



2026 Congress

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- c) Appointment of scrutineers
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Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

In this report, I aim to provide all association members with an overview of the activities undertaken by the European Table Tennis Union (ETTU) since the last congress in Zadar, in October 2025. These activities demonstrate ETTU's commitment to enhancing its operations, fostering stronger relationships with stakeholders, and shaping the future of table tennis in Europe. The following sections highlight some of the key activities carried out during this period.

ETTU 2025 Congress:

During the 2025 ETTU Congress in Zadar, new members were elected for the 3 vacant positions for the ETTU Board of Appeal, the ETTU Regulation was approved for the European Para Championships (inaugural ETTU edition in 2027), and the ETTU Constitution was updated.

ETTU 2023-2028 Strategic Plan:

As you may recall, in 2023, the ETTU adopted its Strategic Plan for the 2023–2028 period, setting out a clear vision, mission, strategic objectives, and key priorities to guide the future development of European table tennis. Developed through close collaboration within the ETTU and extensive consultation with our stakeholders, the Strategic Plan serves as the foundation for our decisions and activities.

To support its effective delivery, the ETTU has also developed a detailed implementation plan, establishing measurable objectives and corresponding Key Performance Indicators (KPIs). Both the Strategic Plan and its implementation framework are available on the official ETTU website.

Staff:

As part of the ETTU's ongoing commitment to strengthening its governance, modernising its operations, and aligning its administrative structure with the objectives of the Strategic Plan, the organisation has continued to review and adapt its internal resources to meet the increasing demands placed upon a growing European Table Tennis Union.

In line with the growth of our competitions and events, ETTU has strengthened its staff with Ms. Josipa Zajec and Ms. Viktoria Lucenkova, who joined the team in January 2026 after having contributed to the organisation during the past two years as Assigned Competition Managers at selected events.

Within this context, Mrs. Ana Ivosevic has concluded her employment with the ETTU. This decision forms part of the broader organisational development of the organisation, and reflects the evolution of its operational structure as ETTU continues to expand its activities and enhance the services provided to its Member Associations and stakeholders.

The ETTU expresses its sincere gratitude to Ana for her professionalism, commitment, and dedicated service throughout her time with the organisation. We thank her for her contribution to European table tennis and wish her every success in her future professional and personal endeavours.

Partnerships:

Over the past year, ETTU has significantly expanded its marketing and media activities, strengthening the global visibility of European table tennis.

The introduction of new digital strategies, supported by partnerships with Riddle and Pendular, played a key role in enhancing fan engagement. ETTU launched a “fan zone” on its website, produced live and post-match highlights, and expanded its presence on LinkedIn, YouTube, and Douyin to reach new audiences worldwide. These efforts resulted in over 110 million views across all platforms and 80,000 new followers gained throughout the year.

Media production and broadcast coverage across ETTU events have also increased substantially. According to official data provided by Intelligent Research in Sponsoring GmbH (IRIS), overall broadcast reach grew by 136% for the Europe Top 16 Cup and by 389% for the European Championships.

Overall, these initiatives have raised the visibility of ETTU competitions, strengthened fan engagement worldwide, increased the sport's commercial value, and supported investment in European table tennis.

Also, through the partnership with Stupa Sports Analytics – Website, OTT Platform, Tournament Management System, and Data Collection system, ETTU is continuing to evolve new features with the sole purpose of serving its Member Associations, engaging with table tennis fans, and serving the sport in the best possible way.

Meanwhile, the partnership with ETTU's main sponsor Liebherr has been renewed for the European Championships and Europe Top 16 Cup. ETTU secured title sponsorship for the Men's Champions League and has increased conversations for securing a title sponsor for the Women's Champions League.

ETTU was actively involved in an Erasmus+ project (GAP Women) with nine other sports associations, aiming to enhance female participation across all aspects of sports, including grassroots, coaching, umpiring, refereeing, and decision-making positions.

No data breach has been reported, and ETTU continues to comply with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (EU) 2016/679.

ETTU Club Competitions:

Since the introduction of the new Men's Champions League format, including the Final 4, has proven to be a significant success, delivering increased spectator attendance, enhanced media exposure, and higher prize money, while further elevating the profile of European club table tennis. ETTU was finally able to penetrate the Chinese market through the Men Champions League F4 event.

