

# **Our last 10 years** The most successful decade in LEN's history

A recollection of where we started and what we have achieved

#### THE LAST 10 YEARS OF LEN ACTIVITIES

- ✓ Outstanding events in amazing locations
- ✓ Huge popularity of aquatics throughout the continent
- ✓ Financial stability and fast-growing contribution to the National Federations
- ✓ Massive increase in prize money for our athletes
- ✓ Pan-European education programme to safeguard our children
- ✓ European Aquatics have been constantly No. 1 on the global stage.

#### **CHAMPIONSHIPS AND COMPETITIONS**

Secure host cities chosen years in advance <sup>1</sup>

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- ✓ LEN events' market-value skyrocketed since 2012
- ✓ Championships returned to Europe's greatest cities. Just to name a few:

Berlin • London • Glasgow • Edinburgh • Budapest • Belgrade • Barcelona • Rome • Split • Herning • Netanya • Copenhagen • Kazan • Bucharest/Otopeni

- ✓ Competition environment upgraded, event presentation hit new highs
- ✓ Best conditions for the participants guaranteed

1. Since 2012, when Antwerp pulled out at the last minute, it only occurred once that a host city withdrew. After an ambitious bid presented by Portugal in 2018, Lisbon was awarded the 2021 European Short-Course Swimming Championships. However, after having been awarded the Event, the Portuguese Swimming Federation stepped back as it was unable to fulfil what it had signed up for. LEN was anyway able to secure a great host for the Event, Kazan (RUS)



#### LEN Events followed by hundreds of millions in the continent and worldwide

- ✓ TV broadcasts of our European Championships reached Olympic level
- ✓ Glasgow 2018: **+118% in viewers** vs. Berlin 2014
- ✓ Glasgow 2018: **1,522 hrs of coverage; 161 million viewing hrs globally**
- ✓ Olympic Year EC: London 2016 34.1m; Budapest 2020 33.8m
- ESCSC: Copenhagen 2017 8.81m; Glasgow 2019 12.37m;
   Kazan 2021 9.03m + 2.7m digital reach (only web)
- ✓ EWPC: Barcelona 2018 22.8m; Budapest 2020 23.4m

#### LEN is the only Continental Federation which organises:

- ✓ A continental championship in swimming (l/c, s/c), diving and artistic swimming every year; in water polo and open water in even years
- ✓ Age-group championships in all disciplines yearly
- ✓ Water polo club competitions in each year
- ✓ Annual open water cup series
- ✓ Altogether more than 3,300 athletes compete at LEN events in a year
- ✓ LEN oversees more than 800 water polo matches annually
- ✓ All events, all matches are **streamed live** and watched by millions
- ••• See annex 1 for the detailed calendars!

#### FINANCIAL GROWTH AND STABILITY



	Back in 2012 as at 31.12.2012	Last non-pandemic year in 201 as at 31.12.2019	<b><u>9</u></b> <u><b>2020</b></u> as at 31.12.2020
Cash at bank:	249,284 €	5,377,513 €	4,415,793€
Financial result:	–660.479 € (loss)	<mark>+791,717 € (surplus)</mark>	+154,187 € (surplus)
Held-for-trading investment:	760,839€	849,578 €	867,161€

- ✓ Thanks to the responsible handling of the finances, LEN managed to achieve a surplus in each year of operation since 2013
- ✓ In three years, LEN managed to reach a financial stability which ensured that from 2015 it could start rewarding the National Federations and the Athletes for their participation and achievements

#### 9,000,000 € SINCE 2015 FOR NFs AND ATHLETES

- ✓ First year in 2015 total support: 493,200 €
- ✓ Last non-pandemic year in 2019 total support: 1,050,226 €
- ✓ 2020: 1 mln € for the NFs as Covid-19 support
- ✓ 2021: 1,9 mln € for the NFs and athletes + 1 mln € for the NFs as Covid-19 support

