



Information Package



World Deaf Mountain Bike Championships 2024

Sátoraljaújhely, Hungary 4-9 November



Dear Sport Friends!

Dear MTB Community!



To the best of my knowledge, Hungary has not yet organized a MTB WC, neither in the sport of the able-bodied nor in the sport of the disabled. Thus, it is an honor for the Sports Association of the Hungarian Hearing Impaired, that by organizing the MTB World Championship for the Deaf, Hungary can host such a prestigious event for the first time.

For us Hungarians, the 2021 Giro d'Italia was memorable, when the best Hungarian cyclist unexpectedly took over the pink jersey and defended it for 3 days. This gave Hungarian cycling a big boost. I sincerely hope that the upcoming Deaf MTB WC will also provide similar motivation and energy for Hungarian deaf cycling.

Sátoraljaújhely, a name that is difficult for foreigners to pronounce and remember, but with a picturesque beauty, welcomes the world's best mountain bikers with a lot of love and enthusiasm to test their strength on the exciting ups and downs of one of the most beautiful Hungarian mountains, the Zempléni Mountains. The writer Ernest Hemingway said that while cycling you can get to know the topography of a country through the slopes and the ascents. Well, I wish the participants of the MTB World Championship that, if not the country, they get to know one of its most beautiful parts, Sátoraljaújhely and its surrounding mountains, during the exciting events of the **World Championship**.

Cycling enthusiasts do not need to explain that mountain biking is one of the most beautiful and difficult disciplines of cycling. As Jean de Gribaldy, a former French cyclist, aptly put it:

„Cycling isn't a game, it's a sport. Tough, hard and un pitying, and it requires great sacrifices. One plays football, or tennis, or hockey. One doesn't play at cycling.”

Wishing an exciting and fair battle and looking forward to seeing all the world's best deaf mountain bikers in Sátoraljaújhely, the "capital of Zemplén"!

Dr. Tapolczai Gergely

HDSF President

Budapest, 29 April 2024



Dear Competitors,

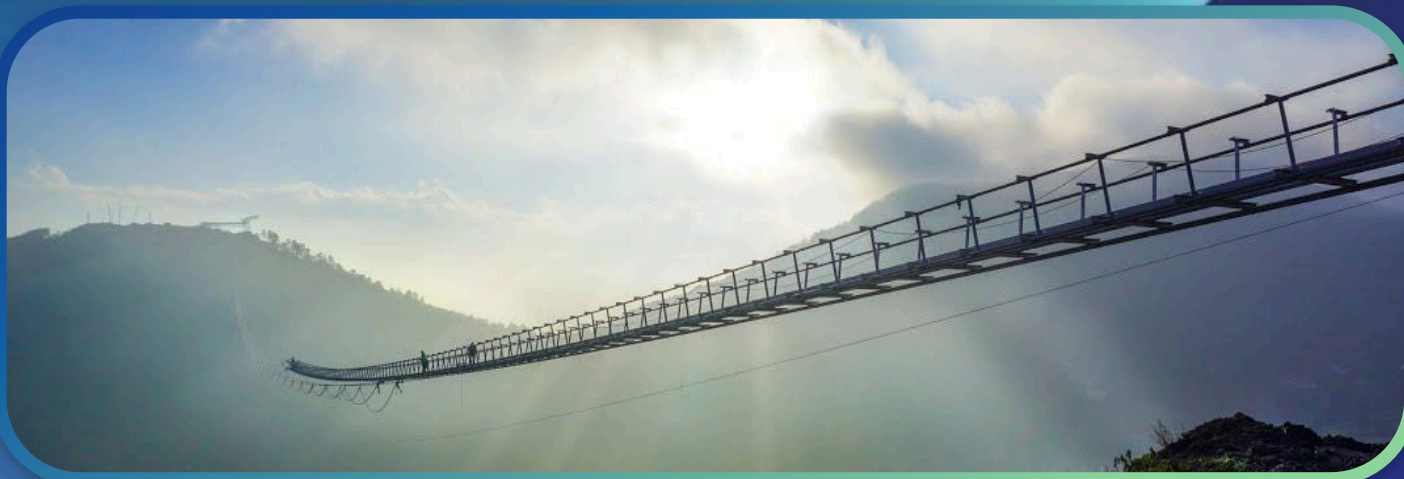
I am **Péter Szamosvölgyi**, the Mayor of Sátoraljaújhely City. I represent the Northeast Hungarian city that will host the Deaf Mountain Bike World Championship from November 2nd to 10th. It gives me great pleasure that this prestigious event will visit our city, and alongside the competition, you will have the opportunity to explore the wonderful mountains of Zemplén, our beloved city, and experience the hospitality of the people of Újhely. I hope you will leave with unforgettable memories and regardless of your achievements in the World Championship, you will hold Sátoraljaújhely close to your hearts, a place that always welcomes you back!