In close cooperation with local club KTS Enea Siarkopol Tarnobrzeg, ETTU organized, with success, the first Women Champions League Final 4 in the Polish city of Tarnobrzeg.

During the 2025/2026 season, the participation of clubs in the ETTU Clubs Competitions has again increased for a total of 109 clubs from 27 associations:

- Men's Clubs Competitions: 61 clubs from 25 associations
- Women's Clubs Competitions: 48 clubs from 18 associations

Since the last ETTU congress, I have chaired, participated in, and attended several meetings and events described below:

ETTU meetings:

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| 13/17 October 2025 | - EB meeting in Zadar (Croatia) |
| 18 November 2025 | - EB meeting on-line |
| 19 December 2025 | - EB meeting on-line |
| 9 February 2026 | - ETTU Annual Planning Meeting in Montreux |
| 27 February 2026 | - EB meeting on-line |
| 25 March 2026 | - EB meeting on-line |
| 13 April 2026 | - EB meeting on-line |
| 1 May 2026 | - EB meeting in London (England) |
| 8 June 2026 | - EB meeting on-line |
| 15-16 July 2026 | - EB meeting in Gondomar (Portugal) |

ITTF Continentals Council attended:

28 April 2026 - London (England)

ITTF Council attended:

2 May 2026 - London (England)

ITTF AGM attended

3 May 2026 - London (England)

ITTF and ETTU Events Attended:

12-19 Oct 2025 – 2025 European Team Championships (Zadar, Croatia)
 28-30 Oct 2025 – WTT Champions (Montpellier, France)
 23-30 Nov 2025 - 2025 ITTF World Youth Championships (Cluj-Napoca, Romania)
 4-7 Dec 2025 - 2025 World Mixed Team World Cup (Chengdu, China)
 5-8 Feb 2026 - 2026 CCB Europe Top 16 Cup (Montreux, Switzerland)
 28 Apr – 10 May 2026 - 2026 ITTF World Championships (London, England)
 17-21 Jun 2026 - 2026 Romstal European U21 Championships (Cluj-Napoca, Romania)
 16-17 May 2026 - 2026 ETTU Hylo Champions League Men Final 4 (Saarbrücken, Germany)
 23-24 May 2026 - 2026 ETTU Champions League Women Final 4 (Tarnobrzeg, Poland)
 10-19 Jul 2026 - 2026 Europe Youth Championships (Gondomar, Portugal)

ETTU Events planned up to ETTU Congress:

2-4 Oct 2026 - 2026 Europe Youth Top 10 (Antibes, France)
 11-18 Oct 2026 - 2026 European Individual Championships (Ljubljana, Slovenia)

Other events attended:

5-8 Oct 2025 - Opening Ceremony of the Saudi Arabian TT League (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia)
 20-21 Oct 2025 - 2025 Sportel (Monaco)
 14-16 Nov 2025 - Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Czechia and Slovakia TTA. (Prague, Czechia)
 17-18 Nov 2025 - European Evening of Sports (Brussels, Belgium)
 29 Nov 2025 - Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the DTTB - German TTA (Düsseldorf, Germany)
 27-28 May 2026 - Celebration of the life and legacy of Josef Veselsky (Dublin, Ireland)

Conclusion:

The past year has demonstrated that the European Table Tennis Union continues to move forward with purpose, ambition, and unity. Guided by our Strategic Plan 2023–2028, we have strengthened our governance, modernised our organisation, expanded our commercial partnerships, enhanced the visibility of our competitions, and continued to invest in the long-term development of our sport.

These achievements have only been possible thanks to the collective commitment of our Member Associations, athletes, clubs, officials, partners, volunteers, and the dedicated ETTU staff. Together, we are building a stronger, more innovative, and more sustainable European Table Tennis Union.

While we can take pride in the progress achieved, our work is far from complete. European table tennis continues to evolve rapidly, and ETTU must continue to lead that evolution by embracing innovation, promoting excellence, strengthening our competitions, supporting our Member Associations, and ensuring that our sport remains accessible, inclusive, and attractive to future generations.

