

MEDIA ACCREDITATION RULES

11th WORLD CHOIR GAMES FLANDERS 2021



1. General provisions

- 1.1 These regulations prescribe the accreditation procedures for media representatives attending 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 events and the issue and use of press accreditation cards.
- 1.2 The Organizers of the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021, Koor&Stem, Pater Pirestraat 50, 2018 Antwerp and INTERKULTUR; Ruhberg 1, 35463 Fernwald, Germany, phone: +49 (0) 6404 69749--25 (hereinafter – the Organizers)
- 1.3 Information concerning these Rules may be obtained by emailing press@interkultur.com
- 1.4 The Rules are published in the Media section of the Organizers' websites: www.wcg2021.be and www.interkultur.com (in Dutch and English).

2. Purpose of and time limit for accreditation

- 2.1 Accreditation of media representatives for the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 events is granted for the purpose of ensuring appropriate conditions for media representatives to carry out their professional activities as regards reporting on the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 in their media.
- 2.2 Media employees or media representatives that have been authorized by their medium shall be entitled to receive accreditation.
- 2.3 Media representatives must provide written confirmation by the medium's editor for the relevant representative to receive accreditation as a media representative.
- 2.4 The Organizers have the discretion to grant accreditation to freelance media representatives and other writers.
- 2.5 Accreditation entitlements are not intended for internet bloggers and/or website developers if their sites are not related to music, culture or to choirs confirmed as participants in the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 or the organizations they represent.
- 2.6 Media accreditation for the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 events shall be granted for the period from **October 30 – November 8, 2021**.

3. Applications for accreditation

- 3.1. Applications for accreditation from Belgium and foreign media to report on the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 events shall be accepted from **September 15, 2021**
- 3.2. Applications for accreditation shall be submitted electronically by completing an accreditation application (hereinafter – Application) available in the Media section of the websites www.wcg2021.be and www.interkultur.com (in Dutch and English).
- 3.3. The following details for a media representative (hereinafter – applicant) shall be specified when completing an accreditation application:
 - 3.3.1 name and surname of applicant;
 - 3.3.2 name of the medium for which the applicant is seeking accreditation;
 - 3.3.3 applicant’s position in the respective medium;
 - 3.3.4 applicant’s contact telephone;
 - 3.3.5 applicant’s email address;
 - 3.3.6 medium’s website
- 3.4. Applications must be accompanied by the following, where indicated on the website:
 - 3.4.1 photograph of applicant (passport photo);
 - 3.4.2 written declaration (signed and scanned) from the editor of the applicant’s medium;
 - 3.4.3 freelance foreign media representatives who are not tied to a specific medium need to submit a written declaration (signed and scanned) from a medium.
 - 3.4.4 applicants will be notified of the issuing or refusal of accreditation by information being sent to the e-mail address indicated in their application within five working days of the application being received.
- 3.5. The Organizers have the right to limit the number of representatives from each medium.

4. Admission to the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 events

- 4.1. Accredited members of the media shall be admitted to the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 events on presentation of their accreditation cards, issued if the Organizers have approved the accreditation of the respective representative for the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 events.

- 4.2. Accreditation cards can be collected in person at the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 Media Centre (Handelsbeurs, Twaalfmaandenstraat, 2000 Antwerp) from **October 25** on presentation of an ID card or a passport and a valid press card (or letter of accreditation from a media organization).
- 4.3. The accreditation cards will only be handed over if the official COVID-19 form had been signed; if media representatives can show a green certificate, stating that they have been vaccinated with an EU approved vaccine OR have a negative PCR test (max. 48 hours before arrival) OR that have recovered from Covid-19. Please note that costs for additional corona tests or quarantine, if necessary, are to be borne by media representatives themselves, should these not be covered by a travel health insurance. The costs are not covered by the Organizers.
- 4.4. The transfer of accreditation cards to other persons is prohibited.
- 4.5. It is advisable for media representatives to have personal ID with them when attending 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 events.