#### Altogether: 9 million € since 2015

LEN will still have appr. 4 million € in reserves at the end of this year

LEN intends to allocate 1 million € for NFs development programmes in 2022

••• See the Annex 2 for more details and country-by-country breakdown of all contributions

#### ATHLETES IN THE FOCUS



- ✓ Athlete-friendly competition calendar in each season
- ✓ Best competition environment guaranteed at all LEN Events
- ✓ LEN is the only continental body which organised all age-group championships in 2021 in each discipline
- ✓ Constantly increasing prize-money at major LEN events

2015: 278,000 € - 2018: 784,000 € - 2021: 854,500 €

- ✓ Prize-money at the long-course Europeans for the first time in 2016
- ✓ Short-course European Championships now offer more than 300,000 €
- ✓ WP Champions League top 16 teams receive prize money for a total of 380K € whereas 10 years ago total prize money was only 45K € and paid only to the winner of the WP Champions League



LEN was constantly active during the last five years, notwithstanding the difficulties of last two years due to Covid

- ✓ 40 Bureau meetings
- ✓ 40 Committee meetings across all disciplines
- ✓ 20 Coaches Clinics and Seminars for Referees/Judges

#### **Development programmes restarting for 2022**

 ✓ Seminars for coaches, officials and the referees/judges education will return to its normal formats with increased numbers

#### LEARN-TO-SWIM TO SAFEGUARD OUR CHILDREN

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- ✓ LEN launched its Pan-European programme Learn-to-Swim, Prevent Drowning in 2017
- ✓ In Europe alone 28,000 people die each year one person drowns in every three minutes, with most of these being children aged 3-12 years
- ✓ Learn-to-Swim project sets standards and basic guidelines to be applied in each country
- The programme will curb the number of fatalities significantly
- In 2019, the Learn-to-Swim programme got a firm backing from the European Union and is set to receive EU funds in the coming years
- Pilot-programmes are already running, and, once the pandemic permits it, LEN is ready to introduce an expanded development programme in 2022

### **BE PROUD AND GET READY FOR A GREAT 2022**

- ✓ We should be proud of all these great achievements
- European Aquatics have never been in such a great shape in all fields
- ✓ Europe holds its No. 1 position on the global stage at the Olympics and at the World Championships
- ✓ LEN's financial growth has reached unprecedented heights
- ✓ Federations and athletes received unequalled support since 2015
- ✓ 2022 is set to be another fantastic year: Rome and Split are getting ready to host the major championships
- ✓ Our junior championships will be held in brilliant venues
- ✓ Thanks for your support over the years and we'll have much more to offer soon!



## ANNEX 1 – IN DETAILS

### LEN EVENTS AND DEVELOPMENT 2016-2021



Over the last 6 years (2016-2021), despite 2020 being a non-event year because of the Covid-19 pandemic, LEN has organised:

- more than <u>100</u> key LEN Events, across more than <u>50</u> cities, in more than <u>25</u> countries. These include more than <u>50</u> European Championships (senior and age-group)
- more than <u>40</u> Bureau Meetings in more than 10 different countries
- approximately <u>40</u> Technical Committee Meetings in more than 15 different countries
- Around **<u>20</u>** of a mix of Clinics, Seminars, Referee Schools across the various disciplines



Year	Event	<u>City</u>	Country
2016	<ul> <li>European Water Polo Championships</li> <li>European Aquatics Championships</li> <li>European OWS Championships</li> <li>European Masters Championships</li> <li>European Masters Championships</li> <li>Water Polo Final 6</li> <li>Water Polo Euro Cup Men (home/away)</li> <li>Water Polo Euro Cup Men (home/away)</li> <li>Water Polo Euro Cup Men (home/away)</li> <li>Water Polo Euro League Final 4 Women</li> <li>Water Polo Euro League Final 4 Women</li> <li>European Junior Swimming Championships</li> <li>European Junior Diving Championships</li> <li>European Junior OWS Championships</li> <li>European U19 WP Championships Men</li> <li>European U19 WP Championships Women</li> <li>OWS Cup</li> <li>OWS Cup</li> <li>LEN Congress</li> </ul>	Belgrade London Hoorn London Rijeka Budapest Brescia Kazan Mataro Sabadell Hodmezovasarhely Rijeka Rijeka Rijeka Piombino Alphen aan den Rijan The Hague Eilat Copenhagen Navia London	SRB GBR NED GBR CRO HUN ITA RUS ESP ESP HUN CRO CRO ITA NED ISR DEN ESP GBR



