

## ITF ASIA 14 & UNDER DEVELOPMENT CHAMPIONSHIPS 2014

### DIVISION 1

### Fact Sheet

The International Tennis Federation (ITF), in conjunction with the Asian Tennis Federation (ATF), is pleased to announce that the ITF Asia 14 & under Development Championships - Division 1 will be held at the Phu Tho tennis Club in Hochiminh City, Vietnam on 15 – 28 March 2014.

The Championships will be supported by the ITF Grand Slam Development Fund.

The Championships will incorporate a one-day training camp followed by two 5-day tournaments all at the same venue. The schedule will be as follows:

<b>Players arrive</b>	<b>: 15 March, 2014 (Saturday)</b>
<b>Training Camp</b>	<b>: 16 March, 2014 (Sunday)</b>
<b>First tournament</b>	<b>: 17-21 March, 2014 (Five Days)</b>
<b>Rest day</b>	<b>: 22 March, 2014 (Saturday)</b>
<b>Second tournament</b>	<b>: 23 -27 March, 2014 (Five Days)</b>
<b>Players depart</b>	<b>: 28 March, 2014 (Friday)</b>

Tournament Venue	Phutho tennis Club 215 A Ly Thuong Kiet Street, Ward 15, Dist 11, Hochiminh City, Vietnam Tel. No. +(84-8) 38665377 Fax No. +(84-8) 38665377 Email < <a href="mailto:clbqvpt@gmail.com">clbqvpt@gmail.com</a> >
Number of Match Courts	5 courts at Phu Tho tennis club & 4 courts at Ky Hoa tennis club
Number of Practice Courts	5 courts before the matches at Phu tho Tennis club
Court Surface	Tru-Flex Hard Courts
Hospitality	Hospitality will be provided for each visiting team by the host nation commencing with dinner on 15 <sup>th</sup> March and ending with breakfast on 28 <sup>th</sup> March. The players & coaches will be accommodated at:  Ky Hoa hotel 238 Ba Thang Hai street , Dist 10, HCMC Tel. No. +(84) 908535362 Email: <a href="mailto:dan_nguyen_85@yahoo.com">dan_nguyen_85@yahoo.com</a> *** Rates for parents & non-official team members: 45USD for Single, and 55USD for Twin with included breakfast
Meals	<b>All players &amp; coaches will be provided Buffet lunch at the official venue. Buffet breakfast and dinner will be served daily at the official hotel.</b>
Transportation	<b>Transportation will be arranged 2-way airport transfers (arrival / departure) for all teams.</b>
Tournament Committee	Tournament Director: Mr. Nguyen Hoang Dung Tournament Referee: Mr. Nguyen Thi Kieu My Asst. Tournament Referee: Nguyen Thuy Dan ITF Representative: Mr. Suresh Menon Two (2) Visiting Coaches - TBC

	<p>Contact details:  Phu Tho tennis club  215 A Ly Thuong Kiet Street, Ward 15, Dist 11, Hochiminh City, Vietnam  Tel. No. +(84-8) 38665377  Fax No. +(84-8) 38665377  Email &lt; <a href="mailto:clbqvpt@gmail.com">clbqvpt@gmail.com</a> &gt;</p> <p>*** The tournament committee will meet regularly to make seedings, conduct the draw and settle any disputes.</p>
Travel Arrangements	<p>Participating teams are responsible for their own travel arrangements.  Teams should arrange to arrive in Hochiminh City, Vietnam on 15 March 2014 and depart on 28 March 2014.</p> <p>We urge National Associations to make their reservations <b>"AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE"</b> in order to ensure flight availability on the dates specified.</p>
Visa requirements	<p>Please contact the nearest Vietnam Embassy in your country of origin at least 3 to 4 weeks before departure in order to arrange your visa on time. Invitation letters may be obtained for the team from the Hochiminh City Tennis Federation through:</p> <p>Name and contact detail of person to contact regarding Visa:  <b>MRS. Mary Nguyen</b>  Administrative Officer  Hochiminh City Tennis Federation  Tel. No. +(84-8) 38665377  Fax No. +(84-8) 38665377  Email &lt; <a href="mailto:kieuymytennis@gmail.com">kieuymytennis@gmail.com</a> &gt;</p>

<p><b>EVENTS (BOYS &amp; GIRLS 14 &amp; UNDER - SINGLES &amp; DOUBLES)</b></p> <p>Invited countries can send a maximum of 6 players (no more than 3 boys or 3 girls per team) and one team coach (a maximum of 7 people). The host nation (Vietnam) may enter a team of up to 10 players (no more than 5 boys or 5 girls on their team and one team coach). No additional visiting players can be accepted and any other officials attending will have to pay for their own travel, hotel accommodations &amp; meals.</p> <p><b>Singles and Doubles events will be played and players must compete in both events.</b></p>
<p><b>ELIGIBLE PLAYERS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Players must be born between 1st January 2000 and 31st December 2003 to be eligible for participation.</li> <li>• The players must have reached their eleventh (11) birthday before the first day of the event.</li> </ul>
<p><b>NOMINATION OF COACHES</b></p> <p>We advise that the coach nominated to accompany your team to the Vietnam should be a qualified coach (Level 1/ Level 2 or with an equivalent certification).</p>
<p><b>TRAINING CAMP</b></p> <p>A one-day training camp (16 March 2014) will take place prior to the tournament. The purpose of the camp is to allow the players to adjust to the new conditions and help in deciding seedings. Asian 14 &amp; Under rankings will be considered while selecting players for the match play (tie breaks). It will not involve technical instruction but will involve players practicing in the morning and playing practice sets in the afternoon. An ITF representative will conduct the camp but visiting team coaches will be expected to assist.</p>

