



**INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION
PARA TABLE TENNIS DIVISION**

TECHNICAL DELEGATE REPORT

Name of the tournament:	2017 EUROPEAN PARA YOUTH GAMES
Ranking factor applied for:	F 20
Name of responsible organization:	Organizing Committee EPYG2017
Name of Chairman of Organizing Committee:	Mr. Dario DELLA GATTA
Dates of play:	12 - 14.10.2017
Name of Technical Delegate:	Ela MADEJSKA (POL)
Report submitted to ITTF PTTD:	November 2017

Transport: The organizers provided transportation for teams and officials from the airports: Milano Malpensa (MXP), Milano Bergamo (BGY) and Genova-Sestri (GOA) or from the main railway stations to (from) hotels and local transport from hotel to venue and back.



There was a large city buses adapted for wheelchairs and



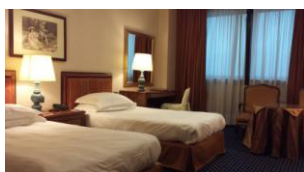
..... and small vans running according to timetables



VIP persons were driven by BMW, who was one of the sponsors of the Games. During the competition the transport worked well. Rides from the hotels were scheduled in the morning and in the evening return from the venue. TD, Referee and Classifires given separate transport.

Accommodation: All players and officials were staying in 3 hotels:

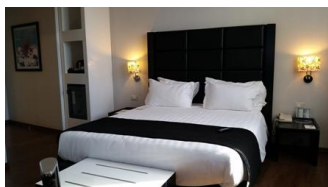
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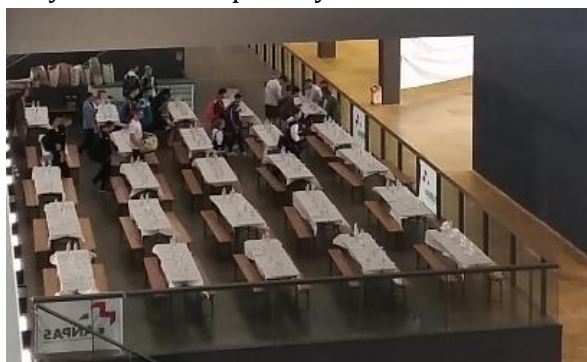
and Holiday Inn



The hotels are accessible for wheelchair players.

Distance between Hotels and Venue: All hotels 20-30 minutes by car.

Meals: Breakfast and dinner was served in each hotel, quality was good. All athletes and officials had lunch at the venue – Efficient service provided by volunteers. The food was good, typical of Italy in sufficient quantity.

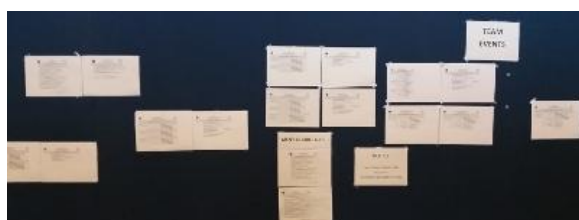


Meetings: The Technical meeting was held on 11th of October at the venue. Necessary information was given to the delegations: Double partners, Team partners composition form and draws for Singles Event.

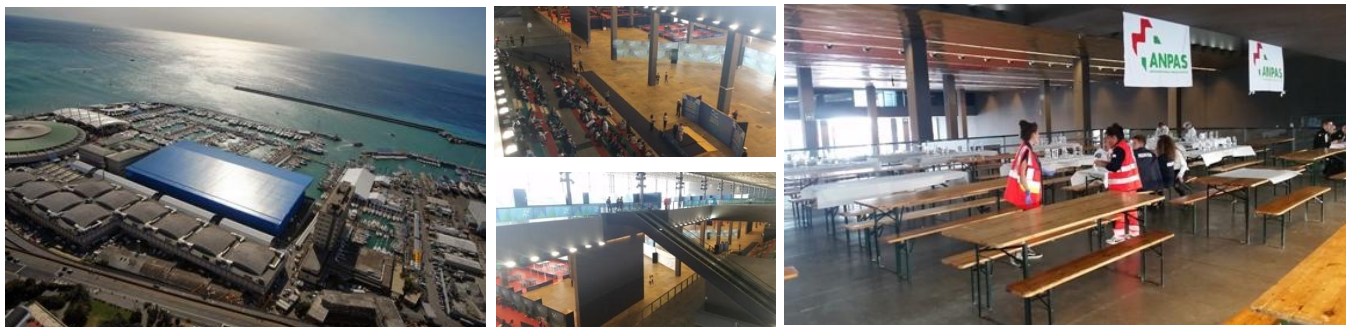
Also a umpire meeting was held before the Technical meeting.