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2017	<ul> <li>European Short Course Swimming Championships</li> <li>European Diving Championships</li> <li>European Artistic Swimming Cup</li> <li>Water Polo Final 6 CL Men</li> <li>Water Polo Euro Cup Men (home/away)</li> <li>Water Polo Euro Cup Men (home/away)</li> <li>Water Polo Euro Cup Men (home/away)</li> <li>Water Polo Euro League Final 4 Women</li> <li>Water Polo Euro League Final 4 Women</li> <li>European Junior Swimming Championships</li> <li>European Junior Diving Championship</li> <li>European Junior OWS Championships</li> <li>European U17 WP Championships Men</li> <li>European U17 WP Championships Women</li> <li>OWS Cup Leg 1</li> <li>OWS Cup Leg 3</li> <li>OWS Cup Leg 4</li> <li>OWS Cup Leg 5</li> <li>LEN Congress</li> </ul>	Copenhagen Kiev Cuneo Budapest Oradea Budapest Budapest Budapest Kirishi Netanya Bergen Belgrade Marseille Malta Novi Sad Eilat Barcelona Navia Copenhagen Bracciano Marseille	DEN UKR ITA HUN ROU HUN HUN RUS ISR NOR SRB FRA MLT SRB ISR ESP ESP ESP ESP ESP DEN ITA FRA



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Year	Event	City	Country
2020	European Water Polo Championships	Budapest	HUN



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	European Aquatics Championships	Budapest	HUN
	European Short Course Swimming Championships	Kazan	RUS
	Water Polo Final 8	Belgrade	SRB
	Water Polo Euro Cup Men (home/away)	Szolnok	HUN
	Water Polo Euro Cup Men (home/away)	Budapest	HUN
	Water Polo LEN Trophy Final 4 Women	Barcelona	ESP
	Water Polo Euro League Final 4 Women	Budapest	HUN
	European Junior Swimming Championships	Rome	ITA
	European Junior Diving Championship	Rijeka	CRO
	• European Junior Artistic Swimming Championships	Malta	MLT
2021	European Youth Artistic Swimming Championships	Rijeka	CRO
	European Junior OWS Championships	Paris	FRA
	European U15 WP Championships Men	Loule	POR
	European U15 WP Championships Women	Szentes	HUN
	European U17 WP Championships Men	Malta	MLT
	European U17 WP Championships Women	Sibenik	CRO
	OWS Cup Leg 1	Ohrid	MKD
	OWS Cup Leg 2	Barcelona	ESP
	OWS Cup Leg 3	Piombino	ΙΤΑ
	OWS Cup Leg 4	Alghero	ΙΤΑ
	LEN Congress	Budapest	HUN



