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EUROPEAN SPRINT ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS

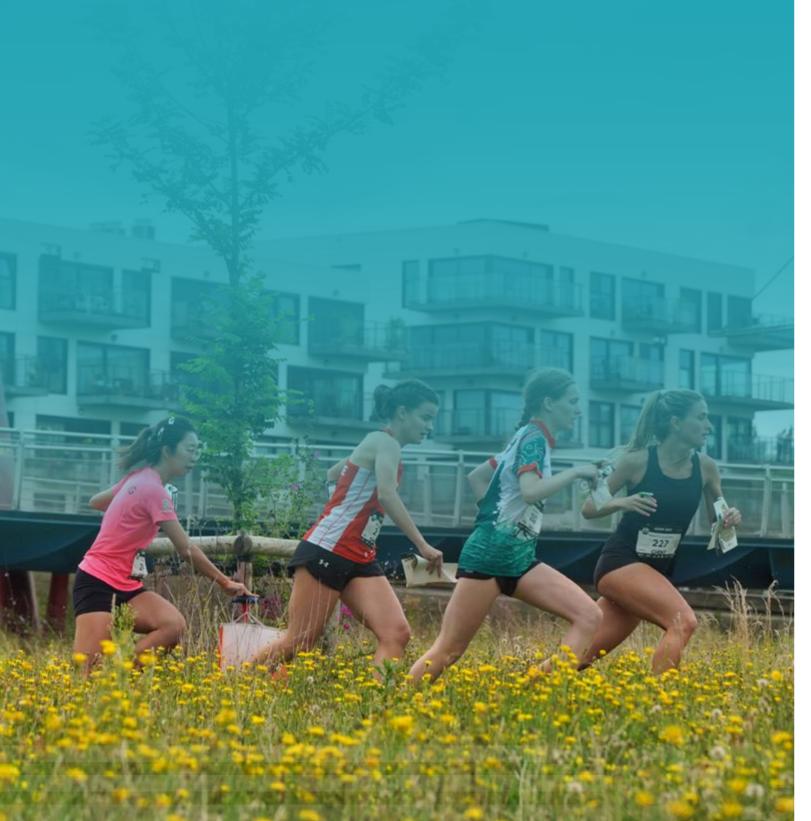
HASSELT BELGIUM

27 - 31 AUGUST 2025



ORIENTEERING WORLD CUP
ROUND 2

Welcome to EOC25 Hasselt, Belgium



Welcome!

It is with great pleasure we invite you to EOC25 in Hasselt, Belgium.

As a smaller orienteering nation, hosting an IOF High-Level orienteering event has been our dream for years.

Now that EOC25 is coming to Belgium, we eagerly anticipate welcoming orienteers worldwide to an unforgettable and challenging experience.

Our dedicated team of volunteers is ready for the adventure! Working as a motivated group, we aim to highlight the best of Hasselt, Flanders, and Belgium — from top-notch orienteering maps and courses to the famous hospitality of the Limburg region.

EOC25 will mark a historic moment as it will be the first orienteering event broadcasted on national television in Belgium. We seize this opportunity to showcase our beautiful sport to a broad audience!

We can't wait until August 2025 and get EOC started!

Jeremy Genar Event Director EOC25

Dear athletes, coaches and supporters,

On behalf of the Belgian Orienteering federation ABSO/BVOS and Orienteering Vlaanderen, the Flemish federation, it is our distinct pleasure to extend a warm invitation to each and every one of you to join us at the European Sprint Orienteering Championships 2025 (EOC25).

We take immense pride in supporting the prestigious European championship in the heart of Flanders. EOC25 is not only set to be the largest event of its kind in Belgium but promises to be a breathtaking experience, showcasing the beauty of our region and sport like never before.

Flanders, despite its size, is a hotspot for orienteering, hosting several events each week. This vibrant activity is made possible by a dedicated battalion of passionate volunteers, each armed with a wealth of experience and knowledge in the field. As the main partner of EOC25, Orienteering Vlaanderen is committed to ensuring that this championship is not only flawlessly executed but is also infused with the deep love and enthusiasm we have for the sport.

See you at EOC25!

