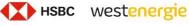


Mehr Infos unter www.german-open-badminton.de

Veranstalter: Vermarktungsgesellschaft Badminton Deutschland mbH (VBD) für den Deutschen Badminton-Verband e.V. (DBV) Ausrichter: 1. Badminton-Verein Mülheim an der Ruhr e.V.



























#### — OFFICIAL PROSPECTUS —

#### Invitation to

# **YONEX German Open 2024**

Part of the HSBC BWF World Tour Super 300

27 February - 03 March 2024

Westenergie Sporthalle, Mülheim an der Ruhr, Germany

Prize Money: US\$ 210,000

Dear Member Associations,

The German Badminton Association (DBV e.V.) is proud to invite your players to compete in the "YONEX German Open 2024", from 27 February to 03 March 2024, in Mülheim an der Ruhr, which is part of the prestigious HSBC BWF World Tour Super 300.

The attached 14-page letter which contains all the general information about the event, has important details that should also be brought to the attention of the Team Managers as well as the players.

You can find the following documents online:

- Practice court reservation form
- Hotel, Visa, Accommodation, Accreditation, Transport Request form

We are very grateful to everyone – particularly YONEX, the State of North Rhine-Westphalia, the City of Mülheim, Regionalverband Ruhr and the 1. BVM – for their continued support and contributions.

We hope to be able to spark enthusiasm and excitement as images of this great tournament will be broadcast around the world.

Sincerely yours,

Ralf Michaelis

President of the German Badminton Association (DBV e.V.)





















### 1. General Details

Organiser	Vermarktungsgesellschaft Badminton Deutschland (VBD) mbH for the German Badminton Association/Deutsche Badminton Verband e.V. (DBV)  Address: Südstrasse 25a, 45470 Mülheim an der Ruhr, Germany  T: +49 (0)208 30827 17  E: office@german-open-badminton.de W: www.german-open-badminton.de
Sanction	Badminton World Federation
Date	Tuesday, 27 February to Sunday 03 March 2024
Competition Venue	Westenergie Sporthalle (formerly known as innogy Sporthalle) An den Sportstätten 6 45468 Mülheim an der Ruhr Germany
Media Links	Championships website: <a href="www.german-open-badminton.de">www.german-open-badminton.de</a> <a href="https://de-de.facebook.com/germanopenbadminton">https://de-de.facebook.com/germanopenbadminton</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xPSXVOjpZQI">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xPSXVOjpZQI</a> <a href="https://www.instagram.com/germanopenofficial/?hl=de">https://www.instagram.com/germanopenofficial/?hl=de</a>
Referee Team	Referee: Cleopatra Monco (ITA); Email: <a href="mailto:cleopatramonco@badmintonitalia.net">cleopatramonco@badmintonitalia.net</a> Deputy Referee: Julie Carrel (NZL); Email: <a href="mailto:julie.carrel.nz@gmail.com">julie.carrel.nz@gmail.com</a>
Useful Contacts	Jonathan Rathke, Tournament Director / Niko Schmelzle, Deputy Tournament Director E: office@german-open-badminton.de  Wilfried Jörres / Technical & Sports Director E: badminton@joerres01.de  Markus Schwendtner / Asst. Technical & Sports Director E: markus-schwendtner@web.de





















Insurance coverage	Players and all members of the national delegation shall hold valid insurance for damages of any nature caused to third parties. Such insurance shall cover bodily injury, including medical and hospitalisation expenses incurred in the host country, as well as all expenses and costs associated to repatriating the injured party to its country of residence.				
Indemnity	To the extent permitted by applicable law, all players and members of the national delegation shall release the BWF, the Tournament Organiser, and their respective officers, officials, employees, agents and representatives, from any and all liability, damage, loss, cost or expense that such players and members of the national delegation may incur as a result or in connection with their participation to the Tournament.				
Participant Agreement for Use of Photographs and Videos	Players and all members of the national delegation shall agree to give the BWF and the Tournament Organiser full television and motion picture rights, including permission to film players and members of the national delegation during all matches and activities around the Tournament, for any commercial, news or other purpose together with the right to transfer such right, including without compensation.				
Deadlines	Visa Application Form 24-Jan-2024				
	Practice Request Form 4-Feb-2024				
	Hotel Reservation Form 6-Feb-2024				
	Transport Request Form 6-Feb-2024				
	Accreditation Request Form	10-Feb-2024			
	Media Accreditation Request Form	10-Feb-2024			

