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2020

February 26 – 29, 2020
Trencin, Slovakia

BADMINTON EUROPE ELITE CIRCUIT
FUTURE SERIES TOURNAMENT

CLOSING DATE – January 28, 2020
Organizer: Slovak Badminton Federation

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Venue: Sportove centrum M-SPORT
Ostrov 363, Zamarovce
Trencin, Slovakia

Dates of the Event:
Wednesday, February 26, 2020
09.00 Qualifying 1st + 2nd rounds for a maximum of 8 places in any event

Thursday, February 27, 2020
09.00 Qualifying 3rd round
12.00 Main draw – 1st rounds

Friday, February 28, 2020
09.00 Main draw – 2nd rounds
12.00 Quarterfinals

Saturday, February 29, 2020
09.00 Semifinals
12.00 Finals

(provisional times can be changed subject to the number of entries)

9.4 The final frame schedule shall be made at least 20 days before the start of the tournament and shall be published on the tournament’s website.

Brand of Shuttles: FZ FORZA VIP

Courts: 4 or 5 Pro Court Mats, depends on number of entries
Entry Fees:  
Singles = 35 EUR  
Doubles = 30 EUR per player  

Entry Deadline:  
January 28, 2020 at 23.59 BWF HQ time (GMT +08.00)  

World Ranking Date for M&Q report:  
January 28, 2020  

M&Q report Release Date:  
January 31, 2020  

World Ranking Date for Draw:  
February 4, 2020  

Withdrawal Deadline:  
February 10, 2020 at 23:59 (GMT +1)  

Draw Date:  
February 11, 2020  

Meeting:  
Team Managers meeting will be held on Tuesday February 25, 2020 at 8 p.m. in Sport hall.  

Events:  
Number of players accepted for main rounds: MS - 32, WS - 32, MD - 32, WD – 32, XD – 32.  

3.3 It is required that every event in a particular BEC Elite Circuit tournament has at least 8 competitors (i.e. actual competitors, not merely entries). If the required number of competitors is not met, this particular event shall not count towards any ranking, i.e. BEC Elite Circuit Ranking and BWF World Ranking.  

In accordance with clause 9.4 in BWF Statutes, Section 5.3.3.1: World Ranking System, the first published main draw of an event must contain at least one entry from a Member Association other than the hosting Association. If an event does not contain at least one entry from a Member Association other than the hosting Association, this particular event shall not count towards any ranking.  

BADMINTON EUROPE is not liable for any costs incurred by third persons (players, coaches, umpires, team managers etc.)
because of an event not having enough competitors to count for the rankings.

**Entries:**

16.4 All entries must be made by using the BWF Online Entry System.

Entries must be submitted no later than Tuesday January 28, 2020 at 23.59 BWF HQ time (GMT +08.00).

https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament?id=4340E7EB-6C17-4C02-B69C-0E8B2C148129

16.7 No late entries will be accepted.

17.1 The Member Association that enters a player into a BEC Elite Circuit tournament is responsible for paying the entry fees for that player. The entry fees become due if a player is entered and has not been withdrawn when the entry deadline passes. It is recommended that the entry fees are paid by bank transfer, but the organisers can accept cash payment at tournaments.

17.2 The entry fees will not be refunded in the case of a withdrawal. For all the withdrawn players the organisers can invoice the entry fee to the relevant Member Association.

Players cannot be entered unless they already have a BWF ID-number. In case you wish to enter players who do not have a BWF ID-number, please contact the BWF office well in advance of the tournament, so that the players concerned can get a BWF ID-number before the closing date of the tournament.

**Withdrawals:**

22.1 Any withdrawal after the Monday immediately preceding the draw, for any reason whatsoever, renders the Member Association concerned liable to an amount of US$ 150,00 for the inconvenience caused by the withdrawal (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).

22.2 Any player not showing up for a match at the tournament, without having been withdrawn in advance, renders the Member
Association concerned liable to an additional amount of US$ 500,00 for the inconvenience caused by the “no show” (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).

**Compliance with General Competition Regulations Clause 7.9**

“In making or authorising entries, the Member concerned is reconfirming its acceptance, and acceptance by the Players being entered, of the BWF’s regulations and Disciplinary processes.”

**Conditions:**

The tournament will be run strictly in accordance with the BWF General Competition Regulations and the BEC Elite Circuit Regulations.

The tournament will be played on a knock-out system.

In the events of any dispute, the Referee’s decision shall be final.

No player shall be eligible to compete unless he/she is in good standing with his/her National Association.

