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## Tennis Europe Leadership Meeting in Geneva

The first edition of the Tennis Europe Leadership Meeting was held at the Starling Hotel in Geneva, Switzerland, from 5-7 December.

Over 80 delegates from 33 countries attended the event, formerly known as the Top Executives' Meeting, which is intended to provide a platform for debate and the sharing of best practices amongst key figures from the European federation's 50 member nations.

The event was held in collaboration with the International Sports Convention, which saw 18 sports conferences and seminars brought together under one roof at the neighbouring Palexpo Exhibition Centre. Delegates from the Leadership Meeting were granted free access to the Convention and could take advantage of the opportunity to meet, network with and learn from experts from all areas of the sports industry.

Tennis Europe President Jacques Dupré opened the conference alongside Swiss Tennis President René Stambach before ceding the floor to International Tennis Federation President David Haggerty and Senior Executive Director, Professional Tennis, Kris Dent. The pair led the assembly through a morning of presentations and interactive workshops focusing on current plans and projects including 'ITF 2024', the player pathway, and proposed changes to the sport's flagship team competitions, the Davis and Fed Cup by BNP Paribas.

The afternoon program saw a series of more commercially focused presentations and break-out groups on topics ranging from regional cooperation between neighbouring federations, the future of sponsorship, legacies of Davis Cup success, participation and the health of tennis.

Tennis Europe Chief Executive Officer Olli Mäenpää commented, "Our annual meeting for executives is a high point of our conference calendar and we believe that this year we have been able to put together an exceptionally attractive program for our delegates, which was reflected in the high attendance. I'd like to thank all our speakers and delegates for their enthusiastic contributions, and would especially like to express our gratitude to Nigel Fletcher of the International Sports Convention for giving us the unique opportunity to benefit from the wealth of knowledge and networking potential on offer at the ISC. I am sure that many great opportunities will arise for our member nations as a result."



Photos: (top) The delegates together, (centre) International Tennis Federation President David Haggerty presents his vision for the future of the organisation (bottom) Delegates participate in working groups.

## Tennis Europe & La Manga Club Extend Partnership

Tennis Europe and La Manga Club have announced a two-year renewal of their longstanding partnership arrangement.

Under the terms of the agreement, the award-winning resort in Murcia, south-east Spain will continue to be recognised as an 'Official Resort Partner' of the European Tennis Federation until 2018 and will enjoy a range of benefits aimed at creating new business opportunities at the resort, directly servicing it with key groups such as tennis clubs, tournament organisers, and Tennis Europe's 50 European constituent national tennis federations.

Tennis Europe will continue to arrange international events and conferences at La Manga Club. Current plans include the September 2017 staging of the Tennis Europe Junior Tour and Pro Tennis Conference at the resort.

Olli Mäenpää, Chief Executive Officer of Tennis Europe, said: "La Manga Club is a long-standing and valued partner of Tennis Europe and has been a key location for many of our important events in recent years. We are delighted to be able to continue this fruitful relationship and look forward to continuing to showcase the world-class facilities of La Manga Club in the future."

A former host of Spanish Davis and Fed Cup ties, La Manga Club has been the location of the flagship European Senior Club Championship event for the last four years. Several of Tennis Europe's member nations have gone on to establish training bases at La Manga Club since the two organisations began their cooperation in 2009.



Jose Asenjo, General Manager of La Manga Club, says: "The resort has a rich tennis heritage having hosted some of the world's leading players and tournaments, and we're certain that this partnership will add to the prospects of making this resort the best tennis destination of Spain and of all of Europe."

The Tennis Centre at La Manga Club contains an exceptional tennis academy, which is only a small part of all that is on offer at La Manga Club, which includes the High Performance Centre (HPC), a Spa of 2,000 m<sup>2</sup> and a fitness centre, in addition to a five-star hotel, four star apartments, 3 18-hole golf courses, 8 football pitches and more than 20 bars and restaurants.

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## Tennis Europe Coaches Conference in Antwerp

The weekend of 20-23 October saw almost 150 delegates from 39 countries attend the 2016 Tennis Europe Coaches Conference powered by Polar in Antwerp, where the event was hosted by Tennis Vlaanderen.

This 33rd edition of the conference was built around the theme of transitioning high performance junior players into successful professionals and featured contributions from many of the leading names in the worlds of coaching and sports science, as well as former top players. As always, the event took place over three days and was comprised of a mixture of on- and off-court sessions as well as interactive working groups and panel discussions.

The conference was opened on Thursday 20th October by Tennis Europe CEO Olli Mäenpää and Tennis Vlaanderen Technical Director Ivo van Aken. The first day went on to focus on development pathways for transitioning players, while Day 2 looked at tactical and technical considerations. Saturday's final day focused on the themes of mental training and conditioning needed to reach the professional level. The full programme can be consulted [here](#).

Amongst the key speakers were former world #4 Magdalena Maleeva, who shared some of her formative experiences as a player and advised the coaches of the importance of assisting players with life skills beyond technical and tactical training. Former ATP pro Christian Ruud was joined by Oivind Sorvald as he explained the differences between today's tour and the days when he was an active player, and illustrated how modern scientific tools were assisting his son Caspar in his attempt to transition from being the world #1 junior to professional tennis.

Delegates were also treated to an evening at the inaugural edition of the ATP World Tour's 250-series event in Antwerp, a welcome reception at the city's town hall, a complementary visit to enjoy the facilities of the David Lloyd Leisure Club and an official dinner at De Ark Restaurant.

ITF/Tennis Europe Development Office Hrvoje Zmajic summed up the meeting, saying, "This has been the best attended coaches' conferences in the long history of the event, which serves to highlight how impor-



tant the overall topic of transitioning players is across our wide spectrum of member nations. On behalf of Tennis Europe, I'd like to thank all the speakers for their contributions; we had a very full programme but it was one that kept the delegates enthralled until the very end. Finally, I'd like to thank Tennis Vlaanderen for the first-class organisation of the event and the warm hospitality that we all received."



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## Tennis Europe Junior Tour Players of the Year, powered by Polar

The winners of the 2016 'Tennis Europe Junior Tour Players of the Year – powered by Polar' titles have been revealed. The award is presented to the four players that top the boys' and girls' 14 and 16 & Under rankings at the end of the season, plus a series of winners selected for their achievements on the Tour throughout the year.

For the first time ever, in 2016, four #1s became six, as three girls tied for the year-end 14 & Under top spot. Accordingly, Ziva Falkner of Slovenia, Viktoriya Kanapatskaya of Belarus and Avelina Sayfedinova of Russia will all receive the award. The three players each competed at the Tennis Europe Junior Masters in October, and between them reached a total of 30 singles and doubles finals during the season.

Falkner told us, "It feels so good to be a Player of the Year, because you know that after a long and hard work everything has paid off. All the training, all the sacrifices, and eventually I made it here!"

The boys' 14 & Under award goes to Dalibor Svrčina. The Czech compiled a 42-5 win/loss record on the Tour in 2016, winning three singles titles including the biggest of all – the European Junior Championships. Already ranked in the 16 & Under Top 5 as well as 14 & Under #1, his progress looks sure to remain unabated in the new season.

Junior Masters champion Lukas Krainer of Austria claims the boys 16 & Under award, capping a season in which he won five Tour titles and lost just 4 of 35 matches, including two retirements.

