



**LIEBHERR 2007**  
World Table Tennis Championships  
Zagreb, Croatia - May 21st - 27th



PROSPECTUS FOR THE

**LIEBHERR**

2007 WORLD TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

21<sup>ST</sup> TO 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2007, ZAGREB, CROATIA



## **1 AUTHORITY**

The LIEBHERR 2007 World Table Tennis Championships will be organized by the Croatian Table Tennis Association under the auspices and authority of the International Table Tennis Federation.

## **2 DATE AND PLACE**

The Championships will be held from 21 to 27 May 2007 at the Zagreb Sports Hall, Zagreb, Croatia.

## **3 EVENTS**

The following Championship events will be played:

- Event 1: Men's Singles, for the St. Bride Vase  
(Holder: *WANG Liqin, China*)
- Event 2: Women's Singles, for the G. Geist Prize  
(Holder: *ZHANG Yining, China*)
- Event 3: Men's Doubles, for the Iran Cup  
(Holders: *KONG Ling Hui/WANG Hao, China*)
- Event 4: Women's Doubles, for the W. J. Pope Trophy  
(Holders: *WANG Nan/ZHANG Yining, China*)
- Event 5: Mixed Doubles, for the Heydusek Prize  
(Holders: *WANG Liqin/GUO Yue, China*)

## **4 SCHEDULE**

The hall will be open for practice from 19 May at 09:00 h.

21 May	Opening Ceremony
21 May -22 May	Qualification stage Competition Proper
23 May - 24 May	Competition Proper
25 May	Competition Proper Mixed Doubles Finals
26 May	Competition Proper Men's Doubles Final Women's Singles Final
27 May	Competition Proper Women's Doubles Final Men's Singles Final

(Information subject to change if necessary)

## **5 RULES**

The Championships will be conducted in accordance with the current Laws of Table Tennis, the Regulations for International Competitions and the Special Regulations for World Championships, as modified or complemented by the enclosed information sheet.

## **6 EQUIPMENT**

The following equipment from Tibhar and Gerflor will be used:

- Tables: Tibhar Smash 28 SC and Tibhar Showcourt tables.  
32 tables on the first two days (and 18 tables from day 3 including two TV courts) will be used in the main playing hall. 9 tables will be used in the 2<sup>nd</sup> competition hall and 24 tables in the practice hall.

Nets and post: Tibhar Smash  
Ball: Tibhar \*\*\* white  
Flooring: Gerflor (Framboise color)

## **7 ELIGIBILITY**

The Championships will be open to players nominated by Associations whose membership subscriptions have been paid up to and including those for 2007 (see Regulation 4.1.3).

## **8 FEES**

The entry fees will be as follows:

Events 1 and 2: Euro €20 for each player  
Events 3, 4 and 5: Euro €40 for each pair

## **9 SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES**

**All entry forms must be duly filled and submitted to the ITTF before the deadline dates.**

ITTF  
Chemin de la Roche, 11  
1020 Renens/Lausanne  
Switzerland  
Tel: + 41 21 340 7090  
Fax: + 41 21 340 7099  
e-mail: [bhabiba@ittf.com](mailto:bhabiba@ittf.com)

### **Preliminary entries**

The intention to enter players will be notified to the **ITTF** in the preliminary notification form. The closing date for the receipt of this form is **21 January 2007**.

### **Entries**

Entries must be submitted on the prescribed entry forms. One copy of the List of Official Party, Entry of Players, Nomination of Delegates and Summary of Entries, Entries must be sent to the **ITTF** not later than **21 March 2007**.

**Please note that in agreement with the Zagreb Organising Committee (ZOC), on a trial basis only for these Championships, the preliminary and final entries must be submitted ONLY to the ITTF.**

Modifications to accepted entries (entries received by the deadline) must be made according to item 4.1.6 of the ITTF Handbook using the appropriate form for that purpose (Modifications to Entry Form).

In singles, an Association may enter 5 men and 5 women, with 1 additional entry in the appropriate event for each place held by its player in the first 10 places in the 1<sup>st</sup> issue of the ITTF ranking list (the list after the Pro Tour Finals) in 2007.

In doubles, an Association may nominate pairs with different players NOT entered in the corresponding singles. However, the number of players entered in doubles must not exceed the number of players entered in the corresponding singles.

In mixed doubles the number of pairs entered must not exceed the number of players nominated in the singles event with the lower number of players entered.

However, no Association may enter more than 7 players in each singles event. The host Association may exceed the number of entries determined in this way by up to 2 in each event, up to a total of 7 entries in men's and women's singles.

#### **On-line entry forms on ITTF web-site**

Entries could also be done on-line instead of the regular process. Starting 1<sup>st</sup> December 2006 until 21 March 2007 all Associations can submit their entries on-line, on the ITTF web-site, through the following URL address:

[www.ittf.com/players/entries\\_online.asp](http://www.ittf.com/players/entries_online.asp)

Each Association will receive an Association code and password to access the on-line entry system.

An acknowledgment of the receipt of entry forms will be sent by e-mail or airmail. If this confirmation has not been received within 21 days after the submission of entry forms, the ITTF should be notified by phone, fax or e-mail.

