



Elite players end season in style at Tennis Europe Junior Masters



The Tennis Europe Junior Masters was held last weekend in Orbetello, Italy, and officially brought the Tennis Europe Junior Tour's 14 and 16 & Under circuits to a close for another year. The top eight European players in each age group qualified for the event, following in the footsteps of former participants such as Rafael Nadal and Kim Clijsters.

The 14 & under girls event provided much of the drama, with the ongoing battle for supremacy between European Junior Champion Petra Uberalova of the Slovak Republic and Russia's Yulia Putintseva the focus of the draw.

Their last meeting had been an epic 75 67 75 win for Uberalova in the semi finals of the European Championships in July, but the European #1 was brushed

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Top Executives' Meeting

Tennis Europe President Jacques Dupré (pictured) joined delegates from 25 of the organisations member nations in Vilnius, Lithuania last month for the annual Top Executives' Meeting. Full report on Page 3.



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aside on the clay courts of the CT Orbetello, as Putintseva took control early in the match and never looked back, recording a 63 63 win for her fifth Tour title of the year, and leaving her level with her rival on 830 ranking points as the season draws to a close.

Liam Broady of Great Britain was the surprise winner of the 14 & under boys' event, following up his Barcelona win three weeks ago with another confident display, despatching top seed and European Junior Champion Moos Sporken, Russia's Konstantin Gerlakh and Germany's Kevin Kaczynski in succession to win the event without the loss of a set.

The girl's 16 & Under event was won by European #1 Cristina Dinu, who was made to work hard for her victory by compatriot Ingrid Radu in the match of the tournament. Having played doubles together in earlier events this season, the pair knew each others' games well, as evidenced by the 62 46 75 score line. The win was Dinu's tour-leading sixth title of the year, and secures her #1 spot, whilst Radu will climb to a career-best #2.

The boy's event saw Hungary's Mate Zsiga come from a set down to outlast top seed Pavel Filin of Belarus 46 63 62. One of just two players to qualify for the Masters for a second consecutive year this year, Zsiga showed his battling qualities by winning all three of his matches in three sets to end the year on a high note with his fourth title of the season.



Above: the finalists in each category gather for the prize ceremony with Tennis Europe representative Ayda Uluç

Tennis Europe Junior Committee Chairperson Ayda Uluç commented, "As always, the Junior Masters has been a fitting climax to an excellent year on the Tennis Europe Junior Tour. I'd like to thank the organisers here in Orbetello for their hard work under some challenging weather conditions, and to congratulate the 32 players here who performed so excellently throughout the year in order to qualify, and are already forging rivalries which the tennis world will enjoy for many years to come."

For the first time this year, matches were available to view online alongside live scores, thanks to the official website of the host club. Full draws and photos from the event can be found at www.TennisEurope.org

FINAL STANDINGS

| | BOYS 14 | GIRLS 14 | BOYS 16 | GIRLS 16 |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | Liam BROADY (GBR) | Yulia PUTINTSEVA (RUS) | Mate ZSIGA (HUN) | Cristina DINU (ROU) |
| 2 | Kevin KACZYNSKI (GER) | Petra UBERALOVA (SVK) | Pavel FILIN (BLR) | Ingrid RADU (ROU) |
| 3 | Julien CAGNINA (BEL) | Patricia MARTINS (POR) | Dovydas SAKINIS (LTU) | D PAPAMICHAIL (GRE) |
| 4 | Konstantin GERLAKH (RUS) | Ganna POZNIKHIRENKO (UKR) | Vasile GHILEA (ROU) | Maria BIRYUKOVA (RUS) |
| 5 | Moos SPORKEN (NED) | Kateryna KOZLOVA (UKR) | Arturs KAZIJEVS (LAT) | Irini PAPAGEORGIOU (GRE) |
| 6 | Evgeni KARLOVSKI (RUS) | Yuliya LYSA (UKR) | Gianmarco MICOLANI (ITA) | Julia STAMATOVA (BUL) |
| 7 | Filip VEGER (CRO) | Elina SVITOLINA (UKR) | Adrian PARTL (SVK) | Silviya ZHELYAZKOVA (BUL) |
| 8 | Jannis KAHLKE (GER) | Aliaksandra SASNOVICH (BLR) | Mate PAVIC (CRO) | Anastasiya KYRYKOVA (RUS) |

Top Executives' Meeting in Vilnius

Delegates from 25 of Tennis Europe's member nations travelled to the Lithuanian capital Vilnius recently for the 32nd Top Executives' Meeting, which was held from 25th-26th September.

The first day of the meeting coincided with the opening of the new Vitas Gerulaitis Memorial Tennis Centre. With the construction funded by the Lithuanian government and the European Union alongside private investor Darius Mockus (Honorary President of the Lithuania Tennis Union), the Centre is set to provide a significant boost to Lithuanian tennis, with the national federation benefiting from an arrangement to use some of the courts as a National Training Centre, thanks to the financial support of the local authorities. In addition, the LTU will have a small office on site. Around 350 people joined the Top executives Meeting delegates for the opening of the Centre, including the country's former and current Prime Ministers.

The working section of the Meeting saw presentations from 12 internal and external speakers, with key sessions focusing on topics relating to commercial issues, member nations and competitions, and the traditional time spent on discussing and sharing best practices.

Following an update from within the organisation by Chief Executive Officer Olli Mäenpää, Tennis Europe's Head of Operations and Administration Magnus Grönvold gave an overview of plans to digitalise entry procedures for Tennis Europe events. The project, set to go live in 2010, is intended to unify, simplify and centralise entries for the Tennis Europe Junior Tour, reducing work for member nations and event organisers, whilst providing tools for referees, safeguarding rules and regulations, and improving communications capabilities.

Amongst the other speakers was the ITF's Paul Smith, who gave an overview of news from the sports governing body. José Antonio Senz de Broto, Vice-President of Tennis Europe and the Spanish Tennis Federation and Josef Nechutny of the Czech Federation gave an insight into fundraising activities by their federations, and Sports Marketing Surveys' John Bushell, with an update on industry matters.

The host nation also made valuable contributions to the conference programme, with 1988 Olympic basketball gold medallist Šarūnas Marčiulionis on hand to discuss links between tennis and business in Lithuania,



Above, Tennis Europe CEO Olli Mäenpää (right) presents Lithuanian basketball hero Šarūnas Marčiulionis with a Polar training computer following his speech.

nia, while LTU President Liataurus Radzevicius informed the delegates of the relationship between the organization and the EU.

The key sessions were brought to a close with a series of open discussion forums, chaired by Walter Goethals, Des Allen and Evert-Jan Hulshof, in which delegates took full advantage of the opportunity to debate a wide range of contemporary issues.

During the event, Tennis Europe President Jacques Dupré, CEO Olli Mäenpää and Managing Director of Administration Charlotte Ferrari met with Lithuanian Prime Minister Gediminas Kirkilas and Minister of Sports Algirdas Raslanas, alongside Lithuanian #1 Ricardas Berankis and coach Remigijus Balzekas.

Summing up the event, Olli Mäenpää commented, "Each year this meeting provides an important opportunity for policy shapers, decision makers and industry figures to get together to discuss pressing issues and share their ideas and experiences for the benefit of their colleagues in European tennis administration. I'd like to thank the LTU for generously hosting the event for the first time, and also the delegates and speakers for their participation in what has been a highly productive few days."

Tennis Europe and Polar Sign Partnership Agreement

Tennis Europe and Polar Electro Oy, the Finland-based pioneer and leader of heart rate training systems, have announced a three-year partnership agreement recognising Polar as the 'Official Training Computer Partner of Tennis Europe'.

The deal is effective immediately, and represents Polar's first step into the European tennis market. The partnership focuses on Tennis Europe's strong ties with the coaching and junior tennis communities, and is designed to benefit coaches and young players through education and the promotion of the use of Polar equipment in order to maximise performance and technical analysis.

Polar's primary focus is in heart rate based training solutions, an essential element of modern tennis training. However, their comprehensive product range offers solutions for all active people whether the goal is to increase fitness and health or to compete at championship level.

As part of the agreement, Polar will play an active role at a number of special events for players and coaches, including serving as presenting sponsor of the European Coaches' Symposium, Europe's most important gathering of top coaches, as well as partnership with the ITF Worldwide Coaches Conference in 2009. Polar will also become the presenting sponsor of the 'Tennis

Europe Junior Tour Player of the Year' Award, which recognises the achievements of Europe's top Under 14 and Under 16 players.

Tennis Europe Chief Executive Officer, Olli Mäenpää explained, "Players and coaches have come to rely on technical equipment in matters of fitness monitoring, and Polar has always been at the forefront of such technology. Our aim is to enable Polar to use these platforms to speak directly to their key audiences in our 49 member nations, further strengthening their already strong market position whilst simultaneously benefiting and improving the performances of our coaches and players."

Polar CEO, Sari Säynäjäkangas added: "Tennis Europe represents the ideal entry point to the European tennis market and offers us exciting opportunities to showcase our range of products to tennis players and coaches of all ages and abilities. Whilst tennis is a performance sport, I have no doubt that many of the 25 million leisure players across the continent can benefit greatly from learning to monitor and harness information about their fitness and all round health using Polar products."

Further information about Polar and its' products can be found at www.polar.fi.

'Vivre l'Europe, Vivre le sport!'

The French Tennis Federation and Tennis Europe were amongst the organisations supporting 'Vivre l'Europe, Vivre le sport', a day of festivities in Paris on Sunday 5th October, aimed at celebrating European sports and promoting solidarity through sport. A total of 32 sports federations and 130 European athletes attended the event, which was initiated by French President Sarkozy under the frame of the EU Presidency.

The Champs de Mars region surrounding the Eiffel Tower was transformed into a European sports village for the day, with demonstrations and appearances from a number of famous faces in European sports such as French swimmer Alain Bernard, an Olympic gold medal winner and former world record holder.

