LAUSANNE 2020 WINTER YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES

26 years after becoming the Olympic Capital, Lausanne will become an Olympic City, as it hosts the 3rd edition of the Winter Youth Olympic Games. From January 9 to 22, 2020, young world's best athletes will travel to Switzerland to participate in this event. It is one of the largest multi-sport events held in winter, second only to the Winter Olympic Games. At the heart of this project are the main concepts of sustainability and legacy, as well as the focus on youth engagement.

Thursday, January 9
Opening of the Youth Olympic Games
Before the Opening Ceremony to be held in the brand-new La Vaudoise Aréna Ice Rink, “Lausanne en Jeux” Festival will launch its cultural programme with the creation “BodyCity”, a unique combination of arts and urban sports. By holding an event open to all the population and visitors, the City of Lausanne materialises its sport, cultural and educational vocation.

Friday, January 10
We invite you to a healthy and cultural stroll in Lausanne.
For a start, the impressive sustainable and circular Vortex will be explored! This architectural jewel, located in the Lausanne University Campus, is dedicated to host students and teachers after being a new generation’s Olympic village! At street corners or on city places, let’s discover the rich and diverse cultural and sport programme of the Lausanne en Jeux! Festival that will beat its rhythm in tune with the sport competitions and the life of the city!

Then, at the end of the day, enjoy a 3×3 Ice Hockey contest at La Vaudoise Aréna!

Saturday, January 11
Winter Games mean snow and fresh mountain air! In the heart of the Swiss Vaud Alps, the resort of Les Diablerets is an authentic mountain village located at the foot of an imposing massif and surmounted by a majestic glacier. The village is made up entirely of chalets and developed whilst preserving its heritage. You will discover one of the most famous local ski resorts and its Olympic facilities as well as enjoy the Alpine Skiing Combined Slalom competition!

To conclude this unique three-day trip, the Union is very pleased to invite you to the Lausanne Olympic Capital Cocktail which brings together international sport ecosystem of the City of Lausanne.

INFORMATION
The World Union of Olympic Cities is glad to invite one delegate per Member City, including luncheons, diners, activities and on-site visits. Accommodation is also available at a preferential rate for Union’s Members. For any additional delegates and accommodation, please do not hesitate to contact us at info@olympiccities.org.