



1st PARA TABLE TENNIS SPANISH OPEN
2017 NOVEMBER 8TH- 13TH
ALICANTE/SPAIN



INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION
PARA TABLE TENNIS DIVISION

TECHNICAL DELEGATE REPORT

Name of the tournament:	1st PTT SPANISH OPEN
Ranking factor applied for:	F 40
Name of responsible organization:	Spanish Table Tennis Federation & Spanish Paralympic Committee
Name of Chairman of Organizing Committee:	Mr. Daniel VALERO TUINENBURG
Dates of play:	09 - 12.11.2017
Name of Technical Delegate:	Ela MADEJSKA (POL)
Report submitted to ITTF PTTD:	December 2017

Airport: Alicante–Elche Airport about 20km to the hotels in Alicante. The organizers provided free transportation for teams and officials from and to Alicante Airport and hotels or from and to Alicante railway station.

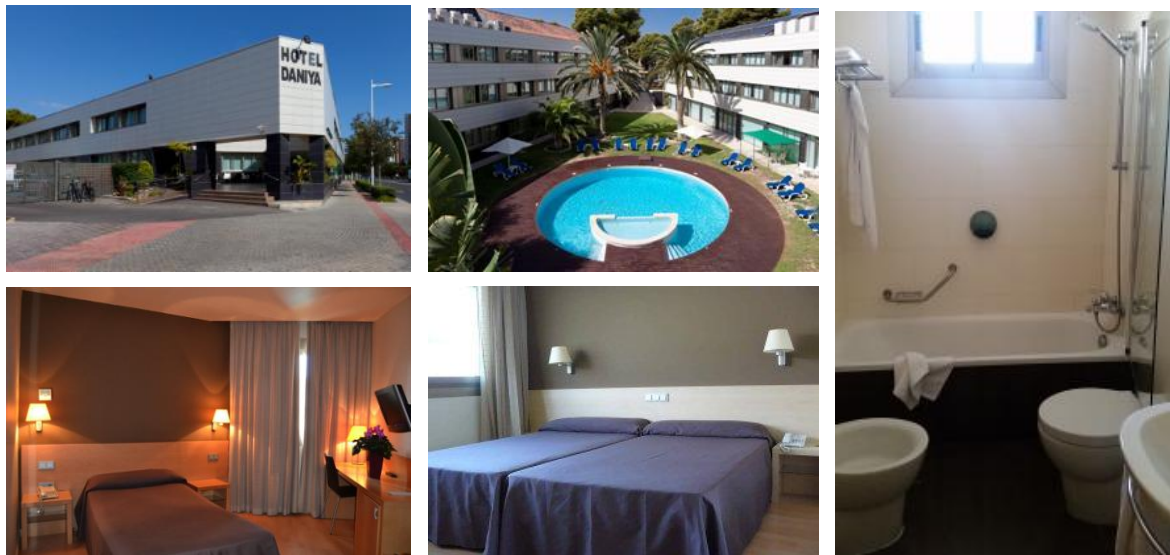
Accreditation: At the hotels. The participants received identifiers and meals tickets.

Accommodation: All players and officials were staying in 2 hotels:

Hotel Maya Alicante: <http://www.hotelalicantemaya.com/EN/hotel.html>



Hotel Daniya Alicante: <http://www.daniyaalicante.com/en/>



Almost all wheelchair users were accommodated at the Daniya Hotel. Part of them had difficulties to get into the bathtub. Heads of the hotel have provided a willing wheelchair users accessible bathroom located in the gym on -1 level.



Distance between Hotels and the venue: about 15-20 minutes by bus.

Transport: Transport was provided from the hotels to the hall and vice versa with 4 big busses equipped with a load elevator system for wheelchairs. The transport was every day scheduled and it ran circularly from the hotels to the venue. The schedule has been adjusted in accordance to the participants needs.





The officials living in the Maya Hotel were brought to the venue by a separate bus.



The organizers also had the van and passenger cars of the Spanish Paralympic Committee, which they used when needed. During the competition the transport worked well. Overall, the organization and communication with the organizers related to transport was good.

Meals: Breakfast and dinner was served in each hotel, quality was very good, varied and in sufficient quantity. In the morning at the Daniya hotel was too little space for everyone willing to eat breakfast at the same time before leaving the bus.



All athletes and officials had lunch at the restaurant close to the venue. The meals were varied and there was always a choice. Taking advantage of the beautiful weather we could have lunch in the open air.



Meetings: The Technical meeting was held on 8th of November at 8pm at the venue. Delegations have received the necessary information regarding tournament organization, transport and call room procedures. They also received draw for single event, team composition forms and participant report.

Also on 8th of November at 6:30 pm there was a meeting for umpires.

Classification: No classification during FA 40 tournaments, so only one classifier was responsible for observing the players.

Venue: Competition venue was held in Pabellón Pedro Ferrándiz, Centre de Tecnificació.



The main hall:



Equipment:
Tables: 12 tables Butterfly Centerfold25
Nets: Butterfly
Balls: Butterfly *** G40+
Scoreboards: Butterfly
Umpire's tables: Butterfly
Surrounds: Butterfly
Towel boxes: Butterfly

Floor: red Taraflex

Lighting: Approximately 1000 lux

Spectator seating: more than 5000 seats with good view on the playing area, not available for wheelchairs

Referee and TD Table: close to the playing area on the rise, with a good view of the FOP



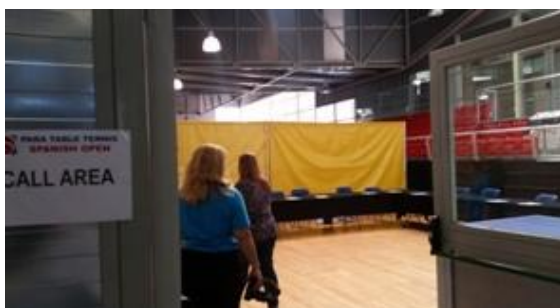
If necessary, Referee and TD could use a separate room, which was located near their table.

