



Albanian Orienteering Days 2017

We are proud to invite you to the 3rd International Orienteering competition in Albania!

From 22nd to 24th September 2017

3 days international orienteering competition in Tirana Region, Albania

Organizer: Orienteering Club Albania OCA

Event director: Wolfgang Pötsch (Austria)

Event manager: Inge Bosina (Albania/Austria – Naturfreunde Wien)

Mapmaker: Ondrej Piják, Valter Voler (Slovakia), Inge Bosina

Course planner/course setter: Wolfgang Pötsch

Event center: City center Tirana, Albania (more details in Bulletin 2)

Preliminary Program:

Thursday, 21st September 2017

Arrival, registration, accommodation, training possibilities

Event center open from 12:00 to 21:00

Friday, 22nd September 2017

9:00 – 12:00 Event center open

13:00 Meeting point at Dajti mountain cable car station

14:00 Middle distance first start

Saturday 23rd September 2017

11:00 Event center opens at Cap Rodon/Kepi Rodonit

12:00 Long distance first start

Sunday 24th September 2017

10:00 Sprint in Tirana first start

13:00 Prize giving ceremony

Competition classes:

M10, M12, M14, M16, M18, M20, M21E, M21A, M21B, M35, M40, M45, M50, M55, M60, M65, M70, M75+

W10, W12, W14, W16, W18, W20, W21E, W21A, W21B, W35, W40, W45, W50, W55, W60, W65, W70, W75+

Open 1 (difficult), Open 2 (middle), Open 3 (beginners)

String course (free of charge)

In case of too few entries, organizer keep the right to join the classes.

Start fees: according to the entry deadlines and classes, as follows:

Classes	Entry until		
	5 th May 2017	3 rd Juli 2017	8 th September-Deadline
M/W -16	16 EUR	22 EUR	26 EUR
	5 EUR/ start	7 EUR/ start	9 EUR/ start
Open	20 EUR	28 EUR	35 EUR
	6 EUR/start	9 EUR/start	12 EUR/start
M/W 18+	35 EUR	50 EUR	65 EUR
	12 EUR/ start	17 EUR/ start	22 EUR/ start

Attention: The entry fee includes transport with Dajti mountain cable car. For single fee Day 1 (Dajti mountain) the payment is +5€ for transport (not for those with accomodation at Dajti hotel)

Notes:

- After Deadline entries are only possible in Open classes until the event for 15€ per start, in all other classes, only if there are vacancies, for 25€ per start.
- Punching system: Sport ident, SI-rent 2€ per stage, price for purchase on demand. Please write your SI-card number when registering.
- **Childcare:** A free of charge Kindergarden will be organized as well as a string course.

Please make your **Entries online** on

<http://www.orienteingonline.net/CompetitionBasicInfo.aspx?CompetitionID=3304>

Entry will be confirmed after payment.

Your payment is to be sent to the following bank account:

IBAN: AT061200010009245571

BIC: BKAUATWW

Name: BOSINA Inge

Adress: Sandleitengasse 37, 1160 Wien, Austria

Please send it free of charge for the organiser, otherwise we will have to charge it to you at your arrival.

If you need other possibilities for payment, please contact:

info@orienteing-al.com

Visa: According to the current regulations EU citizens and citizens of most European countries don't need visa to enter Albania, also those holding a multiple entries Schengen visa. For other countries see the following information:

http://www.punetegashtme.gov.al/files/userfiles/Regjimi_i_vizave_per_te_huajt_26.01.2017.pdf

Attention:, If you need visa to enter Albania you should apply for it at the Albanian Embassy in your country. For details see information on the website of the Albanian ministry of foreign affairs <http://www.punetegashtme.gov.al/en/services/consular-services/visa-regime-for-foreign-citizens> or contact the Albanian embassy of your country.



Arrival:

By plane to Tirana airport (12km to City Center)

By car:

From North:

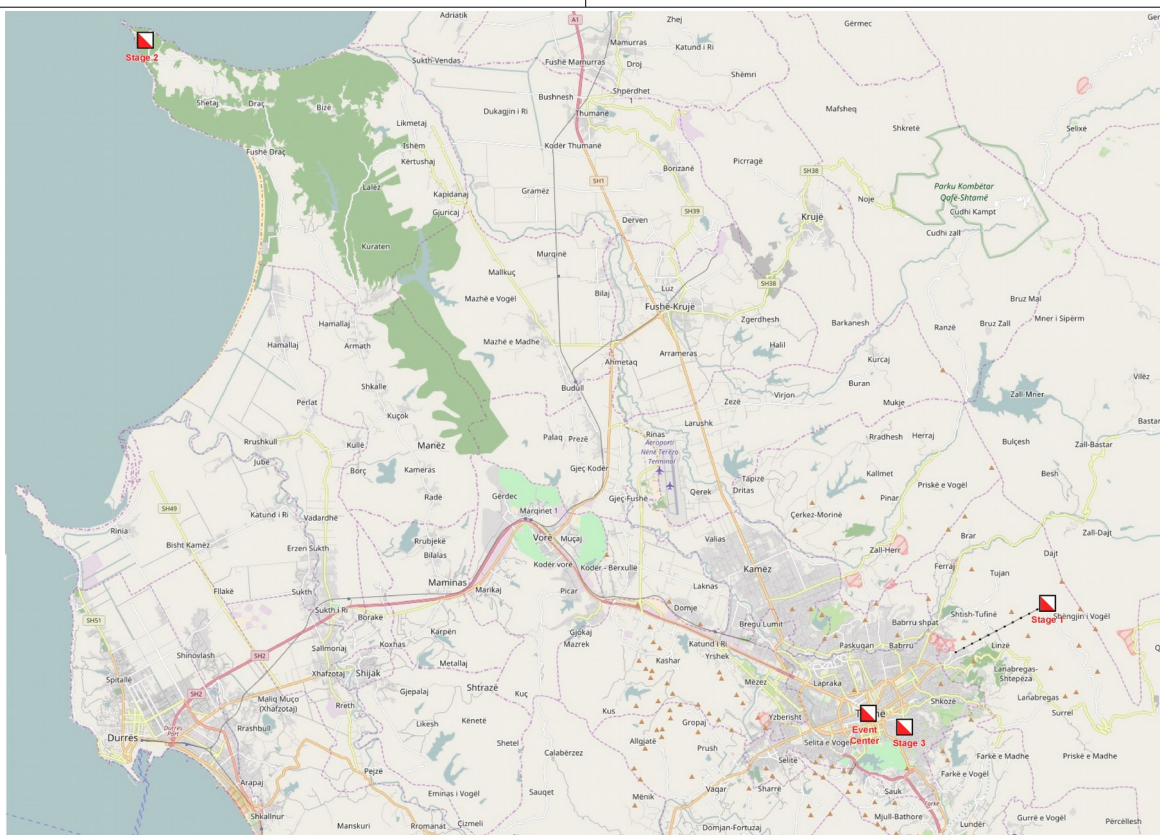
Croatia /Bosnia-Herzegovina – Montenegro – via Ulcin-Muriqan or Niksic – Podgorica - Hani Hotit - Shkodra -Tirana