The FFT's stand was well-attended with former Roland Garros champion Ilie Nastase a popular target for



autograph hunters, while youngsters were given the opportunity to try out mini-tennis on specially-constructed courts (pictured).

In the Spotlight: Krzysztof Jordan

This year saw the introduction of a new event category on the ITF Women's Circuit. The \$100,000 prize money tournaments are the most lucrative on the circuit, and the 6 events to be played so far in Europe have seen a host of famous names, such as then-23rd ranked Tatiana Golovin take part. Four of these new top-tier events remain to be played, the last of which will take place during the first week of November in Krakow, Poland. We spoke to tournament director Krzysztof Jordan to find out more about the event, which will be held in tandem with the Tennis Europe Professional Tennis Conference.

You have been organizing the successful ATP Challenger event in Poznan for some years now, why did you decide to take on a high-profile women's event too?

We were asked by our friends from Kraków, who are great tennis supporters and were regular guests during Porsche Open, to organize a tennis event. When planning the event, it was obvious to us that it should take place in Kraków, because it is the hometown of many of Poland's best players, such as Agnieszka & Urszula Radwanska, Anna Korzeniak and Joanna Sakowicz.

The event will be one of the most prestigious ITF Womens Circuit events in Europe, with prize money of \$100,000+.H. Does this create any extra challenges as an organiser?

Sure! I bet the owners of the Hotel-System chain (Hotel-System POP is our tournament hotel), that our tournament would be the best tournament in 2008 from all ITF events all over the world, in terms of the average WTA Tour Singles Ranking of the participants on the direct acceptance list!

The Radwanska sisters have been keen supporters of your events in the past. Will they be participating?

Urszula will take part for sure. It looks very likely that Agnieszka will travel to Doha for the Sony Ericsson WTA Championships. If she manages to be back on Sunday 9th November, we will for sure try to arrange an exhibition event with her before or after the final match.

Do you expect any other 'big names' to take part?

We are very optimistic. So far there are 11 girls from the top 100 committed, so it is looking good.

The event will be played indoors, on two sites. How are



Krakow Tournament Director Krzysztof Jordan (centre) with Poland's Radwanska sisters Urszula (left) and Agnieszka (right)

you preparing for that challenge?

It is really a big effort for all our staff. We believe, that our transportation system will work efficiently and, most importantly, that our cooperation with the supervisor and referees will be good. The first time in a new site is always a great challenge.

At some of your other events, you have had a particularly active programme of off-court activities for the players involved. Do you have any special plans for Krakow?

Yes, of course. We will shortly be revealing all the details. More information about all the off-court events can be found on our website at www.xeroxcup.pl.

Simultaneously you will be hosting the Tennis Europe Pro Tennis Conference. Can you explain your interest in hosting this event, and what issues do you expect to see tackled there?

Firstly, I'd like to say that it will be an honour and a pleasure for the Polish Tennis Association, and for me personally, to host such outstanding guests in Krakow. We're inviting the people responsible for planning, promotion and coordination in national tennis associations of the: ITF Men's and Women's Circuit events, Beach Tennis events and officiating programme. The draft agenda suggests that we will have two days of hard work and two not so hard evenings!

Russia Wraps up Fourth Fed Cup Title

Svetlana Kuznetsova led Russia to their fourth Fed Cup by BNP Paribas title in five years, scoring two key victories to record the trophy-clinching match victory for the second year in succession at the finals in Madrid earlier this month.

Ten years on from their last win, Spain had been hoping to post a sixth Fed Cup win but their chances of an upset looked slim after a first day in which both singles players – Anabel Medina Garrigues and Carla Suarez Navarro – were despatched in straight sets, by Vera Zvonareva and Kuznetsova respectively. Hopes of a home team revival were raised briefly on the second day, as Medina recovered from a 5-2 deficit to take the first set and lead 2-0 in the second against the Russian #1, but Kuznetsova's steadied her nerves and increasingly found the lines, recovering for a 57 63 64 win to seal the tie.

Russia's fourth title leaves them fifth on the all-time winners list, behind USA, Australia, the former Czechoslovakia and Spain.



The International Tennis Federation and the International Tennis Hall of Fame presented Spanish Fed Cup captain Miguel Margets with the competition's 'Excellence' award at the finals. Margets has served as captain of the team since 1993 and has led the team to eight finals, winning the title in 1993, 1994, 1995 and 1996. During his tenure as captain, the national team has been a permanent fixture in the competitions' World Group.

European Olympic Success

European players dominated the recent Olympic and Paralympic Games, leaving Beijing with a haul of eight Olympic and fourteen Paralympic medals.

Russia's strength in women's tennis was never more in evidence than at the Olympics, where Elena Dementieva, Dinara Safina and Vera Zvonareva combined for an unprecedented sweep of gold, silver and bronze. Spaniards Anabel Medina Garrigues and Virginia Ruano Pascual teamed up to take silver in the doubles.

In the men's event, Rafael Nadal added yet another milestone to his career-best year as he took gold, with Novak Djokovic picking up bronze. Roger Federer teamed with Stanislas Wawrinka to win a surprise doubles gold, ticking off another of his career goals in the process.

The Paralympic Games produced an even more impressive haul for European players, with Dutch players alone accounting for six medals. Esther Vergeer played her toughest match in five and a half years to clinch the women's singles gold, surviving a match point to edge compatriot Korie Homan 62 46 76(5). Homan gained revenge in the doubles event though, inflicting just the second loss on Vergeer's partnership with Jiske Griffioen in four years and 40 tournaments, 26 76(4) 64 alongside partner with Sharon Walraven.

Defending champion Robin Ammerlaan had to settle for silver in the mens event, whilst Stephane Houdet and Michael Jeremiasz won a first Paralympic doubles title for France. 47-year old Peter Norfolk of Great Britain defended his title to take gold in the men's quads, and declared he would aim for a hat-trick at the next event in London in 2012.



Being World Number One is seen as the most prestigious achievement in Tennis among Junior players.

Source: Tennis Europe Next Generation Survey.

European Senior Club Championships

The 2008 European Seniors Club Championships season has come to end, with the eight pending age categories decided at ties across Europe in September.

The men's events were dominated by Italian and German clubs, with six of the seven age categories being won by the two nations, and three finals pitting Italy against Germany.

The Men's 35 age category was held for the first time this year, and saw an all-German final in Düren where Gladbacher HTC finally won a European title, having lost in the finals of the Men's 60 event for the last two years. Last year's Men's 45 champions, TC Tosi advanced to win the Men's 50 event, with a win over first-time European finalists TC Eschborn.

In Arosa, Switzerland, Swedish team Lugi tennisförening broke the Italy/Germany duopoly to beat defending champions Plessis Treviso of France to win their first European crown. Meanwhile, CT Palermo were the only team to successfully defend a title this year, winning a repeat of the 2007 final to retain the Mens 65 event.

The remaining women's events were held in tandem in



Sweden's victorious Mens 55 team from Lugi Tennisförening (from left) Jan-Erik Friberg, Göran Lundblad, Henrik André, Magnus Feldt (captain) and Sven André.

Vale do Lobo, Portugal, and saw a first title for the Netherlands' ALTC Popeye Gold Star club in the 40s, whilst Blau-Weiss Berlin triumphed in another all-German final to take the 50s.

Full draws and results can be found at www.tenniseurope.org/VeteransTennis/Vet_Te_European-Club-Champs_2008.aspx.

2008 EUROPEAN SENIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS - COMPLETE RESULTS

| CATEGORY | VENUE | FINAL RESULT |
|-----------|--------------------|---|
| Men 35/40 | Düren (GER) | Gladbacher HTC (GER) d. TG Gürzenich-Wald (GER) 4-1 |
| Men 45 | Rome (ITA) | Canottieri Roma (ITA) d. Ferratella SC (ITA) 3-2 |
| Men 50 | Barcelona (ESP) | TC Tosi Legnano (ITA) d. TC 65 Eschborn (GER) 3-2 |
| Men 55 | Arosa (SUI) | Lugi Tennisförening (SWE) d. Plessis Treviso (FRA) 4-1 |
| Men 60 | Modena Carpi (ITA) | DSD Dusseldorf (GER) d. S.C. Carpi (ITA) 3-2 |
| Men 65 | Berlin (GER) | CT Palermo (ITA) d. LTTC "Rot Weiss" (GER) |
| Men 70 | Karlsruhe (GER) | KETV Karlsruhe (GER) d. Queen's Club (GBR) 5-0 |
| Women 40 | Vale do Lobo (POR) | ALTC Popeye Gold Star (NED) d. Wimbledon Club (GBR) 3-0 |
| Women 50 | Vale do Lobo (POR) | Blau-Weiss Berlin (GER) d. Olympia Neumunster (GER) 3-0 |
| Women 60 | Budapest (HUN) | Largadere Paris (FRA) d. Matyasföldi Budapest (HUN) 3-0 |

ITF/Tennis Europe 14/16 & Under Touring Teams

The 14&U and 16&U ITF/Tennis Europe Grand Slam Junior Touring Teams took part in a productive 4-week tour of tournaments in Germany and Austria recently.

The teams consisted of five girls; Anastasia Vdovenco (MDA), Basak Eraydin (TUR), Borislava Botusharova (BUL), Natalia Vavulina (BLR) and Julia Stamatova (BUL), and four boys; Ilya Ivashka (BLR), Durukan Durmus (TUR), Denis Porcic (BIH), Philippos Tsangarides (CYP), Stefan Micov (MKD) and Maksim Malyshev (UKR). First call on the tour was a training camp at Württemberg Regional Tennis Center close to Stuttgart, Germany, which gave the opportunity for players to get to know each other and their coaches Igor Saric (CRO) and Ales Filipcic (SLO) before moving on to tournaments such as the LBS Waiblingen Cup (July 29 to August 3), LBS Ulm Cup (August 5 to 10), Haid (August 12 to 17) and Mercedes Jugend Cup, Renningen/Rutesheim (August 19 to 24).

