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SNIPE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP IS SAILED IN FINLAND IN AUGUST 20-25, 2018

Two sailor dinghy Snipe has its class' European Championship Regatta this year in the West coast of Finland. The regatta is sailed every two years. More than 40 registrants from 10 different countries will be racing this week by the scenic sandy beaches of Yyteri, in the city of Pori.

Snipe European Championships took place at the same venue last time back in 2006. The event is hosted by the oldest sporting and sailing club in Finland, **Segelföreningen i Björneborg – BSF r.f.**, in cooperation with **Snipe Class International Racing Association SCIRA**.

- Finland has a great experience to organize big events, having already hosted the Senior Europeans in Hanko in 1974, in Kokkola in 1992 and in Pori in 2006, says **Pietro Fantoni**, Commodore of SCIRA.

Snipe is one of the most popular two sailor dinghy around Europe and the world. In Finland, it is the most popular two sailor dinghy already since 71 years.

In Snipe European Championships this year world class racing is guaranteed, as one of the registrants is Olympic gold medalist from 2012 Summer Olympics in the Elliott 6m class, **Ángela Pumariaga Menéndez (ESP)**.

In all previous international Snipe regattas organized in Finland, a Spanish team was the winner, and also the last seven editions of the Europeans were won by Spain.

- Who will win the European Championship Trophy this year? Is the Snipe Spanish Armada Invincible?, **Pietro Fantoni** wonders. - Let's have a great serious sailing and serious fun!, **Fantoni** wishes by quoting the global Snipe slogan.

Event Schedule:

Aug 20	10-20	Registration and measurements
Aug 21	9-17	Registration and measurements
	19.00	Opening Ceremony
Aug 22	11.00	First race of the day
	19.00	Sailor's Forum
Aug 23	11.00	First race of the day
Aug 24	11.00	First race of the day
	19.00	National Secretary Meeting
Aug 25	11.00	First race of the day
	19.00	Prize Giving Ceremony and Gala Dinner

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