

To: IMCA – AGM

27<sup>th</sup> October 2012

**Subject: Letter of intention to host 2014 Melges 24 European Championship at Lake Balaton, Hungary**

Dear Council Members, Dear Members of the AGM,

The Hungarian Melges 24 Class Association and the **Balatonfured Koloska Marina** would be honored to host the Melges 24 European Championship in april/may 2014 on Lake Balaton.

Arguably, one of the finest venues in Central Europe, Lake Balaton has played host to major World and European Championships for classes such as the Star, 470, J24, etc .

The host club is willing to work together with IMCA in order to make a memorable European Championship for the Melges 24 Class.

The Lake's pleasant sailing conditions, central location, and a range of accommodations for varying budgets, make the Balaton a unique and exciting venue.

We believe that the class could benefit from such event to be hosted in the central European region and would result in new teams entering the international Melges 24 races in the future.

We are looking forward to develop Melges 24 sailing in the central European countries and we hope the IMCA to support this goal.

The host yacht club would be the venue for a Europa Cup event in April 2013 that could serve as a test event for the 2014 Europeans. This is a great opportunity to train the host venue if needed.

Best Regards,

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