Pascal Mylle President Orienteering Vlaanderen

Organiser



About the organisation.





EOC2025 is assigned to the Belgian Orienteering Federation ABSO/BVOS by the International Orienteering Federation IOF.

The complete organisation of EOC2025 is in hands of KONO, along with a dedicated team of volunteers from Orienteering Vlaanderen, the Flemish Orienteering Federation.

The initiative to bring high-level sprint orienteering events to Belgium took root in 2015 with the organization of ASOM in Antwerp. Now, a decade later, EOC marks the culmination of these efforts as Belgium is appointed to host a High-Level Sprint Orienteering competition. Our commitment is to deliver a European Sprint Orienteering Championship that is not only technically challenging but also captivating for both athletes and spectators in the arena and those following from home.

Established in 2018, KONO's mission is to develop orienteering in Belgium by creating orienteering maps, organizing competitions, and popularizing the sport among the public.

EOC2025 serves as a platform to enhance the visibility of our sport in Belgium and showcase to the world that Belgium is a hub for Urban Sports.

We eagerly anticipate the presence of numerous athletes and spectators in Belgium to enjoy our beautiful country with its rich sports history.

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EOC Organizing team

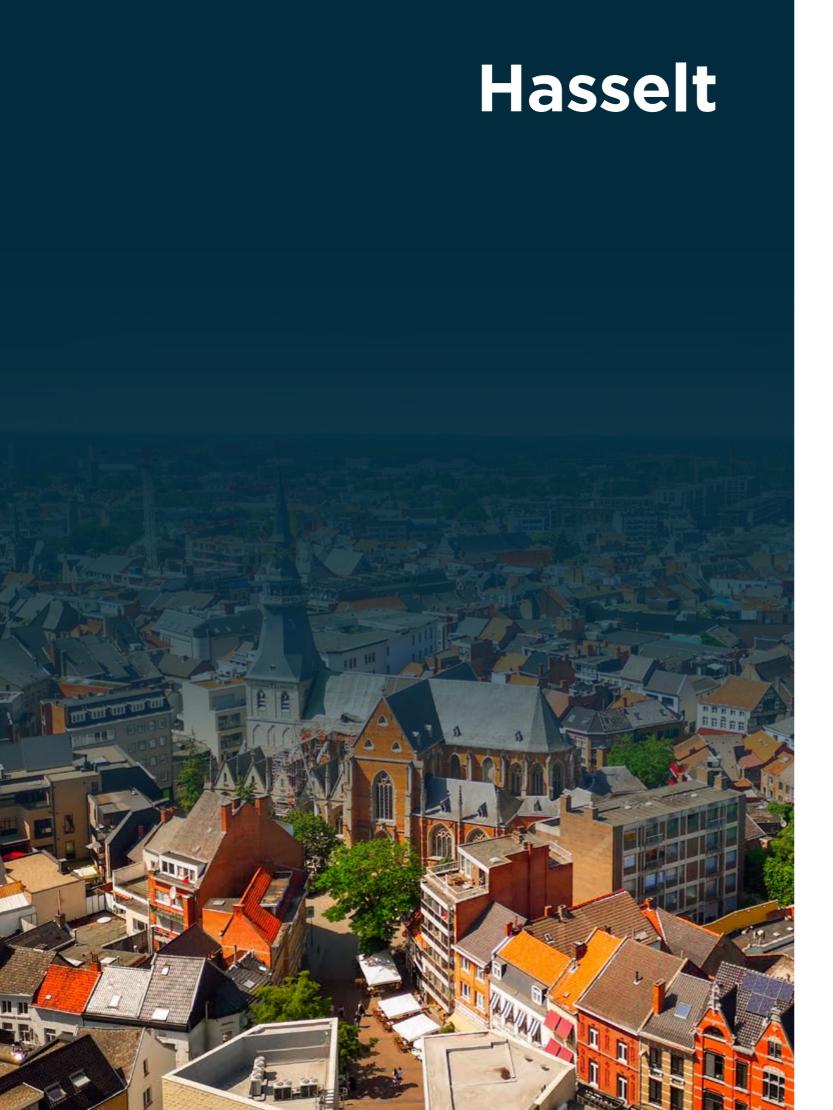
Event Director Jeremy Genar Administration Anneleen Aerts Course Setter Fabien Pasquasy Course Setter Dirk Goossens Course Setter Bart van de Moortel Maps Karl Vervoort Media Kris Verduyckt TV Production Koen Wilssens Arena Stefan Thiels