He described his victory at the season-ending Masters, where he held on to win a tense second set tie break to clinch the title as his favourite moment of the season, "I knew how much I wanted to win it and I knew that everyone was watching me, my par-



Photos: (top) Dalibor Svrčina (centre, left to right) Ziva Falkner, Viktoriya Kanapatskaya and Avelina Sayfedinova, (bottom) Lukas Krainer.

ents, my friends, either on-site or online over internet stream. When my opponent hit the ball to the

### 2016 TENNIS EUROPE JUNIOR TOUR AWARDS

Category	Winner
TEJT Player of the Year (14 & Under Boys)	Dalibor Svrčina (CZE)
TEJT Player of the Year (14 & Under Girls)	Ziva Falkner (SLO)
	Viktoriya Kanapatskaya (BLR)
	Avelina Sayfedinova (RUS)
TEJT Player of the Year (16 & Under Boys)	Lukas Krainer (AUT)
TEJT Player of the Year (16 & Under Girls)	Daniella Medvedeva (RUS)
TEJT Doubles Team of the Year	Gjorgji Jankulovski & Vedra Radonjanin (MKD)
Overseas Players of the Year	Qinwen Zheng (CHN) and Santiago de la Fuente (ARG)
National Team of the Year	Ukraine: 14 & Under Girls



## Tennis Europe Junior Tour Players of the Year, powered by Polar

net, I knew I'd won and that was the greatest feeling."

The girls' 16 & Under title goes to Russia's Daniella Medvedeva, who won two Category 1 (plus one Category 2) singles and doubles titles and topped the rankings despite having played fewer events than any other member of the year-end Top 10. Her highlight of the year was "definitely winning the two Spanish tournaments. I have been trying to win Sanchez-Casal for the past 5 years and this year I made it. It is a special feeling after you achieve something you wanted to achieve for a very long time. The other tournament was Guillermo Vilas and this was the last tournament in 2016 I intended to play so I really wished to finish the year with a win."

### Overseas Players of the Year

This title goes to the players from non-European nations that have made the biggest splash on the Tour throughout the year. China's Qinwen Zheng, who finished the season ranked #8 is a worthy recipient of the girls' title, having racked up four Category 1 titles across two age groups. Santiago de la Fuente of Argentina wins the boys' award, having established a 17-0 unbeaten record, winning both singles and doubles titles at Category 1 tournaments in Velp and Paris.

### Doubles Team of the Year

The award for best doubles partnership goes to Gjorgji Jankulovski & Vedran Radonjanin of FYR Macedonia. The pair won a total of five titles in 2016 – more than any other team – across two age groups.

### National Team of the Year

Two teams were in the running for this award, with both Italy's boys and Ukraine's girls' 14 & Under teams going unbeaten in Tennis Europe's team competitions throughout the season, winning both the Winter Cups by HEAD and Summer Cups events. By virtue of a superior win/loss record (34/3, compared to 28/7), the award goes to Ukraine, whose team of Marta Kostyuk, Diana Snigur and Dasha Lopatetskaya went unchanged throughout both competitions, and also went on to win the ITF World Junior Tennis event.

Each of the Players of the Year will receive a computer training watch from Polar in the near future, as well as a diploma from Tennis Europe to commemorate their achievements.



Photos: (from top), Daniella Medvedeva, Vedran Radonjanin & Gjorgji Jankulovski, Qinwen Zheng, Santiago de la Fuente, Team Ukraine

## Tennis Europe Junior Tour Brand Hub brings new promotional tools to tournament organisers

Tennis Europe has launched a range of innovative new tools to assist tournament organisers in the promotion of Tennis Europe Junior Tour events.

Working together with leading international design agency Designroom Sport, the European federation has created a series of easy-to-use, customisable resources, which it hopes will increase brand awareness of the Tennis Europe Junior Tour, whilst strengthening the connections between events, sponsors and stakeholders.

Tournament organisers will be able choose from a selection of player images and layouts, add logos from partners and sponsors and add event details. The range of assets includes templates for posters, magazine/brochure articles, social media posts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram), leaflets/flyers and e-mail footers.

Access to the Tennis Europe Junior Tour Brand Hub has been given to all tournament directors, and the tool is provided free-of-charge.

Having celebrated the 25th anniversary of the Junior Tour last year, Tennis Europe continues to invest in its

growth and development, in this instance using funds from the organisation's reserves to finance the project. In 2016, the Tour consisted of a record 374 events, and has seen around 13,000 players in action. A total of 32 world #1 players played in Tennis Europe events as part of their pathway to the top of the game.

Launching the tool, Tennis Europe Chief Executive Officer Olli Mäenpää said, "We know that the promotion of junior tournaments is something that can be very expensive and time consuming – two resources that event organisers do not always have. In creating these easy-to-manage tools for events that are part of the Tennis Europe Junior Tour, we hope to assist with the provision of high quality, professional content for organisers, while simultaneously increasing the brand identity and servicing the partners and sponsors without whom these tournaments would often not be possible."

On the next page you can see the first of the posters to be used, promoting the Category 1 Nike Junior International event in Bolton in January.







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## Tennis Europe Winter Cups by HEAD 2017 Preview

As is tradition, Europe's top juniors are due to enjoy an early taste of team competition over the coming few weeks, as the 2017 Tennis Europe Winter Cups by HEAD swing into action.

A total of 179 national teams are due to take part in the competition, which is held across all three age categories of the Tennis Europe Junior Tour (12, 14 and 16 & Under). In each category, teams compete in qualifying groups of up to 8 teams, from which the winner and runner-up proceed to the final rounds a fortnight later.

The competition is staggered, and begins with 12 & under qualifying during the weekend of 27-29 January. The 14 and 16 & Under qualifying takes place the next weekend, the final rounds of the respective events being held over the two successive weekends.

Last year's 12 & Under event saw the Czech Republic sweep both the boys' and girls' titles. The 14 & Under crowns went to Italy (boys) and Ukraine (girls). Both teams also went on to win the Summer Cups titles later in the season. Russia defended the girls' 16 & Under title and added the boys' for good



The Czech 12 & Under boys' team celebrates victory in 2016

measure to secure a rare sweep of 16 & Under titles. The 12 & Under qualifying groups can be found below. Confirmation of the other categories, plus fact sheets and further information will be posted at the Tennis Europe website in the near future.

The Tennis Europe Winter Cups were first played in 1977, with former and current world #1s such as Justine Henin, Kim Clijsters, Rafael Nadal and Andy Murray amongst the former champions.

### Tennis Europe Winter Cups by HEAD Boys 12&U - Qualifying (27-29 Jan)

<b>Zone A</b>	<b>Leibnitz (AUT)</b>	Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Netherlands, Slovenia, Switzerland
<b>Zone B</b>	<b>Hradek nad Nisou (CZE)</b>	Cyprus, Czech Republic, France, Hungary, Portugal, Slovakia, Turkey
<b>Zone C</b>	<b>Tallinn (EST)</b>	Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Great Britain, Latvia, Poland, Russia
<b>Zone D</b>	<b>Kiev (UKR)</b>	Belarus, Georgia, Italy, Romania, Serbia, Ukraine
<b>Finals</b>	<b>Veska (CZE)</b>	10-12 February

### Tennis Europe Winter Cups by HEAD Girls 12&U - Qualifying (27-29 Jan)

<b>Zone A</b>	<b>Neudorf (AUT)</b>	Austria, Croatia, Great Britain, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Switzerland
<b>Zone B</b>	<b>Rakovnik (CZE)</b>	Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, France, Hungary, Slovakia
<b>Zone C</b>	<b>Tallinn (EST)</b>	Belarus, Estonia, Finland, Italy, Latvia, Poland, Russia
<b>Zone D</b>	<b>Istanbul (TUR)</b>	Bulgaria, Georgia, Netherlands, Serbia, Turkey, Ukraine
<b>Finals</b>	<b>Sunderland (GBR)</b>	10-12 February

## La Manga Club stages Grade 1 Senior event

La Manga Club's winter sporting calendar is well and truly in full swing after a record number of players headed to the top Spanish resort to compete in the prestigious La Manga Club Seniors' Tennis Open.

