


Explanations and arguments relating to the comparative table of annual costs of an EAP meeting (S/M, L, XL)

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- The first cost of €150 is the entry fee, which is a one-time payment, for new members.
- Regarding travel expenses for athletes from other EAP member delegations, the amount indicates the upper limit beyond which you the EAP meeting organiser (**MO**) can refuse to go. Athletes who fall within the framework of the agreements must meet the internal entry standards, i.e., 880 points for men and 860 points for women (*). It is possible that due to the calendar or the disciplines offered, the number of EAP delegations and their athletes may be lower and, in this case, the predefined amount at their disposal (which must be available up to one month before the event) may not be fully used. In this case, the MO can decide to use it as he sees fit. It may also be the case, on the contrary, that the meeting attracts more EAP delegations and their athletes than the budget initially allows. In this case, depending on the MO ability to increase it or his interest in having additional EAP athletes, the MO can obviously take them on, or offer them other arrangements (participation with or without travel reimbursement and/or accommodation). In other words, beyond the budget, MO are allowed to refuse them or offer them a different agreement. The same applies to late participation requests (less than one month before the meeting).
- Depending on the type of meeting, there is also a corresponding level of accommodation, because the higher the venue, the more capacity, services, and amenities are needed that a small hotel cannot provide. However, a small/medium-sized meeting generally does not require many rooms because the number of athletes (international and EAP) requiring them remains limited. However, a minimum level of comfort is obviously required so that the athletes can perform at their best on the track.
- It can be said empirically that the cost of accommodation is generally slightly lower than the travel budget, but it obviously depends on the price of the room and meals, which can vary significantly from one country and city to another.
- The cost of attending the Annual Convention (which is mandatory) depends on the cost of travel from one destination to another (the Convention venue is different each year), the price of the hotel plus the Convention fees, and the number of delegates attending (1, 2, or even 3). The price given in the table is therefore a reasonable average regularly observed over the past 15 years.
- EAP records (€400) must be budgeted, but the likelihood of them being broken obviously depends on the athletes the MO engages (<https://eap-circuit.eu/scores-ranks/eap-records/>) and, depending on the case, it's fairly predictable in advance.
- There is an obligation to offer prizes for meeting records, depending on the "L" or "XL" meetings. For "S/M" meetings, this is not required. The prize amount remains at the organisers' discretion. If the meeting records are easy to beat, it's better to keep the price "low" to avoid putting the MO in financial difficulty.

- The estimated amount is indicated to give an idea of how much the EAP costs. Please redo the calculations based on the information given (what are MO's hotel costs, how many delegates are attending the Convention, how many EAP records MO thinks would be broken at his meeting, what prize he decides to set for each meeting record broken, etc.). Consider that **this amount should be seen as an investment in perspective of the number of the member's athletes who will be able to participate (by being invited!) in other EAP meetings during the year, including Challenger and Bronze meetings level.** The experience gained abroad, the possibility of having meetings already early in the season in the warmth of the South (...), international competitions, quality meetings, values and principles (-> EAP's CSR) are for the EAP the key to success in the career of each athlete. The EAP offers unique opportunities, as places for overseas meetings are increasingly difficult to obtain, while thanks to the EAP, these athletes have the privilege of being invited. This is essentially the angle from which the cost of the EAP must be considered, and not as simple insertion into a calendar.
- The total amount indicated under “*estimated minimum overall budget for a meeting*” varies greatly from one meeting to another because policies and subsidies vary from one country to another, from one city to another. However, it's safe to say, without much risk of error, that these amounts correspond to the minimum for organising an international meeting (including EAP costs).



CONCEPT

All EAP events are international and offer the same quality standard. Our CIRCLES show their POLE OF ATTRACTIVENESS.

In other words:
where do MOST - 80 to 90% or more of the ATHLETES COME FROM.
Attractiveness shows the meeting's key role in the development and promotion in a defined area.

Small / Medium pole
1-70% of the athletes come within an area of 200 to 400km

Large pole
1-40% of the athletes come within an area of 400 to 1000km

Extra-Large pole
1-20% of the athletes come within an area of 1000 to 1,500 km or more

COSTS AS PER ATTRACTIVENESS POLES

| | S/M SMALL / MEDIUM | L LARGE | XL EXTRA-LARGE |
|--|--|--|--|
| Registration fee New members (only once) | 150€ | 150€ | 150€ |
| Membership Fix, annual | 300€ | 300€ | 300€ |
| Travel budget for EAP delegations ⁽¹⁾ Fix, annual | 1,500€ <small>min. 880 pts for men, 860 pts for women</small> | 2,200€ <small>min. 880 pts for men, 860 pts for women</small> | 3,000€ <small>min. 880 pts for men, 860 pts for women</small> |
| Accommodation of EAP delegations ⁽²⁾ Estimate | 700-1,300€ <small>** or adequate and comfortable accommodation</small> | 1,200-2,000€ <small>*** (or equivalent comfort)</small> | 2,500-3,000€ <small>**** (or equivalent comfort)</small> |
| EAP Delegates Travel to Convention Estimate | ~150€/pax <small>1 to 2 delegate(s)</small> | ~150€/pax <small>1 to 2 delegate(s)</small> | ~150€/pax <small>1 to 2 delegate(s)</small> |
| Costs of the EAP delegation to the convention Estimate (2 nights full board + conference room fees) | 220€ to 270€/pax <small>average costs in double or single room respectively</small> | 220€ to 270€/pax <small>average costs in double or single room respectively</small> | 220€ to 270€/pax <small>average costs in double or single room respectively</small> |
| Prize for a new EAP absolute record in the event of achieving a new absolute EAP record | 400€ <small>by each new absolute EAP record</small> | 400€ <small>by each new absolute EAP record</small> | 400€ <small>by each new absolute EAP record</small> |
| Prize for new Meeting record Estimate for 4 new Meeting records (MR). The choice of amount is decided by the organiser | not required | 400€ <small>4 MR at 100€ ?</small> | 600€ <small>4 MR at 150€ ?</small> |
| Rough EAP costs estimate | ~ 4,200€ | ~ 6,000€ | ~ 8,000€ |
| Estimated minimum overall budget for a meeting ⁽³⁾ (including EAP costs) | 9,000€ | 20,000€ | 45,000€ |

(1) The amount depends on the number of delegations and athletes participating in the EAP, but does not exceed the predefined S/M, L, or XL budget (unless otherwise agreed between the parties). Not to mention the shuttles.
 (2) The amount depends on the number of delegations and athletes participating in the EAP as well as accommodation costs. It is purely indicative and depends on the hotel chosen by the organiser.
 (3) This amount has no real value, as it depends on several factors that can vary considerably from one meeting to another, such as the cost of booking the stadium, communication costs, live broadcasting, the purchase of prizes or medals, the number of international athletes (excluding EAP) participating, printing of bibs, anti-doping controls, prize-money (WACT), equipment and supplies for volunteers, and of course the support of the city, the region, the federation, partners and sponsors. But below this minimum overall budget, it seems illusory to organise an international EAP meeting.