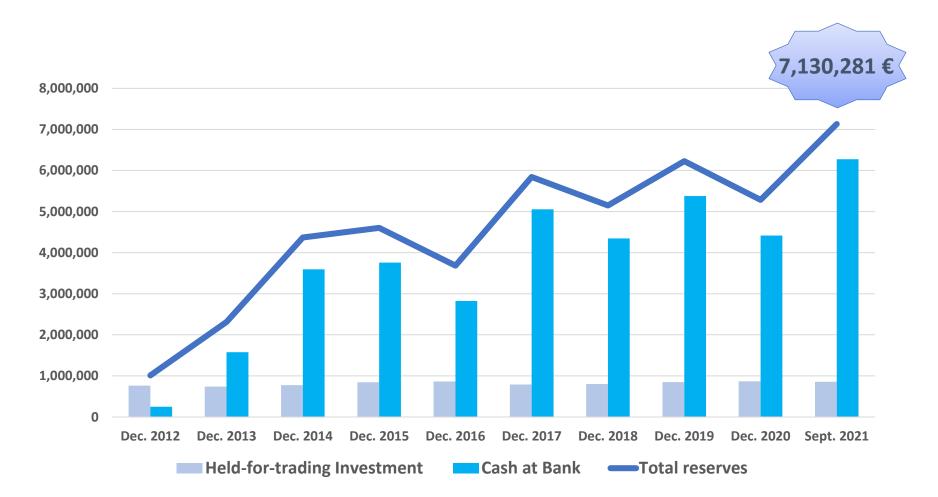
### ANNEX 2 – IN DETAILS

# FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUPPORT TO THE FEDERATIONS

#### LEN RESERVES' GROWTH - 2012-2020

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- ✓ LEN <u>cash at bank</u> has grown from a mere 200K in 2012 to over 6 million in 2021!
- ✓ Such growth despite having returned back to Federations and athletes <u>9 million since 2015</u>!







#### **PREMISE**

- The LEN Bureau decided and approved for the first tine in 2015 to give financial support to the Federations in the form of Travel and Accommodation Contributions at LEN Events and Prize Money \* to the Athletes.
- ✓ No Travel and Accommodation Contributions at LEN Events or Prize Money \* to the Athletes was ever given by LEN before 2015
- ✓ The approved financial support to the Federations has constantly grown year on year, since 2015.
- ✓ Travel and Accommodation Contributions at LEN Events was agreed by the LEN Bureau to be provided based on the number of athletes and/or Team officials taken by a Federation to specific LEN Events.
- Accommodation contribution has been provided to the Federations either as money transferred to the indicated bank account of the Federation or by directly deducting a certain number of "nights" from the final hotel bill of the Federations.
- Prize Money\* to the Athletes was agreed by the LEN Bureau to be provided to the medal winners or top 12-15 performers at specific LEN Events. The LEN Bureau also agreed to pay additional Prize Money for exceptional achievements, i.e., individual World or European records, at specific LEN swimming competitions.
- In 2020 and 2021, given the extraordinary global crisis linked to the Covid-19 pandemic, the LEN Bureau agreed to allocate 1 million euro each year be distributed among the Member Federations. All 52 Member Federations received from a minimum of 15,000 euro up to a maximum of 25,000 euro in 2020 and in 2021. The amount to be received was based on the number of participants at previous LEN European Aquatics Championships, with even those that did not participate receiving the minimum amount. Another consideration was with regards to whether a specific country had a single Federation or multiple Federations.

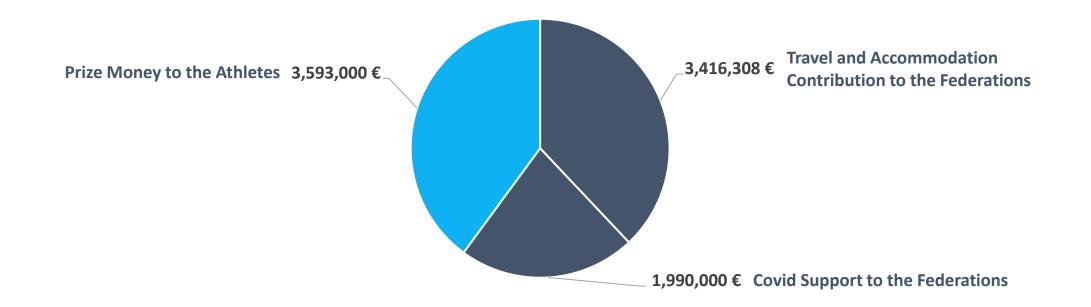
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<sup>\*</sup> Prize money indicated here and in the following slides does not include the Prize Money linked to the Water Polo Cups Competitions



