



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

TECHNICAL DELEGATE REPORT

Name of Tournament: 15th Slovenia Open Para TT Championships

Ranking Factor Applied for: 40

Name of Responsible Federation: Slovenia NPC & Slovenia Table Tennis Association

Name of Tournament Organizers: Paralympic Committee of Slovenia

Dates of Play: 9th -12th May 2018

Name of Technical Delegate: Roger Edeflod SWE
Dave Cochrane ENG

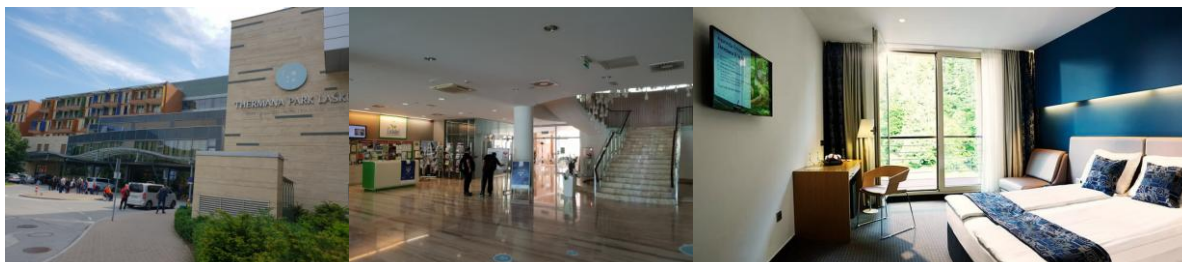
Report submitted to ITTF PTTD: 28th May 2018

Airport: Airport LJUBLJANA 75 min (92 Km) distance from the hotel
Airport GRAZ (Austria) 90 min (120 km) distance from the hotel

Accreditation: HOTEL WELLNESS PARK LAŠKO.

Accommodation: The accommodation was organized in 2 very good hotels,

Hotel Wellness Park Lasko



Hotel Zdravilisce



Distance between Hotels and Venue: Both hotels 5 minutes by coach or 10 minutes' walk.

Transportation: Shuttle buses start 7:00am from hotels and every 15 minutes all day.



Meals: All meals were served at the hotels, the quality and variety were very good.

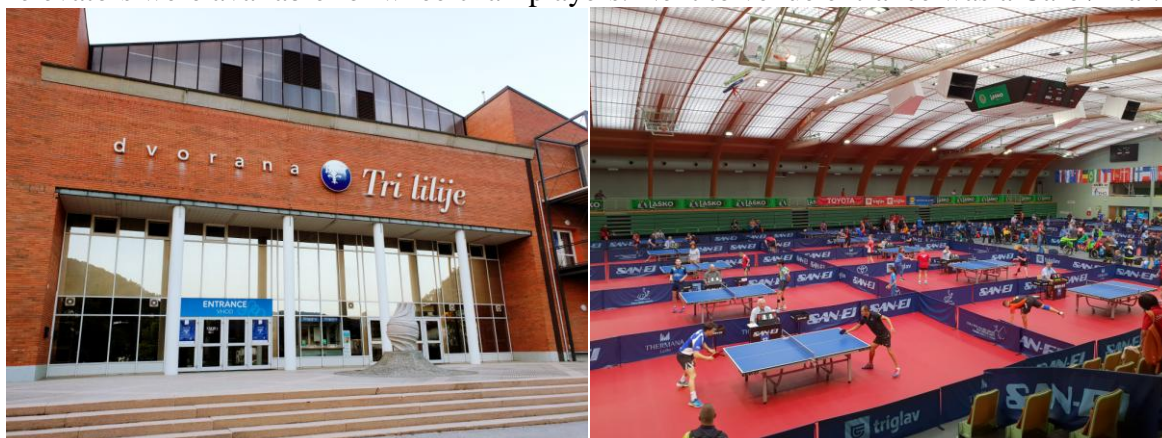
Breakfast: 06:30 – 10:00

Lunch: 12:00 – 15:00

Dinner: 18:00 – 22:00

Venue: Sports hall Tri Lilije, Poženelova ulica 22, Laško

Fully accessible for wheelchair users. As the competition was taking place in the first floor, 2 elevators were available for wheelchair players. Next to venue entrance was a Café / Bar.



Referee and TD Table: Close to the playing area in the middle of the hall.

Spectator Seating: 500 seats available with a good view of the playing area.



Practice Tables: 12 x SAN-EI Blue wheelchair friendly tables – Not enough for 350 players.

Changing rooms: 3 changing rooms, 6 bathrooms – 3 wheelchair accessible toilets.

Call Area: Standing players at one end of hall and Wheelchair players at other.

Water : Water machines at each end of the playing hall.

Equipment (All ITTF approved) :

Floor: Taraflex red floor.

Lighting: 2 readings taken giving average of 1000 lux.