Held from November 27 to December 2, the 14th edition of the prestigious Grade One ITF clay-court tournament attracted around 500 of the continent's top club players, representing countries from all over Europe including the UK, France, Italy, Germany, Norway, Spain, Holland and Switzerland.

Players competed at the resort's 28-court centre in a number of singles, doubles and mixed doubles competitions, ranging from over-35 to over-75 categories for men and over-35 to over-65 age groups for ladies, with an array of luxury tennis and leisure breaks and tennis equipment on offer to the winners.

Lorenzo Martinez, director of tennis at La Manga Club, said: "It was fantastic to see so many of the best club players in Europe taking part and the tournament gets bigger and bigger each year.

"Raising the competition to a grade-one status puts La Manga Club among a very select group of world-wide tennis venues, and it's a great privilege for the resort to stage one of the leading events on the ITF calendar."

Following hot on the heels of the tennis, comes the 16th Murcia Golf Open, and the resort is anticipating an outstanding field for the event, which is being



Prize giving ceremony at the La Manga Seniors Open

played over 54 holes on La Manga Club's award-winning South and North courses.

Additionally this winter, more than 50 teams are booked in for football warm-weather training breaks, including the likes of leading European sides Shakhtar Donetsk, Anderlecht, Dinamo Zagreb and Heerenveen, as well as the England women's senior team.

The official overseas training base of the Lawn Tennis Association, La Manga Club's other extensive facilities include three 18-hole golf courses, a High Performance Sports Centre and 2,000m<sup>2</sup> spa and fitness complex. There is also a five-star hotel, four-star serviced apartments and townhouses and more than 20 bars and restaurants.

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## The CoachEd interview: Christian Ruud

We had some time to talk with Christian Ruud at the Tennis Europe Coaches' Conference in Antwerp this October. Christian gave us some insight into his time as a Top 40 player on the ATP Tour, his work with the Norwegian Tennis Federation and life as a father to an aspiring and promising tennis player. Son Casper had a successful Tennis Europe Junior Tour career during which he won a total of seven singles and doubles titles, and a silver medal at the European 14 & Under Championships. He is now transitioning successfully to the professional ranks, which provided some excellent data and source material for the conference.

### Could you tell us about your role within the Norwegian tennis federation?

I'm actually now more like a freelancer. I was working as the Sports Director but that was about 6 years ago. Now I'm working closely with Oivind Sorvald the current Sports Director. I'm also part of the TenFour Academy which the Federation started about 4 years ago and I'm a coach there. I'm now the Head Coach for the girls' group which is more privately driven now where I get help from Oivind. I also get help from Oivind regarding Casper. We have a close relationship and work on these things weekly.

### During your presentation you mentioned that you felt you lacked "weapons" such as a big serve or huge forehand. Do you feel players today have better tools to develop these weapons?

Yes, definitely they have more tools; the science is better and they know how to do the fitness training. Like I said I did fitness training but it was primitive compared to today and also we used the Swedish style of the time to get everything back and didn't focus so much on technique. The technique for today's game needs to be there to generate power and hit winners and I was very clear on that with my son when he started to play the game and get results that he needs to have a game for today's tennis.

### Touching on the above, do you think it is easier or harder for players today to break through?

I would say it is harder because there are more players, more quality players, I think a 500 ranked standard player today is more like 200 when I was playing. There are many more players to pass before you can get into the Top 100 and start competing with the best. It's getting tougher every year



Christian Ruud speaking at the Coaches Conference in Antwerp

so you need to have the technique, physique all the tools already basically. Back in my day you had Sampras who was good at many things but you could say his backhand wasn't so strong and let's say Bruguera did not play so well on fast surfaces. You see now the players play well on all the surfaces and have the shots they need – defensive and offensive – the players are now more complete than they were back in the 90s.

### Could you tell us more about your role as a parent in Casper's development? There are perhaps not so many children of former tennis players who make it on the tour.

Yes, I feel that for many of the superstars of before it was a big, big struggle to get to the top and they don't want to put that pressure on their kids. It was never my plan, we started to play with a football and a tennis ball at a very young age and it just kind of developed and developed and he enjoyed his game. With my experience I just wanted to try and help him as much as possible but still be a father and step aside a little bit. I'm now kind of the head of the team but he has a Spanish coach Pedro and Oivind is also helping so I think he is in good hands and can still develop and go further in his tennis career.

### Great, what would then be the immediate short term goals for Casper?

We have surpassed the goals already this year, the goal was to be top 500 and he is like 250 now. I know there are a lot of good players out there and hopefully he can stay now on the challenger level and take the next level as soon as possible. Let's hope he can further develop and then make top 100 in two or three years and that would be a very good achievement. Although, you never know in this game there are small margins and you have to keep trying to do the right things and see where it ends up.

## The CoachEd interview: Christian Ruud

**Can you tell us more about his team in terms of the mental side, fitness, technique, etc.?**

He has always been competitive. Back during my playing days if you needed a psychological coach there was something wrong with your game but he has always been a competitive guy, liking to be on the big stage and everything matches. The mental side is to get people to tell you that you can reach really high and there is no limit to what you can become. I think that is the biggest thing for him that he has a belief. I was in Norway which is a skiing nation and never really believed I could make Top 10.

The team for Caspar is working well together with Oivind from the technical side, Pedro is a former player himself and has always coached juniors so he knows the ATP pathway a little bit, there are fitness coaches in Norway and Spain and of course you need a manager for the financial side of things. There are a lot of things that have to be right but everything is being handled for him so he has the best chance to succeed.

**You mentioned the pathway slightly but how difficult is it to judge the pace of how Casper should develop?**

He has surprised me that he has already reached so far as he has. The main reason is the fitness part as he has developed a strong fitness coming up to 18 years old soon so that has enabled him to compete well on the challenger tour where players are good and strong with endurance. We just try to improve - if it takes two, five or ten years to make the top 100 I don't know - we just try to do the right things along the way.

**There is perhaps not so much competition in smaller tennis nations so you have gone to Spain, how did that come about?**

It was a bit of a coincidence actually. We needed a coach who could travel because I felt I should step a bit to the side and not be on at Caspar 24/7 the whole year. We had some connections and met

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Casper Ruud with his European 14 & Under Championship silver medal in 2012

Pedro and I thought he was a good coach and we should try that out. Since Pedro has a wife and family too when they are not at tournaments they can train at his home. Then I try to have Caspar home in Norway as often as possible as the social side, with family and friends, is important. So far it has been going well.

**How far do you think Casper can go?**

It is impossible to say. I hope he reaches far but I know how tough this game is and we can be happy how far he has come so far but need to keep working every day to do the right things and then who knows. He has big goals for himself and is motivated so we hope he can reach far.



## Beyond the Baseline...

The 2016 ITF World Champions have been named as Andy Murray and Angelique Kerber, after both players ended the seasons as world #1s for the first time. Jamie Murray & Bruno Soares and Caroline Garcia & Kristina Mladenovic were named as Doubles World Champions. The junior awards went to Miomir Kecmanovic and Anastasia Potapova, while Gordon Reid and Jiske Griffioen claimed the wheelchair tennis titles.

Roger Federer was awarded the ATP World Tour's Stefan Edberg Sportsmanship Award for the 12th time, despite having played only 28 matches in 2016, and also received the Fans' Favourite Award for a 14th consecutive year. Taylor Fritz won the Star of Tomorrow Award, while Most Improved Player went to Lucas Pouille. Stan Wawrinka's coach Magnus Norman won the inaugural Coach of the Year prize.