## 2. Entry Details

Regulations (Conditions of Play)	This tournament will be run in accordance with, but not limited to, the Badminton World Federation (BWF) Statutes, General Competition Regulations (GCR), and BWF World Tour Regulations. In the event of any dispute, the decision of the Tournament Referee will be final.  This tournament will strictly enforce the Clothing, Equipment, and Advertising Regulations as outlined in the BWF GCR 20 – 24. This includes restrictions of certain colours for shirts, shorts, and skirts to avoid issues with virtual advertising on TV courts, as per GCR 21.7.
Scoring System	Best of three games to 21 points, as per the Laws of Badminton (BWF Statute 4.1)
Instant Review System	The Instant Review System (IRS) will available on Court 1 for Semi-final and Final matches, and is regulated as per BWF Statute 4.1.8.





















#### **Key Dates**

Entry Deadline	23-Jan-2024
World Ranking Date for M&Q Report	23-Jan-2024
Publication Date for M&Q Report	26-Jan-2024
World Ranking Date of Seeding Report	30-Jan-2024
Publication Date for Seeding Report	2-Feb-2024
Last Date to Withdraw without Penalty	5-Feb-2024
Draw Date	6-Feb-2024

#### **Draws**

Event	Direct Main Draw Entries	Qualifying Positions for Main Draw	Maximum Entries in Qualifying Draw
Men's Singles	28	4	16
Women's Singles	28	4	8
Men's Doubles	28	4	8
Women's Doubles	28	4	8
Mixed Doubles	28	4	8

#### Online Entry – International Entries

Entries for this tournament must be done by the Member Association using the BWF Online Group Entry system, using the following link:

https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/9016DBCA-BE8A-495D-A04A-4E15AA38B579

If the Member Association requires a username and password to access the system, please contact the BWF at the following email address:

s.ramachandran@bwf.sport or hj.yee@bwf.sport

The entry deadline is **Tuesday**, **23 January 2024 at 23:59**, **BWF Headquarters time (+08:00 hrs GMT)**. Late entries will not be accepted.

After the entry deadline, the BWF Online Group Entry System will send notification to all participating Member Associations confirming receipt of final entries.

Receipt of this notification is the conclusive evidence of receipt of entries before the deadline.

Member Associations should contact BWF immediately if such notice is not received by Wednesday, 24 January 2024 at 12:00 hrs BWF Headquarters time.

If no objection is received by BWF by Thursday, 25 January 2024 at 23:59 hrs BWF Headquarters time, the entries shall be deemed to be correct. No complaints/objections will be entertained after this point.





















Online Entry – Hosting Member Association Entries

Eligible players wishing to enter through the hosting Member Association must follow a different process to international entries.

The entry deadline for German Players is Sunday, 21 January 2024 at 23:59, German local time.

Entries must be submitted exclusively by e-mail to: <a href="mailto:german-entries@badminton.de">german-entries@badminton.de</a>
Entries submitted to other e-mail addresses or via fax will NOT be accepted.

Entry Data required for registered members of National badminton associations:

- Last name, first name
- BWF number (if applicable)

#### Fees

No fees apply for OK, PK and EK German National Team athletes registered with the German Badminton Association (DBV e.V.).

The fees (incl. 19 % VAT) for NK1, NK2 and non-national team players, entered by state associations (Badminton-Landesverbände - BLV), are as follows: 60 € per singles player / 50 € per doubles player

The registration fee must be paid BEFORE the tournament starts. The same fees apply if a player is promoted from the reserve list. Accreditations will not be available until all fees are paid.

