

2026 CCB EUROPE TOP 16 CUP - PROSPECTUS

1. Dates

Thursday 05.02.-Sunday 08.02.2026.

2. Authority

Swiss Table Tennis and the Top 16 LOC under the authority of the European Table Tennis Union (ETTU) shall organize the 2026 CCB Europe Top 16 Cup, publicly called the China Construction Bank Europe Top 16 Cup Montreux

3. Organizer

Swiss Table Tennis

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4. Venue

Venue : Salle Omnisport du Pierrier

Address : Chemin du Pierrier, 1815 Montreux Clarens, Switzerland

Website : www.top16montreux.com

5. Events

1) Men's singles

2) Women's singles

6. Sponsors

Title sponsor : China Construction Bank Zurich Branch

Major Sponsors : Liebherr

Fairmont Le Montreux Palace

Solgar

Pure encapsulations

Equipment sponsors :

Sponsors: TIBHAR

DHS

7. Prize Money (Men's and Women's event)

Winner : * € 13.000

Runner up : * € 7.500

Losing SF round : * € 5.000

Losing QF round : * € 3.000

Losing round of 16 : * € 2.000

Losing Preliminary R2: * € 1.000

Losing Preliminary R1: * € 500

Total : € 125.000

*It is entirely the players' responsibility to declare their prize money received as required according to and in respect of the national laws of their country of residence. The prize money will be paid by bank transfer to each player in Euro; the taxes respecting the Swiss laws will be deducted based on the official exchange rate between Euro and Swiss Francs on Sunday, 08.02.2026.

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8. Playing system

Preliminary Stage:

Players ranked on the seeding list from 15-22 will play preliminary stage in 2 rounds.

Winners of preliminary round 2 matches will qualify for the Main Event.

Main Stage:

The competition will be played on a knockout basis of 16 players. All matches will be played best of 5 games.

Multiball playing system will be used.

9. Draw Procedure

Players who are directly qualified to Main Stage are determined according to Invitation List for this event.

The seeding list will be made according to the **ETTU European January ranking. The January Ranking will determine the seeding order among the 14 players in the Main Draw and the eight players in the Preliminary Stage.**

The Top 14 players directly qualified to Main Draw and 8 players who need to play Preliminary Stage are determined by the 2025 ETTU European December Ranking (ranking used for the Invitation List).

Draw Procedure:

Preliminary stage:

Seeded players from 15-18 will be placed in positions 1, 4, 5 and 8

Seeded players from 19 -22 will be placed in positions 2, 3, 6 and 7

Main Stage:

Seeded players 1 and 2 will be placed in position 1 and 16

Seeded players 3 and 4 will be drawn by lot into position 8 and 9

Seeded players 5 to 8 will be drawn by lot into positions 4, 5, 12 and 13

All remaining players (including players from Preliminary round) will be drawn randomly to positions 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11, 14 and 15

There shall be no separation by Association.

10. Participants

There shall be 22 players per gender qualified for the 2026 CCB Europe Top 16 Cup.

a) The current European Champion

b) The winner of the previous TOP 16 Cup

c/1) MS - The top 20 players from the most recent **ETTU European Ranking List (December 2025) published on 5.12.2025**, excluding the current European Champion/winner of the 2025 TOP 16 Cup

c/2) WS - The top 19 players from the most recent **ETTU European Ranking List (December 2025) published on 5.12.2025**, excluding the current European Champion and the winner of the 2025 TOP 16 Cup

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d) If no players qualify from the Host Association then the Host Association shall nominate one Host Association player per gender

Only players being eligible to represent their National Association according to regulation 3.8 and 4.3.6 of the ITTF Handbook (eligibility at World title events) will be invited.

11. Participation confirmation

ETTU online entry system will be used (<https://www.ttm.co.at/onlineentries/users/login>)

Online entries will be open from **Monday, 15.12.2025. until Monday, 05.01.2026.** for invited players and reserve players. All reserve players wishing to participate in the tournament in case of qualified players withdrawals must be entered to OES until the deadline on **05.01.2026.**

In case of cancellations, ETTU will send confirmation of participation to the first reserve player(s) in the line on reserve list and being entered into OES.

12. Substitutions

Substitutions before the entry closing date shall be per entry regulations and according to the European Ranking List available on **05.12.2026. (December 2025 Ranking)**

a) If the European Champion and/or the winner of the 2025 Top 16 Cup is not available or withdraws, he/she shall be replaced by the remaining highest ranked player from the European ranking.

b) If the Host Association player is not available or withdraws, another player nominated by the Host Association shall replace him/her.

c) If any other player is not available or withdraws, he/she shall be replaced by the remaining highest ranked player from the European ranking.

