

**Invitation for Euromeeting 2021, Bettmeralp/Switzerland
25/26 September 2021**

Dear athletes and teams

We would like to invite you to Euromeeting 2021 in conjunction with the Swiss Night Orienteering Championships and two national competitions.

As WOC 2023 is coming closer, Switzerland is worth a visit!

You may join our competitions on beautiful Bettmeralp in the Swiss Alps on an altitude of 2000m above sea-level. So Euromeeting 2021 will surely be a breath-taking event.

Best regards

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Programme

Thu-Fri, 23-24 September	Arrival of the teams, model training possibility
Fri, 24 September	Swiss Night Orienteering Championships (no official Euromeeting classes, but you are invited to participate. Winning times Women Elite 50', Men Elite 60'). First start at 21:00.
Sat, 25 September	Euromeeting Middle Distance, winning time 30-35 minutes. First start at 12:00.
Sun, 26 September	Euromeeting Long Distance, winning time 65-70 minutes. First start at 9:30.

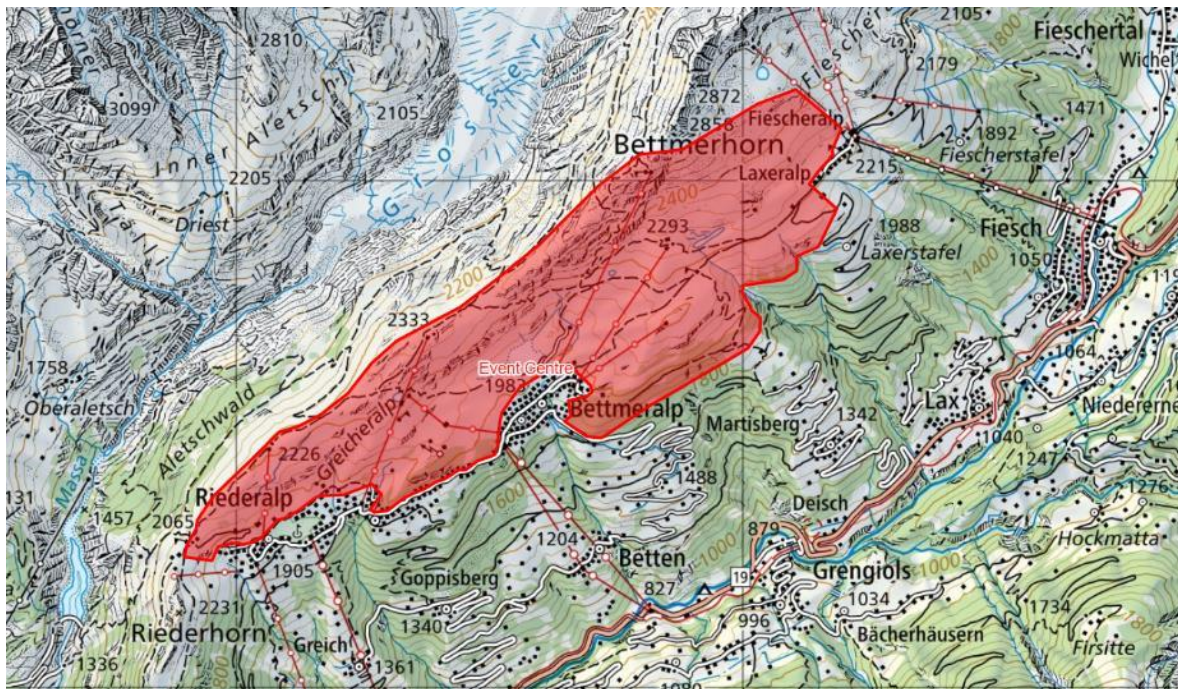
Event Centre

Sportzentrum Bachtla, Bettmeralp. Finish area of all three competitions.

Accommodation

There is no official accommodation. Please use the official web-page of the touristic region Aletscharena: <https://www.aletscharena.ch/en>

Embargoed area



Embargoed areas are forbidden to enter for all potential Euromeeting 2021/national competitions athletes, team officials and other persons, who, through knowledge of the terrain, may influence the results of the competitions. All embargoed areas are strict embargo.

Maps, terrains

Map 1:10'000 / 1:15'000, 5m intervalls, 2021. Mapper: Urs Steiner.

The terrain lies between 1800 and 2700m above sea-level. The bigger part of the terrain is open grassland and meadows with zones with a lot of details, but also including some alpine ski terrain with good runability. In the lower parts, there is alpine forest which is tough to run in with a lot of details, stones and contours.

Transport

Bettmeralp is a car-free touristic village. So, you have to take the cable car down from the valley to Bettmeralp. The valley station is easily accessible by train or car.

Entry fee

No general entry fee for Euromeeting. Entry fee for each race CHF 32.00. Entry has to be done through www.go2ol.ch, the entry is open from August. It is possible to make team entries for foreign teams.

Entry deadline

13 September 2021 (with online-payment). No late entry possibilities.

Classes and entry regulation

There are two classes for the Euromeeting races on Saturday and Sunday: Women Elite and Men Elite. Euromeeting 2021 is an open event for national teams, there are no national quotas set. However in case of a large entry in a class, organiser will split the class into two or more courses of approx. max. 80 competitors per course. Split to the courses will be done according to the actual World Rankings standings.

Competition rules

The 2021 edition of the competition rules for IOF Foot Orienteering events will be applicable to the Eurometing 2021.

Punching system

Touchfree SPORTident Air+ punching will be used for all competitions. Eurometing participants are asked to use their own SIAC cards during the event. The organizer will offer SIAC cards for rent. This service can be booked in the official entry system.

Training opportunities

As the competitions are held in September, hunting is ongoing in the Swiss alps. It is not possible to organize any trainings around Bettmeralp or in the Alps in general. But it is possible to train down in the valley and on the north side of the Alps (still close to Bettmeralp, not similar to Eurometing but similar to get to know the orienteering challenges in Switzerland. If you are interested in some training days, contact the Eurometing coordinator: matthias.niggli@ol-weltcup.ch.

Insurance

The organizers decline any liability that might occur through participation in EOC/ World Cup Events 1, 2 and 3 and trainings. Each person participates at her/his own risk and is responsible for her/his own insurance coverage (illness and accident).

Visa permits

The prerequisite for immigration into Switzerland is a valid passport. For travellers from certain countries a visa or further documents are required.

Please check with your embassy if you need visa permits.

<https://www.sem.admin.ch/sem/en/home/themen/einreise.html>.

