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1. Date

Thursday 8th - Sunday 11th March 2018.

2. Authority

The Table Tennis Federation of Belarus under the authority of the European Table Tennis Union (ETTU) shall organise the European Under21 Table Tennis Championships.

President: Mr. Vladimir AMARIN

First Deputy President: Mr. Alexandre PETKEVITCH

3. ETTU Executive Board

Mr. Ronald KRAMER, President

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Mr. Nikolas ENDAL, Vice-President

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Mr. Pedro Miguel MOURA, Vice-President

Mr. Cristinel ROMANESCU, Vice-President

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4. Organiser

The Table Tennis Federation of Belarus.

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5. Venue

FALCON CLUB

20 Pobediteley Ave., 220020 Minsk, Republic of Belarus

<http://falconclub.by/en/>

6. Events

Men's singles

Women's singles

Men's doubles

Women's doubles

7. Eligibility

The European Under21 Table Tennis Championships shall be open for entry to all member Associations, whose subscriptions are not in arrears. All players must be eligible to represent their Associations in accordance with the provisions of article B.10.3 of the ETTU Handbook. All players must be under 21 years of age on the 31st December immediately before the calendar year in which the championships take place (players born on or after 1st January 1997).

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8. Qualification

The highest ranked 56 men and 56 women players derived from the December 2017 European Under 21 ranking lists will be invited with a maximum 3 men and 3 women players from a member Association.

9. Entry fee

The entry fee paid to the ETTU is 50 EUR for each player of the participating Associations.

10. Substitutions

In case of late non-availability of any player after the relating deadline the ETTU Secretary General may allow up to the first jury meeting to replace a non-available player by the next reserve player from the ranking list (maximum 3 players per Association).

11. Online entries

Entries must be submitted online by providing all necessary information. Online entries will open from Friday 15th December 2017 until Tuesday 9th January 2018 for those 56 men and 56 women invited. The deadline to form doubles pairs is Friday 9th February 2018 while the deadline for reserve players in case of cancellations of the invited players is Friday 19th January 2018. The deadline to provide the accommodation/travel details is Friday 9th February 2018.

12. Draw and Jury meeting

The Draw for singles and doubles events will take place on Wednesday 7th March 2018 at 18.00 at the venue.

The Jury meeting will take place on Wednesday 7th March 2018 at 20.00 at the venue.

13. Playing system

Doubles events will be played in a direct knockout competition.

In singles events 8 seeded players shall be directly placed in stage 2.

Stage 1: the remaining 48 players shall play in a qualification, played in 12 groups. The winner and the runner-up from each group will qualify for stage 2.

The players ranked 9 - 20 shall be placed in descending ranking order respectively at the top of the groups 1 to 12. The remaining players shall be drawn into the groups 4 by 4 according to the modified snake system. Players from the same Association shall be seeded in different groups.

Stage 2: the 24 qualifiers from stage 1 and the 8 seeded players shall be drawn into 8 groups. The winner and the runner-up from each group will qualify for stage 3. The 8 seeded players shall be placed in descending ranking order respectively at the top of the groups 13 to 20. The winners of the groups 1 to 8 in Stage 1 shall be drawn on position 2 in these groups, the winners and runners-up of the groups 9 to 12 shall be drawn on position 3 and the runners-up of the groups 1 to 8 on position 4.

Players from the same group in Stage 1 shall not be drawn into the same group in Stage 2 and players of the same Association shall not be drawn into the same group.

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Stage 3: the 16 qualifiers from stage 2 will play a direct knockout competition.

The winner of group 13 will be placed on position 1, the winner of group 14 will be placed on position 16. The winners of the groups 15 and 16 will be drawn among positions 8 and 9, the winners of the groups 17 to 20 will be drawn among positions 4, 5, 12 and 13 and the runners-up of each group will be drawn among the remaining positions. Players from the same Association shall be drawn as far as possible from each other.