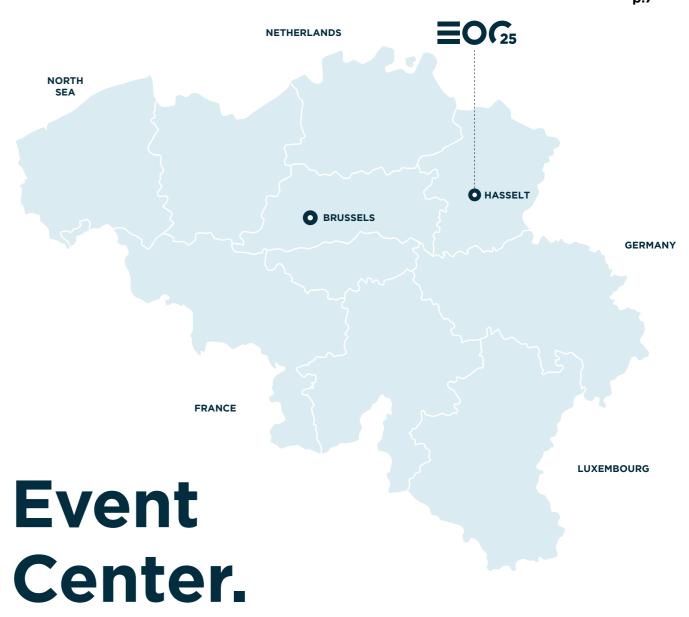
EOC Advisors

National Controller Karl Keuppens (Belgium)

IOF Senior Event Advisor Troels Christiansen (Denmark)

IOF Assistant Senior Event Advisor Daniel Leibundgut (Switzerland)





The Event Center of EOC2025 will be in Hasselt in the Limburg province.

Recognized as the 'City of Taste,' Hasselt places significant emphasis on gastronomy and fashion. Visitors can expect to immerse themselves in the renowned hospitality of the Limburg region.

The Event Office will be conveniently located in the Radisson Blu hotel in Hasselt. Teams have the option to book hotel rooms through a provided link by the EOC organization.

Within the same hotel complex, there is the 4* Hotel Radisson Blu and a 3* Hotel Park Inn by Radisson in the adjacent tower. The Radisson Blu Hotel will host the Team Officials meetings and serve as the venue for the event office.

In **March 2024** a booking link will be published on the website www.eoc2025.be where teams can book rooms.

Teams are not obliged to book accommodation with the organisation. A link to the most conventient hotels will be provided on the EOC2025 website.

Address of the Event Center

Radisson Blu Hotel Hasselt Torenplein 8 3500 Hasselt





Times are preliminary

Tuesday 26 August	Event office Open Model Event
Wednesday 27 August	18h45 Sprint Relay
Thursday 28 August	14h00 Knock-Out Sprint Qualifications
Friday 29 August	16h00 Knock-Out Sprint Finals
Saturday 30 August	Rest Day
Sunday 31 August	9h00 Sprint Qualification 15h00 Sprint Final

Program

3 medal races.

27 August 2025

Sprint Relay

A relay race with 2 men and 2 women in each team running in following order: W - M - M - W

28 & 29 August 2025

Knock-Out Sprint

Classes: Men & Women

Head to head racing with 6 orienteers in each race. The first to finish go to the next round.

31 August 2025

Sprint

Classes: Men & Women

The individual race with an interval start. In the morning a qualification race, in the afternoon the final with the 45 best orienteers. The best time of the day wins the race!

