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10TH FAI WORLD GAS BALLOON  
CHAMPIONSHIP 2004



8.-15. SEPTEMBER  
BITTERFELD  
GERMANY

All registered Competitors

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**Final important Information**

(please read carefully when receiving, not before leaving)

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Dear Competitors,

as the opening of the 10th FAI World Gas Balloon Championship will be in about 4 weeks, I want to give you my latest information. Please check our website in the next weeks carefully, there may be other or updated information available. I will **not** publish this via other means. Please subscribe to the „news and announcements“ section of our discussion forum on <http://www.gasworlds.info/discussions>, I will post news there. After subscribing you will receive an e-mail for each new post in this section.

In order to get ATC clearances for Poland and Czech Republic, I need the following information as soon as possible from you:

Call sign, Insurance Company, Insurance number, limit of insurance and currency. (This info can be changed if necessary. If you are not sure which balloon you want to fly, please give me information for a possibly used balloon and change if appropriate!) **Please send a mail or fax to me until Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>.**

Regarding maps: The organizers promised to supply you with maps at cost. One set consists of 8 sheets for Germany (listprice per sheet 8,90€ in paper and 11.20€ laminated with foil), 4 sheets of Poland (10,65€ paper / 13,85€ foil) and 1 sheet Czech Republic (price as Poland). Depending of the total of our order, we will receive a discount between 10 and 20%. Please send me your order via mail or fax by August 31<sup>st</sup> latest. **If you do not order maps, we will not be able to sell any.** It is your responsibility to have maps, as it is common in gas ballooning. If you need maps in electronic form, I can borrow you a CD at check-in or I can transfer the file onto your memory stick.

Each team has registered an observer. I want to remember, that it is your duty, to have the observer with you at all briefings. We do not have spare observers, which means, that you will not be able to fly the task, if your observer is not available.

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The hotel does not have many reservations from competitors up to now. Of course you are free to stay where ever you want, but I want to inform you, that it is not possible to keep rooms, we blocked for you, unless you make your personal reservation immediately. Information about the hotel is on <http://www.gasworlds.info/en/hotel.html>.

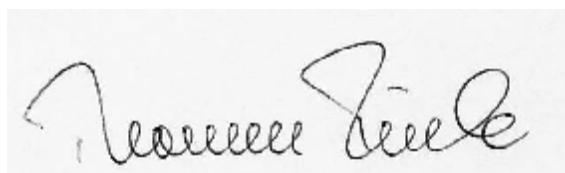
Although the balloon club in Bitterfeld has means to allow rigging without sandbags, it is not enough for all balloons. Therefore the club insists, that **everybody** has enough sandbags available to fill his balloon without external help as well as a operational and conductive hose suitable to fill your balloon.

And finally: You can check in between 1600 and 1800 on Wednesday, 8th of September at the competition office in the hotel. General Briefing will be at 1800 the same day. Opening Ceremony follows at 2000. Depending on the general weather situation, the first flight will be early morning next day.

If you have further questions, don't hesitate to ask them.

I wish you a safe journey to Bitterfeld and all of us good weather for the event.

Safe landings



Event director