

2017 IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship

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Facts and Figures [Status July 2016, media facts from 2015 IIHF WM]

Governing Body	International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF)
Host	Deutscher Eishockey Bund e. V. [German Ice Hockey Federation] and Fédération Française de Hockey sur Glace [French Ice Hockey Federation]
Organizing Committee	Franz Reindl – President Luc Tardif – Vice President Eric Ropert – General Secretary Henner Ziegfeld – General Secretary
Date	May 05 – 21, 2017
Venues	Cologne, LANXESS arena – capacity 18,500 Paris, AccorHotels Arena – capacity 14,500
Participants	CAN, RUS, SWE, FIN, USA, CZE, SUI, SVK, LAT, NOR, FRA, GER, DEN, BLR, SLO, ITA
Number of Games	64 [34 games including final round in Cologne, 30 games in Paris]
Expenditure Budget	24.4 million €
Arena Visitors	600,000 – 700,000
TV	327 licensed and sub-licensed TV stations in 165 countries 5,400 hours of worldwide TV transmission and 1 billion TV viewers worldwide
Online	11.6 million views on official IIHF WM-YouTube-channel and facebook 6.9 million visitors on official website 314,000 downloads of the official IIHF WM App
Media on Site	> 1,000 accredited journalists, 400 work editorial and 150 photographers
Intercultural	Official Mascots Asterix & Obelix Joint application for the German-French IIHF WM to mark the 50 th anniversary of the Élysée Treaty [German-French friendship]. Ministries of the Interior and Foreign Ministries of both countries are involved.



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Groups

LANXESS arena	AccorHotels Arena
Group	Group
A	B
 RUS - Russia	 CAN - Canada
 USA - USA	 FIN - Finland
 SWE - Sweden	 CZE - Czech Republic
 SVK - Slovakia	 SUI - Switzerland
 GER - Germany	 BLR - Belarus
 LAT - Latvia	 NOR - Norway
 DEN - Denmark	 FRA - France
 ITA - Italy	 SLO - Slovenia

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Official Game Schedule– Germany to take on the USA as first game, France to start against Norway

The table is set in Cologne, Germany and Paris, France !

[Click here for the link to the full schedule](#)

The tournament opens on 5th May and runs through until the 21st. The 2017 IIHF Worlds get started at the main venue in Cologne with Sweden playing against 2016 bronze medalists Russia, followed by tournament hosts Germany taking on the United States. Finland and Belarus will get the party started in Paris, ahead of an evening game featuring defending champions Canada and the Czech Republic. Team France will close out the games on Day 2 with its opening tilt against Norway. The preliminary round closes on 16th May, with the bronze and gold medal games taking place in Cologne on Sunday the 21st.

The World Championship Group A in Cologne consists of Team Russia, ranked second in the 2016 IIHF Men's World Ranking plus Team USA, Sweden, Slovakia, Germany, Latvia, Denmark and Italy. Group B, playing in Paris, has 2016 gold medalist Canada facing off against Finland, the Czech Republic, Switzerland, Belarus, Norway, France and Slovenia.

In Cologne's "LANXESS arena", the main venue of 2017 IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship, 34 games will take place, including Group A, two quarter-finals, two semi-finals, the bronze medal and the gold medal games. The "AccorHotels Arena" in Paris will host 30 games: every Group B game and two quarter-finals. The cities of Cologne and Paris are interlinked by the Thalys bullet train with a trip from downtown to downtown taking just a little more than three hours.

Important: The quarter-finalists from Group A and B will cross-over to determine the semi-finalists. However and in any case, should Germany be qualified for the quarter-finals, they will play the evening game in Cologne and should France be qualified for the quarter-finals, they will play the evening game in Paris. Therefore - and only in this one possible event – if the final standings of the preliminary round groups resulted in a direct encounter of Germany and France, the quarter-finalists would not cross-over, but would play off among the four top-ranked teams of each group.