At the first tournament in Waiblingen, Natalia Vavulina won the 16&U event against Jasmin Kling (GER) 64 64 while Basak Eraydin reached the 14&U final, losing to Saska Gavrilovska (SRB) 76 64. ITF/Tennis Europe team members won two doubles titles at the event; Vdovenco and Botusharova edged a win in 14&U against Mätschke and Nabel (GER) 46 64 10:5 whilst Ivashka & Durmus teamed to beat Caro (SVK) and Grzesinski (POL) 75 62 for the boy's title.

The tournament in Ulm was not quite as successful for the Team, at least in singles action. In the 14&U category, the best performances were from Ivashka and Durmus, who lost in the quarterfinals. In the doubles Natalia Vavulina paired with Inna Baryshpolets (UKR) to win the 16&U girls' category. They beat Pondusova and Petrzalkova (SVK) 16 61 11:9 after a tense final set. Maksim Malyshev and partner Mate Pavic (CRO) had a walkover in the finals against Engsted and Pydyszewski (POL), taking the boys 16 title, while Vdovenco and Botusharova were runner-ups in 14&U category.

There was plenty of success for the Team at the 16&U tournament in Haid, Austria. Julia Stamatova won the girls' singles title, racing away after a close first set to beat local favourite Sarah Maria Richter 76 61. There was better luck for home players in the boys final, where Patrick Ofner dominated Stefan Micov to win 62 61. The team accounted for both doubles titles. Basak & Vavulina beat Slovak team Antonia Markuskova and



Alexandra Petrzalkova 46 64 63, while and Ivashka & Malyshev won the boys title against Italy's Francesco Moncagatto and Alesso Guidotti 64 75.

At the last event on the Tour in Renningen / Rutesheim, the Team once again dominated the doubles winning three of the four available titles. Maksim Malyshev and Philippos Tsangaridis (CYP) teamed up to win the boys 16 event, beating top ten players Vasile Ghilea (ROM) and Aleksey Vatutin (RUS) in three sets, going one better than Ilya Ivashka and Lucas Mugevicius, who had earlier lost in the final of the 14s. Botusharova and Vdovenco added the girls' 14 title, squeezing past top seeds Daria Lebesheva (BLR) and Olga Ianchuk (UKR) 36 64 76. The girls 16 doubles was won by Stamatova and Vavulina, both of whom also reached the singles semifinals. Borislava Botusharova lost the singles final to Olga Ianchuk (UKR).

ITF/Tennis Europe Development Officer Hrvoje Zmajic was happy with the progress of the team, commenting: "The Touring Teams are a crucial important part of assisting the development of the most promising juniors from the countries which benefit from the ITF/Tennis Europe Development Programme. For the first time, the Team commenced the Tour with a training camp at Württemberg Training Centre and I would like to thank the Württemberg Tennis Federation for allowing us to use the Centre and its excellent facilities, which were a great help in our preparation. We look forward to continuing this cooperation in years to come."

CIT News



The **Centre Internacional de Tennis**, Tennis Europe's Official Academy Partner, has announced the appointment of Albert Costa as the Centre's new director. A former champion at Roland Garros and a member of the winning Spanish Davis Cup team in 2000, Costa will work alongside the Catalan Tennis Federation's technical director Jordi Arrese for the continued success of the Academy.

The CIT also recently played host to one leg of the 'Tennis Europe Junior Tour-Barcelona 2008' mini circuit, which was launched at the Catalan Tennis Federation's tennis museum by Spanish and Catalan Federation Presidents Pedro Muñoz and Francesc Orriols respectively, alongside Spain's Davis Cup captain Emilio Sanchez-Vicario and the aforementioned Arrese.

The mini-circuit consists of three Tennis Europe Junior Tour Under 16 events, held in succession in order to pool promotional resources and encourage stronger participation by enabling players to base themselves in the city for several weeks to train and play.

The events proved to be successful for local talent, with several Spanish players making significant leaps in the rankings due to their participation. Building on her victory in Sanxenxo prior to the events, Spanish-based Romanian Diana Stomlega was a runner-up at the CIT's 'Memorial Nacho Juncosa' event, and won the mini-circuits final event in Torelló to break into the top 30, also winning doubles at both events.

Axel Alvarez, another player to have won an earlier domestic event (Aviles), scored his second title of the year at the Fundamentum Talent Cup held at the Sanchez-Casal Academy, where he also won the doubles crown, before adding a further doubles victory in Torelló.

The CIT's event was dominated by Japanese siblings Taro and Kana Daniel. Aged just thirteen and playing her first European 16 & Under event, Kana recorded her best result on the Tennis Europe Junior Tour, taking the title for the loss of just two games against Stomlega.

Older brother Taro continued to impress, duplicating Kana's 61 61 win in the final against Switzerland's Jacob Kahoun, and has now won his only two events on the Under 16 circuit.



Above, Technical Director Jordi Arrese (left) and Catalan Tennis Federation President Francesc Orriols welcome Albert Costa (right) to the CIT's team. Bottom, finalists at the 'Memorial Nacho Juncosa' event (left to right) Kana Daniel, Diana Stomlega, Jacob Kahoun and Taro Daniel.

Tennis Europe's Academy Partner, the CIT is home to some of the best facilities in Europe, with 31 tennis courts, including greenset, indoors and clay. CIT is the only centre recognised by the International Tennis Federation and also hosts the Olympic Solidarity programme promoted by the International Olympic Committee, which welcomes players from all over the world. For further information about the Centre and its facilities, visit <http://centreinacional.fctennis.org/eng/>

Beyond the Baseline...

Britain's **Lawn Tennis Association** has sealed a five-year deal with life insurance and pension company **Aegon**, who will serve as the main sponsor of the organisation. Under the terms of the deal, Aegon will be visible at all levels of British Tennis, from school programs to support of junior players and holding the naming rights to the LTA's pre-Wimbledon international grass court tournaments in London, Eastbourne and Edgbaston.

In coaching changes, **Svetlana Kuznetsova** has announced that she will leave her Spanish training base in Barcelona and return to Russia, where she will be coached by Olga Morozova, who led Elena Dementieva to two Grand Slam finals in 2004. Meanwhile **Amelie Mauresmo** has ended her long professional relationship with coach Loic Courteau and will announce a new team in the coming weeks.

Current **USTA** Vice-President Lucy S. Garvin is set to take over the presidential role commencing January 1st 2009. Closer to home, the presidents of both the French and Spanish Tennis Federations, **Christian Bîmes** and **Pedro Muñoz**, have announced that they will not be standing for re-election in forthcoming ballots.

John McEnroe won the **BlackRock Tour of Champions** event in Luxembourg recently for his first title on the circuit in three years, beating old rival Bjorn Borg along the way. The Tour now moves on to Eindhoven and Budapest on the road to the season-ending championships in London. Michael Chang, MaliVai Washington and Stefan Edberg are amongst the players to have made their debuts on the circuit in recent weeks.

The **ITF** and **Wilson** have extended their sponsorship agreement that recognises Wilson as the official ball of the Davis and Fed Cups to include the organisation's

world junior competitions at the Under 14 and under 16 age levels. Meanwhile, Turismo Madrid, promoting tourism to the Spanish capital, has extended its existing partnership with the ITF from Davis Cup to cover Fed Cup as well.

The draw for the first round of the 2009 **Davis Cup** by **BNP Paribas** has been made, with European nations involved in every world group tie. The matches, set to be played from 6-8 March see Netherlands travel to Argentina, the Czech Republic host France, Switzerland travels to the USA, Croatia host Chile, Sweden host Israel, Romania host Russia, Germany host Austria and Serbia travel to Spain.

Maria Sharapova will not be returning to competitive tennis until January 2009 as she continues to rehabilitate a shoulder injury. Whilst off the court, the former world #1 has launched a \$210,000 scholarship program for students from Chernobyl affected areas of Belarus.

Former world #1 **Justine Henin** and long-time coach Carlos Rodriguez have opened a branch of their 6th Sense Tennis Academy in Florida, where her former fitness trainer Pat Etcheberry will amongst the specialists working with top juniors.

The Spanish post office has launched a commemorative stamp to celebrate the centenary of the **Spanish Tennis Federation**.

The **Sony Ericsson WTA Tour** has announced that the indoor tournament in Stuttgart, Germany will be moved to the week of April 25th – May 3rd in 2009, and will be played on clay, becoming the first indoor clay event in the history of the WTA.



TENNIS EUROPE JUNIOR TOUR - DID YOU KNOW?

Six of the players to have featured in the final rounds of the 2002 European Summer Cups junior team event were ranked in the top 15 of the ATP or WTA within the next five years.



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Tennis Europe Junior Tour Rankings - 14 & Under

Konstantin Gerlakh of Russia is the only new arrival in the 14 & Under European top ten this month, having recently won his second Category 1 event of the year at Echting bei München, Germany. Gerlakh also played on the Russian team that reached the finals of both the Tennis Europe Winter Cups by HEAD and European Summer Cups as well as adding a third singles title in Sergiev Posad.

The rankings are published each Thursday at www.TennisEurope.org, and can be found in both alphabetical and numerical formats, as well as in printable versions.

