

Record entries confirmed

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## A record number of entries confirmed

Every year, on March 1st, final entries for European championships and cups get confirmed. European Cup for U-13 players - EMRYT - is the only competition for which national or club teams can still register (until April 15).

Records in the number of participating teams were broken in most of this year's competitions. The growth of softball in Europe is undeniable.

### PARTICIPATION IN 2018

June 12 – 16	I. Men's Slowpitch European Championship	7 teams new tournament
June 25 – 30	XIV. Men's European Championship	12 teams record
July 16 – 21	XV. U-19 Women's European Championship	17 teams record
July 23 – 28	VI. U-22 Women's European Championship	17 teams record
July 30 – Aug 4	IX. Coed Slowpitch European Super Cup	16 teams record
August 15 – 18	VII. European M. Romeo Youth Trophy	entries open
August 20 – 25	XLI. Women's European Premiere Cup	9 teams
August 20 – 25	XXV. Women's European Cup *	10 teams
August 20 – 25	XXVII. Women's European Cup Winners Cup *	13 teams record
Sep 3 – Sep 8	VII. Men's European Super Cup	18 teams



II. Blue Convention will take place in Prague, the Czech Republic, over the upcoming weekend (March 10-11).

More than 70 European umpires will meet in order to unify the "blue view" of the game. It's time to bring new rules to detailed understanding, it's time for discussions about game management and trends. Many interesting sessions are scheduled for the two days.

Learn more about the event and its special guests [here](#).

### ESF GENERAL CONGRESS 2018

Delegates from European baseball and softball federations met in Paris, France, in February. Activities of the 2017 season were reviewed, and plans for 2018 were presented. [WBSC Europe](#) was established at the Congress, a contract with [Sportradar](#) - an OTT platform provider - was signed, as well as a contract regarding ESF official balls with Teammate. Learn more details [here](#).



EUROPEAN PRO SERIES

USSSA Pride - a National Pro Fastpitch league team is coming to Europe to compete against national teams of the Czech Republic, Italy, Netherlands, and France.

#### European Pro Series schedule:

Italy: April 24 - 25

Czech Republic: April 27 - 28

Netherlands: April 30 - May 1

France: May 5

More details to be announced soon.

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