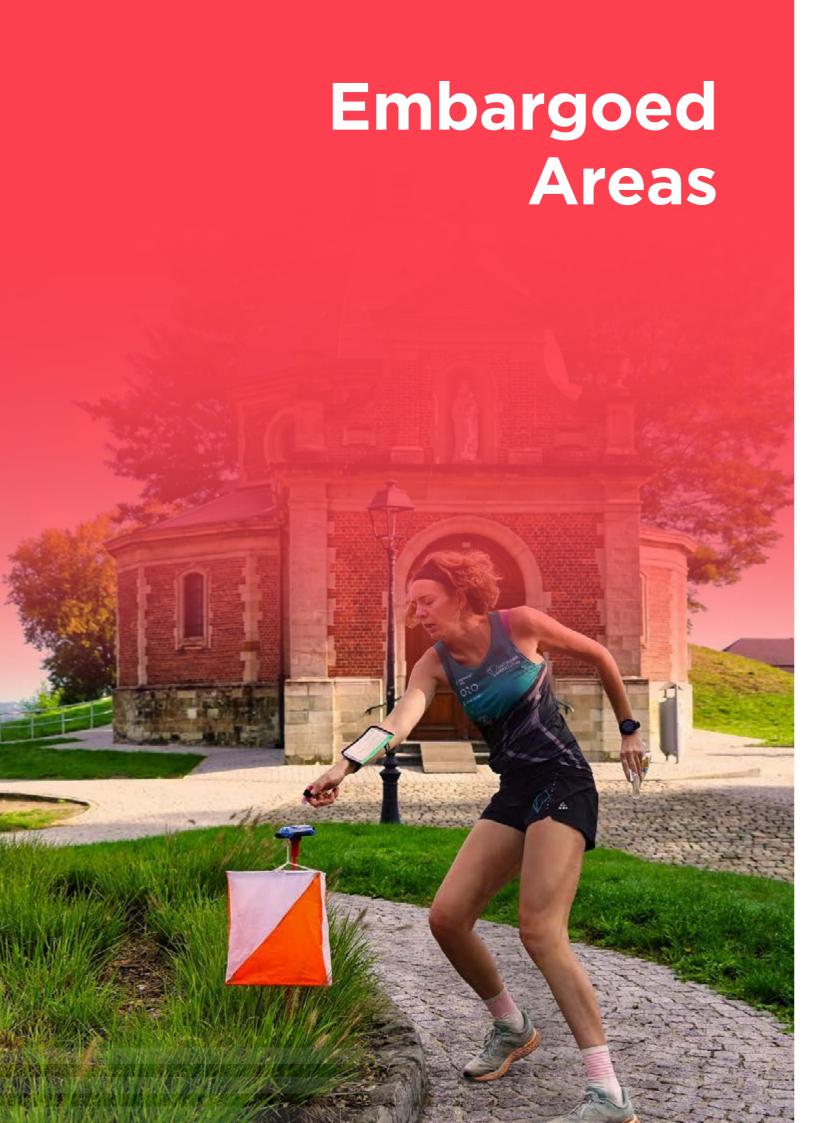
Participation restrictions

- * All competitors represent a Federation
- * All athletes must be full passport- holding citizens of the country they are representing
- * Athletes being citizens of more than one country, should represent the only country they have run IOF events for during the current calendar year











Embargoed Areas

Information about the embargoed areas can be found on <u>IOF Eventor</u>. A direct link to the overview map of embargoed areas can be found here: <u>Embargoed areas</u>.

The embargoed areas are strictly embargoed. Competitors, team officials, and other persons who, through knowledge of the terrain may influence the results of the competition, are not allowed to enter an embargoed area unless explicitly permitted to do so by the organiser.

Any attempt to survey or train with maps on permitted roads in the competition terrains is forbidden. The areas are embargoed until the respective competition is finished.

The map clearly indicates the embargoed zones, highlighted in RED. These areas are strictly off-limits, and no access is permitted.

It's important to note that traveling by train through the embargoed areas is allowed.

In the event that you require entry to a embargoed area for a specific reason, kindly submit your request for permission by emailing info@eoc2025.be.

Training Possibilities

Prepare for EOC2025.





ASOM, a 3-day Sprint Orienteering Meeting organized in Belgium, is a key training event. Specifically, in 2024 and 2025, ASOM races will take place in terrain highly relevant to EOC. More info www.asom.be.

