



YONEX ITALIAN OPEN 26

International Series Tournament
part of Badminton Europe Elite Circuit
Prize Money 10000 USD

BOLZANO 24-28 JUNE

Palasport Bolzano



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ORGANIZER:	A.S.D. Sport Promotion Bolzano (Member of Italian Badminton Federation) Via Dante Alighieri n°4/8 – 39100 Bolzano, Italy Event coordinator: Mr Csaba Hamza Phone mobil: +39 328 3334331 Email: sportpromotion.bz@gmail.com Website: https://www.sportpromotionbolzano.it/en																													
VENUE & COURTS:	Palasport Bolzano, Via Resia n°39 – 39100 Bolzano, Italy 6 YONEX mats for tournament + 1 warm up court + stringing service. An on-court doctor will be present in the venue during the tournament.																													
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TEAM MANAGER MEETING:	Tuesday: 23 rd of June, 20:00 at the venue (At the meeting room of “Palasport” sport hall/venue)																													
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ELIGIBILITY:	Tournament is open for all badminton players who are eligible to play for BWF Members																													



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<p>KEY DATES:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26th May 2026 Entry deadline for YONEX Italian Open 2026 (23.59 BWF Headquarters time). • 26th May 2026 World Ranking date for M&Q-report. • 29th May 2026 M&Q report release date. • 16th June 2026 World Ranking date for seeding and draw. • 4th June 2026 Deadline for transport bookings. • 4th June 2026 Deadline for hotel bookings. • 12th June 2026 Deadline for booking practice courts. • 15th June 2026 Deadline for withdraw without penalty: 11:59 PM (GMT +02:00) • 16th June 2026 Draw is conducted and published. • 23rd June 2026 Team manager meeting at PalaSport Bolzano hall.
<p>FORMAT:</p>	<p>Men's and Women's singles, Men's and Women's Doubles, and Mixed Doubles. Number of players/pairs to be accepted for the main draw: Singles 32 and Doubles 32.</p> <p>The number of players in/from the qualification is subject to the final number of entries.</p> <p>In accordance with regulation § 9.2 and § 9.3 in BWF Statutes, Section 5.3.3.1: World Ranking System, an event must contain at least 8 (eight) competitors in the first published version of the main draw. If the required number of competitors is not met in the first published version of the main draw, this particular event shall not count towards any ranking, i.e. BEC Elite Circuit Ranking and BWF World Ranking.</p> <p>In accordance with regulation § 9.4 in BWF Statutes, Section 5.3.3.1: World Ranking System, the first published version of the main draw of an event must contain at least 1 (one) entry from a Member other than the hosting Member. If an event does not contain at least 1 (one) entry from a Member other than the hosting Member, this particular event shall not count towards any ranking.</p> <p>Badminton Europe is not liable for any costs incurred by third persons (players, coaches, umpires, team managers etc.) because of an event not having enough competitors to count for the rankings.</p>
<p>ENTRIES:</p>	<p>All entries must be made by using the BWF online entry system. https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/tournament/A5BAFB03-C795-4881-A861-228FA6FF8CA8</p> <p>Players cannot be entered unless they already have a BWF ID-number. In case you wish to enter players, who do not have a BWF ID-number, please contact the BWF office well in advance of the tournament, so that the players concerned can receive a BWF ID-number before the closing date of the tournament.</p> <p>Entries must be submitted no later than Tuesday 26th May 2026 at 23:59 BWF HQ time (GMT +08:00).</p> <p>No late entries will be accepted.</p> <p>GCR 7.9: "In making or authorizing entries, the Member concerned is reconfirming its acceptance, and acceptance by the Players being entered, of the BWF's regulations and Disciplinary processes".</p>