Wishing you successful competition and enjoyable time!

Sátoraljaújhely, 29 April 2024

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read 'Péter Szamosvölgyi'.

Péter Szamosvölgyi
Mayor



The longest suspension bridge in the world is under construction and will be opened in the spring of 2024.



Events

Mountain Bike competitions will comprise the following events:

Men

XCO Cross Country Olympic

XCM Marathon

XCE Eliminator



Women

XCO Cross Country Olympic

XCM Marathon

XCE Eliminator



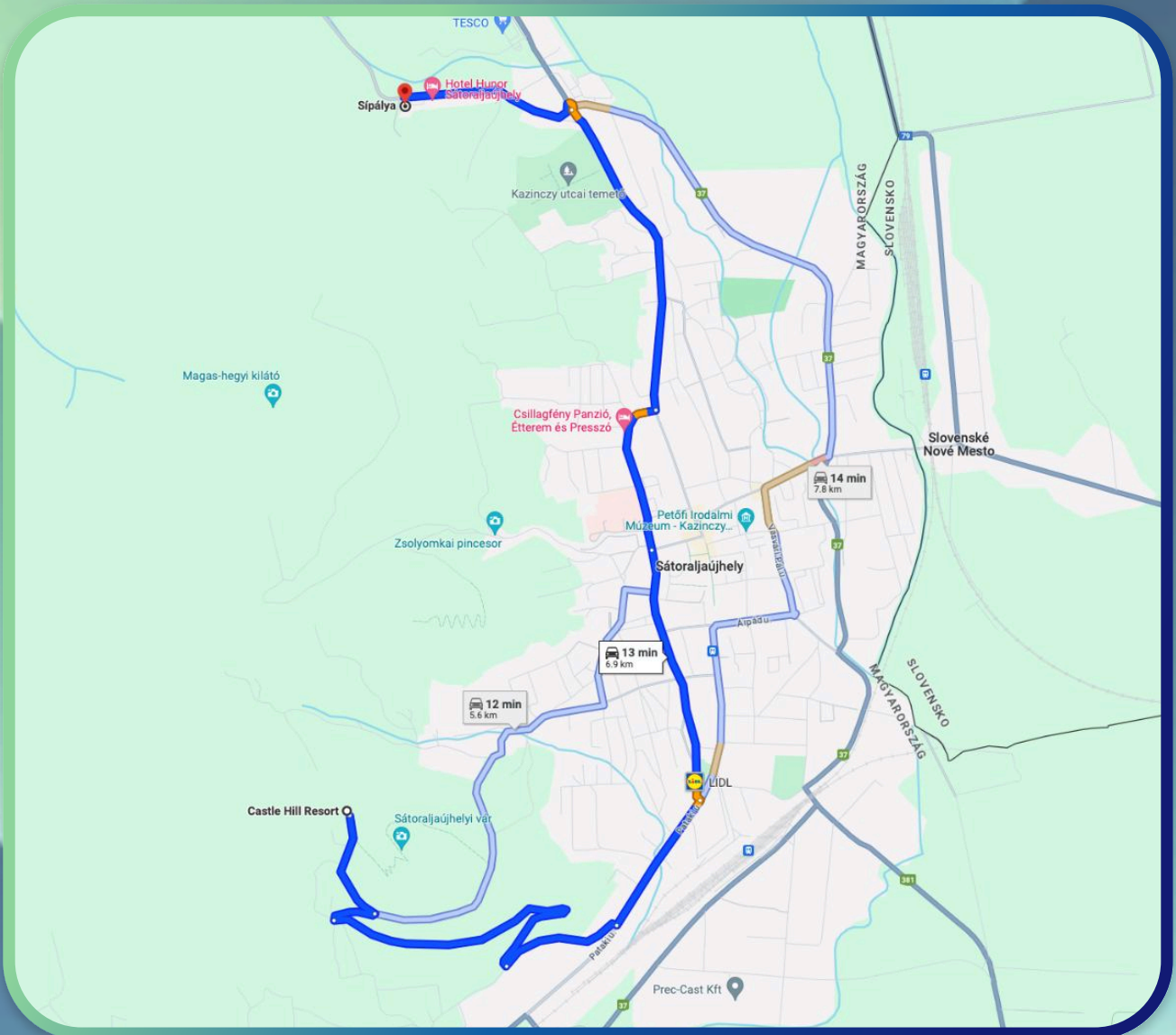
XCR Team Relay





Competition center

Sátoraljaújhely ski resort



All routes track will be available on the <https://wdmtb2024.eu/> website from 20 May 2024. Due to the weather, we reserve the right to make small changes to the routes!