



## "LEN FUND FOR COMPETITIVE DEVELOPMENT 2007"

Dear Federation President and General Secretary,

Likewise in the past years and specifically to improve root level activities within developing countries, the LEN Bureau will allocate a yearly amount of 30.000 Euro for the subsidy of activities within the "LEN Fund for Competitive Development". Up to 6.000 Euro each will be allocated by LEN respectively for one (1) activity in Swimming, one (1) in Waterpolo, one (1) in Diving, one (1) in Synchronised Swimming and one (1) in Open Water Swimming.

For the LEN funding programme, each affiliated or registered Federation is invited to submit bids to the LEN Office within latest **30<sup>th</sup> April 2006**. Please note that Federations applying for LEN funds (on Youth, Junior or Senior level) that have never placed an athlete on a podium at an Official LEN Event over the past 10 years in the respective discipline, will be given precedence \*.

(\*note: It is presumed that a Federation with one or more athletes that have reached a medal position(s) at a LEN Championships over the past years does have the coaching and competitive experience in that respective discipline and does not need specific support from the "LEN Fund for Competitive Development").

The interested Federations must specify the project, the details of the budget, the proposed dates, the venue, the persons that should attend the activity so giving to LEN a clear understanding of the contents and objectives of the programme. Only those projects focused on **coaches, athletes** or specifically the **competitive development of the sport on Youth & Junior levels** will be considered by LEN.

Each Federation may submit one bid project per discipline, but only one activity per Federation may receive the financial support of LEN of **6.000 Euro**. Each bid submitted to the LEN Office will be overviewed by the respective LEN Technical Committee that shall recommend to the LEN Bureau a project to be funded. The most original and practical projects will be tabled to the LEN Bureau Meeting to be held in Perugia (ITA) on 2-3 June 2006, where a final decision for the financial support in 2007 will be made. As in the past, projects which will be submitted by two or more developing Federations combined for a common aim are most welcome.

In addition to the LEN Fund for Competitive Development, LEN will continue to hold specific clinics with the habitual support of FINA. In accordance with the established routine, these clinics will be recommended by the LEN for the approval of the FINA Bureau. Once approved by FINA all correspondence and administration will be confirmed directly with FINA. If you wish to apply for any clinic, please forward to the LEN Office and/or to the Secretary of respective LEN Technical Committee your suggestions possibly also within April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

Looking forward to receive your projects, with best regards,

Sven Folvik,  
Secretary

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Treasurer

Reminder