As we enter the final phase of our current Strategic Plan, my commitment, together with the Executive Board, remains clear: to continue serving European table tennis with integrity, transparency, and determination,

always placing the interests of our Member Associations and the development of our sport at the centre of every decision.

Finally, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to all Member Associations for their trust, support, and constructive cooperation. My thanks also go to my colleagues on the Executive Board, the ETTU staff, our partners, and everyone who contributes every day to the success of European table tennis. I look forward to continuing this journey together as we shape an even stronger future for our sport.

Pedro Moura
ETTU PRESIDENT

ETTU DEPUTY PRESIDENT - Heike Ahlert

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

Dear Congress members,

It is my pleasure to give my report following my responsibilities for Title Events & Regulations, Youth, Welfare, and Representation.

I attended the EB meetings, the Youth Committee meetings, the EOC annual assembly, the ITTF Council meeting, and the continental Forum at the ITTF Summit. As the EB member responsible for title events, I was involved in preparations and discussions, excluding those covered in other EB reports. I also attended several meetings regarding the Olympic qualification pathway, which is – due to the new and extended Olympic events but with the same maximum number of participants – a bigger challenge than in the former editions.

1. European Senior Events:

1.1. **Europe TOP 16 CUP Montreux (SUI) and European Team Championship Final Stage in Zadar (CRO)**

Both events were organized very well. Thank you very much to SUI and CRO for their contribution to organizing these prestigious events. The excellently organized EC in Zadar deserved to have more spectators.

1.2. **European Games (EG) 2027 in Istanbul (TUR)**

The EG will take place in June 2027. Table tennis events will be the Mixed team competition with 16 teams (3 men, 3 women, and a substitute per gender), and the men's and women's singles competitions with a maximum of 2 players per gender. The winner of the Mixed team event will be the continental Qualifier for the Olympic Games 2028 (OG).

As theoretically all European NOC teams should have the chance to qualify their teams for the OG, it is necessary to give all European NOCs the chance to play. Therefore, 11 NOC teams and the host will be directly qualified to the EG. All other NOCs can enter their mixed teams in a qualification event for the EG, which will take place in February 2027 (host still to be decided).

The EB decided, after consultation with various stakeholders, to implement a European Mixed team ranking starting August 2026, which will be used for direct Qualification to the EG and for seeding in the Qualification event. The 4 best mixed teams of this qualification event will qualify to the EG.

2. **European Youth Events**

2.1. The U21 EC in Cluj was very good. A big thank you goes to the Romanian Federation for again delivering a fantastic event.

2.2. Just finished is the EYC hosted by the Portuguese Federation in Gondomar. Again, we had a big number of participating teams and even more participants in the individual events. As always, it is a great challenge for the host to deliver the EYC perfectly. Thank you to POR for organizing this event.

2.3. Survey of the youth events

As mentioned in my report 2025, the EB decided to release a survey regarding the European Youth Title events. The survey was well accepted, and we received a high number of answers from the associations. Thank you very much for giving us your feedback.

I chaired a working group consisting of EB members responsible for Youth, Development, Ranking, Coaches, and the Youth Committee chair, the DP Secretary General, and the Competitions Director. After having reviewed the results of the feedback, we proposed some changes for the events to the EB, who decided to have the following proposals to the Congress:

- The single events in the U15, U19 and U21 EC and the Europe U15 and U19 TOP 10 shall be played best of 5 events,
- The EB will submit a resolution to Congress to retain the current team formation (two players in the U15 and three players in the U19 categories) and system of play, while counting individual games for the overall result in the next edition of the EYC: all 15 games to be played

in the group stage, and in the knockout stage the tie to be won by the first team to reach eight games.

- Regarding the U21 European Championships and the Europe TOP 10 Event, the format and playing system shall not be changed according to the feedback of the associations.
- The Winner of the U15 TOP 10 will be awarded a personal place in the next U19 TOP 10.
- The Winner of the U19 TOP 10 will be awarded a personal place in the next individual EC men and women.
- The Youth TOP 10 will be played in Spring instead of autumn.

