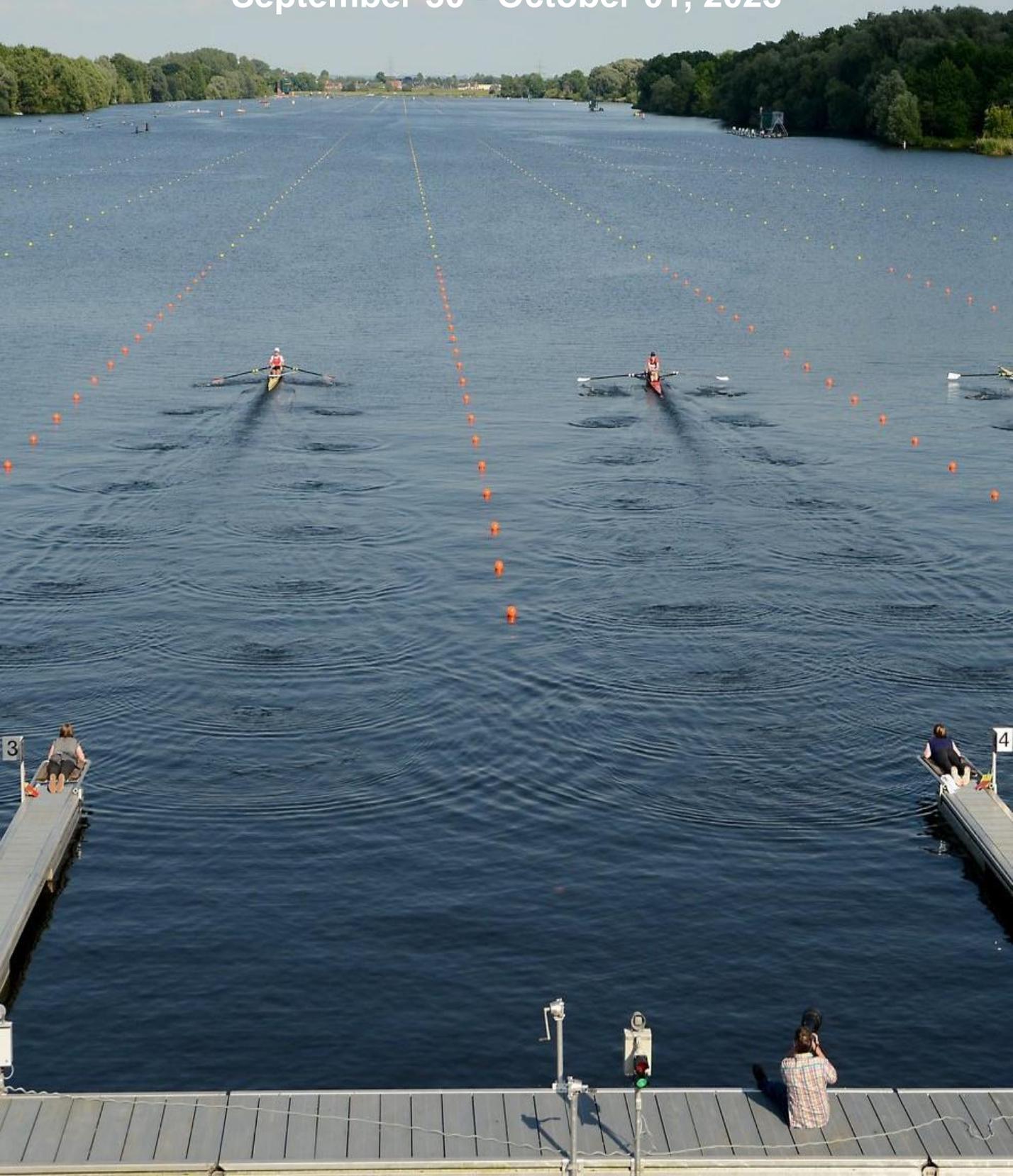


Welcome to the Open Baltic Cup Regatta 2023 Hamburg, Germany

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Dear Athletes,
Dear Coaches,
Dear Guests and staff,

Welcome to Germany - especially to Hamburg which is a wonderful rowing city.