Tables: 20 tables SAN-EI blue wheelchair accessible, (12 for standing, 8 for wheelchairs)

Nets: SAN-EI

Balls: XUSHAOFA Seamless 3* White 40+

Scoreboards and Umpire's tables: SAN-EI

Towel boxes: SAN-EI

Surrounds: SAN-EI

Classification: At Hotel Wellness Park – For class 11 only. Plus review, re-evaluation & protest.

Other services:

Results Service: The computer person entering results next to the referee team.

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

Information Boards: Updated regularly throughout the tournament at venue and hotels.

Wi-Fi Internet available to everyone at hotels and venue.

Opening Ceremony: There was a short opening ceremony at the beginning of the tournament

Medal Ceremony: All medals was presented at the farewell party in Wellness Park Hotel.



Tournament Schedule:

6th/7th May	Arrivals for classification.
7th/8th May	Classifications, All other Arrivals.
8th May	Technical Meeting 9pm Hotel Wellness Park.
9th May	Opening Ceremony and Singles events.
10th May	Completion of singles events. Start Team event
11th May	Team event
12th May	Completion of Team events and medal presentation Ceremony
13th May	Departures.

Meetings: **Technical meeting** at the hotel Wellness Park on 8th at 21:00
Umpires' briefing at the hotel Wellness Park on 8th at 19:00

Participants

Athletes from 42 associations were present.

(ARG, AUS, AUT, BEL, BRA, BUL, CHI, CRO, CZE, DEN, EGY, ESP, FIN, FRA, GBR, GER, GRE, HKG, HUN, INA, IRL, ISR, ITA, JPN, KOR, MAS, MEX, MNE, NED, NOR, POL, ROU, RUS, SLO,SRB, SUI, SVK, SWE, THA, TUR, UKR, USA)

Male: 230
Female: 126
Staff: 166
Total: 522

Officials:

Technical Delegate: Roger EDEFLOD (SWE)
Deputy Technical Delegate: Dave COCHRANE (ENG)
Referee: Constantina CROTTA (GRE)
Deputy Referee: Gaj VIDMAR (SLO)
Deputy Referee: Matija KRNC (SLO)
Classifiers: Sheng WU (TPE)
Juraj STEFAK (SVK)
Pablo PEREZ (ESP)
Heinz ZWERINA (AUT)
Lisa LUNDELL (SWE)

Umpires: 57 International and National umpires from 10 associations.
(CRO, CZE, GER, HUN, ITA, SRB, SVK, THA, TUR, SLO)

Competition: Both events ran very well to schedule with a comfortable temperature and in a friendly atmosphere. There was an excellent cooperation among organizers, officials, team leaders and athletes.

Results: During the tournament results were regularly published on the information boards, also updated at least 3 times a day on the IPTTC website and in various Para TT Facebook groups by the Deputy Technical Delegate.

Photo service: The tournament organizers provided a photographer that uploaded to the tournament website www.sloveniattopen.si each day.

Event website: www.sloveniattopen.si had all the results, live streaming on 2 tables plus news, photo gallery and an app for smartphones to follow all the action.

Articles to ITTF Website:

All the articles published by Ian Marshall on the ITTF website:

<https://www.ittf.com/2018/05/09/back-back-wins-possible-slovenia/>
<https://www.ittf.com/2018/05/10/favourites-enjoy-opening-day-success/>
<https://www.ittf.com/2018/05/10/seeds-fall-upsets-abound-opening-stage/>
<https://www.ittf.com/2018/05/10/host-nation-success-luka-trtnik-steals-show/>
<https://www.ittf.com/2018/05/13/top-seeds-route-romania-joins-forces-greece-upset-seeding/>
<https://www.ittf.com/2018/05/13/thai-duo-finds-form-causes-noteworthy-surprise/>
<https://www.ittf.com/2018/05/13/rio-bronze-medallists-surprise-winners-lasko/>
<https://www.ittf.com/2018/05/13/initial-stage-outcome-repeated-silver-top-seeds/>

Organizing Committee:

Tournament manager: Damijan LAZAR
Technical director: Gorazd VECKO
NTTA R epresentative: Matija KRNC
Assistant: Tanja CERKVENIK
Transport: Ales LETONJA
Ball boys' and girls' leader Sabina VECKO
Assistant Coordinator Jana CANDER
Public Relations: Drago PERKO

Evaluation:

Accommodation: Very Good
Transport: Good
Meals: Very good quality, variety, and quantity
Venue: Good
Sport Equipment: Good, all ITTF approved
Light in the hall: Good
Information: Good, both on info boards, IPTTC website and app for smartphones
Referee Team: Very Good
Computer Team: Very Good
Medal Ceremony: Good

Transportation problem: One of the cars broke down during transportation to the airport and 3 persons missed the flight home. The organizers handled this very well and took good care of them. One got on a later flight the same day and the other two spent one more night in Lasko and travelled home on Monday.

CONCLUSION:

As always this was a very well organized tournament. The only downsides are that the venue gets hot when the sun is up because of the glass roof. It would also be good to be able to have more tables for practice. There are of course no easy solutions to these issues. Overall this is one of the best tournaments considering organization, hotels, food etc.



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