I hope that the congress will approve the proposals. If there are any questions regarding the proposals, there will be the possibility to attend the webinar on the proposals on 7th October 2026.

3. Welfare/Safeguarding

The Executive Board appointed Senga Thomson (SCO) as ETTU Welfare Officer. After discussions with her about welfare good practices for sports organisations, the EB decided to implement awareness actions during the upcoming European Youth Championships, introduce safeguarding self-declarations within the event entry process, and offer educational courses to coaches participating in development camps (for more information see the report of our Welfare Officer).

ETTU EB discussed and approved in spring a Safeguarding Policy with the full range of protective and disciplinary measures (see <https://www.ettu.org/safeguarding/>). The Safeguarding Officer can be contacted via email at safeguarding@ettu.org.

4. Future Hosts for Title Events

For a few years now we have been receiving more and more interest; I am very glad that we had very promising bids and presentations for the upcoming events. The decisions the EB has taken will be published on our website. A big thank you goes to our Competition Director, whose preparations and inspection visits in advance of the presentations help significantly to ensure that we will have good organisers for the upcoming EYC 2028/2029 as well as for the EC individual 2028 and the EC final stage 2029.

THANK YOU

A big thank you goes to my EB colleagues, ETTU staff, the Welfare Officer, the Youth Committee, other committees and working groups for the constructive and very positive cooperation throughout the past year.

I also sincerely thank all national associations, coaches, officials, and players for your valuable feedback—your input is vital for the continued growth of table tennis in Europe. It's been a pleasure to serve our sport and I am looking forward to serve further.

Heike Ahlert
ETTU DEPUTY PRESIDENT

ETTU VICE-PRESIDENT FINANCES – Sandra Deaton

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

2025 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Budgeted (deficit) 39,640 euro.

Actual (deficit) 33,182 euro.

Slight variance from the budgeted deficit:

As promised in the 2024 congress when we announced a significant surplus we have increased our investment in 2025.

1 Maintained a slight increased income from events rights with increased sponsorship and significant TV sales.

2 The production costs have also increased and reinvested.

3 There is a slight increased variation in event operations to enhance the total presentation.

4 Investment into clothing, equipment, spectator experience and other marketing activities.

5 The necessity to buy into the OTT storage and commission on viewing uptake.

In order to maintain sponsorship and tv sales we need to invest in these concepts and subsequently realise the asset value.

6 The contingency is support for Ukraine athletes.

7 In June 2025 the development department introduced the participation program.

8 The high performance Eurospins partnership with Korea was formulated but in 2025 represented a small cost to ETTU. This was reconciled in 2026.

9 Value adjustment debtors no longer retained over a 12 month period and taken out of the accounts.

10 The Audit Commission are analysing the accounts on receipt of the draft International Audit.

11 Audit continued at a full International Standard.

UPDATE ON 2026 FINANCE (October 2026)

Budget result surplus 1.748 euro.

Draft result to date deficit 75,610.

As previously outlined from the previous surplus realised in 2024 there has been investment into the services for our national association membership, their players and coaches.

As a result, the Executive Board agreed:

1 Enhanced events including further investment into TV production management.

2 Investment into promotional exposure including the on line digital editing Pendular to stimulate increased social media. Increased data analysis costs This provides an upsurge of data which is accessible to use for sponsorship marketing.

3 Completion of the new website and increased costs in continual development.

Continuing to work towards producing an OTT platform and athlete analysis facilities. We are renegotiating a future contractual arrangement with our partners.

4 Significant increased finance added to the development budget. The ETTU additional contribution is an estimated 80.000 euro.

Participation program.
 Eurospins high performance program.
 Clothing and equipment support.
 Increased cost on scholarship as para category introduced.

We will again hold a finance webinar before the Congress. The date will be published in the coming weeks. I do hope many of you will be able to join as it is an opportunity to go into a detailed update and analysis of all the financial matters. The audit company and the audit commission will also present their reports.

The webinar will be recorded allowing access later for those who cannot join on the day.

BUDGET FOR 2027

I will present the 2027 budget at the finance webinar.
 I am pleased to highlight the budget is showing a significant surplus. Should this be realised we will once again reinvest in our events and development program for the 2028 and 2029 years

We continued to remain true to our values, transparency, stability and prudence as the core of the financial ethos, reinvesting into our events and development program.