Rankings below as of 2nd October 2008.



| 14 & Under Girls | | Player | Country | Points Total |
|------------------|---|---------------------|---------|--------------|
| 1 | ▲ | Petra UBERALOVA | SVK | 730 |
| 2 | ▲ | Yulia PUTINTSEVA | RUS | 720 |
| 3 | ▼ | Daria GAVRILOVA | RUS | 715 |
| 4 | ▶ | Irina KHROMACHEVA | RUS | 655 |
| 5 | ▶ | Ganna POZNIKHIRENKO | UKR | 495 |
| 6 | ▶ | Polina LEYKINA | RUS | 490 |
| 7 | ▶ | Pernilla MENDESOVA | CZE | 485 |
| 8 | ▶ | Kateryna KOZLOVA | UKR | 485 |
| 9 | ▶ | Patricia MARTINS | POR | 450 |
| 10 | ▶ | Leolia JEANJEAN | FRA | 430 |

| 14 & Under Boys | | Player | Country | Points Total |
|-----------------|-----|--------------------|---------|--------------|
| 1 | ▶ | Moos SPORKEN | NED | 660 |
| 2 | ▶ | Evgeni KARLOVSKI | RUS | 630 |
| 3 | ▶ | Jannis KAHLKE | GER | 625 |
| 4 | ▶ | Julien CAGNINA | BEL | 590 |
| 5 | ▶ | Kevin KACZYNSKI | GER | 585 |
| 6 | ▶ | Liam BROADY | GBR | 580 |
| 7 | ▲ | Filip VEGER | CRO | 575 |
| 8 | NEW | Konstantin GERLAKH | RUS | 555 |
| 9 | ▼ | Jeroen VANNESTE | BEL | 545 |
| 10 | ▼ | Martins PODZUS | LAT | 535 |

Tennis Europe Junior Tour Rankings - 16 & Under

Maria Biryukova of Russia (pictured, right) is the highest new entry to the 16 & Under rankings this month, thanks in no small part to her win at the Category 1 event in Renningen, Germany. The win was her fourth tour title of the year so far, following successes in Brno, Prague and Hradek Nad Nisou, and sealed her place at the Tennis Europe Junior Masters.

Rankings are published each Thursday at www.TennisEurope.org.

Rankings below as of 2nd October 2008.



| 16 & Under Girls | | Player | Country | Points Total |
|------------------|-----|----------------------|---------|--------------|
| 1 | ► | Cristina DINU | ROU | 615 |
| 2 | ► | Daniela SEGUEL | CHI | 485 |
| 3 | ► | Despoina PAPAMICHAIL | GRE | 440 |
| 4 | ► | Ingrid RADU | ROU | 435 |
| 5 | NEW | Maria BIRYUKOVA | RUS | 410 |
| 6 | ▲ | Anastasia KYRYLOVA | UKR | 385 |
| 7 | ► | Luksika KUMKHUM | THA | 380 |
| 8 | NEW | Silviya ZHELYAZKOVA | BUL | 365 |
| 9 | NEW | Irini PAPAGEORGIU | GRE | 360 |
| 10 | ▼ | Timea BABOS | HUN | 350 |

| 16 & Under Boys | | Player | Country | Points Total |
|-----------------|-----|--------------------|---------|--------------|
| 1 | ▲ | Pavel FILIN | BLR | 515 |
| 2 | ▲ | Andrea COLLARINI | ARG | 500 |
| 3 | ▲ | Agustin VELLOTTI | ARG | 495 |
| 4 | ▼ | Mate ZSIGA | HUN | 475 |
| 5 | ▲ | Arturs KAZIJEVS | LAT | 470 |
| 6 | ▼ | Dominik SCHULZ | GER | 415 |
| 7 | ► | Ciprian PORUMB | ROU | 400 |
| 8 | ► | Gianmarco MICOLANI | ITA | 400 |
| 9 | ▲ | Adrian PARTL | SVK | 380 |
| 10 | NEW | Alexey VATUTIN | RUS | 360 |

Tennis Europe Junior Tour Results

12 & UNDER

| DATE | TOURNAMENT | CAT. | WINNER | RUNNER-UP | SCORE | DOUBLES WINNERS |
|--------|---------------------------|------|----------------------|---------------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| Aug-11 | Pisek (CZE) | | N Braun (GER) | B Klingbiel (GER) | 62 ret | Grunt/Kalas (CZE) |
| | | | K Babicka (CZE) | A Miksovska (CZE) | 62 61 | Babicka/Vrbenska (CZE) |
| Aug-11 | Wolfsburg (GER) | | V Kostin (GER) | L Muscheites (GER) | 63 62 | Zverev/Kostin (GER) |
| | | | A Fedorova (RUS) | K Gefeller (GER) | 62 61 | Reddy/Venugopal (IND) |
| Aug-18 | Zell (GER) | | P Worner (GER) | F Kehrer (GER) | 61 62 | Worner/Kehrer (GER) |
| | | | A Fedorova (RUS) | C Ubelhor (GER) | 61 63 | Kantenwein/Ubelhor (GER) |
| Aug-18 | Bucha (UKR) | | A Khyzhkin (UKR) | R Boychuk (UKR) | 62 76(3) | Boychuk/Vovk (UKR) |
| | | | K Silkina (BLR) | A Bogoslavets (UKR) | 61 61 | Ryabtseva (UKR)/Silkina (BLR) |
| Aug-18 | Trencianske Teplice (SVK) | | J Schnaitter (GER) | S Prechtel (SVK) | 60 62 | Hodor/Maco (SVK) |
| | | | R Sramkova (SVK) | S Jurakova (SVK) | 63 62 | Sramkova/Jurakova (SVK) |
| Aug-25 | Porto San Giorgio (ITA) | | G Quinzi (ITA) | P Andriuc (ROU) | 61 64 | Quinzi (ITA)/Andriuc (ROU) |
| | | | G Pairone (ITA) | A Konjuh (CRO) | 64 64 | Pairone/Paolini (ITA) |
| Aug-25 | Regensburg (GER) | | D Czepielewski (GER) | N Braun (GER) | 63 61 | Czepielewski/Braun (GER) |
| | | | B Bencic (SUI) | D Spissakova (SLO) | 61 61 | Ostapenko (LAT)/Piirtola (FIN) |
| Aug-25 | Harkiv (UKR) | | R Boychuk (UKR) | N Bublay (UKR) | 64 62 | Boychuk/Podgurskiy (UKR) |
| | | | E Popova (RUS) | M Tsakanyan (RUS) | 76(6) 61 | Shymanovich (BLR)/Tritoy (GRE) |

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| | | | | | | |
|--------|--------------------------|---|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| Aug-11 | Eching bei München (GER) | 1 | K Gerlakh (RUS) | J Kahlke (GER) | 57 61 63 | Ahne/Erhart (AUT) |
| | | | V Lavrentyeva (RUS) | O Ianchuk (UKR) | 60 62 | Matschke/Wachaczyk (GER) |
| Aug-11 | Balashiha (RUS) | 3 | V Kozyukov (RUS) | I Titov (RUS) | 62 60 | Lazutin/Shashkanov (RUS) |
| | | | T Bizhukova (RUS) | E Luzina (RUS) | 61 64 | Ayzatulina/Sharifova (RUS) |
| Aug-11 | Nivelles (BEL) | 3 | A Kokorev (RUS) | L Mitjana (FRA) | 75 61 | Kokorev (RUS)/Storme (BEL) |
| | | | M Benoit (BEL) | E Mertens (BEL) | 62 62 | Liebens/Van Uytvanck (BEL) |
| Aug-11 | Bankia (BUL) | 3 | N Milojevic (SRB) | P Mitev (BUL) | 61 62 | Auratei (ROU)/Milojevic (SRB) |
| | | | I Banicevic (SRB) | J Dzinic (SRB) | 46 64 63 | Dimitrova/Veleva (BUL) |
| Aug-18 | Renningen (GER) | 2 | M Bogner (GER) | T Wrede (GER) | 61 36 61 | Masur/Bogner (GER) |
| | | | O Ianchuk (UKR) | B Botusharova (BUL) | 63 63 | Botusharova (BUL)/Vdovenco (MDA) |
| Aug-18 | Krasnogorsk (RUS) | 3 | A Ogansesyan (RUS) | I Puzakov (RUS) | 36 60 63 | Pusakov/Masin (RUS) |
| | | | A Frolova (RUS) | K Chasovskikh (UKR) | 63 26 76(2) | Sharifova/Aiyzatylyna (RUS) |