#### ✓ Over 2015-2021 LEN has returned back to its Federations and its Athletes 9 million €!

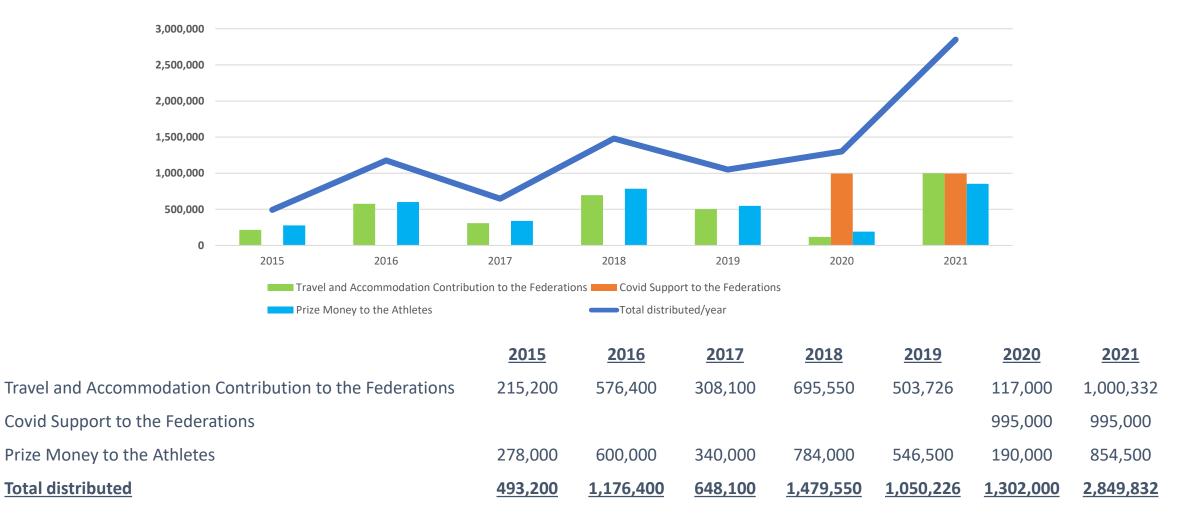
- 60% (5.4 million €) went to the Federations
- 40% (3.6 million €) went to the Athletes



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### FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND PRIZE MONEY - 2015-2021

#### The financial support to the Federations and Prize Money to the Athletes is on a constant growing trend since 2015!



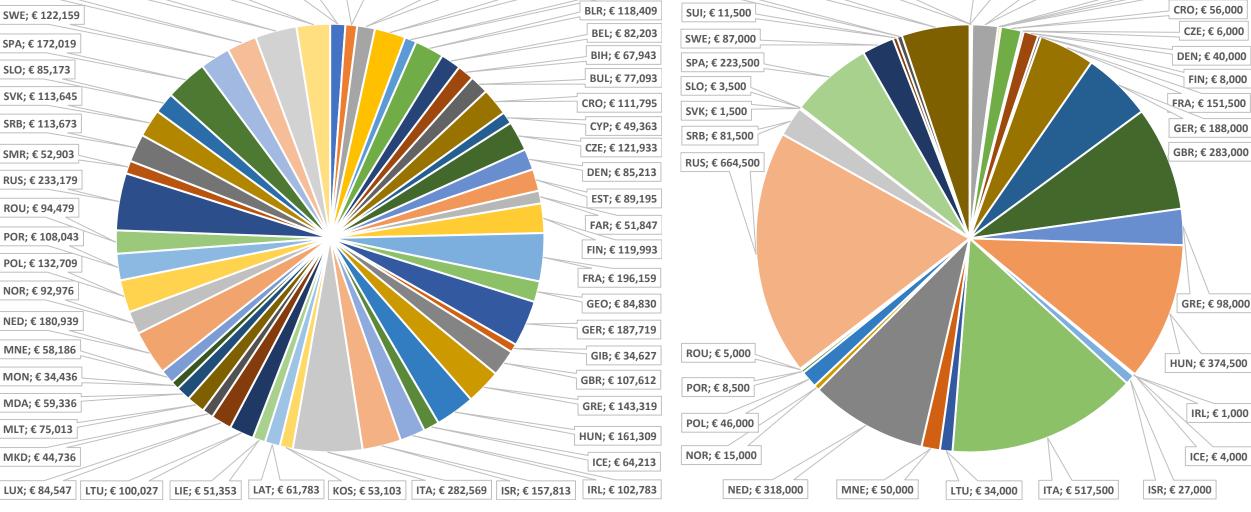
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### FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND PRIZE MONEY – 2015-2021



