



## 2009 European Canoe Slalom Championships Holme Pierrepont, Nottingham, Great Britain 28<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2009

### Official Partners



### Canoe 2012

#### Background

Paddlesport is “more than just medals” - the Canoe England Paddlesport Participation Programme is committed to maximising an increase in Paddlesports-participation at local and community levels. The unique opportunity that has been provided by London winning the Olympic and Paralympics Games represents a fantastic opportunity to develop participation in paddlesport in the build up to, during and following the Games.

#### Aim

Canoe 2012 is a Canoe England initiative designed to develop and widen the pathway into the Olympic disciplines of Paddlesport. Canoe 2012 is an initiative that will be reaching out to club/centres and paddlers from across the community. The initiative will focus on women & girls, canoe classes, crew boats and paddlers with a disability.

#### Objectives

- Raise the profile of the Olympic disciplines of paddlesport across the wider paddling community
- Establish a series of regional flat water events in across England
- Pilot a county based flat water events programme
- Establish entry level local/regional slalom based events in all English regions
- Develop the Paddler/Volunteer pathway
- Attract and develop more slalom and flatwater coaches, volunteers & officials
- Seek funding for entry level flatwater and slalom equipment
- Develop and strengthen relationships with key partners

#### How do we get involved?

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