Tennis Europe Junior Tour Results

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| DATE | TOURNAMENT | CAT. | WINNER | RUNNER-UP | SCORE | DOUBLES WINNERS |
|--------|------------------|------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| Aug-18 | Brussels (BEL) | 3 | M Blonda (BEL) | J Grumel (FRA) | 64 60 | Kokorev (RUS)/ Salmen (BEL) |
| | | | M Benoit (BEL) | D Vekic (CRO) | 46 76(4) 75 | Dunford (GBR)/ Matteucci (ITA) |
| Aug-25 | Umag (CRO) | 2 | F Veger (CRO) | I Levar (CRO) | 46 75 30 ret | Draganja (CRO)/ Kundulukov (RUS) |
| | | | K Schmiedlova (SVK) | R Willig (GER) | 61 63 | Lutzeier/Willig (GER) |
| Aug-25 | Pecs (HUN) | 2 | N Milojevic (SRB) | D Celovsky (SVK) | 61 62 | Biro/Madarasz (HUN) |
| | | | E Bauer (SRB) | I Bara (ROU) | 61 62 | Martinovska/ Pantuckova (CZE) |
| Aug-25 | Corradino (MLT) | 3 | S Napolitano (ITA) | E Andersson (SWE) | 63 62 | Chessari/Baldi (ITA) |
| | | | K Dunford (GBR) | P Horn (GBR) | 61 67(4) 60 | Dunford/Horn (GBR) |
| Aug-25 | Bals (ROU) | 3 | A Szekely (ROU) | D Auritei (ROU) | 76(0) 63 | Baciu/Szekely (ROU) |
| | | | S Gavrilovska (SRB) | V Lushkova (UKR) | 61 64 | Korashvili/Lushkova (UKR) |
| Sep-01 | Barcelona (ESP) | 2 | L Broady (GBR) | I Levar (CRO) | 61 60 | Broady/O'Mara (GBR) |
| | | | S Liasovska (CZE) | T Hejlova (CZE) | 63 64 | Daniel (JPN)/ Liasovska (CZE) |
| Sep-01 | Arad (ROU) | 3 | D Kapric (SRB) | A Lombardi (ITA) | 62 61 | Caro/Kulich (SVK) |
| | | | I Bara (ROU) | V Lushkova (UKR) | 62 75 | Bara/Bercaru (ROU) |
| Sep-08 | Vaduz (LIE) | 3 | L Theilkaes (SUI) | C Negritu (GER) | 75 60 | Gelhardt/Negritu (GER) |
| | | | G Pantuckova (CZE) | P Horn (GBR) | 75 46 61 | Haas (AUT)/ Pantuckova (CZE) |
| Sep-08 | Luxembourg (LUX) | 3 | O Frank (GER) | Y Born (GER) | 63 76(2) | Frank/Heirteis (GER) |
| | | | B Krejcikova (CZE) | A Martinovska (CZE) | 60 63 | Krejckikova/ Martinovska (CZE) |
| Sep-08 | Oulu (FIN) | 3 | A Bohan (EST) | A Pavlov (EST) | 64 64 | Pavlov (EST)/Puzakov (RUS) |
| | | | I Chernaya (RUS) | L Dandaeva (RUS) | 64 62 | Zakharova/ Klimushkina (RUS) |
| Sep-15 | Corradino (MLT) | 3 | S Napolitano (ITA) | C Carli (ITA) | 60 60 | Napolitano/Scerrati (ITA) |
| | | | C Rosatello (ITA) | I Van Green (GBR) | 64 62 | Rosatello/Tona (ITA) |
| Sep-15 | Helsinki (FIN) | 3 | I Puzakov (RUS) | S Huttunen (FIN) | 62 62 | Frojd/Simonsson (SWE) |
| | | | A Kontaveit (EST) | A Tokareva (RUS) | 61 62 | Kontaveit/Paalma (EST) |
| Sep-15 | Chisinau (MDA) | 3 | A Desyatnik (RUS) | E Celarschi (MDA) | 63 62 | Sobko/Tribshtok (RUS) |
| | | | A Vdovenko (MDA) | D Ciobanu (MDA) | 76(8) 64 | Goncharova/ Strakhova (UKR) |
| Sep-22 | Calvia (ESP) | 3 | S Martos (ESP) | A Pavlasek (CZE) | 36 63 62 | Loureiro/Silva (POR) |
| | | | G Pantuckova (CZE) | S Liasovska (CZE) | 26 64 63 | Csoregi (ROU)/ Szlavikovics (HUN) |
| Sep-29 | Orbetello (ITA) | M | L Broady (GBR) | K Kaczynski (GER) | 63 64 | |
| | | | Y Putintseva (RUS) | P Uberalova (SVK) | 63 63 | |

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| DATE | TOURNAMENT | CAT. | WINNER | RUNNER-UP | SCORE | DOUBLES WINNERS |
|--------|--------------------------|------|---------------------|-------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| Aug-11 | Eching bei München (GER) | 1 | M Krickovic (GER) | J Novotny (GER) | 61 60 | Krickovic/Scherer (GER) |
| | | | L Ianchuk (UKR) | C Orlando (ITA) | 67 60 61 | Klasen/Pedersen (GER) |
| Aug-11 | Haid (AUT) | 2 | P Ofner (AUT) | S Micov (MKD) | 62 61 | Ivashka (BLR)/ Malyshev (UKR) |
| | | | J Stamatova (BUL) | S Richter (GER) | 76 61 | Vdovenco (MDA)/ Eraydin (TUR) |
| Aug-11 | Nivelles (BEL) | 3 | R D'Hoe (BEL) | R Bogaerts (BEL) | 26 64 75 | Coppejans (BEL)/ Makrlík (CZE) |
| | | | S Kvitashvili (GEO) | S Loebel (GER) | 62 61 | Kvitashvili/Sujashvili (GEO) |
| Aug-11 | Skopje (MKD) | 3 | M Jankovic (SRB) | D Belfer (ISR) | 75 75 | Botzer/Belfer (ISR) |
| | | | N Kostic (SRB) | S Zengou (GRE) | 64 62 | Milosevska (MKD)/ Zengou (GRE) |
| Aug-11 | Istanbul (TUR) | 3 | K Ates (TUR) | A Golcuklu (TUR) | 64 60 | Kapukirnan/Senolsun (TUR) |
| | | | B Dogru (TUR) | S Arantekin (TUR) | 63 61 | Arantekin/Horoz (TUR) |
| Aug-18 | Rennigen (GER) | 1 | A Vatutin (RUS) | M Wunner (GER) | 62 63 | Malyshev (UKR)/ Tsangaridis (CYP) |
| | | | M Biryukova (RUS) | A Klasen (GER) | 75 60 | Vavulina (BLR)/ Mendo (ITA) |
| Aug-18 | Bergheim (AUT) | 2 | D Thiem (AUT) | J Eisner (CZE) | 64 16 75 | Leljak/Zavrl (SLO) |
| | | | S Wagner (GER) | J Jaksic (SRB) | 64 46 63 | Butkovska (SVK)/ Jaksic (SRB) |



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finalists Timur Neimatov, Elena Cadar, Vladyslav Manafov, Anastasia Stepu; Porto San Giorgio 12 & Under winner Gianluigi Quinzi meets the press, 14 & Under Tennis Europe Juniors Champion Liam Broady questions a mark during the final, finalists at the Fundamentum Talent Cup in Barcelona.

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|------------|------------------|------|--|---|-------------------------|---|
| DATE | TOURNAMENT | CAT. | WINNER | RUNNER-UP | SCORE | DOUBLES WINNERS |
| Aug-18 | Sarajevo (BIH) | 2 | M Delic (CRO) M Novakovic (BIH) | M Pasic (BIH) D Jonjic (CRO) | 57 64 76(6) 64 76(4) | Botzer/Belfer (ISR) Mitrovska/ Zhelyazkova (BUL) |
| Aug-18 | Kilkis (GRE) | 3 | A Dimas (GRE) C Matoula (GRE) | A Polonskiy (RUS) S Zengou (GRE) | 64 63 64 62 | Androutselis/Dimas (GRE) Vlaikoudi/Matoula (GRE) |
| Aug-18 | Istanbul (TUR) | 3 | A Kazijevs (LAT) M Sezer (TUR) | A Golcuklu (TUR) N Sidorenko (RUS) | 76(5) 63 61 61 | Ates/Golcuklu (TUR) Hopper (AUS)/Sezer (TUR) |
| Aug-25 | Warsaw (POL) | 2 | A Kazijevs (LAT) J Nalborska (POL) | A Wagner (GER) A Kyrilova (UKR) | 75 63 63 40 ret | Romanowicz/Smola (POL) Baranska/Mikolajczuk (POL) |
| Aug-25 | Regensburg (GER) | 2 | A Vatutin (RUS) S Wagner (GER) | O Golding (GER) R Mitrea (ROU) | 63 46 64 62 75 | Manafov/Korchevskyy (UKR) Wachaczyk/Kral (GER) |
| Aug-25 | Sanxenxo (ESP) | 3 | T Daniel (JPN) D Stomlega (ESP) | B Rodriguez (ESP) D Daly (GBR) | 26 62 63 61 57 63 | Gonzalez/Rodriguez (ESP) Daly/Phillips (GBR) |
| Aug-25 | Koufalia (GRE) | 3 | R Bohm (CZE) J Jaksic (SRB) | A Pavlis (GRE) S Zengou (GRE) | 63 64 61 64 | Kokkotas/Pavlis (GRE) Madenoglou/Vlaikoudi (GRE) |
| Sep-01 | Barcelona (ESP) | 2 | A Alvarez (ESP) C Prats Millan (ESP) | R Carballes (ESP) T Pladevall (ESP) | 76 76 46 64 60 | Alvarez/Carballes (ESP) Matias (ESP)/Clerici (ITA) |
| Sep-01 | Steinfurt (LUX) | 3 | A Fouche (FRA) I Kocher (SUI) | V Tashi (SUI) H Dishkova (BUL) | 75 64 63 67 61 | Fouche (FRA)/ Diederich (LUX) Friedrichs/Friedrichs (GER) |
| Sep-08 | Cornellá (ESP) | 2 | T Daniel (JPN) K Daniel (JPN) | J Kahoun (SUI) D Stomlega (ESP) | 61 61 61 61 | Barranco/Roca (ESP) Matias/Stomlega (ESP) |
| Sep-08 | Lisbon (POR) | 3 | F Ramos (POR) P Martins (POR) | V Mensurado (POR) A Atucha Gomez (ESP) | 63 63 61 63 | Monteiro/Domingues (POR) Martins/Araujo (POR) |
| Sep-08 | Oulu (FIN) | 3 | T Annus (EST) L Vasilyeva (RUS) | A Yuzhnyy (RUS) E Leivo (FIN) | 76(1) 61 61 61 | Diakonov/Polyakov (RUS) Leivo/Heino (FIN) |
| Sep-15 | Torelló (ESP) | 2 | O Roca Batalla (ESP) D Stomlega (ESP) | D Kuzmanov (BUL) C Prats Millan (ESP) | 36 64 61 16 63 63 | Alvarez/Gonzalez (ESP) Prats/Stomlega (ESP) |
| Sep-15 | Oporto (POR) | 3 | B Barta (HUN) P Martins (POR) | F Silva (POR) M Koehler (POR) | 64 76(4) 64 61 | Magalhaes/Tomas (POR) Araujo/Martins (POR) |
| Sep-22 | Chisinau (MDA) | 3 | V Manafov (UKR) A Stepu (MDA) | T Neimatov (RUS) E Cadar (ROU) | 62 75 63 62 | Romanov/Zerkalov (RUS) Chasovskikh (RUS)/ Ungureanu (MDA) |
| Sep-29 | Orbetello (ITA) | M | M Zsiga (HUN) C Dinu (ROU) | P Filin (BLR) I Radu (ROU) | 46 63 62 62 46 75 | |