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DRAW:	The draw will be performed by Badminton Europe
ENTRY FEES:	<p>The entry fees for the tournament are (shuttles included):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Singles: EUR 125.00 per player ▪ Doubles: EUR 100.00 per player/event <p>Organizer will accept CASH payment at the tournament desk before the first scheduled match.</p> <p><u>Entry fee by bank transfer should be made in advance:</u> to the following bank account (no bank charges will be covered by the organizer).</p> <p>Beneficiary Account Name: A.S.D. SPORT PROMOTION BOLZANO Beneficiary Address: Via Dante Alighieri n.4 – 39100 Bolzano Bank Name: Raiffeisenkasse Bozen Address of Bank: Via De Lai n.2 – 39100 Bolzano (ITALY) Account number/IBAN: IT47L0808111600000300063070 Bank SWIFT code: RZSBIT21003</p> <p>The Member that enters a player into a BEC Elite Circuit tournament is responsible for paying the entry fees for that player.</p> <p>The entry fees become due if a player is entered and has not been withdrawn when the entry deadline passes.</p> <p>The entry fees will not be refunded in the case of a withdrawal. For all the withdrawn players the organizers can invoice the entry fee to the relevant Member.</p>
WITHDRAWALS:	<p>Please ensure that the organizer will be informed immediately when a player must withdraw. Any withdrawal after the Monday immediately preceding the draw, for any reason whatsoever, renders the Member concerned liable to an amount of USD 150,00 for inconvenience caused by the withdrawal (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).</p> <p>Last day of withdrawal without penalty – 15th June 2026</p> <p>Any player not showing up for a match at the tournament, without having been withdrawn in advance, renders the Member concerned liable to an additional amount of US\$ 500,00 for the inconvenience caused by the “no show” (as defined in BWF General Competition Regulations).</p>
PRACTICE:	<p>You can book practice courts in the venue for 23rd June 2026 from 16:00 to 21:00</p> <p>Please use practice courts reservation form and send the filled form by June 12th, 2026 to the E-mail address: sportpromotion.bz@gmail.com</p> <p>At the end of the competition day, the courts will be available for training sessions (until 9 p.m.) at a cost of €35/court/hour.</p>
CLOTHING AND ADVERTISING:	<p>Color, design, lettering and advertising on clothing shall be regulated by BWF General Competition Regulations § 20 to 24.</p> <p>Any breach of these regulations will be forwarded to BWF.</p> <p>It is mandatory that partners in doubles wear the same color of the T-shirt and shorts/skirts at all time during play in both the qualification and the main draw. Failing to do so shall result in an administrative fine of 100,00 EUR.</p> <p>In applying these regulations, the decision of the referee shall be final.</p>



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<p>The Organizer shall pay the prize money via bank transfer on the first working day after the tournament has finished.</p> <p>All costs related to the bank transfer are paid by the tournament organiser. Interested players must provide the organisation, at the end of the tournament, with their bank account details.</p> <p>The following Account information is needed: Account holder name <u>and full address</u>, IBAN number or Account number, SWIFT code, Bank name and <u>full address of bank</u>.</p> <p>Income tax will be deducted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Foreigner players 20% - Italian players 20% 																									
CANCELLATION OF THE TOURNAMENT:	<p>3.4 The organizing Member can cancel a tournament in case of force majeure. Such cancellation must be announced at least 15 days before the start of the tournament. If a cancellation is announced less than 15 days before the start of the tournament, then the Member organizing the tournament is liable for any expenses incurred by third persons (players, coaches, umpires, team managers etc.). Badminton Europe is not liable for any costs incurred by third persons because of a cancellation of a tournament.</p> <p>3.6 Member and/or Organizer may be liable for claims originating from the damages incurred by the participants and/or any other persons, arising from or in connection to the particular BEC Elite Circuit tournament, according to local Law. Badminton Europe is not liable for any such claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any nature whatsoever, including but not limited to injury or loss to person or property, arising out of or in any way related, directly or indirectly, to the particular BEC Elite Circuit tournament. It is recommended that Members and/or organizers purchase a proper Insurance Policy that would cover their potential legal liability.</p>																								
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INSURANCE:	<p>The organizer declines responsibility and covering of cost for possible injuries or other damages. It is up to each participant to insure himself.</p> <p>Any special medical treatment necessary or hospitalization due to serious illness or injury is at the players or officials, will be on own expenses.</p>																								
ACCOMMODATION:	<p>Official tournament hotel (about 1.4 km from the venue):</p> <p>B & B Hotel Bolzano Via Werner Von Siemens, 18 – 39100 Bolzano Tel. +39 0471 205454</p>																								



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Web: <https://www.hotel-bb.com/en/city/hotels-bolzano>

Conventional prices:

- **Single room SUPERIOR** (room equipped with French bed, size 140x200 cm): **EUR 115,00** /person/night + local tax: € 2,90/person/night
- **Double room STANDARD** (room equipped with double bed or with separate beds): **EUR 60,00** /person/night + local tax: € 2,90/person/night
- **Double room SUPERIOR** (room equipped with King-size double bed): 160x200 cm): **EUR 65,00** /person/night + local tax: € 2,90/person/night
- **Triple room STANDARD** (room equipped with double or separate beds): **EUR 55,00** /person/night + local tax: €2,90

(All prices **including breakfast**); Wi-Fi 200mb free of charge

Accommodation should be ordered on the appropriate form to be send to the following e-mail address: sportpromotion.bz@gmail.com

Deadline for ordering accommodation is: 4th June 2026

Contact person: Mr Csaba Hamza (mobile +39 328 3334331)

Accommodation is payable **only by Bank transfer in advance** to:

Beneficiary Account Name: **A.S.D. SPORT PROMOTION BOLZANO**
Beneficiary Address: Via Dante Alighieri n.4 – 39100 Bolzano
Bank Name: Raiffeisenkasse Bozen
Address of Bank: Via De Lai n.2 – 39100 Bolzano (ITALY)
Bank SWIFT code: **RZSBIT21003**
Account number/IBAN: **IT47L0808111600000300063070**

The total cost of the accommodation must be received in the above described bank account at least 15 days before the start of the competition.