5. Rights of accredited media representatives:

- 5.1 to attend at 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 press availabilities and 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 events, staying within the press access areas indicated by the Organizers;
- 5.2 to receive press releases, information and news materials about the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021, intended for dissemination in the media.
- 5.3 to photograph open 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 events, make audio and video recordings only in the locations specified by the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 Organizers, in accordance with 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 instructions.

6 Obligations of accredited representatives:

- 6.1 to respect the interests of the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 participants, guests and the Organizers while carrying out their professional duties;
- 6.2 to observe that any materials obtained from the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021, used in any way whatsoever, must have an explicit reference to the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021;

- 6.3 Media representatives are requested to inform the Organizers about any article published relating to the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021, sending a link to or copy of the article to press@interkultur.com.

7 Refusal of accreditation

- 7.1 The Organizers are entitled to refuse accreditation for the following reasons:
- 7.1.1 if the submitted accreditation application contains incorrect information;
 - 7.1.2 if applicants have not submitted Accreditation Rules to the Organizers signed by themselves and the editor/manager of their media, confirming their acceptance of them;
 - 7.1.3 in other cases, at the discretion of the Organizers.
- 7.2 media representatives' accreditation may be revoked in the following cases:
- 7.2.1 If the representative of the respective medium is in breach of these rules;
 - 7.2.2 If the Organizers have compelling reasons to do so.
- 7.3 A decision to revoke the accreditation of an accredited media representative shall be communicated in writing to the medium's manager.
- 7.4 A decision to refuse or revoke accreditation cannot be appealed.

8 Purpose of and validity period for media accreditation cards

- 8.1 Media cards issued to members of the media by the Organizers grant the right to attend 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 events, where the Organizers will, where possible, provide appropriate conditions for the media to carry out their professional activities related to reporting on the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 program.
- 8.2 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 media accreditation cards are valid from **October 30 – November 8, 2021**.

- 8.3 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 media accreditation cards are the property of the Organizers.

9 Issue of media accreditation cards

- 9.1 Media accreditation cards may be obtained from the Organizers' Media Centre (Handelsbeurs, Twaalfmaandenstraat, 2000 Antwerp) from **October 25 from 9:00 – 17:00 h.**
- 9.2 Media accreditation cards shall be issued to media representatives in person or to a representative of the media authorized to collect all the media accreditation cards for their media.
- 9.3 Media representatives shall sign for the receipt of their media accreditation cards in the register kept for this purpose. With their signature, mass media representatives attest that they agree to the procedure set down by the regulations on the issuing and use of 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 media accreditation cards.

10 Use of media accreditation cards

- 10.1 When attending 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 events, press cards must be presented on request to event Organizers, security and ticket/pass checking personnel. Media cards shall be worn visibly during events.
- 10.2. Because of the limited number of places at venues, the Organizers cannot guarantee seating for media representatives at 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 program events, nor can the Organizers guarantee that media representatives will be able to attend and report on all 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 program events. Accredited media are not entitled to seats if ticket holders for those seats arrive with their tickets.

11 Other provisions

- 11.1 If a 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 media accreditation card is lost, the media representative shall immediately notify the Organizers (Handelsbeurs, Twaalfmaandenstraat, 2000 Antwerp, press@interkultur.com).
- 11.2 Media representatives shall inform the Organizers about any person who no longer works for them. Such media accreditation cards will be annulled.
- 11.3 The Organizers have the right to annul 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021 media accreditation cards for failure to comply with these regulations and if the instructions of event Organizers are not followed.

CONFIRMATION

I hereby confirm that I will act according to the COVID-measures stipulated by the Belgian official authorities (e.g. hygiene concept) at the time of the 11th World Choir Games Flanders 2021.

I am aware that in case of non-compliance the organizer may exclude me from participation in the event.

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| Name: | |
| Email: | |
| Mobile Phone | |
| Nationality | |

Date, Place

Signature