14. Referees

Referee:

Kirill MAZAEV (RUS)

Deputy Referees:

Francoise LAPICQUE (FRA)

Julio NEPOMUCENO (POR)

15. Tournament Director

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16. Competition Manager

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17. Equipment

Tables:	Tibhar Smash 28R
Nets:	Tibhar Smash
Balls:	DHS D40+ White, 3 stars
Flooring:	STAG
Umpires tables:	DHS
Scoreboards:	DHS
Towel racks:	DHS

18. Hospitality

Hotel names:

MARRIOTT Hotel 5 stars ***** (close to the Venue)

20 Pobediteley Ave., 220020 Minsk, Republic of Belarus

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/mhpmc-minsk-marriott-hotel/>

OLIMP HOTEL 4 stars **** (800 m. in walking distance)

103 Pobediteley Ave., 220020 Minsk, Republic of Belarus

<http://olimphotel.by/en/>

Full hospitality rate (per day) for persons not entitled to free hospitality:

- Double room: 160 EUR(*****), 140 EUR (****)
- Single room: 210 EUR (*****), 170EUR (****)

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The participants' Association may also choose to make their own hospitality arrangements. In case of own arrangements there will be a participation fee of 150EUR to be paid to the organising Association. This participation fee will only include accreditation. All transport, hotel and meal arrangements shall be organised by the participants' Association.

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Umpires' hotel

MARRIOTT HOTEL 5 stars *****

20 Pobediteley Ave., 220020 Minsk, Republic of Belarus

Important

Please note that an entering Association can cancel a person of its announced delegation up to Monday 26th February 2018 by paying a cancellation fee of 100 EUR per person to the organising Association. After this deadline the Association will be charged 100% of the hospitality cost per person.

19. Hospitality costs payment

Hospitality costs can be paid in advance by a bank transfer to the following account:

Bank: **Belarusbank, branch 500 of Minsk Regency**
Bank account: **BY26AKBB3015080270052600000**
BIC: **AKBBBY21500**

Or (**preferably**) upon arrival (before the accreditation is done) in cash (only EUR will be accepted).

Note: in case of payment via bank transfer, **an invoice must be paid by Thursday 1st March 2018.**

20. Transport

The Organiser will provide transport from the Minsk Airport, Minsk Station or Minsk Bus Station to the venue and return free of charge.

21. Medical service

Permanent medical service (first aid) will be provided in the hall during the whole period of the Championships.

22. Insurance

By entering the event, each Association must ensure that all delegation members have medical, travel and other appropriate insurance.

23. Video

Each participating Association will be allowed to use one video camera for recording matches of their own players. For using other video cameras a fee of 20 EUR shall be paid for the period of the Championships.

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24. Visas

No visa needed for entering the Republic of Belarus for a period of 5 days for citizens of 40 European countries (please, see the list) if **they enter Belarus via the Minsk National Airport only**.

The given order of visa-free movement through the airport **does not extend to persons coming to Belarus from the Russian Federation airports, as well as to those who intend to fly to the airports of the Russian Federation** (such flights are considered as internal ones and do not have border control). To enter the Republic of Belarus in the visa-free regime via the checkpoint "Minsk National Airport", foreign citizens must have the following **documents**:

- a valid **ordinary** passport or another substituting document for traveling abroad;
- money: at least 25 Euro (or equal amount in dollars or Belarusian rubles) for each day of stay;
- medical insurance with coverage for at least 10,000 Euros that covers the territory of Belarus.

Those, who are planning to come to Belarus for more than 5 days, need to apply for a visa at the consular department of the Embassy of Belarus in their country or upon arrival at the Minsk National Airport (MSQ). Required for visa invitation letter:

- Passport copy with all needed data (name, passport number, dates of issue and expiry)
- Information about the place of work (study) and position
- Information about the place of application (embassy, consular department, airport)

To be sent by e-mail to Belarus Table Tennis Federation:

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Manager:

Ekaterina OSTAPENKO

Email: kate.ostapenko@inbox.ru

25. Accreditation

Accreditation will start on Tuesday 6th March 2018 at 11.00.

26. Information for players

By entering the event, players agree to abide by all ITTF and ETTU rules and regulations. All entered Associations and individual players agree to be under the auspices of the ETTU and its agents in all matters concerning television coverage, video, internet web casting, motion picture coverage, and photographic coverage of any kind. Participants release all rights, or rights held by their agents or sponsors, in all matters relating to television and web casting coverage, video and motion picture coverage, and photographic coverage of any kind. A participant's refusal of the coverage listed above may be subject to suspension or dismissal from the competition.

27. Information for participants

In the context of betting participants shall not, by any manner whatsoever, infringe the principle of fair play, show unsporting conduct, or attempt to influence the course or result of a competition, or any part thereof, in a manner contrary to sporting ethics. Any violation of this principle shall be disciplined according to provisions of ITTF Regulations 3.5.3.

28. Racket Control

There will be random racket tests.

29. Event Website

<http://ettcu21.bttf.by/>