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**To: LEN Member Federations
LEN Registered Federations
LEN Technical Masters Committee**

c.c.: LEN Bureau

Cancellation of the LEN European Masters Championships in Budapest (HUN)

Dear LEN Federations, Dear Friends,

With this note, we share with you the official decision regarding the cancellation of the LEN European Masters Championships in Budapest (HUN).

The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) together with Hungarian authorities were evaluating how to proceed with the aforementioned event, which had been previously postponed from 2020.

Unfortunately, after careful consideration of all possibilities, due to the current pandemic situation and all foreseen issues linked to a mass-participation event in the scale of the LEN European Masters Championships, the LOC had to take the painful decision to cancel the event.

As they informed us, the LOC, the Hungarian Government and all relevant authorities see it impossible to create and manage a Covid-secure racing environment for several thousand athletes, mostly individuals.

LEN takes note of the situation and fully understands the reasons behind it and confirms that, unfortunately and regrettably, the LEN European Masters Championships planned for the next 22 May-6 June 2021 in Budapest (HUN) cannot be held.

At the same time, let us emphasize that the LEN European Aquatics Championships in May will go ahead as planned, with all the necessary and recommended health and sanitary measures in place to ensure the full safety of the athletes, team officials, judges and any other person involved in the organization of the event.

Sincerely yours,



Paolo Barelli
LEN President