#### **10 COPY OF PASSPORT AND PHOTOGRAPHS**

Copy of passport and two photographs, 4cm x 3cm (vertical and horizontal), of each person named on the "List of Official Party" must be sent directly to the Organizing Committee to facilitate the issue of Accreditation Cards. The relevant person's name should be written on the back of each photograph. Associations could send the photographs of each person on the "List of Official Party" also by e-mail to [wttc2007@zgsport.hr](mailto:wttc2007@zgsport.hr)

The **Zagreb Organizing Committee** address is:

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LIEBHERR 2007 World Table Tennis Championships  
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10 000 Zagreb  
Croatia

Tel: + 385 1 3650592  
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Email: [wttc2007@zgsport.hr](mailto:wttc2007@zgsport.hr)  
Web site: [www.hsts.hr](http://www.hsts.hr)

In order to avoid delays at the Accreditation Center, Associations providing all the required information and payment in advance will have direct transport to their hotel and receive their accreditations at the hotel.

#### **11 OBLIGATIONS**

The entry forms will contain a statement that players nominated are willing to compete against any other participating player. This statement must be signed by a responsible official of the nominating Association and no entry form will be accepted unless such an undertaking has been given.

In individual events, players will be accepted as individual competitors and will be required to try their utmost to win the events for which they are entered, irrespective of whether other players from the same Association are taking part. A player may withdraw from an individual event for which he or she has been accepted only for reasons of injury or illness.

## **12 TELEVISION, MOTION PICTURE AND INTERNET COVERAGE CONDITIONS**

By entering the Championships, participants agree to abide by all ITTF rules and by the rules and regulations of the Organizing Committee. All entered associations, pairs and individual players agree to be under the auspices of the ITTF and its agents in all matters concerning television coverage, video, internet web casting, motion picture coverage, and photographic coverage of any kind. Participants release all rights, or rights held by their agents or sponsors, in all matters relating to television and web casting coverage, video and motion picture coverage, and photographic coverage of any kind; and hence accept such coverage during the World Championships. A participant's refusal of above listed coverage may be subject to suspension or dismissal from the competition. Any participant, when called upon, must appear promptly to press conferences or medal presentations and follow the procedures set by the ITTF and the Organizing Committee.

## **13 DRAW**

The draw will be made, under the supervision of the ITTF Technical Committee, in Zagreb at 11:00 h. on 19 May 2007.

## **14 JURY MEETING**

The Jury will meet with Organizing Committee's representatives, Referees and Team Managers in Zagreb at 19:00 h. on 20 May 2007 and on subsequent occasions during the Championship, if required.

## **15 UMPIRES**

All matches will be controlled by qualified umpires, in accordance with the Directives approved as shown on page 91 to 95 of the 2006-2007 ITTF Handbook.

## **16 AWARDS**

The winning players in the various events will be entitled to hold the appropriate trophies until 31 December 2008.

In addition to the Championship trophies the winner of each singles and doubles event will receive a gold medal, the losing finalist will receive a silver medal and the losing semi-finalists will receive bronze medals.

All players taking part will receive a certificate of participation.

## **17 MEETINGS**

A General Meeting of members will be held on 23 May 2007. Each Association, whose membership subscriptions have been paid up to and including those for 2007, is entitled to be represented by two delegates at the Meeting. The ITTF recommends that at least one delegate should be a woman.

The ITTF Board of Directors will meet on 25 May 2007.

Details in writing of business and propositions to be dealt with at the AGM and Board of Directors must reach the ITTF Secretariat not later than 23 February 2007.

## 18 HOSPITALITY

Free accommodation and meals will be provided from lunch on 20 May to breakfast on 28 May 2007 for

- not more than three (3) men and three (3) women players nominated by an Association;
- 1 delegate to the General Meeting from each Association if he/she is not already included in the nominated players listed above;
- ITTF Officers, members of the Board of Directors, the Olympics Commission and full members of Committees;
- Personal Honorary Members;
- President's Advisory Council;
- up to four (4) members of the Doping Control Panel appointed by the Sports Science Committee;
- up to four (4) racket control officials appointed by the ITTF Equipment Committee;
- up to three (3) members of the Calendar Working Group;
- up to eight (8) members of the Athletes' Commission;
- International Umpires and Referees from other Associations invited in accordance with directives issued by the ITTF;
- up to three (3) members of the ITTF staff and the ITTF Museum Curator.

## 19 ACCOMPANYING VISITORS

Players and officials who are listed on Associations' official entry forms but who are not entitled to free hospitality can be accommodated with the others and on the same basis, including meals, transport and admission, at a charge of Euro 110 per person per day in a twin/double room or Euro 135 per person per day in a single room, in four star hotels. The stay in five star hotels will be charged Euro 135 per person per day in a twin double room or Euro 160 per person per day in a single room. The same rates apply for days not covered by free hospitality. Full hospitality organized by the ZOC could be arranged from 19 May (starting with lunch) at the earliest and at the latest until 29 May (finishing with breakfast).

## 20 PAYMENT

Associations are requested to pay their entry fees, extra hospitality costs and hospitality costs for those persons not entitled to free accommodation and meals, when submitting their entry forms. Payment should be made in Euro currency by direct Bank Transfer **before 21 March 2007** to:

Account Holder: Croatian Table Tennis Association  
Bank address: Zagrebacka Banka d.d.  
Zagreb, Savska 60  
Bank account no: 2500-70313-3472302  
SWIFT: ZABA HR 2X  
IBAN: HR 5123600001101391578

All associations that do not pay their invoices through bank transfer, must go to the Accreditation Center to pay and obtain their accreditations.

## 21 ARRIVAL TIMES

Participating delegations **must** inform the Organizing Committee of their arrival date and time three days prior to their arrival and no later than 23:59 h. (local time) on 15 May 2007 Delegations not providing travel details before 23:59 h. (local time) on 18 May 2007 will not have players (pairs) concerned included in the draw.