The first reserve player (man and woman) shall arrive 1 day before the qualification event draw and be present at the draw. ETTU shall reimburse to his/her parent Association the expenses (economic class travel and two nights in the official accommodation including entire board) of an invited reserve player who attends but is not required to play

In case of late cancellation of the players from Main Draw (after the Draw for the Qualification event, and before the Draw for Main Event), the position in the Main Draw shall be decided by lot between two losers of Round 2 Preliminary matches.

13. Draw and Press Conference

The Preliminary Stage Draw will take place on Wednesday 04.02. at 19:00 in the venue.

The Main Stage Draw will take place on Thursday, 05.02. at 20:00 in the venue.

It is the obligation of ALL players being drawn to attend the draw from the start to the end, for both Preliminary Stage and Main Stage.

Furthermore, all players will be required to attend a personal interview on-site if requested. For event and player promotion including photos and social media content, players must be available on Thursday (any activity would be max. 1 hour) around practice plans/schedule. If any extra ETTU activity is organized during the event, all players no longer in the competition must be available to participate if requested.

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21. Referee Team

Referee : BLANCHARD Vincent (FRA)

Deputy Referee : BRAND Katja (SUI)

22. Equipment

Tables : TIBHAR Smash Showcourt

Balls : DHS DJ40+

Flooring : TIBHAR Grip EUROPE M, Colour:Dark Teal

23. Medical Service

Medical Services (doctor) will be provided in the venue during the competition.

Doctor : Dr. HUA Sophie

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24. Hospitality

Official Hotel:

Fairmont Le Montreux Palace *****

Address : Avenue Claude Nobs 2, 1820 Montreux, Switzerland

Tel : +41 21 962 12 12

Website : www.fairmont.com/montreux

Players from the preliminary stage will have free hospitality from lunch on Wednesday, 04.02.2025. till breakfast of the night after they lost. All players of the main stage will have free hospitality from lunch on Thursday, 05.02.2025. till breakfast after the event.

Furthermore, LOC offers to their partner free hospitality for the whole period in the same room and VIP accreditation in the venue.

Information for room and meal bookings regarding number of persons, single/double rooms must be provided by :

Monday, 12.01.2026

in ETTU OES.

Hospitality Cost for all other persons :

Single room :

CHF 370,00 per person per night including breakfast, lunch and dinner in the Fairmont Le Montreux Palace Hotel and access to all facilities

Double Room :

CHF 270,00 per person per night including breakfast, lunch and dinner in the Fairmont Le Montreux Palace Hotel and access to all facilities

25. Traveling details

All participants must submit their arrival/departure details by

Monday, 12.01.2026

26. Transport

Official Airport: Geneva Airport

All participants having submitted in due time with their travel details will be picked up at Montreux Railway station. The Associations will receive from the organizer by email vouchers to buy rail tickets from Geneva International Airport railway station to Montreux railway station some days before the event.

27. Information for participants (1)*

By entering the event, participants* agree to abide by all ITTF and ETTU rules and regulations. All entered Associations and individual participants* agree to be under the auspices of the ETTU and its agents in all matters concerning television coverage, video, internet web casting, motion picture coverage, and photographic coverage of any kind. Participants* release all rights, or rights held by their agents or sponsors, in all matters relating to television and web casting coverage, video and motion picture coverage, and photographic coverage of any kind. A participant's refusal of the coverage listed above may be subject to suspension or dismissal from the competition.

***holder of parental responsibility over participant in case participant is underaged.**

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28. Information for participants (2)

In the context of betting participants shall not, by any manner whatsoever, infringe the principle of fair play, show unsporting conduct, or attempt to influence the course or result of a competition, or any part thereof, in a manner contrary to sporting ethics. Any violation of this principle shall be disciplined according to provisions of ITTF Regulations 3.5.3.

29. Privacy policy

By registering and entering the 2026 CCB Europe TOP 16 Cup, each registered and entered person agrees and gives his/her consent to the ETTU Privacy Policy as laid down on the ETTU website (<https://www.ettu.org/privacy-policy/>).

***For persons being younger than 16 years, consent to the ETTU Privacy Policy is given by the holder of parental responsibility over the persons.**

30. Printed names on the shirts

Players shall have their names printed on the back of their shirts. Players failing to compete with a t-shirt including their name printed on the back shall receive a fine of 100€ per match via their national Associations.

31. Levy

There shall be a levy of € 300 per participating player payable to ETTU (Regulation H.4.2.)

32. Qualification for the ITTF World Cup

The 2026 CCB Europe Top 16 Cup will serve as a qualification for the ITTF Singles World Cup, which will take place from 30.03.-05.04.2026 in Macao. The 4 semifinalists at each men and women will be directly qualified.

33. Key dates

Entry deadline:	Monday, 05.01.2026
Accommodation details deadline:	Monday, 12.01.2026
Travelling details deadline:	Monday, 12.01.2026