

Spain to hold 2009 ITF Worldwide Coaches Conference



Luis Puig Velodrome

The ITF announced that the 16th ITF Worldwide Coaches Conference will take place in Valencia, Spain on Friday 30 October - Tuesday 3 November 2009. The event is organised by the ITF in conjunction with the Real Federacion Espanola de Tennis.

The venue will be the Luis Puig Velodrome, one of the best indoor facilities in the world, which was first inaugurated in the summer of 1992 for the World Cycling Track Championships. The theme of this years Conference is 'Developing Competencies for Elite Players and Coaches'.

The ITF Worldwide Coaches Conference is the showpiece of the ITF's Coaches Education Programme, and attracts coaches and experts from over 100 countries. This five-day event offers a combination of coaches education, the latest sport science information and practical on-court coaching presentations, as well as lecture room presentations from international experts on the latest discoveries in high level player development, professional tennis coaching and applied sport science.

For the first time, the Conference has its own dedicated website (www.itfcoachesconference.com/2009) where interested parties can access all the relevant information, keep up to date with Conference news as well and register online to attend the Conference from 2 March.

Vergeer faces Nadal in Rotterdam

Nine-time ITF Wheelchair World Champion Esther Vergeer faced current Men's World Champion Rafael Nadal in an on-court exhibition at last week's ATP World Tour event in Rotterdam.

Vergeer, unbeaten in 357 matches since the start of 2003, was acting as Tournament Director for a new men's ITF 1 Series wheelchair event on the NEC Wheelchair Tennis Tour. This was held alongside the regular ATP event.

Eight of the world's top 11 players took part in the three-day competition, with top seed and world No. 2 Robin Ammerlaan (NED) going on to win the title in front of his home supporters. Ammerlaan opened his challenge with a 60 60 defeat of Tadeusz Kruszelnicki (POL), before scoring three-set wins over his compatriot Maikel Scheffers 75 46 61 in the semifinals and France's world No. 3 Stephane Houdet 63 67(1) 63 in the final.



Esther Vergeer (NED) and Rafael Nadal (ESP)
(Photo: Henk Koster)

Richard Krajicek, tournament director of the ATP event, said: "I watched the final with a lot of admiration. It is really amazing what those guys can do. They really go for it and every once in a while a player hits the side boards. I tried it myself but I can't do it! There were over 1000 spectators for the final and that is unique. This tournament has been a great success."

For further information, visit www.itftennis.com/wheelchair.

Success for ITF COTECC team

The 2009 ITF COTECC team, which featured nine players from the Central American region, had very good results on this year's 16 and 14 & Under COSAT junior circuit in South America.

Rosalinda Calderon (El Salvador), Wilfredo Gonzalez (Guatemala), Gian Issa (Suriname), Luis Pilatuna (Mexico), Justin Roberts (Bahamas), Valeria Salazar (Mexico), Daniela Schippers (Guatemala), Franz Sydow (Aruba) and Fabiana Vitanza (Honduras) took part in a training camp in Cali, Colombia, followed by four events in Cali, Guayaquil, Lima and Cochabamba.



2009 ITF COTECC team

The best performances were by Sydow, who reached one final and two semifinals in the boys' events, while Salazar and Schippers both reached girls' singles quarterfinals.

Team captain Carlos Rodriguez said: "Our kids are struggling to win a bit more than usual in these tournaments, mainly because they are competing on clay courts. Back at home, they all play and practice on hard courts. But, overall, I believe they are at the same level of match play as their South American peers. Their results prove it."

Enrique Molina, COTECC'S President, added: "The results of our team this year confirm that the level and quality of play among COTECC's junior players keeps improving, thanks to the joint efforts of ITF, COTECC and the National Federations."

King backs Play and Stay campaign

'Tennis... Play and Stay', the ITF campaign that promotes the use of slower balls and smaller courts to improve the way starter players are introduced to the game, has received the support of one of the game's legends, Billie Jean King.

The former world No. 1, a winner of 39 Grand Slam titles, said: "It's really amazing what Play and Stay is doing, because you can have rallies much faster, so if you play, you're going to stay in the sport much longer. It makes the game easier, it's more fun, you're more successful right off the bat. I never played tennis until I was 11. I wish I'd had this opportunity because this would have made tennis much more fun for me as a child".

