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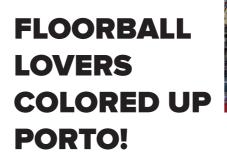














The 7th World University Floorball Championship has begun with a fantastic ceremony with delegations from all over the world, gathering around 400 athletes, at Avenida dos Aliados, in front of the City Hall!

The opening ceremony took place yesterday at the historical center hosted 16 teams from 10 countries providing them a cultural afternoon.

The President of Federação Académica Porto, Daniel Freitas, reminded all athletes and officials to "not only have a great championship but also a great time, where having fun, knowing other people and seizing life and sport may be engraved on your memories for life."

To close the speech, Daniel Freitas left a special message to all the players: "enjoy the games, follow the rules and experience this championship with fair-play, inside and outside the field: if you do so, one will win the gold but all of you will leave Portugal remaining truly winners." Marian Dimalski, vice-president of FISU, highlighted the work of FADU, "the most active national federation in Europe."

The President of FADU, Daniel Monteiro, addressed a few words to the participants wishing that the championship organization "can be truly remarkable for each and every one" and highlighting that Floorball "is a new sport in Portugal and this is an important moment for its growth".

In the Opening Ceremony, Guilhermina Rego, representing Porto the City Hall, and Sebastião Feyo de Azevedo, rector of University of Porto, declared officially opened the 7th World University Floorball Championship.

# WHAT DO **WILL THEY** THEY THINK? DO IT **AGAIN?**



### **DANIEL MONTEIRO FADU**

The organizational experience which has been developed in previous events by FADU, FAP and U. Porto allow us to face

with great expectations the organization of the 7th World University Floorball Championship. We stand up for a legacy for this sport in the future of our country. We have the motivation to ensure that Floorball will remain in the culture of Portugal and today is an important moment for its growth.



### **BRUNO ALMEIDA** U.Porto

I want every player to have fun and enjoy the time that they will stay in the city. The OC made a big effort in

organizing this championship and we want it to be well organized at all levels. I have high hopes for this competition!



### MARIAN DYMALSKI **FISU**

I was very impressed when I arrived yesterday. The facilities, the food and the accomo

dation are all good. They OC had a lot of preparation and I expect very good matches.



Back in 2014, the Swedish delegation won the gold medal and according to the women's team captain "the trophy is the goal for this year too." Porto is hosting this edition of WUC Floorball and the Swedish team landed in the city for the first time. From what they've seen so far, the weather is "the biggest difference from Sweden. It is really warm", pointed the men's team captain. In what concerns to the preparation for the competition "every team member have already trained in the facilities and we are getting ready." The tournament starts today and the competition spirit is already burning up. The Sweden's "want to make it to the finals to reach the gold", but they "will be facing many strong teams" all the way up. Finland and Czech Republic are the first opponents. The women's Sweden team own four world champion titles and the men's will also fight to defend theirs. Will they make it again this year?

# **GROUPS**

| Wednesday<br>20 July 16 |         |            |                |           |                |        |
|-------------------------|---------|------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|--------|
| Time                    | Group   | Home       | •              | Away      |                | Arena  |
| 09:00                   | Men B   |            | Slovakia       |           | Japan          | FADEUP |
| 09:00                   | Men B   |            | Korea          | <b>6.</b> | Spain          | E.U.   |
| 11:30                   | Women B |            | Czech Republic |           | Japan          | FADEUP |
| 11:30                   | Women B | 0          | Poland         | 56.       | Spain          | E.U.   |
| 14:00                   | Men A   |            | Sweden         | <b>(</b>  | Finland        | FADEUP |
| 14:00                   | Men A   | 3          | Switzerland    | •         | Czech Republic | E.U.   |
| 16:30                   | Women A |            | Sweden         | <b>(</b>  | Finland        | E.U.   |
| 19:00                   | Men B   |            | Portugal       |           | Slovakia       | FADEUP |
| 19:00                   | Men B   | <b>(a)</b> | Japan          | <b>③</b>  | Korea          | E.U.   |

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