<p><b>THE DRAW</b></p> <p>The draw will be conducted by the Tournament Committee the evening preceding the 1<sup>st</sup> day of play and every reasonable effort should be made to ensure that all official coaches are present.</p>
<p><b>TOURNAMENT FORMAT</b></p> <p>All matches will be the best of three tie-break sets.</p>
<p><b>SCORING SYSTEM</b></p> <p>“Short Sets” and/or “No-Ad” system of scoring can be used if necessary due to shortage of time (e.g. due to rain, etc) for feed-in consolation matches only.</p>
<p><b>DECIDING TIE-BREAK GAME</b></p> <p>This will be used for the 3<sup>rd</sup> set of feed-in consolation matches. The ITF Junior World Ranking &amp; Code of Conduct will be used.</p>
<p><b>COUNTRY RANKING</b></p> <p>Country ranking will be calculated at the end of the event based on the best 3 results in singles and the best 3 individual results in doubles, to include at least one result from a female in singles as well as one individual result from a female in doubles. Should a nation not select any female players on their team, then only the best 2 results in singles and the best 2 individual results in doubles will count towards the country ranking.</p> <p>ITF team players* will also be eligible to achieve a country ranking and the points will be counted on the same basis.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ITF Central Asian team competing in Division 1 event</li> <li>• ITF Division 2 team competing in Division 1 event</li> </ul> <p>If the tournament is interrupted for whatever reason and the doubles event cannot be finished, then all points acquired up to that time will be counted.</p> <p>The total points are counted by player in each of the singles and doubles events (not the combined points of a player).</p> <p>The winning nation of the ITF Asia 14 &amp; Under Development Championships 2014 – Division 1 - will be awarded a trophy.</p> <p><b><u>Introduction of promotion and relegation system in top two groups</u></b></p> <p>One country will be promoted and one country will be relegated between Division 1 and Division 2, with effect from the 2012/2013 circuit. The countries will be decided according to the country ranking at the end of the circuit e.g. the country with the highest ranking in Division 2 will move up to Division 1 in the following year and the country with the lowest ranking in Division 1 will be relegated to Division 2.</p>

**POINTS** will be awarded in each **SINGLES** event as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> – 450	2 <sup>nd</sup> - 300	3 <sup>rd</sup> - 225	4 <sup>th</sup> - 180	5 <sup>th</sup> - 135	6 <sup>th</sup> - 120
7 <sup>th</sup> – 105	8 <sup>th</sup> - 90	9 <sup>th</sup> - 50	10 <sup>th</sup> - 45	11 <sup>th</sup> - 40	12 <sup>th</sup> - 35
13 <sup>th</sup> – 30	14 <sup>th</sup> - 25	15 <sup>th</sup> - 20	16 <sup>th</sup> - 17	17 <sup>th</sup> - 15	18 <sup>th</sup> - 14
19 <sup>th</sup> - 13	20 <sup>th</sup> - 12	21 <sup>st</sup> - 11	22 <sup>nd</sup> - 10	23 <sup>rd</sup> - 9	24 <sup>th</sup> - 8
25 <sup>th</sup> - 7	26 <sup>th</sup> - 6	27 <sup>th</sup> - 5	28 <sup>th</sup> - 4	29 <sup>th</sup> - 3	30 <sup>th</sup> - 2
31 <sup>st</sup> - 1			32 <sup>nd</sup> - 0		

**POINTS** will be awarded to each player in each **DOUBLES** event as follows:

Winners	= 50	Runner-Up	= 30
Semi-Finalists	= 20	Quarter Finalists	= 10

## **COACHING**

As this is not a team event, no coaching is permitted during matches in accordance with the Rules of Tennis

## **ITF TEAMS**

Selection for the ITF Asian 14 & under team to Europe is based on the performance of players at Division 1 of the ITF Asia 14 & Under Development Championships along with the performance in the regional WJC event.

## **WAIVER OF CLAIMS**

All players entering the ITF/ATF junior circuits agree, as a condition of their entry, that no claims are brought against the ITF/ATF, the tournament organizers, and the regional association or national association sanctioning such events, with respect to any injuries however caused, or any losses incurred, while travelling to and from, or participating in any ITF junior circuit. All players must have adequate medical insurance coverage which cannot be provided either by the ITF, ATF, the host nation or the local organizer. Neither the ITF/ATF, the host nation, local organizer nor the regional association can accept any responsibility for providing players with such insurance coverage.

## **ENTRIES**

Please send all entries either by fax or email to:

**ASIAN TENNIS FEDERATION (ATF)**

**C/o Mr. Rajat Kapoor, Development & ITF Coordination's**

Email address: < [rajjat.kapoor@asiantennis.com](mailto:rajjat.kapoor@asiantennis.com) >

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**DEADLINE OF ENTRIES: Monday, February 10, 2014**