Classification: Two Classifiers were responsible for classifying the players: Mr.Heinz Zwerina (AUT) and Mrs. Yael Shalef (ISR) and they were very efficient. A total of 10 players were required for classification.

Results: During the tournament results were regularly published on the information board in playing hall, via the pigeon holes and also updated on the PTT website.



Venue: Competition venue was held in Fiera Internazionale di Genova. In the huge (20 thousand square meters) blue pavilion there were 3 sports: table tennis, goalball and judo. In the pavilion there was also a place for a medal ceremony and a lunch area for all sports.



Playing area:

The tournament was played on 6 tables.



Behind the provisional wall were 6 training tables for the players.



Equipment: Tables: 6 tables Butterfly Centerfold25
 Nets: Butterfly
 Balls: Butterfly *** G40+
 Scoreboards: Butterfly
 Umpire’s tables: Butterfly
 Surrounds: Butterfly

Floor: red Taraflex

Lighting: weak, insufficient; in the afternoon on few tables bothered the light from the windows,

Referee and TD Table: Close to the playing area

Call Area: close to the referee table and FOP



Changing rooms: for male and female



Medical service: Available everyday throughout the tournament. Ambulance present all the time.



Competition: All events run well and in a great atmosphere. There was very good cooperation among officials, team leaders and players. Unfortunately due to the poor layout of the sound system, there was an unexpected break in the tournament during the judo medal ceremony because it was too loud.

Articles to ITTF Website: All the articles published by Ian Marshall on the ITTF website:

<https://www.ittf.com/2017/10/14/farewell-lasko-now-Genoa-focus/>

<https://www.ittf.com/2017/10/14/golden-day-Italy-three-titles-Genoa/>

<https://www.ittf.com/2017/10/14/filip-radovic-luka-trtnik-add-title-haul/>

Ceremonies:

The Opening Ceremony of the Games was held for all national teams in the city center, with the participation of the President of the European Paralympic Committee, the National Paralympic Committees, city authorities, townsfolk, sponsors and volunteers.



The Medal Ceremonies for all competition, singles, doubles and team events took place after the finals at the venue.



Competition days:

- 9-11.10.2017 Classification and practice
- 11.10.2017 Opening Ceremony, practice, Technical meeting, Umpires briefing
- 12.10.2017 Single Event and Medal ceremony
- 13.10.2017 Double Event and Medal Ceremony
- 14.10.2017 Team Event and Medal ceremony for Teams

Participants: 47 players (33 male, 14 female) from 14 nations were present (AUT, CRO, DEN, ISR, ITA, MNG, NOR, POR, ROU, SLO, SRB, SVK, SWE, TUR). Total 85 participants.

Organizing TT Committee:

General Director: Carlo FERNANDEZ
Layout Director: Gabriele ASCIONE
Assistant: Elisabetta FRITTOLI

Officials:

Technical Delegate: Ela MADEJSKA (POL)
Referee: Constantina CROTTA (GRE)
Deputy Referee: Elio CORRADO (ITA)
Assistant Referee: Gianbeppe CUATTO (ITA)

Classifiers:

Yael SHALEF (ISR)
Heinz ZWERINA (AUT)

Evaluation:

Accommodations: Good
Transport: Good
Meals: Good quality and quantity
Venue: Good
Sport equipment: Good, all ITTF approved
Light in the hall: Weak
Information: Good sport info, on the information board, pigeon holes and in IPTTC website
Referee Team: Very good
Computer person: Good
Medal presentation: Good but poor sound system

CONCLUSION:

Table tennis was one of the eight sports offered to athletes during the 2017 European Paralympics Youth Games. The organizers of the Games did not watch the details of each sport, so there were some misunderstandings and problems.

Venue:

Very large space but not very well arranged. In the future, higher walls should be placed to separate light from the windows.

It is necessary to make much stronger lighting.

The location of sound system for the medal ceremony on the premises intended for the table tennis caused big problems. An independent sound system is required only for the medal ceremony.

Communication:

Communication with the organizers of other sports is essential for the smooth conduct of all sports. Joint arrangements must cover all sports and ceremonies layouts also competition, transportation and medal ceremonies schedules.

I would like to thank Elio Corrado, Gabriele Ascione for the organizational help. The professional work of Tina Crotta, umpires and volunteers, as well as the support of experienced coaches, led to the smooth running of the competition. Thank you very much for the great cooperation.

Technical Delegate – Ela MADEJSKA (POL)