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Cancellation of the European Junior and Youth Orienteering Championships 2020

Salgótarján (HUN), 9th September 2020

Statement of the EYOC 2020 Organising Committee

In the name of the Organising Committee of the European Junior and Youth Orienteering Championships, we regretfully announce, that the Championships will not take place in October 2020. We did our utmost for this event to happen, but the external circumstances were against us. The direct reasons of the cancellation are as follows:

- The participation of an increasing number of European Federations is either uncertain or impossible, partly directly because of the COVID-19 pandemic or the travel restrictions (flight cancellations, entry restrictions into Hungary) the pandemic has caused.
- The Hungarian coronavirus situation has deteriorated in the past few days and the forecast is that it will get even worse. With the tools we have, the Organising Committee can't guarantee the health of each and every participant.
- Earlier this week, the municipality of the host town Salgótarján couldn't give us the guarantees we needed to proceed with the organisation: they are uncertain if such a mass event with widespread international participation should take place in the city in the current circumstances.

We hope to be able to organise this event in one of the coming years, when the situation returns to normal.

Until then, take care and stay healthy!

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