The venues for the Fed Cup by BNP Paribas World Group first round matches, due to be played from 11-12 February, have been confirmed: Czech Republic hosts Spain at the Ostrava Arena in Ostrava; Germany travels to the Royal Lahaina Resort in Maui, Hawaii, USA; Belarus hosts Netherlands at the Chizhovka-Arena in Minsk and Switzerland hosts France at Geneva's Palexpo.

Former Top 10 player Kathy Rinaldi has taken over from Mary Joe Fernandez as US Fed Cup captain. Yannick Noah has taken over the French role from Amelie Mauresmo, while Anne Keothavong has replaced Judy Murray as the British captain. Ilie Nastase will take over as Romania's coach for the team competition.

Lots of coaching changes to report as the players gear up for the new season: Karolina Mladenovic has ended her partnership with Georges Goven. Petra Kvitova has hired Jiri Vanek, former coach of compatriot Karolina Pliskova. Pliskova has begun working with Kvitova's former long-term advisor, David Kotyza. Elina Svitolina has a new team consisting of Gabriel Urpi and Thierry Ascione plus hitting partner Andrew Bettles. Jo Konta will henceforth be working with Wim Fissette. Milos Raonic is rumoured to be lining up an agreement with former Wimbledon champion Richard Krajicek. Rafael Nadal has added Raonic's former coach and fellow Mallorca resident Carlos Moya to his team. Moya will also contribute to

Nadal's Academy in Manacor. Franco Davin is the new coach of Fabio Fognini. Novak Djokovic will no longer be working with Boris Becker, though the rest of his staff remains unchanged.

**Broadcasting:** the BBC has retained the rights to the ATP World Finals until at least 2018, and has extended the rights to maintain the Wimbledon Championships on free-to-air TV until 2024. Swiss public broadcaster SRG SSR will emit the new WTA event in Biel/Bienne for a four year period from the first edition next April

**Sponsorship:** The ATP World Tour has renewed its deal with Tecnifibre until 2020. Lacoste will remain a partner of the ATP World Finals until 2018. Ice-cream manufacturer Häagen-Dazs has added the Australian Open to its Grand Slam portfolio, meaning that it is now served at three of the four major championships.

Prize money at next month's **Australian Open** will top the \$50 million mark for the first time.

2015 US Open champion Flavia Pennetta and partner Fabio Fognini have announced that they are expecting their first child, as are Viktor Troicki and his new wife Aleksandra Djordjevic. Former world #1 Victoria Azarenka has this week given birth to her first child, while Justine Henin is also reported to be expecting her second child.

The Fiera Stadium in Milan will be the location of the brand new **Next Gen ATP Finals** from 7-11 November 2017. The event will gather best seven 21 & Under players in the rankings, plus one wild card and will see a round-robin format. A total in \$1.25 million in prize money will be offered.

Next November will see the inaugural **WTA Legends Cruise** set sail from Florida. Fans can spend five days in the company of former world #1s Chris Evert, Lindsay Davenport, Jennifer Capriati and Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario, as well as current pros Lucie Safarova, Bethanie Mattek-Sands and Shelby Rogers.

**FOXTENN** has become the second electronic line calling system to be approved by the International Tennis Federation for use at tennis events.

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## Tennis Europe Junior Tour Rankings – Overall

Tennis Europe's junior ranking system is devised to give a unified overall list that shows the relative strengths of all players, regardless of where they achieved their results or picked up points.

A player's overall total includes points from Tennis Europe Junior Tour 16 and 14 & Under events, plus points earned by players in these age categories who participate in ITF Junior Circuit and professional tournaments, all of which are weighted according to their relative strengths.

The 14 & Under ranking is still available separately (see next page), as well as being integrated to these overall rankings.

For more information on the rankings system, check out the Tennis Europe Junior Tour Rules and Regulations at [www.TennisEurope.org](http://www.TennisEurope.org). The 'Race to the Masters' rankings are also available separately, and include points earned exclusively at Tennis Europe Junior Tour events. Rankings below are as of December 20th 2016.

### Overall Girls' Ranking

Rank		Name	Nat.	Points
01	▲	<b>Anastasia POTAPOVA</b>	RUS	3333
02	▼	<b>Olesya PERVUSHINA</b>	RUS	2892
03	▲	<b>Kaja JUVAN</b>	SLO	2253
04	▼	<b>Amanda ANISIMOVA</b>	USA	2090
05	▼	<b>Iga SWIATEK</b>	POL	2079
06	▲	<b>Olga DANILOVIC</b>	SRB	1979
07	▼	<b>Dayana YASTREMSKA</b>	UKR	1903
08	▲	<b>Claire LIU</b>	USA	1647
09	NEW	<b>Denisa HINDOVA</b>	CZE	1635
10	NEW	<b>Varvara GRACHEVA</b>	RUS	1568



Denisa Hindova (CZE). Photo: tennisfoto.net

### Overall Boys' Ranking

Rank		Name	Nat.	Points
01	▶	<b>Felix AUGER ALIASSIME</b>	CAN	2164
02	▶	<b>Nicola KUHN</b>	ESP	1630
03	▲	<b>Yshai OLIEL</b>	ISR	1313
04	▼	<b>Lukas KRAINER</b>	AUT	1300
05	▲	<b>Dalibor SVRCINA</b>	CZE	1298
06	▲	<b>Rudolf MOLLEKER</b>	GER	1223
07	▼	<b>Yannik STEINEGGER</b>	SUI	1093
08	▶	<b>Marko MILADINOVIC</b>	SRB	1090
09	NEW	<b>Naoki TAJIMA</b>	JPN	1083
10	▼	<b>Daniel KHIN</b>	HUN	1010



Yshai Oliel (ISR)





## Tennis Europe Junior Tour Rankings – 14 & Under

There are relatively few changes at the top of the Tennis Europe Junior Tour rankings this month, as players take advantage of this quietest part of the year. Some players have been in action though, and Nikita Kashirin has been particularly successful in recent weeks, winning back-to-back 16 & Under titles in his native Russia to enter the Top 10 for the first time. In total, Kashirin has won six singles titles in 2016, all of them in Russia and Belarus.

Kashirin's compatriot Maria Timofeeva is the only new entry to the girls' Top 10. A runner-up at the Junior Masters in October, Timofeeva has amassed six singles and five doubles titles across two age categories this season and looks set to rise higher in 2017.

Full ranking lists can be found at [www.TennisEurope.org](http://www.TennisEurope.org). Rankings below are as of December 20th 2016.

### 14 & Under Girls

Rank		Name	Nat.	Points
01	▶	<b>Daria FRAYMAN</b>	RUS	880
02	▶	<b>Denisa HINDOVA</b>	CZE	840
03	▶	<b>Helene PELLICANO</b>	MLT	800
04	▶	<b>Romana CISOVSKA</b>	SVK	790
05	▶	<b>Qinwen ZHENG</b>	CHN	780
06	▶	<b>Avelina SAYFETDINOVA</b>	RUS	770
07	▶	<b>Oksana SELEKHMETEVA</b>	RUS	765
08	▶	<b>Viktoriya KANAPATSKAYA</b>	BLR	720
09	▲	<b>Carol PLAKK</b>	EST	690
10	NEW	<b>Maria TIMOFEEVA</b>	RUS	675



Maria Timofeeva (RUS) Photo: tennisfoto.net

### 14 & Under Boys

Rank		Name	Nat.	Points
01	▶	<b>Dalibor SVRCINA</b>	CZE	940
02	▶	<b>Lorenzo MUSETTI</b>	ITA	710
03	▲	<b>Holger RUNE</b>	DEN	690
04	▼	<b>Lorenzo ROTTOLI</b>	ITA	668
05	▼	<b>Oleksiy SHESTAKOV</b>	UKR	630
06	▼	<b>Alexander MANDMA</b>	EST	620
07	▼	<b>Vitek HORAK</b>	CZE	615
08	▶	<b>Dawid TACZALA</b>	POL	600
09	▶	<b>Radu PAPOE</b>	ROU	590
10	NEW	<b>Nikita KASHIRIN</b>	RUS	585