#### Withdrawals

The management of withdrawals will be run in accordance with BWF GCR 13 and 14.

Member Associations can withdraw their entries through the BWF Online Group Entry system until the last date of withdrawal without penalty (see Key Dates Section).

Withdrawals made after this date will incur a penalty in accordance with the BWF Table of Offences and Penalties (BWF Statute 2.5).

Please ensure that the Tournament Referee and Host Organiser are notified immediately in writing, clearly stating the reason for the withdrawal.

If a Member Association needs to withdraw any entries once players have arrived in the host city, notification of withdrawal must be made by the Team Manager in person to the Tournament Referee, or Deputy Referee(s), and must also be confirmed in writing to:

Referee: Cleopatra Monco (ITA); Email: cleopatramonco@badmintonitalia.net

Deputy Referee: Julie Carrel (NZL); Email: julie.carrel.nz@gmail.com

Host Organiser Contact: Tanja Kruppa; Email: office@german-open-badminton.de





















### 3. Tournament Details

**Prize Money** 

A prize fund of USD\$210,000 will be distributed in accordance with BWF Statute 5.3.5, and awarded as per the table below.

Prize money is subject to German taxes. As such, a 15% levy and a subsequent 5,5% German Solidarity Tax on the sum of the levy, will be deducted from the figures below.

	Winner	Runner Up	Semi Finalist	Quarter Finalist	Last 16
Men's Singles	\$15.750	\$7.980	\$3.045	\$1.260	\$735
Women's Singles	\$15.750	\$7.980	\$3.045	\$1.260	\$735
Men's Doubles*	\$16.590	\$7.980	\$2.940	\$1.522,50	\$787,50
Women's Doubles*	\$16.590	\$7.980	\$2.940	\$1.522,50	\$787,50
Mixed Doubles*	\$16.590	\$7.980	\$2.940	\$1.522,50	\$787,50

<sup>\* –</sup> per pair

## Competition Schedule

Day	Event	Round	Courts	Doors Open	Start	End
Tuocday	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Qualification				
Tuesday 27 Feb 2024	MD/WD (Except for the qualifiers of MD and WD)	Main Draw First Round	4	08:30	09:00	20:00
Wednesday 28 Feb 2024	MS/WS/XD  MD/WD (qualifiers only)	Main Draw First Round	4	09:30	10:00	22:00
Thursday 29 Feb 2024	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	2 <sup>nd</sup> round	4	12:30	13:00	21:00
Friday 1 March 2024	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Quarterfinals	3	14:00	15:00	22:00
Saturday 2 March 2024	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Semi-finals	2	11:00	12:00	22:00
Sunday 3 March 2024	MS/WS/MD/WD/XD	Finals	1	11:00	12:00	18:00

Times and order of play may be changed at the discretion of the Tournament Referee, and all end times are approximate.

**Official Shuttle** 

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#### **Practice Facilities**

#### Practice Facility Information:

- Location: Deutsches Badminton-Zentrum, Südstrasse 23, 45470 Mülheim
- Sporthalle Otto-Pankok-Schule, Von-Bock-Straße 81, Mülheim
- Number of Courts: Südstraße 5-9 / Von-Bock-Straße 10-12
- Schedule: will be posted on the official tournament website
- Booking/Reservation information: Teams must complete the Practice Request Form and send it to <a href="mailto:office@german-open-badminton.de">office@german-open-badminton.de</a> by 4 February 2024.

#### **Competition Courts Information:**

- Schedule: will be posted on the official tournament website
- Booking/Reservation Information: Teams must complete the Practice Request Form and send it to <a href="mailto:office@german-open-badminton.de">office@german-open-badminton.de</a> by 4 February 2024.
- Number of Courts: 4
- Court Mat Color: green
- Practice times on the main courts at the tournament venue will be available on Monday, 26 February 2024.

