

HISTRIA PHILA Alpe Adria 2026

Special Regulations ~ IREX

1. Name, Place and Date

HISTRIA PHILA Alpe Adria 2026 is a philatelic exhibition of the Alpe-Adria Philately Group. The exhibition will take place in Poreč - Parenzo, Istria, Croatia from 9th to 12th April 2026 at the 'ŽATIKA' Sports Centre ([Vukovarska ul. 3, 52440, Poreč, Croatia](https://www.vukovarska-3-porec.com)).

HISTRIA PHILA Alpe Adria 2026 is a Rang I international competitive exhibition open to participation by all members of the Alpe-Adria Philately Group and special guest participation of the Portuguese Philatelic Federation.

HISTRIA PHILA Alpe Adria 2026 is organized by the Croatian Philatelic Federation (Hrvatski savez filatelista) and the Philatelic Numismatic Society "Poreč" (Filatelističko numizmatičko društvo Poreč) with the support of the city of Poreč-Parenzo and the County of Istria.

2. Regulations

HISTRIA PHILA Alpe Adria 2026 will be governed by the following regulations:

- FIP General Regulations for the Evaluation of Competitive Exhibits at FIP Exhibitions (GREV)
- FIP Special Regulations for the Evaluation of Competitive Exhibits at FIP Exhibitions (SREVs)
- Provisional Regulations for the Picture Postcards Class confirmed by FEPA Congresses
- Alpe-Adria Philately Group Regulations for Philatelic Exhibitions
- Special regulations (IREX) for the HISTRIA PHILA Alpe Adria 2026.

3. Exhibition Classes

- A - Non-Competitive Class (by special invitation only)

- B - Competitive Classes

B1 Traditional Philately

B2 Postal History

B3 Postal Stationery

B4 Thematic Philately

B5 Open Philately

B6 Aero Philately

B7 Maximaphily

B8 Revenues

B9 Youth Class (by age as of 1st January 2026)

- B9a Collectors aged up to 15 years
- B9b Collectors aged 16 to 18 years
- B9c Collectors aged 19 to 21 years

B10 Modern Philately

B11 Picture Postcards

B12 Philatelic Literature (in printed format only)

All exhibits must be entered specifying its correct competitive class. The Organizing Committee retains the right to reassign incorrectly or ambiguously described entries. No exhibit may be entered in more than one class. The Organizing Committee has the right to reject any exhibit in whole or in part without specifying the reason. One frame exhibits will be placed and assessed within their respective class.

4. Exhibiting

Participation in the exhibition is open to all members of philatelic societies included in the national federations of the members of the Alpe-Adria Philately Group and the Portuguese Philatelic Federation. Each exhibitor in competitive classes B1-B11 can participate with a maximum of two (2) exhibits in different classes provided that his/her exhibit(s) have been previously awarded a minimum of 70 points at national level. Exhibits not shown previously must be accompanied by written statement of the National Commissioner confirming their proper quality. Exhibits which have previously been awarded Large Gold medal or have achieved Gold medal award on three different FIP or FEPA ranked exhibitions cannot be shown in competitive classes. Each exhibit entered in competition must be the property of the exhibitor and will be included in the exhibition catalogue under his/her name. The exhibitor may exhibit using a pseudonym providing that his/her name and identity is known to the National Commissioner and to the Organizing Committee.

There are no restrictions regarding the number of entries or previous exhibition results in the literature class (B12)

5. Entry Forms and Acceptance

Exhibitors shall submit their Entry Forms, which must be accompanied by an introductory page, and if possible, by a Synopsis, through National Commissioners of their country appointed by their National Federations. Entry Forms must reach the Commissioner General no later than 30th November 2025. Notification of acceptance and the number of frames allocated shall be sent via National Commissioners to each exhibitor by 31st December 2025 at the latest.

6. Participation Fee

The participation fee in competitive classes shall be € 30.00 per frame. The participation fee for Youth class and invited exhibits is waived. The entry fee for the literature class shall be € 30.00 per each entry.

