

FIH Hockey Academy
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To all National Hockey Associations

This is an important invitation to apply for participation in the FIH Hockey Academy Coaching Programmes to be held in London from 20th to 25th June 2016 alongside the FIH Champions Trophy for Women.

The Academy is the FIH's global education programme. It forms part of the Hockey Revolution, hockey's 10 year strategy to create a global game that inspires the next generation. The aim of the Academy is to create an educated and professional global hockey workforce who are empowered to contribute to the long term success of the sport.

The FIH are pleased to announce a series of Elite and High Performance hockey coaching programmes including **FIH Hockey Academy Level 3 Coaching Course**, **FIH High Performance Coaching Course** and **FIH Final Coaching Course**, which will be held **alongside the FIH Champions Trophy, London 2016, from Monday 20th June to Friday 25th June 2016.**

The **3 Courses** will be delivered by FIH Hockey Academy Educators and guest expert presenters, some of whom will be from teams participating in the 2016 Champions Trophy. The content for each course has been designed by top coaches & experts, as part of the **FIH Hockey Academy Coaching Framework**.

As part of the wider Women in Hockey initiative, applications particularly invited from female coaches for all 3 courses (although Men may apply). All courses will be conducted in English.

Application criteria, process and information for each course is below. Please note that for all courses an invitation will only be accepted with the consent/support of a National Association.

We would like to express our gratitude for the kind hospitality and support from Loughborough London University, England Hockey and Southgate Hockey Club in organising this important event.

Role of National Associations

Application to participate is now open. Please identify appropriate candidates and forward the relevant application letter.

FIH High Performance Coaching Course & FIH Hockey Academy Level 3 Course

National Associations affiliated to the FIH may **nominate a maximum of 2 coaches** to apply for participation in the FIH High Performance Coaching Course. Applicants must meet the entry criteria, which must be evident from information provided on the application. Applications must be received before **25 March 2016**.

NAs are asked to provide an order of priority, if applying for more than one coach. The FIH will inform the NAs of the status of their applications as some may, regrettably, not be accepted where a large number of applications is received.

FIH Final Coaching Course

Eligible FIH Final Coaching Course Participants will be invited directly by the FIH High Performance & Coaching Panel as well as via NA/CFs. Application information for this course is part of the FIH High Performance Course application.

Selection Process

Applications for the **FIH High Performance Coaching Course** will be considered by the FIH High Performance and Coaching Panel. The Panel aims to select only the most highly experienced and qualified applicants. The applicant's National representation is also considered, with an aim to give the course as wide an international mix as possible. We also aim to have a gender balance on this course.

Applications for the **FIH Level 3 Coaching Course** will be considered by the FIH High Performance and Coaching Panel. The applicant's National representation is also considered, with an aim to give the course as wide an international mix as possible. We also aim to have a gender balance on this course.

Registration forms and formal invitations will be sent to selected participants before **25 March 2016**. Those applicants who could not be selected will also receive a reply.

Application

You may complete an application form on behalf of your nominated coach(es) or preferably send them the application letter so they can include as much support information as they wish.

We look forward to receiving your applications.

Best regards

**Mike Joyce – FIH Academy Trainer, CF & NA Services Manager
Secretary of the FIH High Performance and Coaching Panel**

Tayyab Ikram - FIH Master Coach, Member of FIH High Performance Coaching Panel

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