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Championnat du Monde de Hockey sur
Glace 2017 de l'IIHF

Cologne (Allemagne) - Lanxess Arena

Paris (France) - AccorHotels Arena

Du 5 au 21 mai 2017



Poule A

Allemagne	
Ranking IIHF	
A 1	RUS
A 2	USA
A 3	SWE
A 4	SVK
A 5	GER
A 6	LAT
A 7	DEN
A 8	ITA

Poule B

FRANCE	
Ranking IIHF	
B 1	CAN
B 2	FIN
B 3	CZE
B 4	SUI
B 5	BLR
B 6	NOR
B 7	FRA
B 8	SLO

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NORVÈGE
FRANCE
SLOVÉNIE

Jour & Date	Heure Locale		Poule Cologne		Poule PARIS	
	GER/FRA	Match n°	Match n°	Match n°	Match n°	Match n°
Vendredi 05/05/2017	16:15	1	SWE vs RUS	2	FIN vs BLR	
	20:15	3	USA vs GER	4	CZE vs CAN	
Samedi 06/05/2017	12:15	5	LAT vs DEN	6	SUI vs SLO	
	16:15	7	SVK vs ITA	8	BLR vs CZE	
	20:15	9	GER vs SWE	10	NOR vs FRA	
Dimanche 07/05/2017	12:15	11	ITA vs RUS	12	SLO vs CAN	
	16:15	13	USA vs DEN	14	FIN vs FRA	
	20:15	15	LAT vs SVK	16	NOR vs SUI	
Lundi 08/05/2017	16:15	17	GER vs RUS	18	BLR vs CAN	
	20:15	19	USA vs SWE	20	FIN vs CZE	
Mardi 09/05/2017	16:15	21	ITA vs LAT	22	SLO vs NOR	
	20:15	23	SVK vs DEN	24	SUI vs FRA	
Mercredi 10/05/2017	16:15	25	USA vs ITA	26	SUI vs BLR	
	20:15	27	SVK vs GER	28	FIN vs SLO	
Jeudi 11/05/2017	16:15	29	RUS vs DEN	30	CZE vs NOR	
	20:15	31	SWE vs LAT	32	CAN vs FRA	
Vendredi 12/05/2017	16:15	33	SWE vs ITA	34	CZE vs SLO	
	20:15	35	DEN vs GER	36	FRA vs BLR	
Samedi 13/05/2017	12:15	37	LAT vs USA	38	NOR vs FIN	
	16:15	39	RUS vs SVK	40	SLO vs BLR	
	20:15	41	ITA vs GER	42	CAN vs SUI	
Dimanche 14/05/2017	16:15	43	SVK vs USA	44	FRA vs CZE	
	20:15	45	DEN vs SWE	46	SUI vs FIN	
Lundi 15/05/2017	16:15	47	DEN vs ITA	48	CAN vs NOR	
	20:15	49	RUS vs LAT	50	FRA vs SLO	
Mardi 16/05/2017	12:15	51	SWE vs SVK	52	BLR vs NOR	
	16:15	53	RUS vs USA	54	CZE vs SUI	
	20:15	55	GER vs LAT	56	CAN vs FIN	
Mercredi 17/05/2017	REPOS					
Jeudi 18/05/2017	16:15	57	QF1	58	QF2	
	20:15	59	QF3	60	QF4	
Vendredi 19/05/2017	DÉPLACEMENT & ENTRAÎNEMENT					
Samedi 20/05/2017	15:15	61	DEMI FINALE 1			
	19:15	62	DEMI FINALE 2			
Dimanche 21/05/2017	16:15	63	MÉDAILLE DE BRONZE			
	20:45	64	MÉDAILLE D'OR			

Tour Préliminaire

Tour Final

NOTES:

Quarts-de-finale

Si la France est qualifiée pour les quarts de finale, elle jouera le match n° 60 à 20h15 à Paris

Si l'Allemagne est qualifiée pour les quarts de finale, elle jouera le match n°59 à 20h15 à Cologne

Si l'Allemagne et la France s'affrontent en quarts de finale, il n'y aura pas d'échange.

Si ni l'Allemagne ni la France ne se qualifient pour les quarts de finale, alors les équipes en tête du classement de chaque Poule au Tour Préliminaire joueront le match du soir sur l'un ou les deux sites (match n° 59 et/ou n°60) à Cologne ou Paris

Demi-finales:

L'équipe à la tête du classement à la fin du Tour Préliminaire jouera le match n°61 à 15h15 à Cologne

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Day Tickets available

- Strong demand for days with hosting teams expected
- Up to 10% price advantage vs. single game tickets
- Top service: Booking of hotels and venue city train shuttle directly on official homepage

Day Tickets are available for the 2017 IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship. Host Germany shall encounter Team USA in the evening of the first championship day. On further game days of the group phase, the German national ice hockey team shall face Sweden, Russia, Slovakia, Denmark, Italy and Latvia. Highly attractive and tough opponents to start with, but after a strong recent 2016 IIHF WM in Russia and a convincing qualification for the 2018 Olympics, the squad of head coach Marco Sturm will approach the home world championship with good confidence.

