INVITATION

The “YONEX German Open 2020” is classified as a “BWF World Tour Grade 2 – Level 5 tournament”
63rd International German Badminton Championships 2020 in Mülheim an der Ruhr, sanctioned by the
Badminton World Federation (BWF)

1. TOURNAMENT FRAMEWORK

1.1. General Information
Patron: Mr. Ulrich Scholten, Mayor of the city of Mülheim an der Ruhr
Presenter: German Badminton Association (Deutscher Badminton-Verband e.V. (DBV))
Promoter: Vermarktungsgesellschaft Badminton Deutschland mbH (VBD)
Organizer: 1. Badminton-Verein Mülheim an der Ruhr 1956 e.V. (1. BVM)
Main Sponsor: YONEX GmbH, 47877 Willich, Germany
Date: Tuesday, 03rd of March 2020, to Sunday, 08th of March 2020
Venue: innogy Sporthalle, An den Sportstätten 6, 45468 Mülheim an der Ruhr, Germany

1.2. BWF Framework
Classification: BWF Grade 2 – Level 5 tournament
Prize Money: 170,000.00 US$ (distributed according to BWF regulations)
Prize money is subject to German Taxes (a 15% levy and a subsequent 5.5% German Solidarity Tax
on the sum of the levy).

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<th>Winners</th>
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<th>Semi-finalists</th>
<th>Quarterfinalists</th>
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1.3. Qualifications, Draws and Rankings
Limited numbers of entries for main draw:

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<th>Men’s Singles</th>
<th>Women’s Singles</th>
<th>Men’s Doubles</th>
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<th>Mixed Doubles</th>
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World Ranking Points are awarded as per BWF Statutes, Section 5.3.3.1: World Ranking System, for
BWF Grade 2 – Level 5 tournaments.

1.4. Contact
For all questions and bookings, please contact the Event Office:
Event Office YONEX German Open
c/o Deutscher Badminton-Verband e.V. (German Badminton Association)
Südstrasse 25
D-45470 Mülheim an der Ruhr
Tel.: + 49 208 308 27 – 13/-19 Fax: + 49 208 308 27 - 55
E-Mail: office@german-open-badminton.de Web: www.german-open-badminton.de
2. TOURNAMENT DETAILS

2.1. Qualification: Tuesday, 03rd of March 2020
Start of play will be based on the number of entries and will be published on the internet in advance. Matches will be played on 4 courts. Earliest start of play will be 9:00 a.m.

2.2. Key Dates

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<th>Date</th>
<th>Event Description</th>
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<td>January 28, 2020</td>
<td>Entry Deadline (23:59 hours BWF Headquarters time = +08:00h GMT)</td>
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<td>January 28, 2020</td>
<td>M&amp;Q world ranking date</td>
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<td>January 31, 2020</td>
<td>M&amp;Q publish date</td>
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<td>February 04, 2020</td>
<td>Ranking for main draw seeding</td>
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<td>February 07, 2020</td>
<td>Seeding report published</td>
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<td>February 10, 2020</td>
<td>Last date of withdrawal (without penalty)</td>
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<td>February 11, 2020</td>
<td>Draw date</td>
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2.3. Main Tournament Dates

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<th>Time</th>
<th>Round Description</th>
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<td>Monday, March 02</td>
<td>17:00 h</td>
<td>Team Managers Meeting</td>
<td>innogy Sporthalle, VIP Lounge</td>
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<td>18:30 h</td>
<td>Umpires Meeting</td>
<td>An den Sportstätten 6, 45468 Mülheim an der Ruhr</td>
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<td>Tuesday, March 03</td>
<td>09:00 – 15:00 h</td>
<td>Qualification First Round MD/ WD (except matches including qualifiers)</td>
<td>4 courts</td>
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<td>15:00 – 21:00 h</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wednesday, March 04</td>
<td>10:00 – 22:30 h</td>
<td>First Round MS/WS/XD + MD and WD (matches including qualifiers)</td>
<td>4 courts</td>
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<td>Thursday, March 05</td>
<td>13:00 – 22:00 h</td>
<td>1/8 rounds MS/WS/MD/WD/XD</td>
<td>4 courts</td>
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<td>Friday, March 06</td>
<td>15:00 – 22:00 h</td>
<td>1/4 rounds MS/WS/MD/WD/XD</td>
<td>3 courts</td>
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<td>Saturday, March 07</td>
<td>14:30 – 20:00 h</td>
<td>1/2 rounds MS/WS/MD/WD/XD</td>
<td>2 courts</td>
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<td>Sunday, March 08</td>
<td>12:00 – 18:00 h</td>
<td>All finals</td>
<td>1 court</td>
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2.4. Practice Facilities
Practice courts will be offered from Sunday, 29th of February until 8th of March 2020 at the Deutsches Badminton-Zentrum, Südstrasse 23, 45470 Mülheim an der Ruhr. Practice times on the main courts at the tournament venue will be available on Monday 02nd of March 2020. The courts may be requested before the tournament starts by completing the Practice Court Form and sending it per email to office@german-open-badminton.de by 17th of February 2020. The organizer cannot guarantee that all requests will be granted.

