-4 /6/2026

Register your team to the competition [HERE](#)



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Services included in the participation fee

SERVICES

The 80 euros per night participation fee includes accommodation, breakfast, lunch and dinner, transportation from/to official airports/train station, ceremonies. Breakfast will be served at the hotels. Lunch and dinner will be served at the Serenike Arena Hotel restaurant.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

The Organizing Committee provide First Aid at the competition venue. The OC has also a contact with the local hospital Östra sjukhuset – distance between the competition venue and the hospital is 5 km. We strongly recommend each participating country to take a medical insurance policy.

ANTI-DOPING

The doping control will be provided according to the FISU standards in partnership with the Swedish Anti-doping Agency (Antidoping Sverige). At the competition venue will be a special room dedicated for the anti-doping control.



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Accommodation



Serneke Arena Hotel

Location: Serneke Arena is located 2 minutes walking distance from Kviberg Arena.

Type of Accommodation: This hotel accommodation will offer options for athletes, with double rooms, and some triple rooms, as well as suites with up to five beds in different rooms.

Capacity: Approximately 346 beds available.

Services: Guests will enjoy modern amenities, including free Wi-Fi, breakfast, and access to on site fitness facilities. Private bathrooms will be provided in each room.

[Cancellation policy](#)



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Accommodation



Scandic Backadal

Location: 10 minutes with a car or a bus from the competition Arena. A shuttle bus will be arranged for the participants staying in this accommodation.

Type of Accommodation: This hotel accommodation will offer options for athletes up to four beds in different rooms, with private bathrooms.

Capacity: Approximately 220 beds available

Services: Guests will enjoy modern amenities, including free Wi-Fi, breakfast, pool, gym, sauna and bicycles to borrow.

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Accommodation



Kviberg Vandrarhem (Kviberg Hostel)

Location: Kviberg, Gothenburg, 5 minutes walking distance from Kviberg Arena.

Type of Accommodation: This hostel level accommodation offers both shared and private room options.

Capacity: Approximately 24 beds are available, on top of the Swedish delegation, with both shared and private room options. Room sizes are up to 4 persons in one room.

Services: Free Wi-Fi, breakfast, and access to a communal kitchen for self-catering, gameroom. Plenty of space for activities, such as board games and common areas. Access for laundry.

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Competition Venue



Kviberg Arena

Kviberg Arena in Gothenburg is a modern sports complex that will serve as a key venue for the FISU World University Championship. The arena provides a wide range of facilities suitable for hosting major international sporting events, including cheerleading competitions.

Seating Capacity: Kvibergs Sportshall has a seating capacity of approximately 1,500 spectators.

Locker Rooms: The venue features 12 locker rooms, ensuring that athletes have adequate facilities during events.



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Transportation



ENTRY POINT: LANDVETTER AIRPORT

Landvetter Airport is the main international gateway to Gothenburg. It is located approximately 25 km from the city centre and 22 km from the competition arena. The airport offers direct connections to major cities across Europe and beyond, as well as multiple daily domestic flights connecting Gothenburg with other cities in Sweden.

Our dedicated staff and volunteers will welcome delegations at the arrival terminal and assist with transfers and luggage handling. Transportation from the airport to accommodations and the competition venue will be provided by buses scheduled according to delegation arrival and departure times.



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ENTRY POINT: GOTHENBURG RAILWAYSTATION

Gothenburg Central Station is a major railway hub in Sweden, offering both domestic and international rail connections. High-speed trains connect Gothenburg with major cities across Sweden and neighboring countries, including Copenhagen, Denmark.

The station is located in the city center, approximately 7 km from the competition arena. Our staff and volunteers will welcome delegations at the arrival platform and assist with transfers and luggage handling.

Transportation from the train station to the competition venue and selected accommodations will primarily be handled via Gothenburg's sustainable tram system. Delegations staying at Scandic Backadal Hotel will be transferred by bus, scheduled according to their arrival times.



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Visa requirements and travel documents accepted by Sweden

The Schengen member states have jointly agreed on the rules governing the movement of third-country nationals within their territories and determined which countries' citizens require a visa. Additionally, each Schengen state has established its own requirements regarding the travel documents that third-country nationals must present upon entry.

Even if you do not need a visa to visit Sweden, you must carry a **valid passport or another travel document** recognized by Swedish authorities. Your passport must be valid for **at least three months beyond your intended departure date from the Schengen area**.

Furthermore, your passport or travel document must have been issued **within the last ten years**.

For detailed information on visa requirements and accepted travel documents for Sweden, please visit:

[Visiting Sweden - Sweden Abroad](#)

[List of third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when entering Sweden - Government.se](#)

Where to Apply for a Visa to Sweden

[Apply for a Schengen visa \(visiting Sweden for up to 90 days\) – Swedish Migration Agency](#)

Please remember to start your visa application procedure in time!



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Insurance

The participating countries must have the appropriate insurance to cover travel and participation, as they are not the responsibility of the Organizing Committee nor FISU.

It is recommended by the Swedish migration office that you have individual medical travel insurance that covers the costs that may arise in connection with emergency medical care, urgent hospital treatment, or transport to your country of origin for medical reasons. The insurance should cover costs of at least €30,000 and be valid in all Schengen countries.



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