In addition to my role in finance I also have the portfolio for our staff.

This restructure of the staff has taken place with the appointment of a digital content manager and full time marketing manager. We have also continued to align some staffing roles so now Andrea Bjurstroem continues to work along side Pierre Kass in the finance department as requested by our auditors for the double payment process.

I continue to support the staff in number of good governance concepts which have been undertaken to develop protocols, streamline contracts, directives, and safeguarding guidance.

I have attended all our online and in person Executive Board meetings. In addition I am in constant communication with our President, Mr. Pedro Moura and the secretaries on all concepts both financial and contractual.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of our staff for their dedication, and unwavering contribution to European Table Tennis. My sincere special thanks to our President , Secretary General Pierre Kass and Deputy Secretary General Galia Dvorak who I have a very close working relationship. They are exceptionally professional and I remain indebted for their support.

My sincere thanks are also extended to my Executive Board colleagues. It really is a pleasure to work with such a dedicated team, who never fail to put "Table Tennis First".

Finally, dear member associations, I extend my sincere thanks to you for the confidence and respect bestowed on me. It is indeed an honour to serve European Table Tennis and I will continue to uphold your trust.

Sandra Deaton
ETTU VICE-PRESIDENT FINANCES

ETTU VICE-PRESIDENT – Sonja Grefberg

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

Since the Congress 2025 in Zadar, I have attended the ETTU EB in-person meetings in May in London during World Individual Championships and in July in Gondomar during European Youth Championships. I have also taken part in all monthly online meetings. As a European member of the ITTF Council, I took part in the ITTF Council meeting in London in May 2026 during the World Individual Championships. I have also been present at European Top-16 Cup in Montreux in February, Women's Champions League Final 4 in Tarnobrzeg and U-21 European Championships in Cluj.

As the ETTU EB responsible member for Para Table Tennis I visited the European Para Championships in November in Helsingborg, still this time organised by the ITTF. As ETTU will take over the organization from 2027 onwards this was an excellent opportunity to observe and see how the Championships were set up.

At the Congress in Zadar the Regulations for the Para European Championships in 2027 were approved. The ETTU Executive Board has decided that the European Para Table Tennis Championships in 2027 shall be part of the Multisport Event, European Para Championships. The Championships will take place in Geneva 2-15 August 2027 with 12 different sports participating. European Para Table Tennis Championships will be played from 10-15 of August. All indoor sports will be organised in Palexpo International Exhibition and Convention Center. This will give us an opportunity to also follow other Para sports and for other sports' participants to come and watch para table tennis. Present in Geneva will also be many European and National Paralympic Committee members that will give us an excellent opportunity to make our sport better known among para sport leaders in Europe. I am very much looking forward to table tennis being part of this Multisport Event and I am sure it will be a good and memorable Championships for the whole European Para Table Tennis family.

In 2026 ETTU announced the launch of the ETTU Para Table Tennis Scholarships, a new initiative aimed at supporting the development of young U-23 Para players across Europe. The scholarships were awarded to two male and two female players.

Sustainability in Sport has become increasingly important and the ETTU continues to focus on measures to reduce the overall climate impact. The ETTU has made recommendations for organisers in 2025-2027 to gradually implement sustainable measures regarding waste management, recycling, paperless operations, sustainable venue selection and eco-friendly equipment. We have almost succeeded in eliminating plastic use in our events even though the hosts did not have to comply with this yet. From 2028 onwards, it will be mandatory in all ETTU events. Internally, we almost eliminated paper operations. Next steps will be sustainability surveys to participants and annual reporting at Congress.

I sincerely thank all associations, officials, coaches and players for valuable inputs during the year. A big thank you to my Executive Board colleagues and the ETTU staff members for very good and fruitful discussions and co-operation. It is a great pleasure to work with all of you. Looking ahead to the year 2027, it will be a busy year with a lot of interesting events.

Sonja Grefberg
ETTU VICE-PRESIDENT

ETTU VICE-PRESIDENT – Ina Jozepsone

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

This report covers the period between the ETTU Congress in Zadar, Croatia (15 October 2025) and the date of writing (late July 2026).