Practice area:

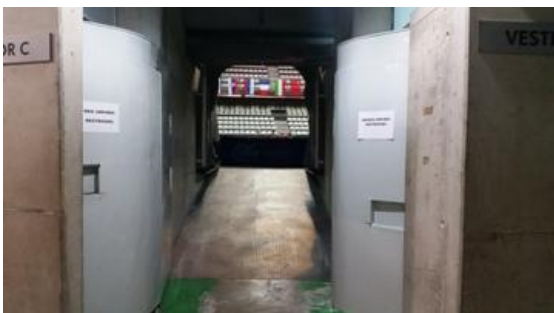
In the hall adjacent to the main hall were 9 tables for warming up. In the practice hall was insufficient lighting



Call Area: close to the practice area and FOP



Changing rooms: for male and female players and also for umpires



Right next to the practice area were spacious toilets available for wheelchairs.

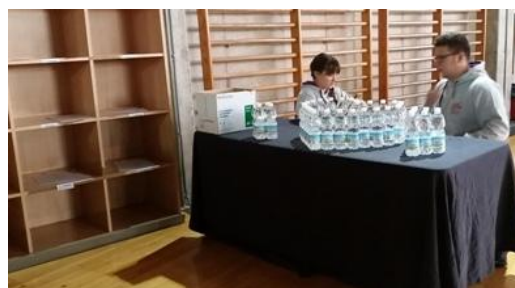
Resting place: a quiet, safe place to rest for the players



Medical service: was continuously at the venue during the competition



Water: during tournament water was provided for players, staff and volunteers at the practice area in bottles



Volunteers: There were present sufficient number of volunteers. They were friendly and always willing to help. They were engaged in feeding balls, water distribution and help in the decoration ceremony. Very good work



Competition: Overall the competition was very successful. Players and umpires after the pre-match procedures at the Call Area went out to their FOP. No significant delays occurred in the preview schedule.

Racket control: There was no racket control at this tournament.

Photo: Photographer was in the venue during the whole tournament taking pictures of the players and sent them to Ian Marshall.

Articles to ITTF Website: A lot of the articles published by Ian Marshall on the ITTF website
<https://www.ittf.com/2017/11/08/prominent-spaniards-duty-even-prominent-visitors-bound-alicante/>
<https://www.ittf.com/2017/11/10/first-title-decided-alicante-jordan-celebrates-gold-khetam-abuawad/>
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<https://www.ittf.com/2017/11/12/feng-panfeng-leads-colleagues-top-prize/>
<https://www.ittf.com/2017/11/12/surprise-gold-medallists-great-britain-italy-harmony-swedes-recover-record-shock-win/>

Ceremonies:

There were no **Opening** and **Closing** ceremonies.

The Medal Ceremony

for single and team events took place directly after the finals at the venue.



Competition days:

- 9.11.2017 Arrivals
- 10-11.11.2017 Single Event and Medal ceremony
- 11-12.11.2017 Team Event and Medal ceremony for Teams
- 13.11.2017 Departures

Participants: 146 players (99 male, 47 female) from 25 nations were present (CHI, CHN, CRC, CRO, ECU, ESP, GBR, GER, HKG, HUN, INA, ISR, ITA, JOR, JPN, KAZ, NOR, POL, ROU, RUS, SLO, SRB, SWE, TUR, USA). Total 189 participants.

Organizing TT Committee:

Tournament Director:	Daniel VALERO TUINENBURG
Tournament Management:	Isabel MOLINA Jesús David Corral Pino
Results Management:	Gemma Sayol
Volunteers Coordinator:	Fernando Bermejo
Press, photos and streaming :	Alvaro Díaz and Antonio García

Officials:

Technical Delegate:	Ela MADEJSKA (POL)
Referee:	Maria TSIPOU (GRE)
Deputy Referee:	Elio CORRADO (ITA)
Deputy Referee:	Carlos ZAPATA (ESP)

Classifier: Aleksander WIETESKA (POL)

Evaluation:

Accommodations:	Good and very good
Transport:	Good
Meals:	Very good quality and quantity
Venue:	Very good
Sport equipment:	Very good, all ITTF approved
Light in the hall:	Very good
Information:	Good, information board, pigeon-boxes, very good cooperation with results management
Referee Team:	Very good
Computer person:	Very good
Umpires:	Good
Medal presentation:	Good
Organization:	Good organization with welcoming people

CONCLUSION: 1st PTT Spain Open was well-organized competition. The Organizing Committee was very experienced and did everything to provide and manage all the issues that emerged during the tournament. I would like to suggest a few changes to make the tournament even better in the future:

Venue: Main hall very good, useful for table tennis, but it is worth considering the organization of the practice area in a different place with much better lighting.

Meals: It would be good to establish with hotels that the breakfast would start at least one hour before the scheduled departure of the first buses.

I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to all those involved in the organization of the tournament. I would especially like to thank the Tournament Director, administrative service and a Referee Team for the kindness, patience and efficient conduct of the competition.

Technical Delegate – Ela MADEJSKA (POL)