2.5. Official Tournament Shuttle:
YONEX Aerosensa (AS 50)
2.6. Tournament Regulations

- All matches will be played according to a fixed schedule.
- The knock-out system will be used.
- Withdrawals and the schedule for qualification matches and the main tournament (as per the M&Q list) will be published successively, together with the draw by the BWF.
- All players should be ready to play 20 minutes before their scheduled match.
- Changes in the draw and schedule are possible. They will be posted as early as possible and affected players will also be informed in time.
- Clothing can be worn according to the current BWF “General Competition Regulations”.
- Current BWF “General Competition Regulations” apply unless they conflict with the “World Tour Regulations”, in which case the latter shall apply.
- The tournament Referee’s decisions will be final.

2.7. Technical Officials

Referee: Carmen Martinez (ESP) cmvillanueva@hotmail.es
Deputy Referee: Diraj Gooneadry (MRI) diraj.gooneadry@intnet.mu
Tournament Doctor: tba
Physiotherapy: tba (offered at no charge)

2.8. Technical Officials Meeting

The Umpires will meet on the 2nd of March 2020, 18:30. Location: innogy Sporthalle

2.9. Presentation Ceremonies

Please refer to Section 5.3.6 Paragraph 1.10. of the BWF statutes, which will be strictly enforced at the tournament.

2.10. Medical Insurance

The organizers will not be responsible for any injury sustained, at any time, by any player or official arising from his participation in this Championship. Any costs incurred for medical treatment and/or hospitalization shall be borne by the Member Association of the player/official concerned. All players and officials are recommended to review their insurance cover and ensure that it meets your current requirements.

2.11. 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/.

2.12. 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/.
2.13. Compliance with General Competition Regulations Clause 7.9
GCR 7.9: “In making or authorizing entries, the Member concerned is reconfirming its acceptance, and acceptance by the Players being entered, of the BWF’s regulations and Disciplinary processes.”

3. ENTRY GUIDELINES

3.1. Closing Date for Entries:
January 28th, 2020 at 23:59 hours BWF headquarters time (+08:00h GMT).
After the closing date, the BWF Online Entry System will send notifications to all participating Member Associations confirming the receipt of final entries. The receipt of such a confirmation notification serves as the conclusive evidence that entries were received before the deadline. The Member Associations should contact the BWF immediately if such a notice is not received by Wednesday, 29th of January 2020 by 12 noon BWF Headquarters time (+08.00h GMT), following the close of entries.
If no objection is received by the BWF by Thursday, 30th of January 2020 23.59 hours BWF Headquarters time (+08.00h GMT), following the close of entries, the entries shall be deemed as correct. No complaints/ objections shall be entertained after this point. All entries must be submitted as online entries only.

3.2. BWF Online Entry System
The BWF is using an Online Entry System for this tournament and we require your cooperation to ensure all entries are submitted before the closing date. Member Associations are advised to log in to [YONEX German Open Badminton Championships 2020](https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament?id=8CD79E95-20EB-4C61-8A8C-4C9D8486C098) and submit their entries online.
You require a username and password to submit your entries. This can be obtained from the BWF. Please contact Mr. Shan Ramachandran: s.ramachandran@bwfbadminton.org.
The online entry page will close immediately on Tuesday, January 28th, 2020 at 23:59 h BWF Headquarters time (+08:00h GMT) and you are required to submit the entries on time. Late entries will not be accepted. Member Associations do not require an entry form to submit an online entry.

3.3. Entries of German Players
Players from the German Badminton Association have to follow a different entry procedure. Please check the German version of the invitation for the appropriate guidelines.

3.4. Cancellation/Withdrawal
In case of withdrawal (e.g. due to injury), the referee and organizer must be informed immediately cmvillanueva@hotmail.es and office@german-open-badminton.de. A withdrawal fee will be charged for any withdrawal made within 23 days of the first scheduled match, in accordance with the BWF World Tour regulations.
The last day for withdrawal without penalty: 10th of February 2020.

3.5. Insurance
The organizers will not be responsible for any injury sustained, at any time, by any player or official arising from his participation in this Championship. Any costs incurred for medical treatment and/or hospitalization shall be borne by the Member Association of the player/official concerned. All players and officials should review their insurance cover to ensure that it meets the current needs.

4. TRAVEL VISAS

4.1. Visa requests
Please send the completed visa request form to: office@german-open-badminton.de.
5. GENERAL REQUEST FORMS

5.1. General Request form
All teams MUST complete a General Request Form to:
- Book a hotel room through the event office
- Request transport from Düsseldorf Airport or the Train Station in Mülheim an der Ruhr
- Receive the accreditations (ID Badges)

We cannot complete your hotel reservation, airport transfer or accreditation without this form!

6. HOTEL BOOKINGS

6.1. Hotel Reservations
For hotel reservations, please send the completed General Request Form by 03rd of February 2020 and email it to: office@german-open-badminton.de
The form MUST include all information, including credit card and arrival/ departure details.
General Request Forms and hotel reservations will be processed in the order received.

