

Draft Itinerary Group Press Trip 4: Sports Theme (European Games Opening)*

**Itinerary still in discussion for input with Minsk (Ezerin)*

Day 0 - Thursday

***Late Afternoon –
Evening***

Arrival in Minsk

Journalists leave on the last flight of the day and arrive in Minsk. Travel from the airport will either be by group chartered bus or everyone takes a personal taxi.

Evening

Check-in hotel

Journalists will arrive at the hotel and check-in. In the case that journalists arrive early (before 21pm), they should be provided with dinner at hotel.

Day 1 – Friday

Morning

Breakfast at hotel & Welcoming by MEGOC

Journalists have breakfast at the hotel and will be welcomed by MEGOC

Bus Tour Sport sights

Chartered bus tour of all of the sport venues, with a stop at Dinamo Stadium for a guided tour of the stadium.

Lunch

Lunch at a Belarussian restaurant

Group of journalists can have lunch together at a typical Belarussian restaurant, to get a taste of the country.

Afternoon

Interview opportunity

Meeting with the Minister of Sports and Tourism Sergey Kovalchuk

Return to hotel & free time

Journalists return to the hotel for free time, e.g. to rest and freshen up before dinner.

Dinner

Early Dinner

Dinner at Belarussian restaurant

Evening

Opening ceremony at Dinamo stadium

Journalists have the opportunity to experience the opening ceremony

Day 2 – Saturday

Morning

Breakfast at hotel

Journalists take breakfast in the morning at the hotel.

Interview opportunity

Visit to MEGOC headquarters for a tour and a meeting with George Katulin CEO of MEGOC

Lunch

Early Lunch at a Belarussian restaurant

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Afternoon

Visit competitions of the European Games (according to availability)

Journalists gets to witness competitions at the European Games during the afternoon depending on availability.

Return to hotel

Journalists return to the hotel for free time, e.g. to rest and freshen up before dinner.

Evening

Dinner and after hour cocktails

Dinner, followed by After hour cocktails

Day 3 – Sunday

Morning

Breakfast at hotel

Journalists have breakfast at the hotel.

Bus city tour

Small walking tour of the city, including main architectural monuments such as the Upper Town with the City Hall, Holy Spirit Cathedral and the Cathedral of Saint Virgin Mary, old streets of the Trinity Suburb, the Victory Monument and the National Library

Lunch

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Afternoon

Free time to explore Minsk

Afternoon/ Evening

Return flights