First and foremost, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to everyone who supported me and contributed to the work of ETTU throughout this reporting period.

During the year, I actively participated in the work of the ETTU Executive Board, attending Executive Board meetings and contributing to discussions on the development of European table tennis. My primary responsibilities remained the areas of Umpires & Referees, Veterans, and Gender Equality, where I worked closely with the respective committee chairs and members.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to:

- Mr. Werner Thury, Chair of the Umpires & Referees Committee
- Mr. Reto Bazzi, Chair of the Veterans Committee
- Mr. Esko Heikkinen, Chair of the Gender Equality Committee

Our cooperation has been open, efficient and highly productive throughout the year.

Umpires & Referees - Main tasks and objectives:

- Continue developing match officials across Europe;
- Increase the number of young and female match officials;
- Support education and career development for umpires and referees.

The Umpires & Referees Committee continued its work through its three working groups led by Marcin Fidala (Referees), Elena Semenova (Umpires) and Asko Rasinen (Development). Two online committee meetings were held, complemented by regular communication through the committee's WhatsApp group.

A strong emphasis was placed on the development of young and female match officials. The Young Umpires Project (YUP) successfully completed another cycle during the European Youth Championships in Gondomar, while preparations for the next cycle are already underway. In parallel, a mentorship programme for future International Referees was introduced, including practical seminars and individual mentoring.

Several educational activities were organised during the year, including webinars on social media for match officials and on women in table tennis, as well as advanced training courses, examinations and evaluations at major international events. The committee also continued its close cooperation with ITTF URC and supported the integration of match officials into future ETTU digital systems.

Veterans - Main tasks and objectives:

- Continue improving veterans' activities and communication;
- Strengthen cooperation with Member Associations;
- Prepare future European Veterans Championships.

The Veterans Committee continued implementing its action plan and further developed its evaluation procedures for future European Veterans Championships. The existing seeding system has proven successful, and cooperation with the Ranking Committee remains excellent. The network of national veterans' representatives has continued to expand.

In January 2026, the second edition of the ETTU Veterans INFO-BULLETIN was published and distributed to Member Associations and national veterans' representatives.

Particular attention was given to the World Masters Championships in Gangneung, Korea, where more than 2,300 players from 81 associations participated. European players achieved excellent sporting results, winning a total of 76 medals. Preparations are also progressing well for the 17th European Veterans Championships, which will take place in Riga, Latvia, in 2027.

Gender Equality - Main tasks and objectives:

- Promote equal opportunities across all ETTU activities
- Collect data and monitor gender equality developments
- Support Member Associations through education and communication.

The Gender Equality Committee remained highly active throughout the reporting period, holding three online meetings in addition to regular communication among committee members.

One of the committee's major achievements was conducting the first survey among ETTU Member Associations on the participation of female players, coaches and officials. The collected data provides valuable information that will help guide future initiatives, and the survey will be repeated every two years.

The committee also continued gathering feedback from female athletes and is preparing a revised survey for future championships. A new educational initiative, proposed to support coaches working with young female athletes, is currently under development with the involvement of external experts.

Communication remains a key priority. Following the successful launch of the Gender Equality INFO-BULLETIN in 2025, preparations are underway for the 2026 edition. The committee also continues to monitor international developments concerning gender eligibility policies in close alignment with the IOC and ITTF.

During the reporting period, I represented ETTU at the following events:

- 2025 Euro Mini Champ's (August 29-31, Schiltigheim);
- 2025 European Team Championships (October 12–19, Zadar);
- 2026 Europe Top 16 Cup (February 05–08, Montreux);
- 2025/26 Europe Trophy Grand Finals (April 24-26, Niš);
- 2025/2026 ETTU Champions League Women Final 4 (May 23-24, Tarnobrzeg);
- 2026 European U21 Championships (June 17–21, Cluj);
- 2026 European Youth Championships (July 10–19, Gondomar).

I am pleased to note the constructive and respectful atmosphere within the Executive Board and the excellent cooperation between all ETTU committees. I sincerely thank my Executive Board colleagues for their dedication and commitment to the continued development of our sport.

