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## National Teams Competing at the FISU World University Championship Cheerleading 2026

In 64 days, the FISU World University Championship Cheerleading will take place – for the first time in Sweden. Gothenburg will host the championship, which takes place over three days, June 5–7. Tickets are now on sale, and the participating nations have been confirmed.



The FISU World University Cheerleading Championship, held every two years with a rotating host country, will take place in Sweden for the first time. The most recent championship was held in Croatia – and now it is Sweden’s turn to host, with the competition taking place in Gothenburg on June 5–7.

The list of participating nations is now confirmed: 16 countries from six continents will compete for the medals.

### Nations

Australia  
Bulgaria  
Brazil  
Canada  
China

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Chinese Taipei

Colombia

Greece

Hungary

Japan

Malaysia

Mali

Poland

Slovenia

Sweden

USA

“With a large part of the global elite present at the 2026 championship, Swedish cheerleaders will have the opportunity to watch and be inspired by world-class cheerleading on home soil. At the same time, the Swedish Cheerleading Federation will be able to showcase our capabilities as an organizer of sustainable championships to both national and international stakeholders,” says Katarina Eriksson, Secretary General of the Swedish Cheerleading Federation.

### **Ticket Release**

Today, Thursday April 2, tickets for the championship are released. [Ticket link](#). The arena in Kviberg has a seating capacity of 1,500 spectators per day.

### **Event Organizers**

The 2026 championship is organized by the Swedish University Sports Federation (SAIF) and the Swedish Cheerleading Federation (SCF), in close collaboration with Göteborg & Co.

“It is fantastic to welcome the FISU World University Cheerleading Championship to Gothenburg, and it also confirms the city’s strong position as an international event destination. The championship brings together participants from all over the world, and we see this as the beginning of a long-term collaboration within a sport that is growing rapidly and has great future potential,” says Magnus Hallberg, Vice President and Head of Events at Göteborg & Co.

### **Gothenburg – a cheerleading city**

Cheerleading has had a strong presence in Gothenburg for many years. The city is home to two successful clubs, and several more can be found across southern Sweden. For a number of years, Gothenburg has also served as the base for the women’s national team.

### **Previous Championships**

The most recent championship was held in Split, Croatia, in 2024, where Sweden

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participated with a national team for the first time. The team won a bronze medal. Participants in Sweden's university national team appreciated both the competition and the overall experience, which gave both SCF and SAIF further motivation to pursue hosting a championship in Sweden.

"We are extremely happy and proud that Sweden has been entrusted with hosting the 2026 championship. Together with our partners, we are determined to create an event that not only elevates the sport but also strengthens Sweden's position as a role model for sustainable and inclusive sporting events. This is an important step in highlighting Swedish university sport. We look forward to both the championship and the upcoming FISU World Forum contributing to the development of Swedish university sport and gaining recognition both nationally and internationally," says Christopher Svensson, President of the Swedish University Sports Federation.

### **2026 – a strong sports year for Gothenburg**

In addition to the 2026 championship and the city's annual sporting events, O-Ringen and the European Volleyball Championship, will also take place in and around Gothenburg during the year.