

BADMINTON AUSTRIAN 2021 OPEN



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INVITATION

Austrian OPEN 2021

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Vienna, February 24th-27th, 2021

part of the

BEC Elite Circuit

International Challenge Tournament

World Ranking Tournament

PRIZE MONEY:

€ 21.340,- (US\$ 25.000)

Official exchange rate (USD 1,00 = EUR 0,85) of 12 November 2020
(date of issue of this invitation)!

CLOSING DATE:

JANUARY 26th, 2021

INFORMATION:

Österreichischer Badminton Verband

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Organiser: Österreichischer Badminton Verband
website: www.badminton.at

Official Tournament phone: +43-677 619 43 7 43

Venue: **Wiener Stadthalle – Halle B,**
1150 Wien, Vogelweidplatz 14

Referee: **Stephen Temple (WAL)** e-mail: stephen.temple0864@gmail.com

Tournament-Director: **Ms. Tina Riedl** e-mail: tournament@autopen.at

Date: **February 24th- 27th, 2021**

Provisional Schedule:

February 23 rd (Tuesday):	7.00 p.m. Team Manager – Meeting 8.00 p.m. Umpires Meeting
February 24 th (Wednesday):	9.00 a.m. Qualification - 1st and 2nd round
February 25 th (Thursday):	9.00 a.m. Qualification - 3rd round Not before 11.00 a.m. Main draw - 1st round
February 26 th (Friday):	10.00 a.m. Main draw – 2nd round 5.00 p.m. Quarterfinals
February 27 th (Saturday):	10.00 a.m. Semifinals 5.00 p.m. Finals

The final frame schedule shall be made at least 20 days before the start of the tournament and shall be published on www.autopen.at.

Entry fees: **Singles: € 55.- per player Doubles: € 50.- per player/event**

Entry fees must be paid at the tournament before the first scheduled match.
If entry fees will be submitted by bank transfer it has to be „free of charge“ for the organiser!
The Member 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 The entry fees become due if a player is entered and has not been withdrawn when the entry deadline passes.
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 For all the withdrawn players the organisers can invoice the entry fee to the relevant Member.
Organisers are allowed to refuse entries if Members or their players have outstanding fees from a previous year.

Entries: All entries must be made by using the BWF Online Entry System.
<https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament?id=72C0CA0F-3532-42B8-A7E6-DAFBFDACF38>

Entries must be submitted **not later than**
Tuesday 26th January 2021 at 23:59 BWF HQ time (GMT +08:00).
16:59 Local time for tournament organiser (GMT +01.00)
16:59 Central European time (GMT +01.00)

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.

No late entries will be accepted.

Compliance with GCR 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.”

Events: Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, Mixed Doubles. The number of players/pairs to be accepted for the main draw is 32 in all events.

System of the Competition: K.O. system according to the laws of badminton and BWF General Competition Regulations.

Eligibility: Participation is open to players of any national association recognised by the BWF.

Shuttles: BABOLAT 1+

Courts: 6 „VICTOR PRO“ courts (+ 4 wooden warm up courts)

Prize money: **21.340 € Euro (US \$ 25.000,-)**
Official exchange rate (USD 1,00 = EUR 0,85) of 12.11. 2020 (date of issue of this invitation)!

The prize money will be paid out in cash. No taxes will be deducted.

amount in €	MS	WS	MD	WD	XD
Winner	1700	1700	1920	1920	1920
Runner up	1020	1020	1280	1280	1280
Semi-finalist	425	425	540	540	540
Quarter-finalist	170	170			

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16:59 Local time for tournament organizer (GMT +01.00)
16:59 Central European time (GMT +01.00)

World Ranking used for M&Q Report: January 26th, 2021
M&Q release date: January 29th, 2021
World Ranking used for seeding and draw: February 2nd, 2021

Withdrawals and

No shows: Please ensure that the organizer will be informed immediately when a player has to withdraw. **Attention: Any withdrawal after the Monday immediately preceding the draw, for any reason whatsoever, renders the Member concerned liable to an amount of US\$ 150,00 for the inconvenience caused by the withdrawal (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).**
Any player not showing up at the tournament, without having been withdrawn in advance, renders the Member 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).

Last date for withdrawals without penalty: Monday, February 8th, 2021

Minimum number

of entries: It is required that every event in a particular BEC Elite Circuit tournament has at least 8 competitors. 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.