From East: via Belgrade – Pristina – Kukes -Tirana or via Skopje – Ohrid – Elbasan -Tirana

From South: from Greece via the coast or Gjirokaster– Tirana

By Ferry: Bari, Ancona, Triest to Durres. Brindisi to Vlorë (shortest) and Saranda

There are no train connections to Albania, only one line Shkodra -Vora (near Tirana) - Durres



Distances: Airport Tirana – City center 12km

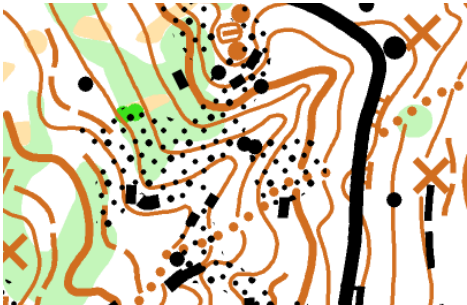



Tirana -Dajti Cable Car 5km

Tirana – Cape Rodon ca. 60km

General Information:

- Competitions will be organized according to the rules of IOF
- All competitors take part in the competition at their own risk. Organizer only provides basic medical help at the Finish area. Competitors are not insured by organizer, also against third persons.
- In case of cancellation due to facts beyond our control no liability can be accepted.
- All participants agree with the publication of photos taken during the event and also the results in internet.
If you don't agree, please inform the organizers at your registration.
- You are kindly asked to carefully read all the organizer's notes, including this invitation.

Terrain and Map samples:

<p>Terrain first day, middle distance: The terrain will be on the „Balcony of Dajti“, a rather flat part between the steep lower part and the summit. Beautiful forest with old trees, several paths, various relief, sometimes steep rocks to surround change with semiopen and open terrain, mostly good runnability.</p>	
	 <p style="text-align: center;">Dajti Hotel</p>
<p>Terrain second day, long distance: Cap Rodon/Kepi Rodon It is a beautifully situated peninsula surrounded by the Adriatic sea. Terrain is a variation of open and semi open areas with good runnability, parts of very dense vegetation, forest, steep precipices (not for running!) with beautiful view on the sea. At this stage you will have to take care not to forget the race about the breathtaking views you will have from the course. The finish area will be at the beach. At the same time you can enjoy Albanian history with a church from 12th century and ruins of a castle of Skanderbeg.</p>	



Finish area

Terrain third day, sprint:

Tirana qytet studenti

This race will be a highlight for those who like challenging sprint races.

This part of Tirana consists of buildings from communist time, open spaces without structure, with a labyrinth of streets, often ending in a doorway, impasses and the part of the students residences and the University with big blocks and parks.



In the labyrinth of Qytet studenti



Finish area

Packages:

To make your preparations as easy as possible, we offer you complete packages including start fees, transfers, accomodation, breakfast and trips to see more of Albania

Basic Packages for accomodation in Tirana:

The price includes:

- Start fee
- Transport from Airport to your accomodation and back, as well as to the competition areas
- 2 nights in hotels of the chosen category
- breakfast

category	price of package	supplement single room
4 star hotel	170€ p.P.	€ 80,00
simple hotel	120€ p.P.	€ 40,00
hostel	90€ p.P.	

Prices until the first deadline on 5th May 2017 and then raise according to higher entry fees. Packages in 5 Star hotels, camping as well as accomodation in other areas, e.g. at the seaside on demand.

For groups we will make special packages.

Important information:

After AOD 2017 you can continue with 3 more orienteering races at **MOCPA in Prilep/Macedonia**. More information at <http://speleo.mk/mocpa/>

We can offer you packages including different offers for the days until this event.

Tourist program:

Apart from these basic packages we offer to organise trips through Albania. We will be pleased to arrange for you your personal travel through Albania or to the event in Macedonia, in a range from visiting archeological sites with a roundtrip guided by an archeologue until to guided tours in the mountains or stay at the beach according to your wishes!

More details will be available on the website.

Information:

website: <http://orienteering-al.com>

Mail: info@orienteering-al.com

Thank you for contributing to the Albanian orienteering project with your participation!

Welcome in Albania and Macedonia!