

IPC EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS IN ATHLETICS 2012 IN STADSKANAAL, THE NETHERLANDS

On Saturday October 29 the IPC announced at its website the hosting of an European Championships in Athletics (<u>http://ipc-athletics.paralympic.org/news /</u>). Stadskanaal, the Netherlands is very proud to may organize this prestiguous event.

The LOC of this competition is Stichting Disability Games Foundation. This Foundation organized the IWAS Athletics European Open in 2010 and the IWAS Athletics final in 2011. They are experienced in organizing events for disabled athletes.

We hereby invite you kindly to visit this important meeting, the last major event to qualify for the Paralympic Games in London. The website of the LOC is <u>www.disgames.org</u> and will in a few weeks be filled with relevant information. The first information we can give is:

- The competition days will be from 24 up to 28 june 2012,
- There will be classification. This will probably take place from 19 up to 22 june 2012, also in Stadskanaal,
- The programm is based on the programm for the Paralympic Games. IPC Athletics will publish the programm in a few days,
- There are entry standards which will shortly be published by IPC Athletics,
- The NPC's will be informed by IPC about the entry procedure. After having entered the LOC will inform you about the details regarding the stay, the transport from the airport to the accomodation and the costs. Most of the delegations will stay in Pagecentrum, a bungalow village close to the venue (only 700 meters).

We are already looking forward with excitement to this highly qualified athletics event. In case you have questions, contact

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