



**To the affiliated Federations
of the European Cycling Union**

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European Cup for Sprinters

Ladies and Gentlemen

The UEC wishes to increase the media and spectator interest in Sprinting and to offer more opportunities for riders to develop in international competition. We therefore propose to introduce a European Cup for Sprinters in 2009. This series will initially be based on existing events but there may be opportunities for other track events to be included in the series.

The series will include 6-8 events during the period April – October 2009 and offer an overall classification for the series with points for the top 12 riders in each event. We do not ask that organisers alter the format for their Grand Prix Sprint event provided the first 12 riders are placed and that there are riders from at least 4 European countries who start in the event. Organisers may invite any riders they wish and offer contracts if they wish. The prizes awarded for each event are for the organiser to decide.

The UEC is pleased, therefore, to invite Federations or organisers to nominate events to be included in this series. In order to provide an overall classification the participation subvention for organisers will be Euro 1'000.--. The UEC will also contribute a similar sum to give an overall prize fund of Euro 12-16'000.-- for the final classification.

We have already approached the organisers of established Sprint Grand Prix events. Please let us know if you wish other events to be included in the European Cup for Sprinters in 2009. It would be helpful if you could confirm any interest by 30 June 2008 so that we can finalise plans for the competition before the European Track Championships in Poland 3 – 7 September.

Yours sincerely

EUROPEAN CYCLING UNION

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Please note that we have written directly to the organisers of the following events:

GP of Moscow, GP de Saint Denis, Fenioux France Trophy, 15. Sprinter Meeting, 17. GP. von Deutschland, Grand Prix of Tula, SWE Grand Prix, Memorial of Alexander Lesnikov