



## **ENGINEERING CHALLENGE CUP 2025**

### **BULLETIN 01**

#### **Pre-Registration**

Dear ECC Skippers,

We thank Again Allard de Vos Klootwijk and all the Crew of Boat 08 because they organized a wonderful event in the Ionian islands. We also take the opportunity to thank sponsors and all the participants who contributed to make Engineering Challenge Cup 2024 unique.

Now... you can imagine how we feel about the honor (and responsibility) to organize the next ECC.

Since when Allard spelled my name in Lefkada's celebration I have been thinking about the privilege I have, and I collected a warm support from Allard, the Admiral, the Commodores, other ECC teams and (very important) ... from Boat 97 team.

The last weeks have been spent, with the precious help of Sasha, to define the concept of ECC 2025, and I want to share it with you:

- 1) location, as anticipated, will be **Italy**
- 2) selected area is **North Sardinia**, as it is logistically well supported, ECC teams know the uniqueness of the sea (and the shores), and it allows us to create countless different itineraries
- 3) We checked the Festivities / bank holidays / trade fairs in the main European countries and, as you know there is no perfect match, the week **May 17th -24th** minimizes the disruptions.
- 4) Cost-wise, we knew that the second half of May could have been slightly more expensive, but we wanted to maximize the possibility to join and the likelihood to have good weather conditions. Therefore, we worked to optimize the sourcing and we already put an option on the required fleet with the **target to confirm ECC 2024 price ranges: 150€ participation fee and same price ranges for the boat charters.**



## ECC 2025 ENTRY LIST OPENING

**We declare the ECC 2025 entry list open NOW!**

**The total number of eligible skippers is 183 and as per ECC Charter we will be able to accept only up to 50 boats.**

I remind you some key principle of the process:

- All is based on first-come-first-served.
- The eligible skippers have priority in the entry list until **July 21st**.
- The answering eligible skippers will receive the bank details for the registration **payment, which will finally confirm** them in the entry list.
- The invitation is also immediately valid to **non-eligible skippers**, but they will be first put on a **waiting list**, until **July 21st**. From this date the **eligible skippers** who did not yet secure their registration payment, will **lose the priority**.
- The **closing date** for the entry list is **July 9th** to accommodate new skippers if boats remain available.
- The reach of the number of 50 confirmed boats will automatically close the entry list.

As anticipated before, the registration fee is maintained at the same level of ECC 2024: **€ 150 per participant. Minimum 4 per boat (€ 600).**

As we need to secure the best possible fleet before all boats are booked by other charterers, with Sasha we already placed options on a very good fleet for ECC 2025. **To secure this fleet at the right costs, we ask you to be fast in answering and transferring the registration fees** (otherwise we lose the options and boats/conditions may change).

The skippers who received the invitation are kindly requested to reply also if you they do not intend to participate or if they are still unsure.

**To pre-register:** reply to the invitation e-mail (oc@ecc2025.it) with the following information:

- Name:
- Boat Number:
- Size of desired boat (S/M/L):
- Total number of planned crew:
- Special requests, if any, and suggestions for ECC 2025 success

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