

# INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION



## TECHNICAL DELEGATE

## EVALUATION REPORT

<b>Name of Tournament:</b>	<b>Polish Open 2008</b>
<b>Ranking Factor Approved for:</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Name of the National Federation:</b>	<b>Polish Sports Association for the Disabled “Start”</b>
<b>Chairperson of Organising Committee:</b>	<b>Ms. Magdalena Grzesik</b>
<b>Dates of Play:</b>	<b>15-17 May, 2008</b>
<b>Name of Technical Delegate:</b>	<b>Leandro Olvech - ARG</b>
<b>Report submitted to the ITTF:</b>	<b>May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2008</b>



The distance from the “Gdansk “ airport is 80km (90 minutes) and from the “Gdynia” rail station 70km (75 minutes)

**There were some complains about the room service not done daily.**

**Meals:**

The restaurant is a nice place with big windows with a view to the beach. The meals were enough, the variety and quality ok.

**Transport:**

Just needed from/to Airport because the venue is in the same complex as the accommodation. The players can go by themselves also.

Units used for the transport: 8 buses for arrivals and 7 for departures, taxis for individuals.

**Communication:**

The OC provided the sport and logistic information to the participants with reasonable anticipation and there were no complains, anyway the draws and schedules for singles and team events should be informed earlier next time.

**Accessibility:**

Most of the facilities are accessible, the distance from Hotels to Restaurant are short but from there to the sport hall around 400 meters with some slopes that could be hard for tetra players. Some showers in the rooms were not fully accessible.



Way from the Restaurant and Hotels to the Venue

**Main Venue:**

Cetniewo Sports Hall



Floor: Wooden, very nice quality

Lighting: good enough

Temperature: May be too warm because sunny days, the doors couldn't be opened because of the wind

Spectator Seats: for approx 150 people

Referee's Table: a platform in a side of the sport hall

Gluing Room: Outside the hall

Officials Rooms: One room for classification and one for the OC + TD

Toilets: 4 bathrooms and an accessible chemical toilet outside the sport hall

**Equipment:**

Tables: 16 pcs. Andro Magnum blue, ITTF app.  
+ 8 pcs. for warming up, just 6 accessible.

Net: Andro

Scorers: Andro

Surroundings: Andro

Balls: Butterfly \*\*\*, ITTF Approved

<b><u>Programme:</u></b>	May 14 <sup>th</sup> :	- Arrivals of Teams and classifications - Technical meeting in the evening
	May 15 <sup>th</sup> :	- Open and Singles
	May 16 <sup>th</sup> :	- Singles and Teams
	May 17 <sup>th</sup> :	- Teams and Awards Presentations
	May 18 <sup>th</sup> :	- Departures

Competition started at 9hs and finished around 20hs on first day, around 22hs on the second day (just some matches) and at 17hs on last day.

The timetable was very good organised by the referee and also was quite flexible to allow “last minute changes”

**Meetings:** A technical meeting was held in the evening of 14<sup>th</sup> and included some words from the organizers. The open draw was made prior to the meeting leaded by the referee using Dr. Wu’s software. The meeting was short and the delegates received the necessary information. It was informed to the teams that the prohibition of glues with VOC was delayed for Para players until the end of the Paralympic Games in Beijing.

**Ceremonies:** There was an opening ceremony on the afternoon of 15<sup>th</sup> with some speeches.

**Honorary Personalities at the Opening Ceremony**

- Ryszard Rodzik – Vice-President of PSAD “Start”
- Jerzy Lamparski – Vice-President of PSAD “Start”
- Ryszard Stachurski – Director of Olympic Centre “Cetniewo”
- Marcin Jędryczka – Director’s Deputy of Olympic Centre “Cetniewo”
- Jacek Swidzinski – Mayor of Wladyslawowo City

Medals presentations were at the end of the competition in the restaurant of the venue after the meal. Well Organised.

**Classifications:** 14 Players were classified.  
1 player was found not eligible  
4 players were reclassified

**EDP:** Classification Seminar: (13-16.05) Aart Kruimer was the lecturer and there were 16 participants from POL, SWE, NED, GER, ITA, SCO, KOR, JAP and ARG.

ITTF+PTT Coaching Course Level 1: (18-22.05) Conducted by Leandro Olvech, Alejandra Gabaglio (ARG) and Sima Limoochi (IRI)

Coaching Course Conductors Course: (23-24.05) Conducted by the same lecturers of the other coaching course in addition to Ela Madejska (POL)



Classification Seminar



ITTF+PTT Coaching Course Level 1

**Results:**

All results were given to each nation at the end of the competition in a CD. Electronic results were sent a few days after the competition.