Changes or modifications may be made until 10th of February 2020 without penalties (emails must be received by 23:59 Event Office time (+01.00h GMT).

After the 10th of February 2020 you are obligated to pay a 100% cancellation fee for the entire booking. We or the hotel will attempt to re-sell your room reservation to someone else, which could result in a refund.
Bookings received after 10th of February 2020 will only be honored based on availability and will be charged a late booking fee of 10 € per person and room.

6.2. Tournament Hotels
We offer various hotels within walking distance and although we cannot guarantee a reservation in a particular hotel, we will do our best to honor any requests we receive.
Although most rooms have two single beds (twin room), a few rooms only have one large bed (king size). Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee that you will receive a room with twin beds.

Rooms will be assigned by the Event Office according to the booking details provided on your General Request Form (such as the date of receipt, availability, team size).

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<th>Room</th>
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<td>Four star</td>
<td>Single</td>
<td>70</td>
<td>in €</td>
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<td>Double</td>
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<td>112,00</td>
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The prices shown include: Overnight stay/breakfast; complimentary Wi-Fi, service, airport transfer and value-added tax.
6.3. Liability in the Hotels

In Germany, it is forbidden to cook in all hotels as this presents a fire hazard! All misconduct will automatically result in costs and be charged to the team/association concerned! The organizer assumes no liability for any damages to hotels or the venue. Any extra costs (minibar, additional stays, extra room cleaning, etc.) will be charged to your team/association afterwards.

6.4. Payment

It is mandatory to provide us with valid credit card details for your hotel reservation. The hotels will put a reserve on this card. 100% of the booking costs will be charged to your credit card on/after the 10th of February 2020. After this date we will not provide any refunds. All costs for no-shows, late arrivals or early departures will be charged to the team/member association.

7. TRANSPORT

7.1. Transport Service

Transportation from Dusseldorf Airport (DUS) or Mülheim’s main train station to the hotel/venue will be provided. This service:

- **Is free** for international teams/players staying at hotels booked via the Event Office
- Costs €20 per person per trip/direction for all those who do not book their hotel via the Event Office.

This fee must be paid in cash when collecting your accreditation pass at the Info Point.
For airport pick-up requests, please complete the General Request Form and email this to office@german-open-badminton.de by the 3rd of February 2020.
(Please note: The last opportunity for changing money is at Düsseldorf airport.)

8. ACCREDITATIONS

8.1. Team Accreditations (ID Badges)

Please note that each player/team official will require an accreditation pass (photo ID badge). Entry into the venue is only possible with an accreditation pass. Accreditation passes can be collected from the Info Point after the Team Managers Meeting or during hall opening hours.

8.2. Accreditation Applications

Accreditation applications are made by completing the General Request Form and sending a colour photo (.jpg image files only) to the Event Office by 3rd February 2020. The name of the image file must include the country code and the name of the person in the photo (i.e. GER_FIRSTNAME_LASTNAME.jpg). A fee of €90 will be charged for replacing a lost accreditation pass.

8.3. Outstanding payments

Before you can receive your team’s accreditations, all outstanding invoices must be paid in full.
8.4. Accreditations for non-playing personnel

In accordance with the BWF guidelines, the accreditation passes for accompanying officials will be provided as follows:

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<td>Up to 3 players</td>
<td>1 ID passes</td>
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<td>4 – 7 players</td>
<td>2 ID passes</td>
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<td>8 – 15 players</td>
<td>3 ID passes</td>
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<td>16 players and more</td>
<td>4 ID passes</td>
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Note: If more officials accompany your team, you will have to purchase additional accreditations (ID-passes). A limited number of additional official accreditation passes may be purchased at the special rate of € 90 each, which allows access to the venue for the whole week. Photos of these individuals must also be provided.

9. PRESS WORK

9.1. Press Office
Dr. Claudia Pauli, E-Mail: claudia.pauli@cp-presse.de
Web: www.german-open-badminton.de under "Media"

9.2. Press Accreditation
Press accreditations must be requested by email. Please send your request only for the press accreditations to Dr. Claudia Pauli, E-Mail: claudia.pauli@cp-presse.de

9.3. Photo Material
The BWF has the right to use photographs, film material or any other images of players taken during events sanctioned by the BWF.

9.4. Video Recording
Written authorization for the use of any video equipment must be obtained in advance from the Event Office or at the Info Point (venue). Camera Badges must be clearly displayed. Security will confiscate cameras set up in incorrect positions or without a badge. Video recording is only allowed for team purposes in designated areas.

10. DATA PROTECTION POLICY

10.1. The EU’s GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation)
We process personal data only as far as it is permitted by law and in accordance with the EU’s GDPR. The storing and transmission of personal data is limited to answering your inquiry, as such inquiry serves as a legitimate interest in line with Article 6(1)(f) of the GDPR. By Contacting us per email and/or by sending us a General Request Form, you are agreeing to the storage and processing of any personal data you provide to us. This data is stored as long as required for processing your attendance at the Yonex German Open. For further details regarding our data protection policy please visit: www.german-open-badminton.de.