7. Frame Allocation

The frames at the HISTRIA PHILA Alpe Adria 2026 exhibition are 100 x 120 cm in size. Each frame can accommodate 16 A4 sheets (4 sheets in 4 rows) or an adjusted amount of specially formatted sheets (A3 / 31.0 x 29.7 cm), but the latter only in horizontal orientation. The Commissioner from every participating country has at his/her disposal 50 such frames. If a country will not be present at the exhibition or cannot use all the allocated frames, those frames will be put at disposal of other exhibitors. The National Commissioners shall allot to their exhibitors the following frames:

1. Exhibit classes **B1** to **B8, B10** and **B11** 1-8 frames (16 to 128 A4 pages)
 - Regular exhibits according to Alpe-Adria Philately Group rules
4-8 frames (48-128 A4 pages)
 - One-frame and extended one-frame according to FEPA guidelines.
1-3 frames (16-48 A4 pages)

2. Class B9 **2-5 frames** (32 to 80 A4 pages).

The Organizing Committee has the right to make exceptions to this allocation. The exhibition will include a total of up to 400 frames.

8. Exhibit Presentation

All exhibits must be mounted on white or lightly coloured sheets no higher than 30 cm and their arrangement must correspond to the 100 cm width of the frame. The sheets must be numbered and protected in transparent covers. The thickness of the material in class B5 (Open Philately) must not exceed 5 mm. Exhibits must be in the language of the members of the Alpe-Adria Philately Group or in one of the official FIP languages. Two copies of philatelic literature exhibits should be submitted and will not be returned.

9. Delivery and Return of Exhibits

The National Commissioner is obliged to deliver the exhibits no later than 8th April 2026, by 14:00 hours. The National Commissioner is obliged to be present during the mounting and dismounting of the exhibits after the exhibition closes.

Literature exhibits must be delivered to the Commissioner General no later than 10th March 2026.

10. Safety and Security

The Organizing Committee will take all reasonable precautions to handle the exhibits with care and ensure their safety during the exhibition. However, the Organizing Committee recommends all exhibitors to privately insure their exhibits.

11. Awards and Prizes

The evaluation of the exhibits will be carried out by a Jury appointed by the Organizers and the Alpe-Adria Philately Group, in accordance with the applicable Exhibition Regulations.

- Large Gold medal for exhibits with 90 to 100 points
- Gold medal for exhibits with 85 to 89 points
- Large Vermeil medal for exhibits with 80 to 84 points
- Vermeil medal for exhibits with 75 to 79 points
- Large Silver medal for exhibits with 70 to 74 points
- Silver medal for exhibits with 65 to 69 points
- Silver Bronze medal for exhibits with 60 to 64 points
- Bronze medal for exhibits with 51 to 59 points
- Diploma for participation for exhibits with or less than 50 points.

The **Alpe Adria Grand Prix** will be awarded to the exhibit which best reflects the spirit and work of the Alpe-Adria Philatelic Group.

At its discretion the Jury may award special prizes and commendations to the exhibits. Decisions of the Jury are final. Results of the evaluation will be presented at the Palmares ceremony and published in the Palmares brochure.

12. Regulation Changes

The Organizing Committee of HISTRIA PHILA Alpe Adria 2026 has the right to change special rules (IREX). National Commissioners and exhibitors will be informed immediately of any possible changes.

13. Obligations and Rights of Exhibitors

By signing the application, the exhibitor accepts all the Rules listed in Art. 2, and the Organizer is responsible for the interpretation of these Rules. Each exhibitor is entitled to receive a medal, one copy of the Exhibition catalogue and Palmares brochure.

14. Liability

No responsibility, whether as the result of negligence or otherwise, is accepted by the organizers of HISTRIA PHILA Alpe Adria 2026 by the Croatian Philatelic Federation, its President and Board members, nor by the Organizing Committee, its employees, volunteers and paid assistants, nor by the Commissioner General or members of the Jury, for any loss or injury suffered by exhibitors as a result of entering this competition. Exhibition Rules have been translated into several languages. In case of dispute, the Croatian text shall prevail.

15. Addresses:

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