

**August , 2011 update** INTERNATIONAL HOOPS CHALLENGE(… things change so fast!)

Dear Prospective Coach:

Thanks for contacting our organization. We have big plans for our IHC 2012.

Tournaments being created for boy’s and girl’s 18u,16u, 14u. Take your choice!

Italy, Switzerland, Poland, Estonia, Slovenian, China, France, Monaco, Denmark now confirmed.., Brazil, Russia, Spain are ready to fall into place… everyday news coming…

Each tour trip is normally 12 days. We encourage AAU teams and school teams which are allowed to travel in the off season. The teams are guaranteed 4 games in a 3 day tournament, and normally receive 5. Most tours include trips two tournaments. [Check the ABN website for dates](http://assistbasketballnetwork.com)

Coaches who assemble American teams for fully paid trips by Sept 30th ( paid deposits), 2011 receive $1000 and a free trip at the time of the camp. Most trips, again, depending on the destination and duration, cost between $2700-$5000. This can put your package worth $5000! You can recruit more than 10 players and receive $100/head for each. Great if you have a website and some assistant coaches or friends you want to get overseas trips for. You can also recruit teams you do not coach, and get a $500 finder’s fee after the trip is paid in full. That coach will not receive a stipend which we assign to the team.

**I have also attached another document to this with more information.**

If you are serious to be involved in this, please answer the following questions, and we can arrange a Skype or cell conference. I prefer Skype as I like to get a personal feel for all those who become very important parts of our organizations.

1. Name, age, gender, personal contact information
2. Team and age /gender of team you are recruiting or already coach for travel.
3. Your home city and the tour you think you are most interested in.

We will not have all the finalized brochures for the 2012 camps until Summer , 2011.

We will have a preliminary price sheet by June 15th, 2011. Registrations are due Sept 30th. We do run deposit schedules and the price of tournaments is adjusted in August with the value course of currency.

Deposits of $200, fully refundable, are required to secure a spot in a tournament.

**Duties for our private contracting coaches ( you will be paid on a 1099 agreement)**

* Recruit minimum of 10 players and declare registration for specific tournament.
* Conference with players and decide on offered itinerary, or modify it to your own taste. This is the best thing about our relationship with EFTOURS. You can take one of our prepared trips, or create your own itinerary, all while traveling with the largest tour operator in the world.
* Register as tour leader with EFtours and have a password which you give to all players who want to register. Make sure that all players sign up with Assist Basketball Network for the tournament and also with [www.EFTOURS.com](file:///C:\Documents%20and%20Settings\Administrator\Desktop\coaches%20packet2012\www.EFTOURS.com) (you will also register as a free chaperone).
* Act as liaison between players, parents, and our organization. If they wish to have a meeting, EF will host a meeting with all members of the tour at no cost. They fly out to service you.**……**your job is to recruit, coach, chaperone. It doesn’t get better.
* Distribute final itineraries to family and players
* Meet at portal city ( Europe) on date of departure/arrival and transport with team members to final destination.
* **Act as full-time chaperone and coach** during the trip and return home with team. You will be in charge of maintaining the philosophy, practices, discipline, and organization of the team. This is not an overlooked duty.
* **We expect great outstanding role models for our under aged players while they are overseas under your watchful care.**

You will have the trip of a lifetime, an outstanding chance to coach international, and also will make great contacts overseas. We love to have coaches come back year after year.

I know you have lots of questions. So do we.. but lets use this to get the ball rolling.

Look forward to hearing from you.

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