ITF Pro Circuits (Europe) Results

ITF Men's Circuit

| Week | Venue | Cat. | Winner | Runner-Up | Score | Doubles |
|--------|-------------------|----------|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| Aug-11 | Minsk (BLR) | \$15,000 | P de Bonnevie (FRA) | A Levine (RUS) | 60 61 | Anikanov (UKR)/Katliarov (BLR) |
| Aug-11 | Eupen (BEL) | \$10,000 | C Morel (MON) | R Frantzen (NED) | 75 26 61 | Fransen/Frantzen (NED) |
| Aug-11 | Munich (GER) | \$10,000 | J Ager (AUT) | A Wiesler (GER) | 62 61 | Klier (GER)/Vogeli (CZE) |
| Aug-11 | London (GBR) | \$10,000 | D Evans (GBR) | D Danilovic (MNE) | 36 76(7) | Brewer/Flanagan (GBR) |
| Aug-11 | Bolzano (ITA) | \$15,000 | T Tenconi (ITA) | JR Lisnard (MON) | 76(5) 60 | Comporto/Fabbiano (ITA) |
| Aug-11 | Vilnius (LTU) | \$10,000 | M Viola (ITA) | P Metenier (FRA) | 63 62 | Colangelo/Vico (ITA) |
| Aug-11 | Deva (ROU) | \$10,000 | M Copil (ROU) | A Mlendea (ROU) | 63 76(5) | Copil/Giurgiu (ROU) |
| Aug-11 | Moscow (RUS) | \$15,000 | P Cervenak (SVK) | A Gorban (MDA) | 62 62 | Cervenak/Somogyi (SVK) |
| Aug-11 | Sombor (SRB) | \$10,000 | N Ciric (SRB) | A Kellner (HUN) | 75 63 | Sancic/Visak (CRO) |
| Aug-11 | Piestany (SVK) | \$10,000 | D Lojda (CZE) | A Martin (SVK) | 61 63 | Durek (AUS)/Godlewski (POL) |
| Aug-11 | Irun (ESP) | \$15,000 | R Jouan (FRA) | F Jeanclaude (FRA) | 63 76(3) | Cervantes/Granollers (ESP) |
| Aug-18 | St. Polten (AUT) | \$10,000 | D Lojda (CZE) | N Reissig (AUT) | 76(5) 46 | Bloemke/Kleftakos (GER) |
| Aug-18 | Koksijde (BEL) | \$10,000 | R Chaki (MAR) | C Morel (MON) | 64 63 | Bemelmans/Desein (BEL) |
| Aug-18 | Dobrich (BUL) | \$10,000 | A Cvetkov (SRB) | B Victor Leonte | 64 67(3) | Grozdanov/Ivanov (BUL) |
| Aug-18 | Vinkovci (CRO) | \$10,000 | K Mesaros (CRO) | M Mirnegg (AUT) | 76(4) 76 | Mektic/Zovko (CRO) |
| Aug-18 | Vierumaki (FIN) | \$10,000 | J Zopp (EST) | T Nieminen (FIN) | 64 62 | Kunnapp (EST)/Marse Vidri (ESP) |
| Aug-18 | Wahlstedt (GER) | \$15,000 | A Garcia (CHI) | L Tavares (POR) | 63 46 60 | Rieschick (GER)/Sitak (RUS) |
| Aug-18 | E Padova (ITA) | \$15,000 | T Tenconi (ITA) | F Torresi (ITA) | 75 46 76 | Belic/Bradaric (CRO) |
| Aug-18 | Enchede (NED) | \$15,000 | S Kloer (GER) | K Deden (GER) | 26 60 75 | Bruggeling/Van der Valk (NED) |
| Aug-18 | Olsztyn (POL) | \$15,000 | J Janowicz (POL) | M Gawron (POL) | 64 62 | Janowicz/Kowalczyk (POL) |
| Aug-18 | Medias (ROU) | \$10,000 | G Moraru (ROU) | R Varga (HUN) | 76(5) 67 | Coman/Paval (ROU) |
| Aug-18 | Moscow (RUS) | \$15,000 | I Sergeyev (UKR) | A Gorban (MDA) | 64 64 | Dolgoplov/Smirnov (ROU) |
| Aug-18 | Subotica (SRB) | \$10,000 | A Balazs (HUN) | C Grassi (ITA) | 64 63 | Slovic (SRB)/Tosic (MNE) |
| Aug-18 | Stupava (SVK) | \$10,000 | M Tabara (CZE) | J Skoloudik (CZE) | 63 61 | Blecha (CZE)/Urzua Rivera (CHI) |
| Aug-18 | Santander (ESP) | \$15,000 | R Jouan (FRA) | A Jakupovic (GRE) | 46 76(1) | Boje Ordonez/Coll (ESP) |
| Aug-25 | Pörschach (AUT) | \$10,000 | J Ager (AUT) | A Haider-Maurer | 61 20 ret | Rath (AUT)/Stoehr (GER) |
| Aug-25 | Brussels (BEL) | \$10,000 | M Pedersen (DEN) | J Masson (BEL) | 75 76(5) | Braeckman/Masson (BEL) |
| Aug-25 | Bourgas (BUL) | \$10,000 | I Traykov (BUL) | F Torresi (ITA) | 30 ret | Alekseenko/Alekseenko (UKR) |
| Aug-25 | Cakovec (CRO) | \$10,000 | M Hizak (CRO) | M Bradaric (CRO) | 75 67(3) | Sancic/Visak (CRO) |
| Aug-25 | Überlingen | \$10,000 | A Garcia (CHI) | D Kindlmann (GER) | 61 62 | Subota/Vogeli (CZE) |
| Aug-25 | Piombino (ITA) | \$10,000 | P Duclos (CAN) | T Oger (FRA) | 63 60 | Desein (BEL)/Duclos (CAN) |
| Aug-25 | Vlaardingen (NED) | \$15,000 | G Kretschmer (GER) | M Koning (NED) | 64 63 | Bruggeling/Van der Valk (NED) |
| Aug-25 | Poznan (POL) | \$15,000 | G Panfil (POL) | H Podlipnik (CHI) | 63 61 | Szmigiel (POL)/Trnovsky (SVK) |
| Aug-25 | Brasov (ROU) | \$10,000 | V Ionita (ROU) | R Sabau (ROU) | 64 63 | Constantin/Mlendea (ROU) |
| Aug-25 | Sochi (RUS) | \$10,000 | V Karusevich (RUS) | S Krotiouk (RUS) | 62 64 | Belyaev/Krotiouk (RUS) |
| Aug-25 | Cacak (CRO) | \$10,000 | N Ciric (SRB) | G Tosic (MNE) | 46 63 64 | Slovic (SRB)/Tosic (MNE) |
| Aug-25 | Oviedo (ESP) | \$15,000 | G Truillo Soler (ESP) | J Checa Calvo (ESP) | 76(6) 63 | Jakupovic (GRE)/Trujillo (ESP) |

