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February 12 - 14, 2016

Introduction

Welcome to the 5th "DHS Swiss Table Tennis Open" Lausanne !

After having successfully staged three previous editions of the Tournament, as well as now having successfully hosted "DHS Europe Cup - Tournament of Qualification for the World Cup" showcasing the Top 12 players in Europe, we now have the pleasure of organizing the latest edition, once again here in Lausanne.



Every year we seek to continually improve the Tournament to allow all involved to better enjoy what's on offer. Between the 12nd and the 14th of February 2016, the main updates and innovations will consist of the following points:

- The games will begin earlier than previously on the first day, Friday 12nd February. The new starting time will be 15:45 (training can start at 14:00). This change will eliminate the need of splitting up the programme on the second day, Saturday 13th February. Furthermore, we can proudly announce that the official dinner will take place in a typical Swiss chalet where you there will be a traditional Swiss menu along with all the associated opportunities for socialising that this involves!
- The men's competition (with 29 participants) will now be split up into groups of five, whereas the women (18 participants) will play in groups of four. This will enable the maximum possible exposure for participants via the attractive number of games on offer to everyone.

All the other aspects of the tournament will remain the same: accommodation will be suitably located nearby the shores of Lake Geneva, close to the new Olympic Museum (approximately 300m by foot). Furthermore, the tournament will again welcome a staff of motivated organizers and volunteers, a public eager to cheer on participants and prize money totalling approximately 24'000 Euros, to be divided equally amongst the women's and men's competitions.

We promise to make all the effort possible to ensure your stay is thoroughly enjoyable and we are sure that you will continue to engage with the tournament to the fullest.

Welcome to Lausanne, welcome to the Olympic Capital!

Nicolas Imhof

President of the Organising Committee

Chief of the Department of Sports and Physical Education - Canton of Vaud

Competition

Competition rules

The 5th Swiss Table Tennis Open Lausanne is included in the official calendar of the ITTF and is weighted R3/B5 in terms of ranking. It will be played in accordance with the ITTF rules. Group matches will be played best of five sets, while matches from the 1/8 final onward will be played best of seven sets.

Playing format

Organisation of 2 categories: Men singles (maximum of 29 players)
 Women singles (maximum of 18 players)

Men will play in 5 groups of 5 players (plus 4 seeded players). The first 2 players of each group qualify with numbers 3 and 4 of the seeded players for the 1/8 finals on Saturday afternoon. The 6 winners will be joined by numbers 1 and 2 of the seeded players for the quarter finals. The Quarter finals, semi finals and finals will take place on Sunday.

Women will play in 4 groups of 4 players (plus 2 seeded players). The winner of each group will qualify directly for the quarter finals on Sunday. The runners-up of the group matches will each play a play-off match. The 2 winners of this match as well as the 2 seeded players will complete the quarter finals.

The draw for the men's and women's events will be based on the world ranking published at the end of December 2015 and will be published on the website www.sttopen.ch

Competition venue

Vallée de la Jeunesse, Chemin de la Prairie 11, 1007 Lausanne

-> Please see the map attached to this information

Prize money

The best 8 players across each event (both men and women) will receive attractive prize money:

1 st place	CHF	6'000.00
2 nd place	CHF	3'000.00
3 rd -4 th place	CHF	1'500.00
5 th -8 th place	CHF	750.00

Entries

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The tournament is limited to 47 players (29 men / 18 women). If the number of entries exceeds the number of places per event, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to select players according to their world ranking.

Entry forms

Entry forms are available on the event website: www.sttopen.ch

The entry forms must be signed and sent through the national associations. Individual entries not attested by the national association will be refused.

Please send your entry forms duly filled out to the Organizing Committee at the following address: susanne.gries@swisstabletennis.ch

Deadline for the entries is January 12, 2016.

Deadline for the first entries is December 12, 2015. Associations with first entries will be prioritized.

Confirmation of participation and invoicing

After the entry deadline, all participating national associations will get a confirmation of participation as well as the associated invoice.

Payment

The full amount due must be paid via bank transfer by 29th January 2016 in accordance with the instructions on the invoice.

