



SB20 Grand Slam Week opens one year countdown to the SB20 World Championship in Singapore

Fabulous sailing conditions with tropical climate and predictable wind

Singapore, 30th January 2020:

The SB20 Asian Grand Slam Week will be on **5-9 February 2020** at ONE°15 Marina Sentosa Cove. The event will combine two regattas: the **Singapore National Championship** and the **Asia Pacific Championship** (APAC). This is the first time these two regattas are run back to back, and this combination will function as the practice regatta for the SB20 World Championship in February 2021.

25 teams from all over the world will be competing for the APAC trophy. 14 nationalities will be represented, including Singapore, Thailand, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Australia, New Zealand, France, Belgium, Hungary, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, United Kingdom and USA. The international sailors will meet up with the local fleet, which includes nine Singaporean university teams.



The luxurious **ONE°15 Marina Sentosa Cove,** located on the island of Sentosa, will host the event and will have the boats berthed between races in its fashionable superyachts marina. Here, the sailors will enjoy the marina's scenic atmosphere and hospitality.

"Having successfully hosted the SB20 Asian Grand Slam for 5 years and demonstrated the feasibility of bringing sailing competitions to another level of distinction through its prime facilities and first-class hospitality, ONE°15 Marina is excited to bring on the Worlds Championships in 2021, which will see world champions and high profile international sailors come together to compete in Singapore."

- Teo Joo Leng, Group General Manager of ONE°15 Marina (Marina & Club Operations)



The Singapore Sailing Federation and race officer Jonathan Kwek will, together with a group of volunteers from the sailing community, set the race course right off the palm fringed beaches of the Singapore's East Coast. Spectators will have a good view of the race from the beach as the competitors round the top mark near the iconic Amber Beacon Tower on the western side of East Coast Park.

Last year's APAC champion, team **Glasgow Kiss** with **Nils Razmilovic** at the helm has this year teamed up with former **laser world champion**, **Nik Burfoot**. They are once again one of the favourites for the trophy, but will be challenged by **former SB20 World Council Chairman**, **Ed Russo** and his team **Skin in the Game** from France. In addition, winner of the Western Circuit Regatta, **Xtra Mile 2** with Singapore Sailing Federation's **Chung Pei Ming** at the helm, and 杜美黛 / **Dù Měi Dài** with national sailor **Jevyn Ong** are also eager to challenge the title. Team **Tara**, with **Agoston**

Sipos on the helm will try to defend their current National Champion title.

The SB20 Grand Slam Week 2020 is part of a two-year campaign run by the Singapore Sailing Federation, ONE°15 Marina and the SB20 Association of Singapore which leads to the SB20 World Championship hosted in Singapore 1-6 February 2021.

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About ONE°15 Marina Sentosa Cove, Singapore

Since its inauguration in 2007, ONE°15 Marina Sentosa Cove, Singapore is the winner of several international accolades including the Outstanding Hospitality Award by the Helm Magazine, eight-time winner of the Best Asian Marina of the Year (2009, 2012 – 2014, 2016 – 2019)

and the prestigious FIVE Gold Anchor Award. The Club also has the honor of hosting upscale international yachting events including Volvo Ocean Race 2008/09, Asia Pacific Yachting Conference and is home to Singapore Yacht Show,

the third most important boat show in the world according to The Financial Times. Located in Sentosa Cove, the prime leisure district of Singapore, ONE°15 Marina Sentosa Cove features a beautiful marina of 270 berths with facilities to accommodate mega yachts of up to 200 feet. The well-appointed clubhouse encompasses world-class facilities including restaurants and bars, suite rooms, a members' lounge, conference and meeting rooms and leisure facilities. Evoking the glamour and elegance of Monte Carlo, ONE°15 Marina Sentosa Cove is Asia's most desired waterfront leisure destination.

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About SB20 Asian Grand Slam & Asia Pacific Championships

The annual regatta, now in its 5th year, will be organised by ONE°15 Marina Club with the support of the SB20 Class Association and sanctioned by Singapore Sailing Federation (SSF). This year, SSF shall run the races over the five days from 5 - 9 February, while ONE°15 Marina shall host the participants from across the Asia Pacific region and beyond at its premises at the exclusive Sentosa Cove. The race course will be off of Singapore's East Coast which typically boasts warm water, sunshine and 16 to 20 knot winds during the regatta time of year.