To view the full interview with Billie Jean King, please click [here](#) (with thanks to the Sony Ericsson WTA Tour who kindly organised and filmed the interview in Doha).

For further information about Play and Stay, visit www.tennisplayandstay.com.

National Association updates

France - FRA

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New President:

Mr Jean Gachassin

New Secretary:

Mr Daniel Hette

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San Marino Tennis Federation

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New address:

PO Box 479, Windhoek

Acting Secretary:

Ms Trixie Tripodi

ITF Wheelchair Rankings

16 February 2009

MEN'S SINGLES RANKING

Position	Player Name (Nationality)	Points
1st	KUNIEDA, Shingo (JPN)	4713
2nd	AMMERLAAN, Robin (NED)	3302
3rd	HOUDET, Stephane (FRA)	2711
4th	OLSSON, Stefan (SWE)	2273
5th	SCHEFFERS, Maikel (NED)	2092
6th	JEREMIASZ, Michael (FRA)	2024
7th	KRUSZELNICKI, Tadeusz (POL)	1904
8th	LEGNER, Martin (AUT)	1623
9th	SAIDA, Satoshi (JPN)	1594
10th	PEIFER, Nicolas (FRA)	1425

WOMEN'S SINGLES RANKING

Position	Player Name (Nationality)	Points
1st	VERGEER, Esther (NED)	4001
2nd	HOMAN, Korie (NED)	2985
3rd	GRIFFIOEN, Jiske (NED)	1909
4th	GRAVELLIER, Florence (FRA)	1735
5th	WALRAVEN, Sharon (NED)	1577
6th	VAN KOOT, Aniek (NED)	1007
7th	SEVENANS, Annick (BEL)	971
8th	FRIDMAN, Ilanit (ISR)	962
9th	DI TORO, Daniela (AUS)	937
10th	SHUKER, Lucy (GBR)	916

QUAD SINGLES RANKING

Position	Player Name (Nationality)	Points
1st	NORFOLK, Peter (GBR)	3577
2nd	WAGNER, David (USA)	3234
3rd	TAYLOR, Nicholas (USA)	1745
4th	ANDERSSON, Johan (SWE)	1534
5th	VAN ERP, Bas (NED)	1121

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ITF Junior Rankings

JUNIOR BOYS RANKING

Position	Player Name (Nationality)	Points
1st	BHAMBRI, Yuki (IND)	1508.75
2nd	DIMITROV, Grigor (BUL)	1087.50
3rd	YANG, Tsung-Hua (TPE)	911.25
4th	URIGUEN, Julien (GUA)	690.00
5th	PEREIRA, Jose (BRA)	635.00
6th	KRAJINOVIC, Filip (SRB)	635.00
7th	BUCHANAN, Chase (USA)	630.00
8th	OBRY, Julien (FRA)	630.00
9th	CARENNO-BUSTA, Pablo (ESP)	628.75
10th	BASIC, Mirza (BIH)	620.00

JUNIOR GIRLS RANKING

Position	Player Name (Nationality)	Points
1st	LERTCHEEWAKARN, Noppawan (THA)	1150.00
2nd	ROBSON, Laura (GBR)	1126.25
3rd	BOGDAN, Ana (ROU)	1015.00
4th	BOGDAN, Elena (ROU)	963.75
5th	TOMLJANOVIC, Ajla (CRO)	861.25
6th	NARA, Kurumi (JPN)	790.00
7th	LOUDIN, Melanie (USA)	757.50
8th	HALEP, Simona (ROU)	750.00
9th	BABOS, Tímea (HUN)	735.00
10th	EMBREE, Lauren (USA)	726.25



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ITF MEN'S CIRCUIT

AUSTRALIA F1 FUTURES, MILDURA (\$15,000)

Singles

Brydan Klein (AUS) d. Matthew Ebden (AUS) 60 64

Doubles

Matthew Ebden/Brydan Klein (AUS) d. Kaden Hensel/Adam Hubble (AUS) 75 76(7)

COLOMBIA F2 FUTURES, CARTAGENA (\$15,000)

