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2017 European Short Course Swimming Championships

As Lord Mayor of Copenhagen, I am delighted to express my full support for the candidature of the Danish Swimming Federation to host the 2017 European Short Course Swimming Championships in Copenhagen.

In choosing Copenhagen as your host city, we would welcome you to one of the most popular event cities in the world. Spectators and participants in Copenhagen can enjoy the benefits of Scandinavian design, functionality and professionalism, as well as every conceivable variety of modern technology. The city offers state-of-the-art facilities, a brand new multipurpose Royal Arena and hotels as well as compactness, with the majority of hotels and attractions within walking distance of each other.

The capital of one of the oldest kingdoms in the world is easily accessible for your participants. In Copenhagen you will be surrounded by the sea, and experience a flourishing cultural life, creative growth and a vibrant atmosphere in which they can meet the easy-going and open-minded Copenhageners.

Copenhagen's goal is to be the world's leading environmental capital. The city is already very green and climate-conscious with an unprecedented network of bicycle paths; a world-class public transport system; and wind turbines just off its coast supplying a large proportion of the city's energy. In addition, the Municipality of Copenhagen is continuing to invest heavily in environmental projects. Our goal is to reduce Copenhagen's total CO2 emissions by 20% between 2005 and 2015 and make this the world's first CO2-neutral capital by 2025.

On behalf of the City of Copenhagen, I would most warmly welcome the Ligue Européenne de Natation and the 2017 European Short Course Swimming Championships.

Furthermore, I hope that all the spectators and participants, while having an unforgettable event experience, will also have the opportunity to enjoy Copenhagen, and take home with them many happy memories from our vibrant yet cosy metropolis.

Yours faithfully

Frank Jensen

Lord Mayor of Copenhagen