Draw: Will be made by Badminton Europe on February 9th, 2021

Team Managers Meeting: February 23rd (Tuesday) 7.00 p.m., at arte Hotel Wien

Visa: If you need Visa for Austria please ask the Austrian Badminton Association for the official invitation letter. It is advised to arrange the Visa in time. Please send your visa request as soon as possible to visa@autopen.at

You can find the visa application form [here...](#)

Conditions of play: The tournament will be played in full accordance with the laws of badminton and the competition regulations adopted by the BWF as well as the BEC Elite Circuit Regulations. Competitors must be prepared to play at the time determined for the events for which they have entered. Competitors will be scratched if not ready to play when called. 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 (Regulation 9.5 in Badminton Europe's Circuit Instructions)

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/>

Airport: Vienna International Airport - VIE
All players who will arrive at the Vienna International Airport and **have communicated their arrival time to transport@autopen.at until 19th February 2021 (23:59 GMT + 2)** will be welcomed by our transport team at the airport and provided with public transport tickets (Airport Lines to / from the airport to / from bus station "Westbahnhof", located near the official tournament hotel).

Attention: There will be no refund for self-purchased tickets, if we did not receive any information about arrival until 19th February 2021 (mail to transport@autopen.at) . Taxi bills will not be refunded.

Accommodation: **arte Hotel Wien ******
Wurzbachgasse 17
1150 Vienna - AUSTRIA
Phone: +43-1-789-8899
E-Mail: reservierung@artewien.at
Web: <http://www.artewien.at>

Room Rates

Classic Double/Twin Room for single use: 72 EURO/night (breakfast included)
JAZZ Double/Twin Room for single use: 76 EURO/night (breakfast included)
POP Double/Twin Room with garden view for single use: 78 EURO/night (breakfast included)
POP Double Room with balcony and garden view for single use: 84 EURO/night (breakfast included)
ROCK Double Room for single use: 84 EURO/night (breakfast included)

Classic Double/Twin Room: 88 EURO/night (breakfast included)
JAZZ Double/Twin Room: 90 EURO/night (breakfast included)
POP Double Room/Twin Room with garden view: 93 EURO/night (breakfast included)
POP Double Room with balcony and garden view: 99 EURO/night (breakfast included)
ROCK Double Room: 99 EURO/night (breakfast included)

Classic Triple Room for 3 people: 111 EURO/night (breakfast included)
Classic Family Room for 4 people: 132 EURO/night (breakfast included)

The hotel reservation must be made via

E-Mail: reservierung@artewien.at or

Phone: +43-1-789-8899

Please use the code "AO2021" for your reservation to get a special room rate.

Walking distance:

to sports hall: 250m

to metro, tram and bus station: 250m

to railway station and shuttle bus to Vienna International Airport: 800m

Important remark to Accommodation:

The hotel reservation must be done directly with the hotel!

In general payment takes place to the hotel on arrival at the hotel. Booking without credit card is possible but show up must be until 6 p.m. on arrival day. All bookings guaranteed by credit card can be cancelled without charge until 6 p.m. on arrival day.

The hotel charges the first night in case of not showing up and for bookings not cancelled in good time.

In case of bookings for a small group (more than 6 rooms) all bookings guaranteed by credit card can be cancelled without charge until 7 days before arrival.

A specific room contingent is blocked until **01 February 2021**. After this date rooms can only be booked according to availability.

Because of the short walking distance there will be no transfer from accommodation to the hall during the tournament.

Medical service:

A physiotherapist will be present in the sports hall during the tournament.

Doping control:

According to Austrian law drug testing may be carried out on a random basis at any time. 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/>

Clothing and Advertising:

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. 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.

In applying these regulations, the decision of the referee shall be final.

Practice facilities:

Main hall:

Available from Tuesday, 23th until Saturday, 27th February 2021:

Please check our [webpage](#) for court reservation

Practice hall (4 courts):

Available from Wednesday, 24th until Saturday, 27th February 2021:

no reservation/booking possible

Insurance:

The organizer and Badminton Europe declines responsibility and covering of costs for possible injuries or other damages. It is up to each participant to insure himself.

Member 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 Members and/or Organisers purchase a proper Insurance Policy that would cover their potential legal liability.

Force majeure:

The organising Member 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 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.

COVID-19:

Please be aware that the tournament takes place during the current pandemic situation with COVID-19. The conditions for hosting the tournament, as well as hygiene, sanitary and preventive measures will be those determined by the Austrian authorities at all times. If the Austrian authorities require it, each participant may have to deliver a responsible declaration before participating in the tournament.

Should the event be cancelled with short notice by the Austrian authorities, due to the COVID-19 situation, beyond the control of both Badminton Europe and the Austrian Badminton Association, neither of them will be liable for any costs related to travelling or accommodation made by players/officials for this event.

Each member must ensure that it is allowed to enter Austria in the current circumstances. It is strongly recommended that all participants book flight tickets with a cancellation insurance.