



First I would like to warmly welcome all handlers and their dogs participating at the International Sheltie Agility Championship 2019 in Switzerland. I'm looking forward meeting interesting people, watching great dogs – a weekend of interesting and competitive agility lies ahead.

I wish everybody a wonderful time, having fun with their best friends - may all your dreams come true!

Now let me introduce myself. I am 50 years old, born in the Swiss capital of Berne. During the last years, I have had the chance to judge in more than 30 foreign countries in Europe, South America and the Far East. Highlights were judging the FCI Agility World Championships, the FCI Junior European Open, the FMBB, National Championships in eight different countries and many other great competitions around the world. It's my second ISAC, so I'm sound proof and prepared ...

I believe that courses should allow the dogs to show their precision and athleticism at a high speed. The courses should consist of sequences that can be handled in different ways and styles, so that the dog is able to move through the entire course smoothly, agilely and with great speed. As a judge, I feel I am not only motivated but also obligated to present courses that are attractive to the spectators, interesting and challenging for the handlers and above all fun, enjoyable and safe for the dogs.

My second passion besides judging is running agility with my dogs. Since 2011 I have been five times member of the Swiss Agility EO team with my border collie Orio and in 2015 with my mudi Nomade. This year I will go to the EO with my border collie Zao. Orio became Swiss Border Collie Champion in 2015. In 2016 I became member of the Swiss AWC medium team 2016 together with my sheltie friend Inuk. Now my

black devil Shuriken gets ready to start a new chapter in my agility life. Louder than ever!