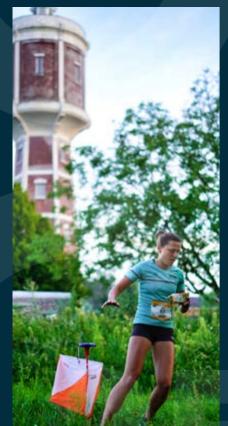
Teams will have access to training maps, allowing them to organize their training sessions independently or participate in the organized training opportunities provided by EOC2025.

The Belgian orienteering clubs organise urban competitions weekly. Please check www.opunch.org for more races.

17 - 20 May 2024 - ASOM 2024 Leuven - Official Training Camp 1

23 - 27 April 2025 - ASOM 2025 Herentals - Official Training Camp 2

> **July / August 2025** EOC Official Training Camp 3



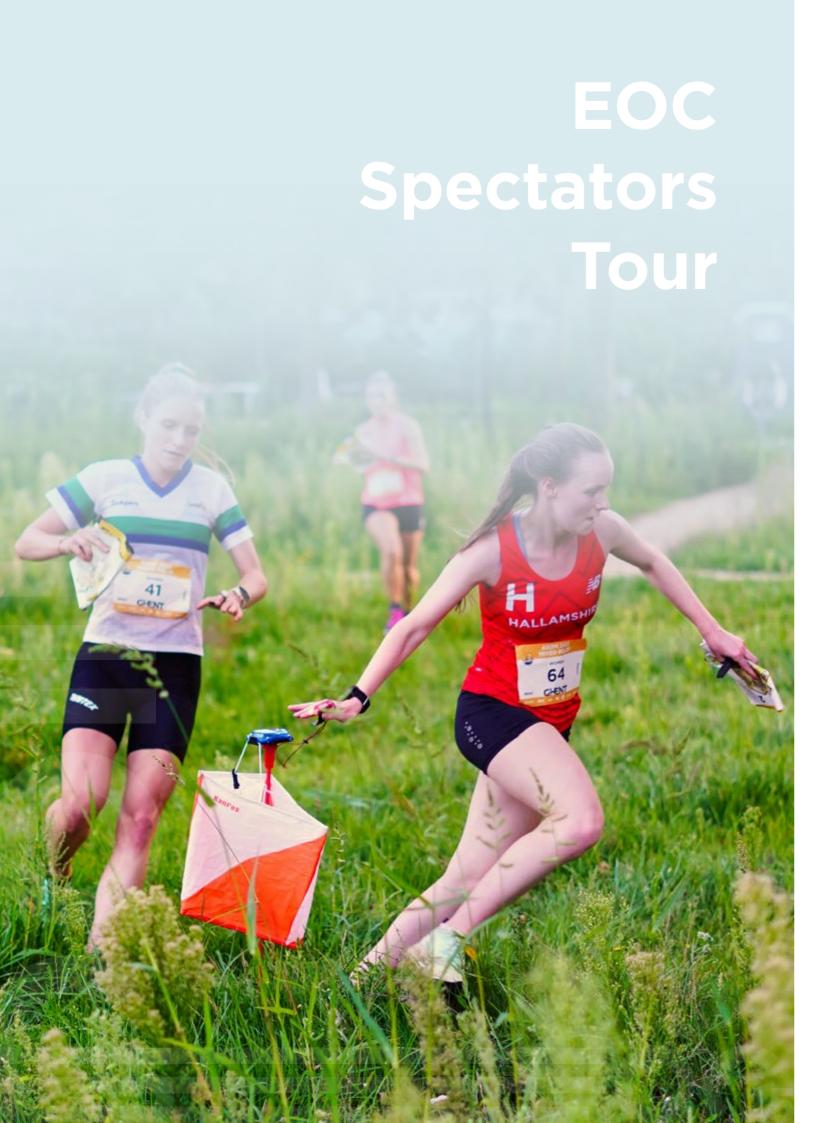




Previous orienteering maps of embargoed areas.

The maps can be found in this **GOOGLE DRIVE** folder.