#### Warmup Courts Information:

• Number of courts: 2

#### **Practice Shuttles Information:**

• Teams can buy shuttle tubes at the Infopoint for 38€ per tube

#### **Player Facilities**

#### Player Lounge Information:

- Seating and tables (Couches etc.) will only be available for players in the warm-up hall
- Water is provided
- Toilets and changing rooms next to the warm up hall
- Internet access

#### **Stringing Services:**

- Location: main hall
- Schedule: available during tournament hours
- Cost: information will be given during the Team Managers' Meeting





















## Team Managers' Meeting

The Team Managers' Meeting will be held at the following:

• Date: Monday, 26 Feb 2024

• Time: 15:00

• Location: VIP Lounge

It is mandatory for all participating Member Associations (represented by designated Team Manager) to attend the Team Managers' Meeting. Member Associations will be penalised for failing to attend, in accordance with the BWF Table of Offences and Penalties (BWF Statute 2.5).

Member Associations are allowed to request representation by another Member Association, provided that the Tournament Referee is notified in advance and approves.

#### **Umpire Briefing**

The Umpire Briefing will be held at the following:

Date: Monday, 26 Feb 2024

Time: 18:30

• Location: VIP Lounge

### Presentation Ceremonies

All prize ceremonies will take place on Sunday, 03 March 2024, immediately after the conclusion of each final. Medals/trophies/other will be presented to all champions and finalists.

In accordance with Player Commitment Regulations (BWF Statue 5.3.6), all players participating in the finals of a tournament must attend the final ceremonies directly after the match or must follow the instructions given by the organisers regarding ceremony protocol.

No equipment, including rackets and flags, is allowed to be brought onto the podium. Clothing worn during the ceremony must be in accordance with the BWF GCR.





















#### Accreditation

Access to Tournament venues and other services is provided through personalised and photographic accreditation.

PLEASE USE OUR OFFICIAL FORMS FOR ALL TRAVEL, HOTEL AND ACCREDITATION NEEDS! Please send the **Accreditation Request Form** including all pictures before **10 February 2024**.

The number of complimentary accreditation passes available for Team Officials is dependent on the number of competing players from the same Member Association:

Number of Member Association Players	Number of Team Officials Accreditations
Three or less	1
Four to Seven	2
Eight to 15	3
16 or more	4

A limited number of additional accreditation passes for approved Team Officials will be available for purchase at a fee of USD\$200, charged to the respective Member Association, and is payable in full via bank transfer prior to the tournament.

The fee to replace any lost or damaged accreditation passes will be USD\$100 on each occasion, charged to the respective Member Association.

The tournament reserves the right to refuse entry into any accredited venue or area or service (e.g., transportation) as a result of damaged or missing accreditation.

The fraudulent use of accreditation is strictly prohibited, and will result in access rights being removed, and penalties being applied.

#### **Medical Services**

A medical officer will be available free of charge at the venue during tournament hours.

**Tournament Doctor:** Dr. Thomas Allroggen, Tournament Physician for the German Badminton Association.

**Location**: Westenergie-Sporthalle (formerly innogy Sporthalle), Ground Floor **Address**: An den Sportstätten 6, 45468 Mülheim an der Ruhr, Germany





















#### **Anti-Doping**

Doping control in badminton, in accordance with BWF Anti-Doping Regulations, is conducted out-of-competition and in-competition with the collection of urine and/or blood samples.

Athletes are responsible for any substance found in their body. Before an athlete takes any medication, they should check with their doctor, and if necessary, get a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE).

For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website:

https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/

#### **Badminton Integrity**

Section 2.4 of the BWF Statutes (Code on The Prevention of The Manipulation of Competitions) relates to anti-corruption and anti-match manipulation, and this code applies to all participants at this tournament.

To protect the integrity of BWF sanctioned tournaments, participants are not allowed to bet in any way on badminton matches, shall respect the principle of fair play, and shall not attempt to influence the course or result of a game or match.

Every person has an obligation to report to the BWF any approaches by anyone to gather inside information or to change the outcome of a match(es).