**Visa:**

After entering player(s) in the tournament it is the Member Association’s responsibility to secure visas for their players – if this is needed. It is the Member Association’s responsibility to make sure that visa applications are made early enough.

The Tournament Organisers will do everything possible to enable the entered players to get a visa. Please contact the organizer no later than February 1, 2020: sekretar@bedminton.sk.

If you need a visa for Slovakia, please contact the organisers no later than February 1, 2020.

**Clothing/Advertising:**

18.1 Colour, design, lettering and advertising on clothing shall be regulated by BWF General Competition Regulations § 20 to 24. Any breach of these regulations will be forwarded to BWF. The player's name on the back of the shirt is mandatory in all matches.

18.2 It is mandatory that partners in doubles wear the same colour of the T-shirt and shorts/skirts at all time during play in both the qualification and the main draw. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 100,00 EUR.
Departure: 9.5 Players shall not plan their departure less than 2 (two) hours after their last match is planned to conclude. If a player is unable to compete due to early departure, he/she will be penalised by removal of Elite Circuit ranking points and shall not be awarded prizes or prize money. BADMINTON EUROPE shall propose to BWF that the gained BWF ranking points are also removed.

Insurance: To be arranged by individual participants.

Doping Control: Doping control in badminton, in accordance with BWF Anti-Doping Regulations, is conducted out-of-competition and in-competition with the collection of urine and/or blood samples.

Athletes are responsible for any substance found in their body. Before an athlete takes any medication, they should check with their doctor, and if necessary, get a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE).

For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/

According to Slovak law, Drug Testing may be carried out on a random basis at any time.

Badminton Integrity: Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code of Conduct in Relation to Betting, Wagering and Irregular Match Results) relates to anti-corruption and anti-match manipulation, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament.

To protect the integrity of BWF sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, respect the principle of fair play, and shall not attempt to influence the course or result of a game or match.

Every person has an obligation to report to the BWF any approaches by anyone to gather inside information or to change the outcome of a matches.
For more information, please refer to BWF’s website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/

Cancellation: 3.4. The organising Member Association can cancel a tournament in case of force majeure. Such cancellation must be announced at least 15 days before the start of the tournament. If a cancellation is announced less than 15 days before the start of the tournament, then the Member Association organising the tournament is liable for any expenses incurred by third persons (players, coaches, umpires, team managers etc.). BADMINTON EUROPE is not liable for any costs incurred by third persons because of a cancellation of a tournament.

BADMINTON EUROPE waiver: 3.6 Member Association and/or Organiser may be liable for claims originating from the damages incurred by the participants and/or any other persons, arising from or in connection to the particular BEC Elite Circuit tournament, according to local Law. BADMINTON EUROPE is not liable for any such claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any nature whatsoever, including but not limited to injury or loss to person or property, arising out of or in any way related, directly or indirectly, to the particular BEC Elite Circuit tournament. It is recommended that Member Associations and/or Organisers purchase a proper Insurance Policy that would cover their potential legal liability.

Practice Facilities: Available on Tuesday February 25, 2020 between 17:00 – 21:00 at the main venue. Please send your requests to ciznarovajana@gmail.com.

Transport: Organizer provides a transport from: Bratislava International Airport (Slovakia). Send your travel details to ciznarovajana@gmail.com There is direct bus between Wien Airport and Bratislava Airport. The schedule of buses and possibility to buy tickets online are available at: www.slovaklines.sk.
Accommodation: Organizer offers:

1. Penzion M-SPORT, Ostrov 363, 91105 Trencin
   - Double room = 65 €
   - Triple room = 85 €
   - Prices include breakfast.
   - Located in the sports hall.

2. Sport Hotel OSTROV, Ostrov 241, 91105 Trencin
   - Double room = 65 €
   - Prices include breakfast.
   - 150 m from the sports hall.

3. Hotel GABORIK, Hodžova 6844, 91101 Trencin
   - Single room = 50 €
   - Double room = 75 €
   - Triple room = 95 €
   - Prices include breakfast.
   - 1,9 km from the sports hall.

Attention: You have to pay for the room, not for person.
Accommodation shall be ordered by simply email to ciznarovajana@gmail.com by February 5, 2020.

If you do not make it before this date, the organizer does not guarantee accommodation for your team.
Hotel bills have to be paid by bank transfer before the tournament or in cash (EUR) immediately after your arrival to the organizer.

Website: Find much more useful and practical details and information at:

www.so.bedminton.sk