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Hasselt Centrum	1/4.000	2020	
Hasselt Kapermolen	1/4.000	2022	
Diest	1/5.000	2018	
Geel	1/5.000	2017	
Aarschot	1/4.000	2019	
Mechelen Centrum	1/4.000	2016	
Mechelen Tivoli	1/4.000	2021	
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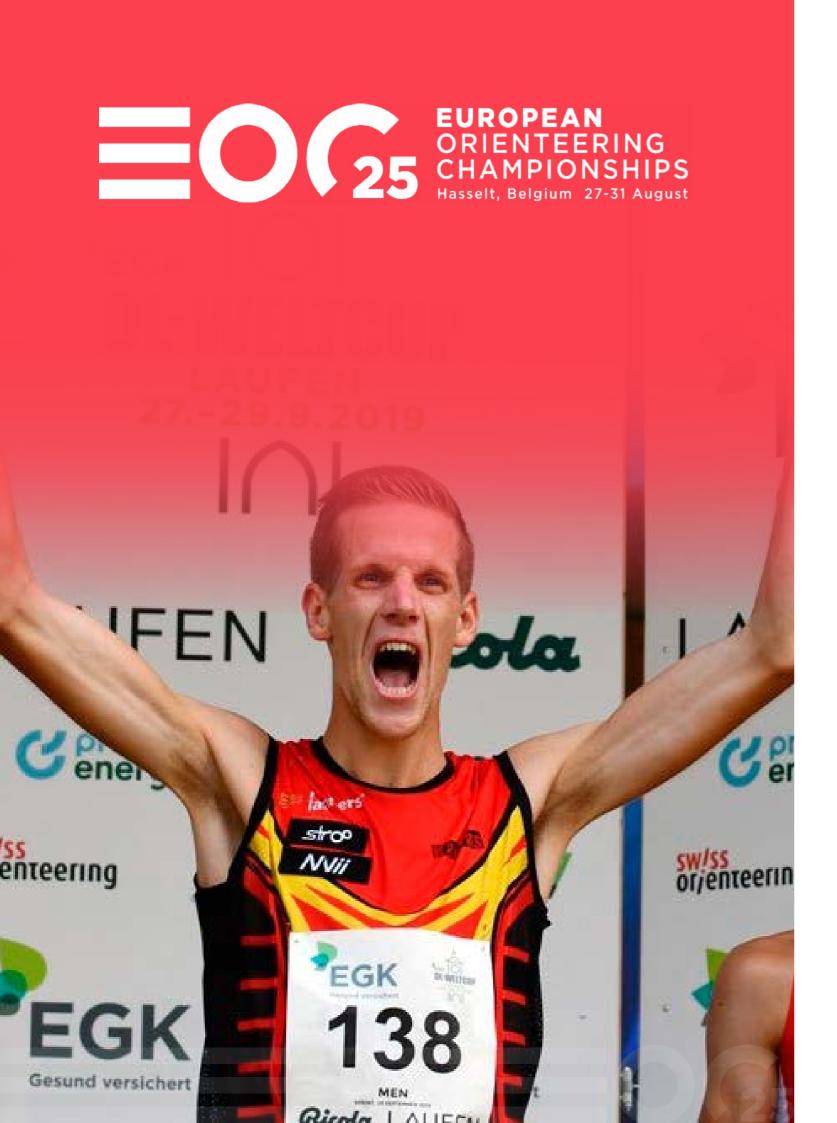


Join the action.

From August 27 to 31, 2025, spectators will have the unique opportunity to immerse themselves in the finest urban orienteering experiences Belgium has to offer, right in the heart of the action at the European Orienteering Championships.

In 2025, ASOM reaches its 10th anniversary, and the occasion will be commemorated with an extraordinary 5-day orienteering festival during EOC. This unique celebration brings together the two most cherished activities for any orienteer: Running an orienteering course and watching elite orienteers doing their orienteering course

The program features a variety of Sprint Orienteering events and extended Urban City Races. These races are strategically aligned with the EOC races, ensuring that spectators minimize travel and have the chance to witness the EOC races live either before or after their own race.



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Thanks!

A heartfelt thank you goes out to our partners and sponsors for their support of EOC2025.

If you're interested in getting involved, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at info@eoc25.be.