Singles

Carlos Salamanca (COL) d. Andre Miele (BRA) 63 67(7) 64

Doubles

Juan-Sebastian Cabal/Carlos Salamanca (COL) d. Eric Gomes/Andre Miele (BRA) 63 75

CROATIA F1 FUTURES, ZAGREB (\$15,000)

Singles

Martin Fischer (AUT) d. Louk Sorensen (IRL) 63 63

Doubles

Ivan Cerovic/Josko Topic (CRO) d. Stefano Galvani (ITA)/Victor Ionita (ROU) 63 36 [10-7]

EGYPT F3 FUTURES, CAIRO (\$10,000)

Singles

Guillaume Rufin (FRA) d. Karim Maamoun (EGY) 57 61 64

Doubles

Karim Maamoun/Sherif Sabry (EGY) d. David Savic/Miljan Zekic (SRB) 64 16 [10-7]

FRANCE F3 FUTURES, BRESSUIRE (\$10,000+H)

Singles

Ruben Bemelmans (BEL) d. Vincent Millot (FRA) 64 63

Doubles

Olivier Charroin/Nicolas Tourte (FRA) d. Charles-Antoine Brezac/Vincent Stouff (FRA) 63 76(5)

ITALY F1 FUTURES, BARI (\$15,000)

Singles

Walter Trusendi (ITA) d. Leonardo Azzaro (ITA) 63 63

Doubles

Deniss Pavlovs (LAT)/Walter Trusendi (ITA) d. Fabio Colangelo/Marco Crugnola (ITA) 46 63 [10-4]

IVORY COAST F2 FUTURES, ABIDJAN (\$15,000+H)

Singles

Andreas Haider-Maurer (AUT) d. Benjamin Balleret (MON) 62 36 62

Doubles

Colin Fleming/Ken Skupski (GBR) d. Pierre-Ludovic Duclos (CAN)/Andreas Haider-Maurer (AUT) 63 76(3)

PANAMA F1 FUTURES, PANAMA (\$10,000)

Singles

Rafael Arevalo (ESA) d. Claudio Grassi (ITA) 75 62

Doubles

Rylan Rizza/Kaes Van't Hof (USA) d. Pedro Ast (VEN)/Dennis Zivkovic (USA) 67(5) 63 [10-3]

SPAIN F5 FUTURES, CARTAGENA (\$10,000)

Singles

Andrea Arnaboldi (ITA) d. Javier Genaro-Martinez (ESP) 62 16 62

Doubles

Daniel Danilovic/Goran Tomic (MNE) d. Romano Frantzen (NED)/Alexandre Renard (FRA) 61 63

ITF WOMEN'S CIRCUIT

\$10,000 ALBUFEIRA (POR)

Singles

Darina Sedenkova (CZE) d. Lisa Sabino (ITA) 63 62

Doubles

Lucie Kriegsmannova/Darina Sedenkova (CZE) d. Giulia Gatto-Monticone/Federica Quercia (ITA) 60 62

\$10,000 JIANGMEN (CHN)

Singles

Ying-Ying Duan (CHN) d. Yan-Ze Xie (CHN) 62 64

Doubles

Jie Hao (CHN)/Shao-Yuan Kao (TPE) d. Yan-Ze Xie/Shuai Zhang (CHN) 60 75

\$10,000 MALLORCA (ESP)

Singles

Tina Schiechl (AUT) d. Laura Thorpe (FRA) 57 64 75

Doubles

Neda Kozic (SRB)/Laura Thorpe (FRA) d. Simona Dobra (CZE)/Magdalena Kiszczynska (POL) 63 26 [10-3]

\$25,000 MILDURA (AUS)

Singles

Abigail Spears (USA) d. Ksenia Palkina (KGZ) 57 63 62

Doubles

Jing-Jing Lu/Sheng-Nan Sun (CHN) d. Xinyun Han/Chun-Mei Ji (CHN) 76(2) 76(4)

\$25,000 STOCKHOLM (SWE)

Singles

Tatjana Malek (GER) d. Aniko Kapros (HUN) 63 62

Doubles

Violette Huck (FRA)/Emma Laine (FIN) d. Melanie Klaffner (AUT)/Ksenia Milevskaya (BLR) 36 76(5) [10-8]

\$50,000 CALI (COL)