Nikita Kashirin (RUS) Photo: tennisfoto.net



# Tennis Europe Junior Tour Results

## 12 & Under

Date	Tournament	Category / Winner	Runner-Up	Score	Doubles Winner
Oct 15	Santa Ponsa (ESP)	3 M W Donald (CZE)	S Keremedichev (BUL)	76 20	Brunner/Dietrich (SUI)
		A Falei (BLR)	J Bernhold (SWE)	62 76	Falei/Laskevich (BLR)
Oct 17	Chisinau (MDA)	3 K Zhzhenov (RUS)	M Cazac (MDA)	62 60	Cazac (MDA)/Zhzhenov (RUS)
		V Matasova (RUS)	O B Marinescu (ROU)	60 61	Agureeva/Matasova (RUS)
Oct 22	Gradignan (FRA)	3 P Lieutaud (FRA)	M Huang (SUI)	63 63	Dinev/Draganov (BUL)
		D Glushkova (BUL)	K Dimitrova (BUL)	26 62 40	Dimitrova/Glushkova (BUL)
Oct 22	Telde (ESP)	3 P Rodenas (ESP)	S Keremedichev (BUL)	46 63 62	Kulig (POL)/Merre (BEL)
		A Berankova (CZE)	G A Piqueras (ESP)	60 62	Berankova (CZE)/Okorokova (RUS)
Nov 12	Antalya (TUR)	3 D Draganov (BUL)	O Pieczkowski (POL)	Walkover	Demirtola/Korkmaz (TUR)
		O Uslu (TUR)	V I G Popa Teiusanu (ROM)	62 76	Bilgic/Ozcan (TUR)
Nov 19	Siroki Brijeg (BIH)	3 M Poljicak (CRO)	L Mikrut (CRO)	75 63	Mikrut/Sodan (CRO)
		F Idrizovic (SRB)	E Morozova (RUS)	75 60	Bubalo/Majetic (CRO)
Nov 26	Vilnius (LTU)	3 F Pieczonka (POL)	A Kukasian (RUS)	62 62	Butvilas (LTU)/Kukasian (RUS)
		A Zyryanova (RUS)	S Zeynalova (UKR)	62 60	Burylo (NOR)/Kubacha (POL)
Dec 3	Coimbra (POR)	3 H El Amine (MOR)	D Morais (POR)	62 75	Morais/Sousa (POR)
		N Berecochea (FRA)	L V Vocke (GER)	76 26 62	Guedes/Jorge (POR)

## 14 & Under

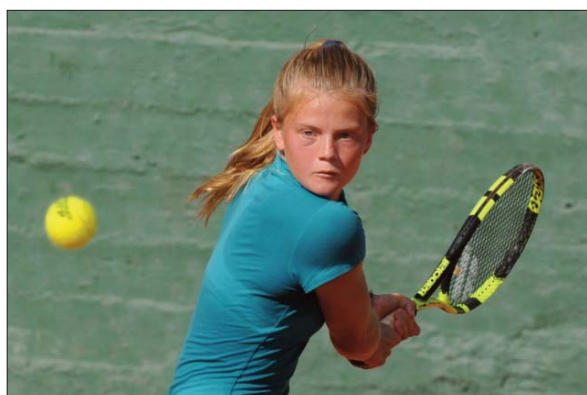
Date	Tournament	Category / Winner	Runner-Up	Score	Doubles Winner
Oct 15	Adazi (LAT)	3 E Philippov (RUS)	K Ozolins (LAT)	63 61	Biryukov (RUS)/Ozolins (LAT)
		A Budanova (RUS)	M Tolmacheva (RUS)	62 75	Budanova/Mikhailova (RUS)
Oct 22	Nicosia (CYP)	3 H Medjedovic (SRB)	S Popovic (SRB)	36 61 63	Korelov (RUS)/Zuckerman (ISR)
		A Tsyurpalevych (UKR)	A L Hinka (UKR)	62 63	Gagoshidze (GEO)/Zolotareva (RUS)
Oct 22	Telde (ESP)	3 P L Ruiz (ESP)	A T Alvarez (ESP)	61 64	Gonzalez/Ruiz (ESP)
		C Lerby (NED)	M B Bandera (ESP)	75 75	Adnane (MOR)/Umur (TUR)
Oct 29	Palmanova (ESP)	3 D Linkuns-Morozovs (LAT)	B Fitzpatrick (GBR)	Walkover	Genov (BUL)/Linkuns-Morozovs (LAT)
		C Lerby (NED)	D E Messiah (ESP)	61 63	Szabo/Janosi (HUN)
Nov 5	Limassol (CYP)	3 I Penev (BUL)	V Dimitrov (BUL)	64 64	Beketov/Minnaliev (RUS)
		A Zolotareva (RUS)	K Grebenik (UKR)	75 64	Korokozidi/Zolotareva (RUS)
Nov 12	Liverpool (GBR)	3 D Salvestre (FRA)	P Alam (GBR)	63 67 62	Bowden/Pierloni (GBR)
		L Hutchings (GBR)	F Brugnone (FRA)	63 63	Boyden (NED)/Underwood (GBR)
Nov 12	Farum (DEN)	3 M Minasyan (SWE)	P Kusiewicz (POL)	63 60	Schroeder/Weber (LUX)
		M Semenistaja (LAT)	N Gullacksen (DEN)	62 61	Semenistaja (LAT)/Vacic (DEN)



## Tennis Europe Junior Tour Results

### 14 & Under

Date	Tournament	Category / Winner	Runner-Up	Score	Doubles Winner
Nov 26	Nastola (FIN)	3 I Kudriashov (RUS)	J P Jones (GBR)	46 64 61	Kudriashov/Razvozov (RUS)
		D Semenistaja (LAT)	M Semenistaja (LAT)	Walkover	Semenistaja/Semenistaja (LAT)
Nov 26	Norrköping (SWE)	3 A Heinonen (SWE)	L Borg (SWE)	75 60	Minasyan/Temirharov (SWE)
		T Di Girolami (BEL)	P Wygonowska (POL)	64 63	Matjunina/Rutlauka (LAT)
Dec 3	Göteborg (SWE)	3 A Heinonen (SWE)	S Abboud (SWE)	67 64 75	Abboud/Heinonen (SWE)
		K Milicevic (SWE)	L Wikander (SWE)	75 62	Milicevic/Wikander (SWE)
Dec 3	Stavanger (NOR)	3 M Politowicz (POL)	O T S Lepsoe (NOR)	64 76	Politowicz (POL)/Short (GBR)
		A Leclercq (FRA)	M Mutavdzic (GBR)	62 64	Cirotte/Leclercq (FRA)
Dec 4	Milovice (CZE)	2 D P Popeanga (ROM)	E E Uulu (RUS)	75 63	Aleksandrov/Uulu (RUS)
		L Fruhvirtova (CZE)	A Granwehr (SUI)	76 61	Jaskova/Vargova (SVK)
Dec 10	Bergen (NOR)	3 T Samuel (GBR)	L Borg (SWE)	62 26 75	Krefting (NOR)/Poulsen (DEN)
		M Mutavdzic (GBR)	B Spee (NED)	26 64 62	Aucagne/Bassi (FRA)



Photos from November's Vilas Tennis Academy events in Mallorca. Clockwise from top right: Clarine Lerby (NED), Dominik Buzonics (HUN), Daniella Medvedeva (RUS), Pedro Vives Marcos (ESP). For more photos visit the Tennis Europe Junior Tour online [gallery](#).





