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World Archery awards 2019 World and World Para Championships to the Netherlands

- Hosts appointed for seven world championships until 2020
- Events to be held in Netherlands, China, USA, Italy and Canada
- Executive Board meeting draws to close in Istanbul

Istanbul (TUR), 14 December 2015 – World Archery's Executive Board appointed hosts of seven world championships up until 2020 at its meeting in Istanbul, Turkey.

The Dutch city of 's-Hertogenbosch was awarded the World Archery Championships, World Archery Para Championships and World Archery Congress in 2019.

An ambitious proposal, originating from the Dutch Archery Federation, coordinated by sport event specialists The Organizing Connection and supported by the historical city's government and Noord-Brabant regional authorities, was approved on the strength of its creative concept that will maximise the impact of both championships.

The city will construct the finals field of play in advance of the events, which will be held consecutively over a two-week period, to use as a community engagement and entertainment venue as well as the arena for the competition.

"'s-Hertogenbosch's bid put forward an innovative concept that put focus' on archery's qualities as a sport for all, while maintaining the principle of holding major events in interesting and unusual locations," said Prof Dr Ugur Erdener.

The 2015 World Archery Championships were held next to Christiansborg Palace in Copenhagen and the 2017 edition is scheduled in Mexico City.

"The Netherlands has a young archery team that is a strong contender at the Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, for which these 2019 World Archery Championships in 's-Hertogenbosch will be the primary qualifier," added Prof Dr Erdener.

Dutch athletes have won numerous team and individual medals in recent years, including Sjef van den Berg's individual silver at the first European Games in Baku in 2015.

Eight events were awarded by the World Archery Executive Board in total:

- Beijing, China – 2017 World Archery Para Championships
- Yankton SD, USA – 2018 World Archery Indoor Championships
- Cortina, Italy – 2018 World Archery Field Championships
- 's-Hertogenbosch, Netherlands – 2019 World Archery Championships
- 's-Hertogenbosch, Netherlands – 2019 World Archery Para Championships



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- 's-Hertogenbosch, Netherlands – 2019 World Archery Congress
- Lac la Biche AB, Canada – 2019 World Archery 3D Championships
- Yankton SD, USA – 2020 World Archery Field Championships

The World Archery Executive Board meeting was hosted by the Turkish Archery Federation in Istanbul on 12/13 December.

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World Archery is the international governing body for the sport of archery, formally known as FITA, recognised by the International Olympic Committee. Founded in 1931 in Lwow, Poland, World Archery serves to promote and regulate archery worldwide through its 153 member associations, international competition and development initiatives.

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