Singles

Anastasia Yakimova (BLR) d. Rosana De Los Rios (PAR) 63 60

Doubles

Betina Jozami (ARG)/Arantxa Parra-Santonja (ESP) d. Frederica Piedade (POR)/Anastasia Yakimova (BLR) 63 61

\$75,000 MIDLAND, MI (USA)

Singles

Lucie Hradecka (CZE) d. Eleni Daniilidou (GRE) 63 63

Doubles

Yi Chen (TPE)/Rika Fujiwara (JPN) d. Melinda Czink (HUN)/Lindsay Lee-Waters (USA) 75 76(5)

ITF JUNIOR CIRCUIT

LA PAZ, BOLIVIA, GRADE 2

Boys Singles

Bruno Luciano Mazziotti (ARG) d. Renzo Olivo (ARG) 46 64 64

Girls Singles

Paola Cos (USA) d. Elianne Douglas-Miron (CAN) 63 36 64

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Boys Doubles

Nikolai Haessig/Panav Jha (CAN) d. Ryusei Makiguchi (BOL)/Christopher Price (CHI) 60 60

Girls Doubles

Diana Kyllmann/Daniela Trigo (BOL) d. Elianne Douglas-Miron/Marianne Jodoin (CAN) 16 64 [10-6]

MONASTIR, TUNISIA, GRADE 2

Boys Singles

Andrey Kuznetsov (RUS) d. Sandro Ehrat (SUI) 60 62

Girls Singles

Maryna Zanevska (UKR) d. Maria-Teresa Torro-Flor (ESP) 46 62 76(4)

Boys Doubles

Sandro Ehrat (SUI)/Martin Trueva (POR) d. Pavel Krainik (CAN)/Andrey Kuznetsov (RUS) 36 76(5) [10-8]

Girls Doubles

Jeltje Loomans/Sabine Van Der Sar (NED) d. Polina Leikina (RUS)/Maryna Zanevska (UKR) 61 63

DHAKA, BANGLADESH, GRADE 3

Boys Singles

David Thomson (GBR) d. Mohit Mayur Jayaprakash (IND) 75 67(22) 61

Girls Singles

Luksika Kumkhum (THA) d. Demi Schuurs (NED) 62 62

Boys Doubles

David Thomson/Mathew Thomson (GBR) d. Ting Yu Chuang (TPE)/Chuhan Wang (CHN) 61 61

Girls Doubles

Hua-Chen Lee (TPE)/Kobkanok Upapong (THA) d. Ioana-Laura Alecsiu (ROU)/Demi Schuurs (NED) 64 64

COPENHAGEN, DENMARK, GRADE 4

Boys Singles

Richard Gabb (GBR) d. Robin Olin (SWE) 76(3) 61

Girls Singles

Irina Khromacheva (RUS) d. Caroline Rohde-Moe (NOR) 63 62

Boys Doubles

Daniel Cochrane/Richard Gabb (GBR) d. Jeffrey Mira Svensson/Robin Olin (SWE) 64 16 [10-7]

Girls Doubles

Mai Grage (DEN)/Irina Khromacheva (RUS) d. Matilda Hamlin (SWE)/Caroline Rohde-Moe (NOR) 63 62

MEXICO CITY, MEXICO, GRADE 4

Boys Singles

Alexis Carlos (MEX) d. Zachary White (CAN) 75 64

Girls Singles

Alejandra Granillo (MEX) d. Monica Turewicz (USA) 62 76(3)

Boys Doubles

Alejandro Medinilla/Alfredo Moreno (MEX) d. Alexis Carlos/Salvador Lopez (MEX) 76(4) 36 [10-5]

Girls Doubles

Kate Fuller/Monica Yajima (USA) d. Carolina Betancourt/Giovanna Manifacio (MEX) 63 26 [10-6]

WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND, GRADE 4

Boys Singles

Ben Wagland (AUS) d. Ben Mclachlan (NZL) 64 64

Girls Singles

Miho Kowase (JPN) d. Miyu Kato (JPN) 62 61

Boys Doubles

Ben Wagland/Andrew Whittington (AUS) d. Barrett Franks/Ben Mclachlan (NZL) 64 64

Girls Doubles

Molly Polak/Viktorija Rajcic (AUS) d. Abbie Myers/Jennifer Nguyen (AUS) 61 64

DOHA, QATAR, GRADE 5

Boys Singles

Seif Eldin El Sherbini (EGY) d. Shady Khalaf (EGY) 75 63

Girls Singles

Rana Sherif Ahmed (EGY) d. Laura Slater (GBR) 63 63

Boys Doubles

Kwun Ho Kong/Siu-Fai, Kelvin Lam (HKG) d. Hamad Al mulla (QAT)/Ameur Ben hassen (TUN) 75 63

Girls Doubles

Laura Deigman/Laura Slater (GBR) d. Natalla Khaniejo (IND)/Meheq Khokhar (PAK) 60 62

NAIROBI, KENYA, GRADE 5

Boys Singles

Karim Hossam (EGY) d. Alexander Wilton (GBR) 62 61

Girls Singles

Yasmin Ebada (EGY) d. Marina Albert (EGY) 63 63

Boys Doubles

Valentin Piret/Julien Sterbelle (BEL) d. Karim Beltagui/Mohamed Mounir (EGY) 63 63

Girls Doubles

Yasmin Ebada (EGY)/Jessica Laing (RSA) d. Nikita Nitin Dawda (KEN)/Sohinee Ghosh (MRI) 61 63

ITF WHEELCHAIR CIRCUIT

ROTTERDAM, NETHERLANDS, ITF 1 SERIES

Men's Singles

Robin Ammerlaan (NED) d. Stephane Houdet (FRA) 63 67(1) 63

CALOUNDRA, AUSTRALIA, ITF 3 SERIES

Men's Singles

Ronald Vink (NED) d. Nicolas Peifer (FRA) 63 36 75

Men's Doubles

Nicolas Peifer (FRA)/Phillip Rowe (CAN) d. Lahcen Majdi (FRA)/Steffen Sommerfeld (GER) 64 75

CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND, ITF 3 SERIES

Men's Singles

Ben Weekes (AUS) d. Adam Kellerman (AUS) 61 62

Men's Doubles

Michael Dobbie/Ben Weekes (AUS) d. Glenn Barnes/Travis Moffat (NZL) 46 64 63

TUCSON, AZ, USA, ITF FUTURES SERIES

Men's Singles

Paul Moran (USA) d. Yann Mathieu (CAN) 62 36 64

Women's Singles

Dana Mathewson (USA) d. Claudia Taboada (MEX) 62 63

Quad Singles

Greg Hasterok (USA) d. Adrian Dieleman (CAN) 61 62

Men's Doubles

Marsten Anderson/Tom Ayala (USA) d. Dan Bolhouse/Paul Moran (USA) 76(9) 76(5)

This Week Next Week

Events - week commencing 16 February 2009

MEN	Spain F6 Futures	Cartagena	\$10,000
	Australia F2 Futures	Berri	\$15,000
	Croatia F2 Futures	Zagreb	\$15,000
	Italy F2 Futures	Trento	\$15,000
	USA F4 Futures	Brownsville, TX	\$15,000
WOMEN	China, P.R.	Guangzhou	\$10,000
	Portugal	Portimao	\$10,000
	Italy	CANCELLED	\$25,000
	USA	Surprise, AZ	\$25,000
JUNIORS	Chile	Santiago	Grade 2
	Moldova	Chisinau	Grade 3
	Finland	Oulu	Grade 4
	Mexico	Zapopan	Grade 4
	Netherlands	Almere	Grade 4

Events - week commencing 23 February 2009

MEN	Spain F7 Futures	Terrasa	\$10,000
	USA F5 Futures	Harlingen, TX	\$15,000
WOMEN	Spain	CANCELLED	\$10,000
	Germany	Biberach	\$50,000
	USA	Clearwater, FL	\$50,000
SENIORS	Canada	Markham	Grade 2
	Great Britain	Glasgow	Grade 4
JUNIORS	Argentina	Mar del Plata	Grade 2
	Lithuania	Siauliai	Grade 3
	El Salvador	La Libertad	Grade 4
	Germany	Nurnberg	Grade 4
	Norway	Oslo	Grade 4
	Sri Lanka	Colombo	Grade 5
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