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ITF Men's Circuit

| Week | Venue | Cat. | Winner | Runner-Up | Score | Doubles |
|--------|-------------------|----------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| Sep-01 | Vienna (AUT) | \$10,000 | K Capkovic (SVK) | M Tabara (CZE) | 36 76(3) | Capkovic/Stancik (SVK) |
| Sep-01 | Sliven (BUL) | \$10,000 | I Traykov (BUL) | P Clar Rosello (ESP) | 61 36 75 | Alekseenko/Alekseenko (UKR) |
| Sep-01 | Zagreb (CRO) | \$10,000 | A Sancic (CRO) | I Cerovic (CRO) | 62 63 | Kelecic/Sancic (CRO) |
| Sep-01 | Bagneres (FRA) | \$15,000 | M Fischer (AUT) | D Guez (FRA) | 62 63 | Charroin (FRA)/Juska (LAT) |
| Sep-01 | Kempten (GER) | \$15,000 | A Garcia (CHI) | J Reister (GER) | 62 57 63 | Mertl/Zeman (CZE) |
| Sep-01 | T del Greco (ITA) | \$10,000 | R El Amrani (MAR) | A Accardo (ITA) | 16 75 60 | Accardo/Volante (ITA) |
| Sep-01 | Wroclaw (POL) | \$10,000 | J Janowicz (POL) | M Gawron (POL) | 76(3) 62 | Kapas/Szumanski (POL) |
| Sep-01 | S Posad (RUS) | \$15,000 | V Rudnev (RUS) | E Kirillov (RUS) | 64 61 | Kozin/Levine (RUS) |
| Sep-08 | S Zagora (BUL) | \$10,000 | T Grozdanov (BUL) | I Traykov (BUL) | 75 10 ret | Bakalov/Mladenov (BUL) |
| Sep-08 | Mulhouse (FRA) | \$15,000 | M Lammer (SUI) | N Desein (BEL) | 67(4) 75 | Bemelmans/Desein (BEL) |
| Sep-08 | Friedberg (GER) | \$10,000 | S Kloer (GER) | K Deden (GER) | 75 61 | Kloer/Zay (GER) |
| Sep-08 | Nottingham (GBR) | \$15,000 | M Fischer (AUT) | F Jeanclaude (FRA) | 26 75 30 | Blandin (FRA)/Fischer (AUT) |
| Sep-08 | P Torres (ITA) | \$15,000 | M Dell'Acqua (ITA) | M Volante (ITA) | 67(2) 62 | Colangelo/Vico (ITA) |
| Sep-08 | Volgograd (RUS) | \$10,000 | E Kirillov (RUS) | I Belyaev (RUS) | 62 64 | Kozin/Levine (RUS) |
| Sep-08 | Madrid (ESP) | \$15,000 | G Dmitrov (BUL) | I Coll (ESP) | 76(3) 63 | Canudas (ESP)/Walter (FRA) |
| Sep-15 | Madrid (ESP) | \$15,000 | G Dmitrov (BUL) | L Walter (FRA) | 64 64 | Checa-Calvo (ESP)/Jakupovic |
| Sep-15 | Plaisir (FRA) | \$15,000 | A Mannarino (FRA) | J Faurel (FRA) | 46 64 62 | Chaki (MAR)/Jaziri (TUN) |
| Sep-15 | Nurnberg (GER) | \$10,000 | D Novak (CZE) | M Stratling (GER) | 62 61 | Fischer/Klein (GER) |
| Sep-15 | Nottingham | \$15,000 | S Robert (FRA) | J Goodall (GBR) | 64 60 | Brewer/Flanagan (GBR) |
| Sep-15 | Kefallonia (GRE) | \$10,000 | D Goffin (BEL) | G Gigounon (BEL) | 61 62 | Pavic (CRO)/Vucic (SRB) |
| Sep-15 | Alghero (ITA) | \$10,000 | D Sessagesimi (SUI) | M Dell'Acqua (ITA) | w/o | Ollivier Baquero/Rexach (ESP) |
| Sep-15 | Sochi (RUS) | \$10,000 | I Belyaev (RUS) | D Petrov (UKR) | 62 63 | Fufygin/Reshetnikov (RUS) |
| Sep-15 | Göteborg (SWE) | \$15,000 | M Rodrigues (FRA) | S Seifert (GER) | 63 61 | Gustafsson/Holmstrom (SWE) |
| Sep-22 | Mostar (BIH) | \$15,000 | M Sieber (GER) | G Olaso (ESP) | 63 64 | Cerovic (CRO)/Pavlovs (LAT) |
| Sep-22 | Sarreguemines | \$10,000 | F Wintermantel (GER) | J Obry (FRA) | 62 36 61 | Deden/Emmrich (GER) |
| Sep-22 | Paros (GRE) | \$10,000 | M Guenat (SUI) | D Kleftakos (GER) | 64 64 | Bloemke/Kleftakos (GER) |
| Sep-22 | Olbia (ITA) | \$10,000 | B Knittel (GER) | G Di Meo (ITA) | 63 60 | Ollivier Baquero/Rexach (ESP) |
| Sep-22 | Martos (ESP) | \$15,000 | R Bautista (ESP) | J Ward (GBR) | 36 63 62 | Capkovic (SVK)/Sitak (RUS) |
| Sep-22 | Falun (SWE) | \$15,000 | M Ryderstedt (SWE) | A Slabinsky (GBR) | 61 64 | Kontinen/Nieminen (FIN) |
| Sep-29 | Nevers (FRA) | \$15,000 | S Robert (FRA) | V Millot (FRA) | 64 61 | Millot/Ysern (FRA) |
| Sep-29 | Mostar (BIH) | \$15,000 | I Dodig (BIH) | D Pavlovs (LAT) | 63 62 | Cerovic (CRO)/Pavlovs (LAT) |
| Sep-29 | Porto (POR) | \$15,000 | J Hajek (CZE) | D Lojda (CZE) | 60 76(2) | Marques/Tavares (POR) |
| Sep-29 | Cordoba (ESP) | \$15,000 | R Bautista (ESP) | J Insausti (FRA) | 67(5) 63 | Boje/Coll (ESP) |
| Sep-29 | Rethymno (GRE) | \$10,000 | D Danilovic (MNE) | J McGee (IRL) | 46 64 63 | Cojanu (ROU)/McGee (IRL) |
| Sep-29 | Sassari (ITA) | \$10,000 | M Marrai (ITA) | F Piccari (ITA) | 62 61 | Marrai/Trusendi (ITA) |
| Sep-29 | Hambach (GER) | \$10,000 | P Torebko (GER) | P Haenle (GER) | 64 62 | Deden/Emmrich (GER) |

ITF Pro Circuits (Europe) Results

ITF Women's Circuit

| Week | Venue | Cat. | Winner | Runner-Up | Score | Doubles |
|--------|-------------------|----------|----------------------|--------------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| Aug-11 | Ilawa (POL) | \$10,000 | R Tabakova (SVK) | A Rosolska (POL) | 63 46 61 | Bohush (BLR)/Tabakova (SVK) |
| Aug-11 | Koksijde (BEL) | \$10,000 | C Schaul (LUX) | D Harmsen (NED) | 76(2) 76 | El Allami (MAR)/Ericksen (NED) |
| Aug-11 | London (GBR) | \$10,000 | A Smith (GBR) | R Marino (CAN) | 63 36 75 | Moulton-Levy (USA)/Webley-Smith |
| Aug-11 | Pesaro (ITA) | \$10,000 | A Moroni (ITA) | L Sabino (ITA) | 61 36 63 | Davato/Sabino (ITA) |
| Aug-11 | Versmold (GER) | \$10,000 | E Mayr (ITA) | R Tedjakusuma | 57 64 63 | Schoeffel (FRA)/Schoofs (NED) |
| Aug-18 | Enschede (NED) | \$10,000 | M Meddens (NED) | S Soler Sola (ESP) | 75 63 | Ewijk/Wong (NED) |
| Aug-18 | K Kozle (POL) | \$10,000 | S Dobra (CZE) | N Vajdova (SVK) | 67(4) 60 | Dobra/Gerlova (CZE) |
| Aug-18 | T Castagni (ITA) | \$10,000 | R Marino (CAN) | A Moroni (ITA) | 62 62 | Hewson (AUS)/Ozgen (TUR) |
| Aug-18 | Vinkovci (CRO) | \$10,000 | B Jovanovski (SRB) | Z Petrov (SRB) | 61 63 | Poljakova/Zlochova (SVK) |
| Aug-18 | Wahlstedt (GER) | \$10,000 | R Oprandi (ITA) | G Gatto Monticone | 63 60 | Paetow/Steinbach (GER) |
| Aug-18 | Moscow (RUS) | \$25,000 | K Pervak (RUS) | E Kulikova (RUS) | 36 63 61 | Diatchenko/Pashkova (RUS) |
| Aug-18 | Westende (BEL) | \$25,000 | C Klaschka (GER) | F Haring (FRA) | 46 64 64 | Feys (BEL)/Laine (FIN) |
| Aug-25 | Bucharest (ROU) | \$10,000 | C Perrin (SUI) | D Enache (ROU) | 63 62 | Andrei/Begu (ROU) |
| Aug-25 | Mollerusa (ESP) | \$10,000 | S Soler Sola (ESP) | R Bou Nogueiro | 64 62 | Bou Nogueiro (ESP)/Parasyuk |
| Aug-25 | Pörschach (AUT) | \$10,000 | N Riner (SUI) | I Khanna (AUT) | 62 64 | Hellwig/Klemenschits (AUT) |
| Aug-25 | Prague (CZE) | \$10,000 | L Kreigsmannova | K Kramperova (CZE) | 75 62 | Birnerova/Kriegsmannova (CZE) |
| Aug-25 | Katowice (POL) | \$25,000 | L Wienerova (SVK) | A Sevastova (LAT) | 63 62 | Sevastova (LAT)/Wienerova (SVK) |
| Aug-25 | Vlaardingen (NED) | \$25,000 | M Jugic-Salkic (BIH) | G Gabba (ITA) | 67(5) 76 | Jugic-Salkic (BIH)/Mircic (SRB) |
| Sep-01 | Brasov (ROU) | \$10,000 | I Begu (ROU) | D Enache (ROU) | 46 64 61 | Andrei/Begu (ROU) |
| Sep-01 | Brcko (BIH) | \$10,000 | B Jovanovski (SRB) | G Radovanovic | 64 36 62 | Poljakova/Zlochova (SVK) |
| Sep-01 | Alphen (NED) | \$25,000 | S Gehrlein (GER) | F Molinero (ARG) | 76(3) 60 | Molinero (ARG)/Tsurenko (UKR) |
| Sep-01 | Brno (CZE) | \$25,000 | Z Ondraskova (CZE) | A Sevastova (LAT) | 64 36 62 | Brozda/Kiszczyńska (POL) |
| Sep-01 | M Franca (ITA) | \$25,000 | M Jugic-Salkic (BIH) | A Floris (ITA) | 64 46 61 | Pioppo/Sabino (ITA) |
| Sep-01 | Maribor (SLO) | \$50,000 | M Zec-Peskirc (SLO) | K Kucova (SVK) | 62 76(6) | Klaschka/Petkovic (GER) |
| Sep-01 | Denian (FRA) | \$75,000 | K Barrois (GER) | K Laisne (FRA) | 62 64 | Ani (EST)/Dominguez (ESP) |
| Sep-08 | Budapest (HUN) | \$10,000 | I Begu (ROU) | L Andrei (ROU) | 75 61 | Andrei/Begu (ROU) |
| Sep-08 | Ciampino (ITA) | \$10,000 | A Virgili (ITA) | C Giovine (ITA) | 75 26 62 | Giovine (ITA)/Kulikova (RUS) |
| Sep-08 | Innsbruck (AUT) | \$10,000 | E Mayr (ITA) | I Buryachok (UKR) | 61 26 61 | Buryachok (UKR)/Kalashnikova (GEO) |
| Sep-08 | Lleida (ESP) | \$10,000 | Y Campos (ESP) | J Parasyuk (RUS) | 64 62 | Josifoska (MKD)/Miller (USA) |
| Sep-08 | Rousse (BUL) | \$25,000 | L Wienerova (SVK) | K Pervak (RUS) | 64 64 | Panova/Pervak (RUS) |
| Sep-08 | Sarajevo (BIH) | \$25,000 | M Zec-Peskirc (SLO) | K Boczova (SVK) | 61 63 | Brianti (ITA)/Hercog (SLO) |