## Tennis Europe Junior Tour Results

### 16 & Under

Date	Tournament	Category / Winner	Runner-Up	Score	Doubles Winner
Oct 22	Sanxenxo (ESP)	3 B Atlangeriev (RUS)	B Fitzpatrick (GBR)	64 64	Plans/Vinas (ESP)
		C M Bakhtina (ESP)	M F Font (ESP)	63 60	Mata/Maneiro (ESP)
Oct 29	Minsk (BLR)	3 D Zharyn (BLR)	E Novikov (RUS)	63 62	Kalinin/Zharyn (BLR)
		A Abramovich (BLR)	J Kolodynska (BLR)	Walkover	Abramovich/Khotko (BLR)
Oct 29	Nicosia (CYP)	3 D Liveras (CYP)	S Kyzas (CYP)	63 64	Avraam/Matic (CYP)
		A L Hinka (UKR)	M Bondarenko (RUS)	75 64	Bondarenko/Nikitina (RUS)
Nov 5	Ra'anana (ISR)	3 R Dobai (CAN)	B Emesz (AUT)	62 76	Dobai (CAN)/Zuckerman (ISR)
		A Vilcek (SRB)	N Tamir (ISR)	36 63 62	Sarig/Tamir (ISR)
Nov 5	Palmanova (ESP)	3 P V Marcos (ESP)	H V Nodskov Rune (DEN)	61 62	Juan/Marcos (ESP)
		D Medvedeva (RUS)	K Bilchev (GBR)	63 64	Bondarenko/Grigoreva (RUS)
Nov 12	Haifa (ISR)	3 E Vanshelboim (UKR)	N Solan (ISR)	62 61	Avtan/Cohen (ISR)
		V Pepelyaeva (RUS)	E Louka (CYP)	63 62	Louka (CYP)/Vilcek (SRB)
Nov 14	Almatyevsk (RUS)	3 N Kashirin (RUS)	E Kotselyuk (RUS)	62 63	Danich/Ianin (RUS)
		P Kudermetova (RUS)	V Petrovskaia (RUS)	46 76 64	Aleshina/Petrovskaia (RUS)
Nov 19	Ufa (RUS)	3 N Kashirin (RUS)	P Kapuskin (RUS)	62 62	Kachmazov/Kapuskin (RUS)
		A Chekanskaya (RUS)	K Aleshina (RUS)	75 61	Alloyarova/Feklistova (RUS)
Nov 26	Marsa (MLT)	3 E Vanshelboim (UKR)	S Kyzas (CYP)	62 64	Avraam/Kyzas (CYP)
		E Jacquemot (FRA)	A Shcherbinina (RUS)	63 62	Keita (ROM)/Vilcek (SRB)
Dec 3	Paola (MLT)	3 E Vanshelboim (UKR)	M Vasiliasukas (LTU)	26 62 76	Giuliani/Salvaderi (ITA)
		A Ristevska (MKD)	M Kallistrou (GRE)	26 61 60	Brugnone/Jacquemot (FRA)
Dec 10	Saint-Gregoire (FRA)	3 A Gobat (FRA)	C Rodesch (LUX)	61 76	Jacq/Moysan (FRA)
		E Honore (FRA)	A Stum (FRA)	76 61	Billon/Sanoner (FRA)

# ITF Pro Circuits (Europe) Results



## ITF Women's Circuit

Week	Venue	Cat.	Winner	Runner-Up	Score	Doubles
Oct 17	Bol (CRO)	\$10,000	G Pantuckova (CZE)	A Mijacka (CRO)	63 62	Boskovic (CRO)/Juvan (SLO)
Oct 17	Joue-Les-Tours (FRA)	\$50,000	M Zanevska (BEL)	E G Ruse (ROU)	63 63	Jorovic (SRB)/Kerkhove (NED)
Oct 17	Ismaning (GER)	\$10,000	A Zarytska (UKR)	T Sugnaux (SUI)	62 76(6)	Kimmelman/Kommler (GER)
Oct 17	Santa Margherita (ITA)	\$10,000	V Lukacs (HUN)	K Zavatska (UKR)	06 61 62	Bilardo/Pieri (ITA)
Oct 17	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	A Aksu (TUR)	A Bukta (HUN)	75 62	Bukta (HUN)/Enache (ROU)
Oct 24	Poitiers (FRA)	\$100,000	O Dodin (FRA)	L Davis (USA)	64 62	Hibino (JPN)/Rosolska (POL)
Oct 24	Loughborough (GBR)	\$10,000	E Lechemia (FRA)	P Krejsova (CZE)	75 61	Ivanova (USA)/Krejsova (CZE)
Oct 24	Heraklion (GRE)	\$10,000	V Savinykh (RUS)	G Taylor (GBR)	62 41	Kruijer/Lamens (NED)
Oct 24	Santa Margherita (ITA)	\$10,000	V Lukacs (HUN)	E Boeykens (BEL)	61 63	In-Albon (SUI)/Marchetti (ITA)
Oct 24	Stockholm (SWE)	\$10,000	I Swiatek (POL)	L I Andrei (ROU)	64 63	Andrei (ROU)/Klasen (GER)
Oct 24	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	A Bukta (HUN)	U Ayzatulina (RUS)	75 61	Morderger/Morderger (GER)
Oct 31	Sheffield (GBR)	\$10,000	P Krejsova (CZE)	L Brouleau (FRA)	64 63	Grey/Nicholls (GBR)
Oct 31	Heraklion (GRE)	\$10,000	I D Pietroui (ROU)	G Taylor (GBR)	63 26 62	Kruijer/Lamens (NED)
Oct 31	Santa Margherita (ITA)	\$10,000	V Lukacs (HUN)	Y In-Albon (SUI)	61 62	In-Albon (SUI)/Marchetti (ITA)
Oct 31	Oslo (NOR)	\$10,000	J Cabaj Awad (SWE)	A Carreras (GBR)	63 63	Ewijk/Van Der Hoek (NED)
Oct 31	Stockholm (SWE)	\$10,000	I Shinikova (BUL)	K Schmiedlova (SVK)	62 64	Lister (SWE)/Shoshyna (UKR)
Oct 31	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	A Aksu (TUR)	T Morderger (GER)	75 61	Aksu/Sezer (TUR)
Nov 7	Minsk (BLR)	\$25,000	A Frolova (RUS)	A Kalinskaya (RUS)	Walkover	Kalinskaya (RUS)/Shytouskaya (BLR)
Nov 7	Shrewsbury (GBR)	\$10,000	P Krejsova (CZE)	T Sugnaux (SUI)	61 75	Grey/Nicholls (GBR)
Nov 7	Heraklion (GRE)	\$10,000	R G Serban (ROU)	G Taylor (GBR)	64 75	Boev (BEL)/Ka (CAM)
Nov 7	Solarino (ITA)	\$10,000	D Spiteri (ITA)	A G Remondina (ITA)	61 62	Armitano/Lechemia (FRA)
Nov 7	Bratislava (SVK)	\$25,000	A Mitu (ROU)	D Allertova (CZE)	62 63	Rae/Smith (GBR)
Nov 7	Vinaros (ESP)	\$10,000	A Gamiz (VEN)	J Ponchet (FRA)	16 61 64	Korashvili (UKR)/Rosca (ROU)
Nov 7	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	T Morderger (GER)	D Kremer (GER)	62 62	Khodan/Koryttseva (UKR)
Nov 14	Helsinki (FIN)	\$10,000	K Barritza (DEN)	E Rybakina (RUS)	63 64	Andrei (ROU)/Barritza (DEN)
Nov 14	Heraklion (GRE)	\$10,000	R G Serban (ROU)	N Kruijer (NED)	36 40 Ret	Arcangioli (FRA)/Papamichail (GRE)
Nov 14	Solarino (ITA)	\$10,000	L Samsonova (ITA)	K Versteeg (NED)	36 60 61	Remondina/Spiteri (ITA)
Nov 14	Zawada (POL)	\$25,000	Q Lemoine (NED)	L Schaefer (GER)	36 64 75	Jegiolka (POL)/Marcinkevica (LAT)
Nov 14	Benicarlo (ESP)	\$10,000	J Ponchet (FRA)	A Carreras (GBR)	60 76(6)	Carreras (GBR)/Roemer (ECU)
Nov 14	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	O Danilovic (SRB)	V Juhaszova (SVK)	62 63	Cengiz (TUR)/Danilovic (SRB)
Nov 21	Heraklion (GRE)	\$10,000	M Paigina (RUS)	C Ferrando (ITA)	75 63	Ekshibarova (ISR)/Serban (ROU)
Nov 21	Solarino (ITA)	\$10,000	A Matteucci (ITA)	K Liebens (BEL)	63 76(1)	Bogdan (ROU)/Jegiolka (POL)
Nov 21	Valencia (ESP)	\$25,000 + H	J Paolini (ITA)	Q Lemoine (NED)	61 26 64	Gjorcheska (MKD)/Voskoboeva (KAZ)
Nov 21	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	A Bukta (HUN)	D Kremer (GER)	75 62	Evtimova (BUL)/Sezer (TUR)