The Open Baltic Cup traditionally takes place on the last weekend in September. Usually, participants are the Baltic Sea countries, however other countries are entitled to take part. Each nation forms an informal national team with their best B-juniors (aged 15- to 17-years). This allows those young athletes to get a taste of international air already at an early age. The venue changes in turn. I am proud that this year's Open Baltic Cup is hosted in the very north of Germany - in Hamburg.



The German rowing federation is one of the biggest and most successful Rowing Federations. 1883 - it was founded in Cologne. It is the oldest Federation of German sports, which originated solely for reasons of sporting activity and sporting organization. Rowing is firmly established in the Olympic competition program and has been one of the essential sports since 1896.

About a hundred years later - the regatta course in Hamburg-Allermöhe on the Dove-Elbe was built and since then it annually hosts national and international regattas. Therefore, the organizing committee's experience is of the best.

I would like to thank the board of the AAC/NRB (Allgemeiner Alster-Club/Norddeutscher Ruderer-Bund) for taking over the organization of the event and all volunteers supporting the Open Baltic Cup in Hamburg!

I am looking forward to exciting and fair competitions and wish all participants a lot of fun, success, exchange among each other and great days in Hamburg.

With best regards,

Moritz Petri

President
German Rowing Federation



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Dear athletes,
dear coaches,
dear guests and visitors of the Baltic Cup

on behalf of the Hamburger Sportbund, the federation of about 850 sports clubs and associations, I welcome you very warmly to the "Open Baltic Cup Regatta" here in Hamburg.



Dear athletes, for many of you it will be the first international regatta and that is a special experience. You have chosen rowing as your sport and you have chosen competitive sport. This always means a lot of time and passion and I can only encourage you to do this for many years to come.

When I was young, I rowed myself as a competitive sport and the love for "my" sport has remained until today. It is therefore a particular concern of mine that we can introduce boys and girls to the sport of rowing, because I know that this can be the basis for a lifetime of rowing. Unlike many other sports, rowing is suitable to be practiced until old age.

I hope you get to see a lot of Hamburg, the city on the water. If you can, take a look at the river Alster in the evening. You will see many rowers, because the Alster is „the heart“ of Hamburg rowing, with many clubs that are situated there.

Especially interesting at these international regattas is always the exchange with athletes from other countries: Take advantage of the opportunities to get to know each other!

I wish you a nice and successful competition and I hope that you will keep Hamburg and the Baltic Cup 2023 in good memory.

Yours

Katharina von Kodolitsch
President Hamburger Sportbund e.V.



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Dear Athletes,
Dear Guests,

Welcome to the Hansestadt Hamburg!

The board of the AAC/NRB "Allgemeiner Alster-Club / Norddeutscher Ruderer-Bund" and the whole Baltic Cup organization team are very happy to welcome you in Hamburg.

The regatta course in Hamburg-Allermöhe on the Dove-Elbe has existed since 1985 and annually hosts national and international regattas, including the 2014 Junior World Championship and Baltic Cup. At the same time, it is the central training location for our top athletes in Hamburg.

The city of Hamburg focuses on sports with many major international sporting events as an "Active City". At the same time, Hamburg is a city with many facets and numerous sights. There is a lot to visit, for example the harbor, the Elbphilharmonie, the Alster and the Hafen City. Hamburg is maritime, Hamburg is green, Hamburg is historical. On Saturday we will have the opportunity together to experience the city from the maritime side.

Our preparations for the Baltic Cup are completed and we are now looking forward to the Baltic Cup 2023 with many exciting races on our regatta course. At this point I would like to thank all volunteers and supporters of this year's Baltic Cup in Hamburg!

Together with my team I wish all participants a wonderful time in Hamburg with sportive, successful and fair competitions as well as great shared experiences and exchange among each other.

With best regards,

Andreas Döpfer
President

Allgemeiner Alster-Club / Norddeutscher Ruderer-Bund
Hamburg Rowing Association