For more information, please refer to BWF's website:

https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/

Compliance with General Competition Regulations Clause 7.9

#### GCR 7.9:

"In making or authorising entries, the Member concerned is reconfirming its acceptance, and acceptance by the Players being entered, of the BWF's regulations and Disciplinary processes."





















### 4. Travel & Visa Details

Transport	Complimentary transportation will be provided by the tournament between the official venues: competition venue, official hotel, practice venue (if separate from the competition venue), and the following transportation hubs:  • PLANE: Dusseldorf International Airport (DUS)  PLEASE USE OUR <b>OFFICIAL FORMS</b> FOR ALL TRAVEL, HOTEL AND ACCREDITATION NEEDS!  Please submit the Transport Request Form no later than 06 February 2024.
Visa	If a visa is required to enter Germany, we can provide a letter of invitation to assist with your application.  Please complete and return the Visa Application Form by 24 January 2024.  The tournament host and hosting Member Association will only communicate with a Member Association, and the hosting Member Association will only provide a visa support letter if the form is completed accurately and comprehensively, and supporting documentation is provided, where requested.  The tournament host and hosting Member Association accepts no responsibility for withdrawals made due to late or refused visa applications.  It is the responsibility of the Member Association to apply for the necessary visas in sufficient time, and all matters should be directed to the Embassy in charge.  Any visa support letter issued by the tournament host does not guarantee entry into Germany; the final decision is made the Government of Germany.
COVID-19 Protocols	Travel and Health Measures in EU https://reopen.europa.eu/en/











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### 5. Accommodation Details

Hotel accommodation

# It is a condition for using the official transport to stay in the tournament hotels.

Official hotel(s)	Facilities*	Rate Single room	Rate Double/Twin room
Best Western ****	Breakfast included Free wifi Paid laundry service	€ 120	€ 158
Holiday Inn Express ***	Breakfast included Free wifi No laundry service	€ 109	€ 119
Minsu ***	Breakfast included Free wifi No laundry service	€ 109	€ 119

<sup>\*</sup>There is a gym available in the tournament venue free of charge for all participants.

All hotels are in walking distance to the venue.

Please complete and return the HOTEL RESERVATION FORM and HOTEL ROOMING LIST by 06 February 2024.

Rooms will be assigned by the Event Office according to availability – first come first serve! The final information will be given to the teams after the deadline.

Please fill in the accommodation form completely. Missing information may lessen the chance of getting the type of room you want.

#### ALL ROOMS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AFTER 06 FEBRUARY 2024

After the cancellation deadline has passed, you will receive an invoice by mail directly from the hotel for the full amount. This must be paid immediately in full, to confirm your reservation.





















### 6. Media Details

Player Media Obligations It is a condition of entry into BWF sanctioned tournaments that each player, if requested by the BWF, host organiser, or other tournament official, is required to undertake a range of media activities. Please refer to the BWF Player Commitment Regulations for more information (BWF Statute 5.3.6).

Member Associations should be prepared to facilitate the attendance of their player(s), if requested.

Media Accreditation

Media wishing to attend this tournament must complete and submit the Media Accreditation Request Form, by **Friday**, **10 February 2024**.

Please contact our Press Manager for more information:

Claudia Pauli; Email: <u>claudia.pauli@cp-presse.de</u>

TV Broadcast Schedule

Date	Number of matches	Time
Saturday, 02 March 2024	8	12:00
Sunday, 03 March 2024	5	12:00

Video Recording and Photography

Photography is not permitted within the competition venue at any time, and the tournament reserves the right to remove any items of equipment breaching this policy.

Video recording within the competition venue is only permitted by accredited players and team officials of participating Member Associations, from clearly defined positions using video accreditation passes. There are a limited number of these positions and passes available, and prior authorisation must be obtained in advance from the INFO POINT at the Team Hotel. Accreditation must be clearly displayed on the cameras.

The tournament reserves the right to remove any non-accredited items of equipment.

Video footage captured must be used solely for training purposes by the Member Association and its coaching staff. Member Associations may be liable to any costs incurred by BWF if video footage is used for any other purpose.