Cancellation and cancellation fees

Entries may be cancelled in writing at any time. In the event of cancellation, fees may be applied as follows:

- ⊕ Cancellation before 12th January 2016 : full reimbursement
- ⊕ Cancellation before 29th January 2016 : reimbursement of 50% of the total amount
- ⊕ Cancellation after 29th January 2016 : no reimbursement

Reimbursement

If the registration is duly cancelled, the registration fees will be reimbursed, after deduction of the cancellation fees, by the Organizing Committee within 4 weeks from the date of receipt of the written cancellation and by bank transfer only.

Hospitality & Organisation

Accommodation - (Official Hotels)

1) Hôtel Au Lac

Place de la Navigation 4, 1000 Lausanne 6

Tel (+41)21 613 15 00, aulac@cdmgroup.ch - www.aulac.ch

The official Hotel is located on the shores of Lake Geneva, 10 min from city centre and railway station. During your free time, you may discover the charm of Lausanne's lakeside promenades, parks and gardens in a setting of Alpine splendour, only a few steps from the Olympic Museum.

2) Hôtel Jeunôtel

Ch. du Bois-de-Vaux 36, 1007 Lausanne

Tel (+41)21 626 02 22, lausanne@youthhostel.ch - www.youthhostel.ch/lausanne

The Youth Hostel is located in a park-land and lake-side setting and offers you with its simple, pleasant and welcoming atmosphere an alternative which is less expensive. The Jeunôtel is in 10 minutes walking distance to the competition hall.

Transport

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation between Geneva Airport and the official Hotels free of additional charge from Thursday, 11th to Monday, 15th February 2016.

It is also possible to take a direct train from Geneva airport to Lausanne railway station at the participants own cost (www.sbb.ch). It will then be possible to be picked up at Lausanne railway station or take the subway that goes directly down to the Hotel au Lac.

Special buses will provide transportation between the Official Hotels and the competition venue according to a pre-established schedule.

Accreditation

Upon your arrival, please come to the accreditation and help desk. Opening hours of the accreditation and help desk are as follows:

Friday, 12th February : 09:00 - 14:00 in the Hotel Au Lac

Saturday 13th February : 09:00 - 18:00 at the competition venue

Draw

The draw will take place on Friday, 12th February 2016 at 11:00am at the Hotel au Lac.

Contact

Information, entries, accreditation :

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Competition :

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Hospitality package

Package 1 - The official hospitality package "Hotel Au Lac" includes:

- Entry fee for the tournament
- Accommodation at the Official Hotel for 2 nights (Friday to Sunday)
- Transportation between Geneva airport or Lausanne railway station and the hotel
- Local transportation between the competition venue and the hotel
- 6 meals (Friday dinner at the competition venue, Saturday and Sunday breakfast in the hotel and lunch at the competition venue, Saturday evening special Dinner)
- A public transport pass - City of Lausanne

Price per person for the official hospitality package for 2 nights:

- CHF 380.-- (single room)
- CHF 280.-- (double room)

The price for an additional night including breakfast is as follows :

- CHF 140.-- (single room)
 - CHF 90.-- (double room)
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Package 2 - The official hospitality package "Jeunôtel" includes:

- Entry fee for the tournament
- Accommodation at the Jeunôtel for 2 nights (Friday to Sunday)
- Transportation between Geneva airport or Lausanne railway station and the hotel
- Local transportation between the competition venue and the hotel
- 6 meals (Friday dinner at the competition venue, Saturday and Sunday breakfast in the hotel and lunch at the competition venue, Saturday evening special Dinner)
- A public transport pass - City of Lausanne

Price per person for the official hospitality package for 2 nights:

- CHF 300.-- (single room)
- CHF 230.-- (double room)

The price for an additional night including breakfast is as follows :

- CHF 100.-- (single room)
 - CHF 65.-- (double room)
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Package 3 - entry without accommodation includes:

- Entry fee to the tournament
- 3 meals at the competition venue (Friday dinner, Saturday and Sunday lunch)
- Transportation on request
- Saturday evening special Dinner

The price for package 2 is: CHF 100.--per person.