Keys will not be handed over at Check-in if the room is not paid for in the manner required above.

OFFICIAL POINT OF ARRIVAL:

Bolzano International Airport – IATA abbreviation: BZO
(located 10 minutes c.ca from the venue)

TRANSPORT:



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	<p>Organizer provides transfer between the official point of arrival and the official hotels to those who have booked accommodation at the official hotel through our organization.</p> <p>Transport between the venue and the official tournament hotels will be arranged. The shuttle bus will run according to a time schedule.</p> <p>The airline 'SKYALPS' connects the city of Bolzano (BZO Airport) with the following foreign cities: Antwerp (ANR), Brač (BWK), Billund (BLL), Copenhagen (CPH), Berlin (BER), Dresden (DRS), Düsseldorf (DUS), Hamburg (HAM), Hannover (HAJ), Kefalonia (EFL), Corfu (CFU), Thessaloniki (SKG), Warsaw (WAW), Ibiza (IBZ), Menorca (MAH), Göteborg (GOT), London-Gatwick (LGW).</p> <p>For your convenience, we would like to point out that there are many daily connections from Milan-Bergamo (BGY) low-cost airport to Bolzano; (travel time c.ca 3 hours) via the 'FLIXBUS' bus company.</p> <p>Another airport to consider is Verona/VRN, which is about 90 minutes from the city of Bolzano.</p> <p>For booking the transport FROM/TO Bolzano Airport/BZO please send appropriate form through e-mail: sportpromotion.bz@gmail.com no later than June 4th 2026</p>
MEDICAL:	A doctor (first aid) will be present in the sports hall during the Tournament.
DOPING CONTROL:	<p>During the tournament drug testing may be carried out on a random basis at any time.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Athletes are responsible for any substance found in their body.</p> <p>Before an athlete takes any medication, they should check with their doctor, and if necessary, get a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE).</p> <p>For more information about anti-doping, please visit the BWF website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-doping-overview/</p>
BADMINTON INTEGRITY:	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>For more information, please refer to BWF's website: https://corporate.bwfbadminton.com/integrity/anti-match-fixing-overview/</p>
MEALS & DRINKS:	<p>At the large BAR area, our volunteers will welcome you during the tournament with: a menu of hot meals (with salad) cold meals, various beverages, coffee, tea, a wide variety of cakes, cereal bars and fruit; all at a special price.</p> <p>Availability of plenty of tables and chairs for both meals and breaks</p>
PARKING AT SPORT HALL:	Adjacent to the sport hall there is a car park run by the municipality of Bolzano with very favourable rates (€ 0.30/hour); entrance to the car park from Via Milano.
PORTRAIT RIGHTS:	During the tournament, is permissible to make tv-recording, audio-recording and pictures.



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	Participation to this tournament means that there are no further approvals needed concerning the participants or officials. These tv-recording, audio-recording or pictures, can be shared by the holder of the publication and broadcasting rights and can be used for live or taped tv programmes, internet, webcasting and broadcasting rights and can be used for live or taped tv programmes, internet, webcasting, radio, movies or diffusion through press and other similar media. ASD Sport Promotion and official photographers have the right to use the pictures or any similar image, which are made of the player, coach or official during the tournament, to use for not commercial purpose.
BADMINTON-SHOP:	A badminton shop will be provided by YONEX Italy, including stringing Service (€ 20,00/racket with all kind of YONEX strings). In case the player bring his own strings: € 15,00/racket)

There is so much to see, experience and enjoy in Bolzano...Welcome!

Tradition, innovation, sustainability: **Bolzano will amaze you!**

Bolzano is a place where the traditions of the past intertwine with the challenges of the future. Innovation and sustainability are the keywords of the new development of a city that is able to look to the future while maintaining a strong connection to its roots and values.

Taste the perfect **combination of Tyrolean cuisine and Mediterranean flavours** in the many restaurants wafting irresistible aromas through the city streets. Pair traditional dishes with wines produced in wineries scattered throughout the basin. Marvel at the sparkle of traditional and modern shop windows. There are plenty of ideas for taking home a unique souvenir. Don't miss the numerous events that enliven the gateway city to the Dolomites in every season.

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