## ITF Pro Circuits (Europe) Results



### ITF Women's Circuit

Week	Venue	Cat.	Winner	Runner-Up	Score	Doubles
Nov 28	Tel Aviv (ISR)	\$10,000	D Khazaniuk (ISR)	M Kolodziejova (CZE)	75 63	Ekshibarova (ISR)/Yashina (RUS)
Nov 28	Cordenons (ITA)	\$10,000	L I Andrei (ROU)	L Schaefer (GER)	64 62	Andrei (ROU)/Zarytska (UKR)
Nov 28	Castellon (ESP)	\$10,000	I Wallace (AUS)	A Gamiz (VEN)	62 61	Pigossi (BRA)/Ponchet (FRA)
Nov 28	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	A Bukta (HUN)	V Lukacs (HUN)	64 26 64	Bukta (HUN)/Shoshyna (UKR)
Dec 5	Tel Aviv (ISR)	\$10,000	M Paigina (RUS)	D Khazaniuk (ISR)	62 61	Ekshibarova (ISR)/Yashina (RUS)
Dec 5	Ortisei (ITA)	\$10,000	L I Andrei (ROU)	D Chiesa (ITA)	62 67(5) 64	Andrei (ROU)/Sekulic (GER)
Dec 5	Nules (ESP)	\$10,000	O Saez Larra (ESP)	O Korashvili (UKR)	62 46 62	Roemer (ECU)/Saez Larra (ESP)
Dec 5	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	T Morderger (GER)	D Evtimova (BUL)	75 61	Burgic Bucko (BIH)/Eikeri (NOR)
Dec 12	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	K Sluisar (UKR)	O Andrieieva (UKR)	62 64	Burgic Bucko (BIH)/Eikeri (NOR)



# ITF Pro Circuits (Europe) Results



## ITF Men's Circuit

Week	Venue	Cat.	Winner	Runner-Up	Score	Doubles
Oct 17	Rodez (FRA)	\$25,000	M Authom (BEL)	E Eremin (ITA)	63 63	Authom/Barbosa (BEL)
Oct 17	Bol (CRO)	\$10,000	J Pospisil (CZE)	R Bellotti (ITA)	63 Retired	Marsalek (GBR)/Panfil (POL)
Oct 17	Jablonec (CZE)	\$10,000	P Michnev (CZE)	N Lootsma (NED)	76(6) 75	Klein/Nema (SVK)
Oct 17	Ismaning (GER)	\$10,000	M Jaloviec (CZE)	T Simon (GER)	75 76(2)	Fabian(SVK)/Kapric(GER)
Oct 17	Santa Margherita (ITA)	\$10,000	M Netuschil (GER)	M Chazal (FRA)	64 64	Almaier/Netuschil (GER)
Oct 17	Oslo (NOR)	\$10,000	L Frigerio (ITA)	L Miedler (AUT)	46 63 63	Durasovic (NOR)/Miedler (AUT)
Oct 17	Melilla (ESP)	\$10,000	M Vilella Martinez (ESP)	R Ojeda Lara (ESP)	63 63	Boluda/Vega Hernandez (ESP)
Oct 17	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	A Smirnov (UKR)	T Griekspoor (NED)	57 64 62	Ursu/Uzhylovsky (UKR)
Oct 24	Opava (CZE)	\$10,000	J Mertl (CZE)	P Michnev (CZE)	64 63	Matuszewski/Panfil (POL)
Oct 24	Tartu (EST)	\$10,000	K Raisma (EST)	V Ivanov (EST)	64 63	Vasilenko (RUS)/Zhyrmon (BLR)
Oct 24	Bad Salzdetfurth (GER)	\$10,000	C Heyman (BEL)	A Kapas (POL)	36 64 62	Mies/Otte (GER)
Oct 24	Loughborough (GBR)	\$10,000	M Authom (BEL)	Y Maden (GER)	31 Retired	Clayton/O'Mara (GBR)
Oct 24	Heraklion (GRE)	\$10,000	G Gigounon (BEL)	D Kellovsky (CZE)	64 64	Andrzejczuk/Smolicki (POL)
Oct 24	Santa Margherita (ITA)	\$10,000	M Netuschil (GER)	W Trusendi (ITA)	76(6) 64	Ciurletti/Summaria (ITA)
Oct 24	Oslo (NOR)	\$10,000	L Miedler (AUT)	G Quinzi (ITA)	62 64	Grenier (FRA)/Zgombic (CRO)
Oct 24	Vall D'uxo (ESP)	\$10,000	I Gakhov (RUS)	C Taberner (ESP)	62 62	Gakhov (RUS)/Taberner (ESP)
Oct 24	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	T Griekspoor (NED)	D Kuzmanov (BUL)	64 64	Ursu/Uzhylovsky (UKR)
Oct 31	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	M Sieber (GER)	M Konecny (CZE)	61 75	Bobrov (RUS)/Popko (KAZ)
Oct 31	Tallinn (EST)	\$10,000	N Lootsma (NED)	M Deviatarov (UKR)	62 64	Lootsma/Van De Zandschulp (NED)
Oct 31	Leimen (GER)	\$10,000	Y Marti (SUI)	Y Reuter (BEL)	64 62	Charpentidis/Hurkacz (POL)
Oct 31	Sheffield (GBR)	\$10,000	M Authom (BEL)	F Nielsen (DEN)	75 61	Clayton/O'Mara (GBR)
Oct 31	Heraklion (GRE)	\$10,000	V Safranek (CZE)	A Muller (FRA)	75 64	Bodmer (SUI)/Sude (GER)
Oct 31	Santa Margherita (ITA)	\$10,000	S Travaglia (ITA)	S Caruso (ITA)	46 62 63	Basso/Moncagatto (ITA)
Oct 31	Oslo (NOR)	\$10,000	G Quinzi (ITA)	C Ruud (NOR)	64 62	Beran (CAN)/Horansky (SVK)
Nov 7	Parnu (EST)	\$10,000	B Van De Zandschulp (NED)	V Ivanov (EST)	62 64	Deviatarov (UKR)/Vasilenko (RUS)
Nov 7	Barnstaple (GBR)	\$10,000	N Pauffley (GBR)	F Nielsen (DEN)	64 64	Clayton/O'Mara (GBR)
Nov 7	Heraklion (GRE)	\$10,000	Gomez-Herrera (ESP)	D Cukierman (ISR)	62 62	Jarc/Kaplja (SLO)
Nov 7	Latina (ITA)	\$10,000	M Viola (ITA)	A Balazs (HUN)	06 75 62	Baldi/Fischetti (ITA)
Nov 7	Almeria (ESP)	\$10,000	Ortega-Olmedo (ESP)	J Munar (ESP)	60 76(4)	Barranco (ESP)/Branaccio (ITA)
Nov 7	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	D Popko (KAZ)	A Celikbilek (TUR)	62 75	Baluda/Pavlioutchenkov (RUS)
Nov 14	Helsinki (FIN)	\$25,000	J Jahn (GER)	D Mylokostov (UKR)	62 46 64	Jahn (GER)/Majchrowicz (POL)
Nov 14	Nicosia (CYP)	\$10,000	L Miedler (AUT)	D Poljak (CZE)	63 63	Ask (NOR)/Salman (BEL)
Nov 14	Heraklion (GRE)	\$10,000	V Safranek (CZE)	S Ofner (AUT)	46 63 75	Khabibulin (KAZ)/Sude (GER)
Nov 14	Almeria (ESP)	\$10,000	R Ojeda Lara (ESP)	J Monteiro (POR)	64 61	Pla Malfieto/Vilella Martinez (ESP)
Nov 14	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	D Popko (KAZ)	V Baluda (RUS)	Walkover	Altuna (TUR)/Pichler (AUT)