Co-host France will close out the games on Day 2 with its opening tilt against Norway and shall challenge Finland, Switzerland, Canada, Belarus, Czech Republic and Slovenia in its further games of the group phase. Team France, a firm contender among the tournament of the top 16 ice hockey nations in the 10th consecutive year, is eagerly awaiting to finally perform for a great home crowd in the country's capital Paris.

The Day Tickets offer a price advantage of up to 10% vs. later offered single game tickets. The Day Tickets are comprising all games of a dedicated game day in one package, but are issued as single tickets per game. Day Tickets now offer the great opportunity to secure the best seats for any of the game days of Team Germany and Team France, but of course also for days with any other participating team in either Cologne or Paris.

Tickets are available:

- online under www.iihfworlids2017.com or facebook.com/iihfhockey.
- via ticket phone: +49 1806 2017 01 for Germany and +33 892 69 20 17 for France (phone charges will apply depending on country and network you call from).

An all new service at IIHF Ice Hockey World Championships has been provided by the organizers especially for the convenience of the travelling fans: as of immediately, not only entrance tickets, but also accommodation for Cologne and Paris as well as train tickets for the little more than three-hours-long journey with the bullet train "Thalys" can be booked directly on the official homepage www.iihfworlids2017.com via the menu buttons "Hotels" and "Travel".



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Giant Coup for the Game of Ice Hockey

Asterix and Obelix are Official Mascots of the 2017 IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship, Germany - France

Asterix and Obelix, the two main characters of the world-famous Asterix comic series, will act as Official Mascots of the 2017 IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship jointly organized by Germany and France in Cologne and Paris [5th – 21st May 2017].

Franz Reindl, president of the German Ice Hockey Federation [DEB] and the Organizing Committee of the 2017 IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship: "Together with our french colleagues of the IIHF WM Organizing Committee we could win Asterix and Obelix over to being our Official Mascots. This has been a giant coup for the 2017 IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship in Cologne and Paris and also for the game of ice hockey in general, because the two Gaulish heroes have gained an enormous popularity amongst the world. Especially in Germany the adventures of Asterix and Obelix have a continuing popularity and the Asterix volumes always count by millions of copies. As IIHF World Championship Mascots Asterix and Obelix will as of now help actively to make the 2017 IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship known to the public both home and abroad. During the tournament they will be a lot of fun for the fans and everybody involved."

Luc Tardif, president of the French Ice Hockey Federation [FFHG] and vice president of the Organizing Committee of the 2017 IIHF WM: "We are very proud to have *Asterix*, a global brand from France, enrich our joint German-French 2017 IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship in an extremely likeable way. The persevering battle of the small Gaulish village against the superior Roman Empire symbolizes the trial of strength between two opponents who are seemingly unequal, as is often the case in ice hockey. Also during the 2017 IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship, there will be exciting encounters, in which underdogs on paper will fight for their chance against more favorite teams and they sure will get it. For our fans and the participating teams, Asterix and Obelix symbolize role models to show: nothing is impossible."

Les Éditions Albert René from Paris is the licence partner of the 2017 IIHF WM Organizing Committee for utilizing the brand *Asterix*. France and Germany are clearly the strongest global markets for the adventures of Asterix and Obelix. The global production of all volumes amounts to more than 365 million copies. The stories about the two indomitable Gauls written by René Goscinny and drawn by Albert Uderzo evolved to become one of the most successful comic series in the world since its first publication in 1959. To the present day there are 36 volumes which are translated into more than 111 languages and dialects worldwide, inter alia even the local Cologne dialect *Kölsch*. Sport has been very present in the Asterix universe such as one of the most popular albums *Asterix at the Olympic Games*. For the first time now Asterix and Obelix are becoming involved in the sport of ice hockey.

In the run-up to the 2017 IIHF Ice Hockey World Championship, Asterix and Obelix will be used as Official Mascots in a variety of advertising and promotional measures and will appear in numerous live-performances. During the 17 days of the IIHF WM from 5th – 21st May 2017 both Gauls will act as the main characters of the entertainment programme in the *Lanxess arena* in Cologne and in the *AccorHotels Arena* in Paris as well as in the fan villages attached to each venues.



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