Calendar & deadlines

December 2015

12.12.2015 Deadline for first entries by national associations

January 2016

12.01.2016 Deadline for final entries and travel details by national ass.

13.01.-29.01.2016 50% Cancellation fee applies

29.01.2016 Deadline for payment

February 2016

30.01.-13.02.2016 100% Cancellation fee applies

12.02.2016 (09:00 - 14:00) Accreditation at the Hotel Au Lac

12.02.2016 (11:00) Draw

12.02.2016 (14:00) Beginning of training at the competition venue

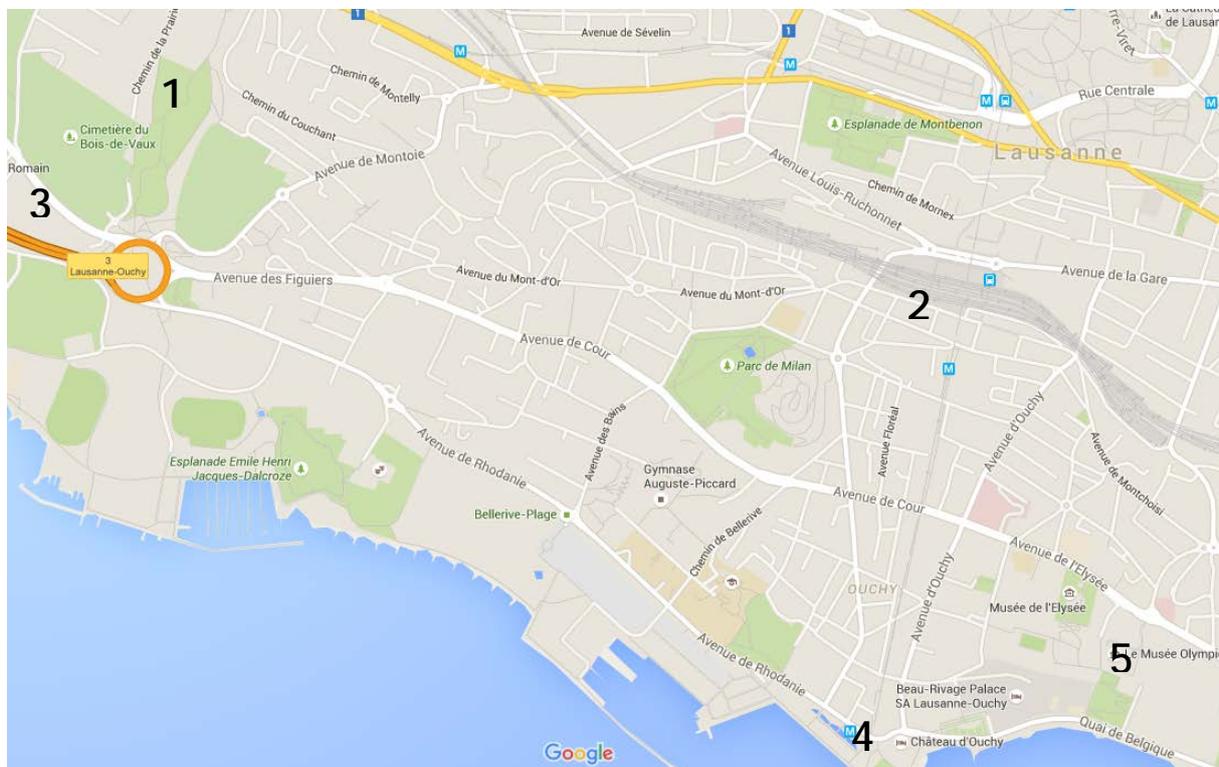
12.-14.02.2016 Tournament subject to competition schedule

13.02.2016 (20:00) Welcome dinner for players and delegations by invitation of the Organizing Committee

14.02.2016 (after the finals) Award Ceremony

Lausanne, 14th September 2015

Map of the main sites



- ➊ 1) Entrée “Vallée de la Jeunesse” - Chemin de la Prairie 11
- ➋ 2) Railway station (Lausanne Gare)
- ➌ 3) Jeunôtel - Ch. du Bois-de-Vaux 36
- ➍ 4) Hôtel Aulac - Place de la Navigation 4
- ➎ 5) The Olympic Museum (TOM)