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ITF Women's Circuit

| Week | Venue | Cat. | Winner | Runner-Up | Score | Doubles |
|--------|-----------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| Sep-15 | Casale (ITA) | \$10,000 | M Mezak (CRO) | S Disdieri (ITA) | 75 26 61 | Ferreira (POR)/Kalashnikova |
| Sep-15 | Limoges (FRA) | \$10,000 | M Melnikova (RUS) | V Savinykh (RUS) | 10 ret | Clarke/Scarfi (GBR) |
| Sep-15 | Madrid (ESP) | \$25,000 | A Kerber (GER) | E Cabeza Candela | 61 63 | Coin/Pavlovic (FRA) |
| Sep-15 | Mestre (ITA) | \$50,000 | E Ivanova (RUS) | R Oprandi (ITA) | 63 30 ret | Jugic-Salkic (BIH)/Vedy (FRA) |
| Sep-15 | Clermont (FRA) | \$10,000 | K Lykina (RUS) | S Schoeffel (FRA) | 64 64 | Lykina (RUS)/Vierin (ITA) |
| Sep-22 | Sofia (BUL) | \$10,000 | A Sotnikova (UKR) | R Jani (HUN) | 62 46 63 | Malkhasyan/Pavlova (UKR) |
| Sep-22 | Volos (GRE) | \$10,000 | J Jegiolka (POL) | M Urbancic (SLO) | 64 61 | Clerico (ITA)/Urbancic (SLO) |
| Sep-22 | Granada (ESP) | \$25,000 | R Kulikova (RUS) | E Cabeza Candela | 63 64 | Costas/Gabarrus (ESP) |
| Sep-22 | Lecce (ITA) | \$25,000 | A Roesch (GER) | M Jugic-Salkic (BIH) | 62 67(5) | Boczova/Pochbova (SVK) |
| Sep-22 | Podgorica (MNE) | \$25,000 | M Zec-Peskirc (SLO) | D Nociarova (SVK) | 63 76(1) | Kozic (SRB)/Martinovic (BIH) |
| Sep-22 | Shrewsbury | \$75,000 | R Vinci (ITA) | M Ani (EST) | 75 75 | Larsson (SWE)/Smith (GBR) |
| Sep-22 | Les Franqueses | \$10,000 | J Ozga (GER) | K Miller (USA) | 46 63 76 | Josifoska (MKD)/Piter (POL) |
| Sep-29 | Porto (POR) | \$10,000 | A Melzani (BEL) | K Vankova (CZE) | 63 61 | Jandova/Vankova (CZE) |
| Sep-29 | Mytilini (GRE) | \$10,000 | I Georgatou (GRE) | G Piven (UKR) | 64 62 | Bakieva (RUS)/Marcinkevica |
| Sep-29 | Sandanski (BUL) | \$10,000 | M Meddens (NED) | L Mekel (NED) | 36 63 63 | Andrei (ROU)/Zagorska (POL) |
| Sep-29 | Helsinki (FIN) | \$25,000 | M Ruutel (EST) | L Stanciute (LTU) | 64 67(4) | Laine (FIN)/Larsson (SWE) |



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European Rankings

Having spent three years in second position, Rafael Nadal can finally claim to be Europe's (and the world's) best player, overtaking rival Roger Federer thanks to his Olympic title and a summer of good results on the US hardcourts. Nadal is one of three Spaniards in the European top ten, with Fernando Verdasco climbing to a career-best eighth place.

Elsewhere on the list, Andy Murray's US Open final helps him climb to his best position of fourth, matching the career highest ranking of his most recent compatriots to feature in the list, Tim Henman and Greg Rusedski. Ivo Karlovic consolidates his new-found Croatian #1 status to enter the list for the first time at #9.

Jelena Jankovic's Stuttgart and China Open titles give her some breathing space over her rivals in the women's list, but Dinara Safina's rapid summer ascent continues unabated, with the Russian now at a career-high of third in the world.

Former #1s Ana Ivanovic and Maria Sharapova both slip in the rankings due to injury absences, whilst Vera Zvonareva's second title of the year in Guangzhou sees her at #7, the fifth-ranked Russian. A late season surge from Patty Schnyder, including her first title in three years at Bali enables the Swiss veteran to re-enter the list at #9.

Rankings as of 6th October, 2008.

| WOMEN | | PLAYER | COUNTRY | WTA TOUR RANK | POINTS TOTAL |
|-------|----|---------------------|---------|---------------|--------------|
| 1 | ► | Jelena JANKOVIC | SRB | 1 | 4230 |
| 2 | ▲ | Dinara SAFINA | RUS | 3 | 3782 |
| 3 | ▲ | Elena DEMENTIEVA | RUS | 4 | 3470 |
| 4 | ▼ | Ana IVANOVIC | SRB | 5 | 3288 |
| 5 | ▼ | Maria SHARAPOVA | RUS | 6 | 3041 |
| 6 | ▼ | Svetlana KUZNETSOVA | RUS | 7 | 2920 |
| 7 | ▲ | Vera ZVONAREVA | RUS | 9 | 2182 |
| 8 | ▼ | Agnieszka RADWANSKA | POL | 10 | 2146 |
| 9 | RE | Patty SCHNYDER | SUI | 11 | 1797 |
| 10 | ▼ | Anna CHAKVETADZE | RUS | 12 | 1747 |

| MEN | | PLAYER | COUNTRY | ATP ENTRY RANK | POINTS TOTAL |
|-----|-----|--------------------|---------|----------------|--------------|
| 1 | ► | Rafael NADAL | ESP | 1 | 7000 |
| 2 | ▼ | Roger FEDERER | SUI | 2 | 5930 |
| 3 | ► | Novak DJOKOVIC | SRB | 3 | 4960 |
| 4 | ▲ | Andy MURRAY | GBR | 4 | 2995 |
| 5 | ► | Nikolay DAVYDENKO | RUS | 5 | 2400 |
| 6 | ▼ | David FERRER | ESP | 6 | 2315 |
| 7 | ► | Stanislav WAWRINKA | SUI | 10 | 1670 |
| 8 | ▲ | Fernando VERDASCO | ESP | 13 | 1440 |
| 9 | NEW | Ivo KARLOVIC | CRO | 14 | 1420 |
| 10 | ► | Richard GASQUET | FRA | 15 | 1415 |

NEWS FROM NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

The **Hellenic Tennis Federation** recently re-elected Spyros Zannias as President, alongside General Secretary Dimitris Stamatiadis.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Member nations are reminded of two upcoming conferences: the European Coaches' Symposium will be hosted by the LTA in London from October 22-25, with speakers including Thomas Hogstedt, Pancho Alvarino and Greg Rusedski. More information can be found [here](#).

The Tennis Europe Pro Tennis Conference will be held in Krakow, Poland from 6-7 November.

EUROPEAN RACQUET STRINGERS ASSOCIATION

The latest issue of ERSA Racquet Stringer's Digest magazine has been published and is available to download [here](#).

TENNIS EUROPE JUNIOR TOUR: EVENT CANCELLATION

Please note that the 16 & under Atlant M Tennis Europe Junior Tour event scheduled to be held in Belarus in November has been cancelled.

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HEAD Golden Ball Winner Revealed



Christina Custal, of Germany, is the lucky main prize winner of the worldwide Golden Ball promotion from HEAD, which gave tennis fans the chance to "go for the gold" and win a trip to the Tennis Masters Cup in Shanghai. Mrs. Custal will enjoy roundtrip airfare for two to Shanghai, official VIP box tickets to Tennis Cup Masters '08 and a one-week stay in the player's hotel.

Thousands of tennis fans around the world participated in the enormously successful promotion, which encouraged participants to find a contest code on a golden HEAD tennis ball.

The Golden Ball promotion launched worldwide in May with the debut of a new TV commercial featuring Andre Agassi. In addition to the grand prize Tennis Masters Cup trip, more than 1000 participants

won many other exciting HEAD prizes including new racquets, bags, accessories, HEAD ATP tennis balls and tickets for ATP tournaments.

HEAD Golden Tennis Balls hit store shelves last May and featured a new orange metal can. Recognized as the best by professionals, HEAD is the official tennis ball of the ATP, ATP Masters Series and Tennis Masters Cup Shanghai.

Andy Murray Rocks at Flushing Meadows



HEAD player **Andy Murray** reached his first career Grand Slam final after a stunning match against World #1 Rafael Nadal at the US Open, before losing to former #1 Roger Federer.

On his way to the finals, Murray defeated World No. 1 Rafael Nadal 6-2, 7-6(5), 4-6, 6-4 to earn his first ever victory against his opponent. Murray also earned victories against Juan Martin Del Porto and fellow HEAD player **Stanislas Wawrinka** in the fourth round. Murray reached his career high in the South African Airways ATP ranking and climbed up from 6 to 4 due to his great success at the US Open.

"I have played with HEAD racquets since I was 12 or 13 and the Radical has always been my weapon of choice," said Murray, who plays with a **MicroGel Radical MP**. "The MicroGel Radical MP delivers a great power level but also has out-

standing control. It is a great all-around racquet that fits perfectly to my game."

In addition to Murray's Grand Slam success, other HEAD young guns enjoyed success at the US Open. Among others **Gael Monfils** reached the round of last 16 while fellow HEAD player **Marin Cilic** advanced to the third round where he was finally defeated by world No. 3 Novak Djokovic in four hard-fought sets.

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