#### 5.4 million € in Travel & Accommodation contribution at LEN events and Covid-19 support shared among all 52 Nations!

#### 3.6 million € in Prize Money shared among LEN athletes coming from 34 different Nations! SUI; € 122,159 || TUR; € 168,989 || UKR; € 136,479 || ALB; € 61,966 || AND; € 47,627 || ARM; € 72,522 || AUT; € 126,229 || AZE; € 47,986 TUR; € 14,000 UKR; € 184,000 AUT; € 5,500 ARM; € 1,500 BLR; € 69,500 BEL; € 6,500 BUL; € 1,500 BLR; € 118,409 SUI; € 11,500 BEL; € 82,203 SWE; € 87,000 BIH; € 67,943 SPA; € 223,500



### FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO THE FEDERATIONS - 2015-2021



Country/Federation	Financial Contribution to the Federation	<b>Country/Federation</b>	Financial Contribution to the Federation
Albania	61,966	Italy	282,569
Andorra	47,627	Kosovo	53,103
Armenia	72,522	Latvia	61,783
Austria	126,229	Liechtenstein	51,353
Azerbaijan	47,986	Lithuania	100,027
Belarus	118,409	Luxembourg	84,547
Belgium	82,203	North Macedonia	44,736
Bosnia and Herzegovina	67,943	Malta	75,013
Bulgaria	77,093	Moldova	59,336
Croatia	111,795	Monaco	34,436
Cyprus	49,363	Montenegro	58,186
Czech Republic	121,933	Netherlands	180,939
Denmark	85,213	Norway	92,976
Estonia	89,195	Poland	132,709
Faroe Islands	51,847	Portugal	108,043
Finland	119,993	Romania	94,479
France	196,159	Russia	233,179
Georgia	84,830	San Marino	52,903
Germany	187,719	Serbia	113,673
Gibraltar	34,627	Slovakia	113,645
Great Britain	107,612	Slovenia	85,173
Greece	143,319	Spain	172,019
Hungary	161,309	Sweden	122,159
Iceland	64,213	Switzerland	122,159
Ireland	102,783	Turkey	168,989
Israel	157,813	Ukraine	<b>136,479</b> 10 Decem
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### PRIZE MONEY FOR THE ATHLETES – 2015-2021



Athletes of	Prize Money to the Athletes	
Armenia	1,500	
Austria	5,500	
Belarus	69,500	
Belgium	6,500	
Bulgaria	1,500	
Croatia	56,000	
Czech Republic	6,000	
Denmark	40,000	
Finland	8,000	
France	151,500	
Germany	188,000	
Great Britain	283,000	
Greece	98,000	
Hungary	374,500	
Iceland	4,000	
Ireland	1,000	
Israel	27,000	

Athletes of	Prize Money to the Athletes
Italy	517,500
Lithuania	34,000
Montenegro	50,000
Netherlands	318,000
Norway	15,000
Poland	46,000
Portugal	8,500
Romania	5,000
Russia	664,500
Serbia	81,500
Slovakia	1,500
Slovenia	3,500
Spain	223,500
Sweden	87,000
Switzerland	11,500
Turkey	14,000
Ukraine	184,000

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