



Message from the ITF President

It is my great pleasure to welcome you all to Antalya, Turkey for the 14th ITF Worldwide Coaches Workshop.

The ITF's Worldwide Coaches Workshop is the biggest ITF coaching event and is held every two years, attracting over 300 coaches from over 100 member nations. This 14th edition, held with the co-operation of the Turkish Tennis Federation and Tennis Europe, has again attracted an impressive collection of presenters, including four-time Grand Slam champion, Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario from Spain, who will be this year's keynote speaker.

Many of the world's leading coaches and international sports science experts, as well as numerous national coaches and technical directors will present the most up-to-date information related to high-level tennis training. As usual, attendees will also have the opportunity to meet and exchange ideas with their counterparts from other nations.

As in the two previous Worldwide Coaching Workshops, the presentations at this year's Workshop will be devoted to a specific theme: 'Quality Coaching for the Future'. The variety of topics to be discussed and the various workshops that are being staged will help coaches gain a thorough knowledge of all the elements that combine to ensure optimal player preparation. This understanding is essential for coaches wishing to help promising young players break through to the top.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff of the ITF Development department, the Turkish Tennis Federation and Club Ali Bey for all of the work that they have done to make the week a success. I hope that everyone involved in the 14th ITF Worldwide Coaches Workshop has an enjoyable and rewarding week.

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