## ITF Pro Circuits (Europe) Results



### ITF Men's Circuit

Week	Venue	Cat.	Winner	Runner-Up	Score	Doubles
Nov 14	Limassol (CYP)	\$10,000	A Muller (FRA)	L Miedler (AUT)	62 62	Brunner/Miedler (AUT)
Nov 21	Milovice (CZE)	\$10,000	M Jaloviec (CZE)	V Van De Zandschulp (NED)	64 61	Papik/Vocel (CZE)
Nov 21	Heraklion (GRE)	\$10,000	S Ofner (AUT)	D Kellovsky (CZE)	76(4) 64	Hampel/Ofner (AUT)
Nov 21	Almeria (ESP)	\$10,000	R Ojeda Lara (ESP)	P Bothwell (IRL)	60 62	Vega Hernandez/Viella (ESP)
Nov 21	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	A Lazov (BUL)	A Virgili (ITA)	60 64	Altuna (TUR)/Virgili (ITA)
Nov 28	Larnaca (CYP)	\$10,000	M Neuchrist (AUT)	L Miedler (AUT)	76(3) 63	Miedler/Neuchrist (AUT)
Nov 28	Ricany (CZE)	\$10,000	P Michnev (CZE)	N Lootsma (NED)	76(2) 64	Kowalczyk/Panfil (POL)
Nov 28	Ramat Gan (ISR)	\$10,000	Y Mertens (BEL)	M Lescure (FRA)	63 62	Lamble (USA)/Verbeek (NED)
Nov 28	Almeria (ESP)	\$10,000	A Santillan (JPN)	R Ortega-Olmedo (ESP)	61 61	Bothwell (IRL)/Santillan (JPN)
Nov 28	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	F F Silva (POR)	L Frigerio (ITA)	62 63	Altuna/Ilkel (TUR)
Dec 5	Vestec (CZE)	\$10,000	N Lootsma (NED)	T Papik (CZE)	36 62 63	Papik/Vocel (CZE)
Dec 5	Ramat Gan (ISR)	\$10,000	D Guez (FRA)	A Muller (FRA)	57 75 63	Neuchrist/Pichler (AUT)
Dec 5	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	A Lazov (BUL)	B Gojo (CRO)	76(6) 75	Altuna (TUR)/Pavlioutchenkov (RUS)
Dec 12	Ramat Gan (ISR)	\$10,000	R Barbosa (BEL)	D Guez (FRA)	64 63	Pichler (AUT)/ Saraiva (POR)
Dec 12	Antalya (TUR)	\$10,000	T Garanganga (ZIM)	G Sakharov (FRA)	64 64	Grigoriu/Luncanu (ROU)

## European Tennis Rankings – Men & Women

### European Women

Rank		Name	Nat.	Points
01	▶	<b>Angelique KERBER</b>	GER	9080
02	▶	<b>Agnieszka RADWANSKA</b>	POL	5600
03	▶	<b>Simona HALEP</b>	ROU	5228
04	▲	<b>Dominika CIBULKOVA</b>	SVK	4875
05	▼	<b>Karolina PLISKOVA</b>	CZE	4600
06	▼	<b>Garbiñe MUGURUZA</b>	ESP	4236
07	▶	<b>Svetlana KUZNETSOVA</b>	RUS	4115
08	▶	<b>Johanna KONTA</b>	GBR	3640
09	▶	<b>Petra KVITOVA</b>	CZE	3485
10	▶	<b>Carla SUAREZ NAVARRO</b>	ESP	3070
11	▶	<b>Victoria AZARENKA</b>	BLR	3061
12	▶	<b>Elina SVITOLINA</b>	UKR	2895
13	▲	<b>Timea BACSINSZKY</b>	SUI	2347
14	NEW	<b>Elena VESNINA</b>	RUS	2252
15	▼	<b>Roberta VINCI</b>	ITA	2210
16	▼	<b>Caroline WOZNIAKI</b>	DEN	2185
17	▶	<b>Barbora STRYCOVA</b>	CZE	2170
18	▶	<b>Kiki BERTENS</b>	NED	1977
19	NEW	<b>Caroline GARCIA</b>	FRA	1765
20	▶	<b>Daria KASATKINA</b>	RUS	1630

### European Men

Rank		Name	Nat.	Points
01	▲	<b>Andy MURRAY</b>	GBR	12410
02	▼	<b>Novak DJOKOVIC</b>	SRB	11780
03	▶	<b>Stan WAWRINKA</b>	SUI	5315
04	▲	<b>Marin CILIC</b>	CRO	3650
05	▶	<b>Gael MONFILS</b>	FRA	3625
06	▲	<b>Dominic THIEM</b>	AUT	3415
07	▼	<b>Rafael NADAL</b>	ESP	3300
08	▼	<b>Tomas BERDYCH</b>	CZE	3060
09	▲	<b>David GOFFIN</b>	BEL	2750
10	▲	<b>Jo-Wilfred TSONGA</b>	FRA	2550
11	▶	<b>Roberto BAUTISTA AGUT</b>	ESP	2350
12	▲	<b>Lucas POUILLE</b>	FRA	2156
13	▼	<b>Roger FEDERER</b>	SUI	2130
14	▲	<b>Grigor DIMITROV</b>	BUL	2035
15	▲	<b>Richard GASQUET</b>	FRA	1885
16	▲	<b>Ivo KARLOVIC</b>	CRO	1795
17	▼	<b>David FERRER</b>	ESP	1785
18	▼	<b>Alexander ZVEREV</b>	GER	1655
19	▶	<b>Gilles SIMON</b>	FRA	1585
20	NEW	<b>Albert RAMOS VINOLAS</b>	ESP	1435



Andy Murray (GBR)



Caroline Garcia (FRA)



Albert Ramos Vinolas (ESP)



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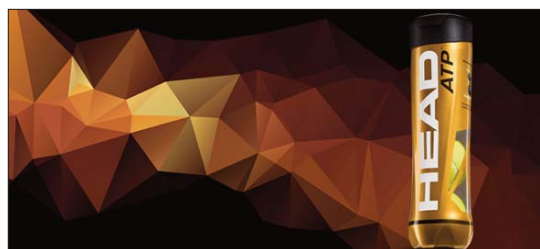
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