**Officials:**

Classifiers:	Aart Kruimer – NED Yael Shalef – ISR Jörgen Andersson - SWE
Referee:	Josef Golan – SVK
Deputy Referees:	Piotr Pielacinski, Jozef Myreik, Andrzej Glapa POL
Technical Delegate	Leandro Olvech - ARG
Umpires	Totally 37 (34 POL – 4 CZE – 3 SVK)

**Organizing Committee:**

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|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| • Chairperson                         | Magdalena Grzesik   |
| • Tournament Manager                  | Tomasz Lenkiewicz   |
| • Economy Manager                     | Barbara Majkowska   |
| • Transport Coordinator               | Eugeniusz Grabowski |
| • Transport Service                   | Magdalena Kuczynska |
|                                       | Zdzislaw Wencowski  |
| • Secretarial Staff                   | Renata Lesner       |
|                                       | Anna Bizewska       |
|                                       | Maria Otys          |
| • Coordinator of the competition area | Rafal Milosz        |
| • Technical Service                   | Adam Turzynski      |
|                                       | Jacek Kozakiewicz   |
|                                       | Bartosz Bychowski   |
|                                       | Tadeusz Lesner      |
|                                       | Lucja Kreft         |
|                                       | Teresa Bartosik     |
| • Equipment (wheelchair) Service      | Tomasz Walisiewicz  |
| • Computer service and Results        | Pawel Murzewski     |
| • Medical Service                     | Kazimierz Maslowski |
| • Volunteers                          | 18 persons          |

**Evaluation:**

**Accommodations:** Good level

**Transport:** Very Good from/to Airport. Not needed from/to Venue.

**Venue:** Excellent but need accessible toilets.

**Sport Equipment:** Very Good! BUT more accessible tables are required. 10 tables didn't have 40 cms from the end of the table to the legs. Even if there was no bar between the legs of the tables, it is not a problem for the singles matches but bothers for the doubles matches.

**Umpires:** Very Good level, not any complain received.

**Ball Retrievers:** Militars, very friendly and worked very hard without breaks.

**Competitions:** Not any major problem.

**Information:** The results were distributed by OC without any significant delay but the draws must be given earlier.

**Spectators Attendance:** Not significant.

**Medal Presentations:** All of them were organised in the restaurant together with the last dinner and farewell party. Nice presentation.

**Computer:** Very good job.

**Org. Committee:** The OC was very enthusiastic and cooperated very well; they are very friendly and experienced and know the job. However there are still some details to improve. It is not recommended that Magdalena, the chairperson, is the direct responsible of so much areas (even if she works really hard) and she should delegate and train people for future editions of this tournament.

Pawel, the computer person worked without break from the beginning to the end however I had the impression that he was overloaded. It is also not recommended that the same person input scores, print sheets, updates scores and so on. That produced a delay of the publication of draws.

**CONCLUSION:** *The tournament was very well organized and I would like to thank the OC on behalf of the PTT for the work done, I have received not any significant complain. I should recommend this tournament for most of the players; perhaps it is not perfect for tetra players.*

*Organisers: as I said before you know your work. Now you should improve and go one step higher and I am **not** talking about factor.*

*I mean that you can “**polish**” your tournament to “**shine**” a little more.*

*How?*

- **Improve the image and atmosphere of the Field of Play (FOP)**
- *Appointing a person to keep the FOP “clean”, just coaches on the corridors.*
- *Many times the players complain that they don’t have tables for training. There were 8 tables for it in this tournament and still many of them trained in the competition tables. It not nice for the image of the sport that someone is doing that in the competition tables. It is not comprehensive for the spectators and media.*
- *Announcing the final matches is a plus.*
- *Music during the breaks makes it funnier.*
- *Tournaments should be a show for spectators*

*You could say, - ok but there were not so many spectators*

*And I will answer: - If we don’t start to improve the presentation of our tournaments it might be difficult to attract the spectators and media.*

*For the next year, please get more accessible tables.*

*To finalize I would like to thanks the referee Mr. Josef “No Problem” Golan for his great work and flexibility, the deputies, umpires and classifiers and all the Organising Committee but specially Magdalena for her support to all the development activities that we proposed to them that supposed an extra work.*

*It was a pleasure to work with the Polish OC.*

*I wish the best for this very nice people for the next editions of this tournament; I must say that they gave their best.*

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