

**BADMINTON**  
**AUSTRIAN**  
**2020 OPEN**



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# INVITATION

## Austrian OPEN 2020

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Vienna, February 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

part of the

**BEC Elite Circuit**

**International Challenge Tournament**

**World Ranking Tournament**

**PRIZE MONEY:** € 22.820,- (US\$ 25.000)

Official exchange rate (USD 1,00 = EUR 0,9107) of 8 October 2019  
(date of issue of this invitation)!

**CLOSING DATE:** **JANUARY 21st, 2020**

**INFORMATION:** Österreichischer Badminton Verband

Phone: +43 677 619 437 43

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**Organiser:** Österreichischer Badminton Verband  
website: [www.badminton.at](http://www.badminton.at)

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

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

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

**Tournament-Director:** **Ms. Tina Riedl** e-mail: [tournament@autopen.at](mailto:tournament@autopen.at)

**Date:** **February 19th- 22nd, 2020**

**Provisional Schedule:**

February 18th (Tuesday): 7.00 p.m. Team Manager - Meeting  
8.00 p.m. Umpires Meeting  
both Meetings will take place at **arte Hotel Wien**, Wurzbachgasse 17,  
1150 Vienna

February 19th (Wednesday): 9.00 a.m. Qualification - 1st and 2nd round

February 20th (Thursday): 9.00 a.m. Qualification - 3rd round  
Not before 11.00 a.m. Main draw - 1st round

February 21st (Friday): 10.00 a.m. Main draw - 2nd round  
5.00 p.m. Quarterfinals

February 22nd (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](http://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 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 The entry fees become due if a player is entered and has not been withdrawn when the entry deadline passes.

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 For all the withdrawn players the organisers can invoice the entry fee to the relevant Member Association.

Organisers are allowed to refuse entries if Member Associations or their players have outstanding fees from a previous year.

**Entries:** All entries must be made by using the BWF Online Entry System.  
<https://bwflive.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament?id=B4CEC666-2D9C-4F6F-8F3F-63DE57484477>

Entries must be submitted **not later than**  
**Tuesday 21st January 2020 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 can not 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 competition regulations of the BWF.

**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:** **22.820 € Euro (US \$ 25.000,-)**  
Official exchange rate (USD 1,00 = EUR 0,9107) of 8 October 2019 (date of issue of this invitation)!

amount in €	MS	WS	MD	WD	XD
<b>Winner</b>	<b>1825</b>	<b>1825</b>	<b>2050</b>	<b>2050</b>	<b>2050</b>
<b>Runner up</b>	<b>1095</b>	<b>1095</b>	<b>1370</b>	<b>1370</b>	<b>1370</b>
<b>Semi-finalist</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>570</b>
<b>Quarter-finalist</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>185</b>			

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

**Closing date:** **January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 at 23:59 BWF HQ time (GMT +08:00)**  
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 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020  
**M&Q release date:** January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
**World Ranking used for seeding and draw:** January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**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 Association 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 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).**

**Last date for withdrawals without penalty:** Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020

**Minimum number****of entries:**

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.

**Draw:**

Will be made by Badminton Europe on February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**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](mailto: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 circuit instructions.

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)

**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](mailto:transport@autopen.at) until 14th February 2020 (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 14th February 2020 (mail to [transport@autopen.at](mailto: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](mailto: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 has to be made via**

**E-Mail:** [reservierung@artewien.at](mailto:reservierung@artewien.at) or

**Phone:** +43-1-789-8899

Please use the code “**AO2020**” 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 has to 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 **22 January 2020**. 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/>

**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/>

### **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, 18<sup>th</sup> until Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2020:

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

### **Practice hall (4 courts):**

Available from Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> until Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2020:

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 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.

### **Force majeure:**

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.