

## 6 questions to Rebecca Landshut (Hockey):



1.) Which sport will you compete in at the European Maccabi Games 2015 in Berlin?

I will compete in the women's field hockey tournament.

2.) How often have you participated at the EMGs?

I participated twice at the Maccabiah in Israel (2009 and 2013) and once at the EMG in Vienna 2011.

3.) Which significance do the Games have for you, especially taking place in Germany for the first time?

The Maccabi Games have always been special. On the one hand, it is just sports. But on the other hand, we are all aware of our history and with that our responsibility. The EMG2015 in Berlin are a unique possibility to show people from all over the world what has happened in Germany since the Second World War, namely that Jewish life and culture exist here. In addition, it is very important to bring Jews from all countries to the place where the history of our religion was so shaken.

4.) What do you expect of the Games? (What are you looking forward to mostly?)

I'm looking forward to the hockey team and of course to play in front of our home audience. Also, the organization committee is doing a great job and we will be able to enjoy well organized games as well as many surprises.

5.) How strong is the competition among the female hockey players? Does your team have a chance to win a gold medal?

The hockey competition is tough. The Netherlands and the USA have especially strong teams. For us, it will depend on if we can acquire some more top athletes for our team. But of course we will try to win a medal – gold would be a dream!

6.) What makes the European Maccabi Games 2015 in Berlin so special?

Jews were excluded from the Olympic Games for the first time in 1936 in Berlin. To let the EMG2015 take place in the Olympic Park is the best Message that we can spread. And apart from the history and religion, I love this city.



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