My sincere appreciation also goes to the ETTU Secretariat and Staff for their professionalism, efficiency and continuous support. Their daily work greatly contributes to the successful implementation of ETTU activities.

Finally, I would like to thank all Member Associations for their cooperation, valuable ideas and continued commitment to the future of European table tennis. I firmly believe that by working together, we will continue to strengthen our sport and create new opportunities for future generations.

Ina Jozepsone
ETTU VICE-PRESIDENT

ETTU VICE-PRESIDENT – Jaroslaw Kolodziejczyk

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

1. Continuous guiding of entrusted responsibilities

Ongoing leadership of assigned portfolios as an EB member overseeing Development and Coaches (including the ETTU Coaching Committee), I continued to drive multiple initiatives from September 2025 to July 2026—advancing existing projects and launching new ones that will roll out shortly (details below).

2. Development Programs

I am pleased to note that the expanded NAAP (National Association Assistance Program) and PP (Participation Program)—both highly valued by National Associations—are now active across Europe. The Eurotalents pathway has also proceeded as planned, with Selection and Development Camps delivered in line with prior years. Meanwhile, the European Youth Series has secured its place on the competition calendar, adding a new stop: EYS Portugal.

3. The success of the first edition of new Development Program: EUROSPINS

First edition of the new Development Program: EUROSPINS I am happy to confirm the successful completion of EUROSPINS' inaugural edition. In partnership with South Korea, we ran two excellently organized, high-impact camps that met the core objective: extended, top-level training for Europe's leading young players alongside Asian sparring partners. The Jeju Island camp (December 2025) and the return leg in Havířov, Czech Republic (spring 2026) were both very well received. My thanks go to everyone involved in bringing this initiative to life. The second edition is already scheduled: early September 2026 in Korea and spring 2027 in Europe (around Easter). With EUROSPINS also gaining traction in Asia, Japan and Taipei will join as partners from the second edition onward.

4. European Competition Manager School

This new ETTU initiative unites the work of our Competition and Development Departments. Led by experts Didier Leroy and Alen Ivancin, under the close oversight of ETTU General Secretary Pierre Kass, the program equips a broad pool of candidates with the knowledge and practical skills required of Competition Managers.

5. Continuation of the coaching project “Learn from the Best”

We have received additional applications for “Learn from the Best,” allowing the project to move forward and enabling more coaches to benefit from its opportunities.

6. Close Cooperation with ETTU Coaching Committee

I wish to again thank the ETTU Coaching Committee, chaired by Emmanuele Delsante, for their consistent engagement and timely support whenever guidance or decisions are needed. Our cooperation remains strong and uninterrupted.

7. Annual Coaches Meeting

As this report is finalized, the general meeting of coaches, invited delegates, and officials is set for July 11 during the European Youth Championships in Gondomar. Alongside standard updates on ETTU activities, the agenda focuses on the selection process for EUROSPINS II, evaluation of European youth competitions and the LA 2028 Olympic Pathway.

8. Delegations

In my capacity as ETTU Vice-President, I attended the following events and activities:

- December 2025: EUROSPINS Part 1 – Camp in Jeju Island (KOR)
- April 2026: EUROSPINS Part 2 – Camp in Havířov (CZE)
- May 2026: Team World Championships, London
- May 2026: ETTU Men's Europe Cup Final
- July 2026: European Youth Championships, Gondomar (POR) – ETTU Delegate and Jury Member

9. Cooperation within the ETTU Executive Board and ETTU Staff

Work within the Executive Board has remained intensive and focused. Regular meetings and in-depth discussions are essential as we address significant topics such as the LA 2028 Olympic Pathway, ranking developments (individual, new mixed team formats, doubles, and mixed doubles), and the evolution of club competitions. I extend my appreciation to EB colleagues and ETTU staff for their steady collaboration, responsiveness, and support. Let us continue in this spirit to best represent the interests of European table tennis.

Jaroslav Kolodziejczyk
ETTU VICE-PRESIDENT

ETTU VICE-PRESIDENT – Didier Leroy

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Since the Congress in Zadar in October 2025, I have attended the ETTU EB in-person meetings in London during the WTTC in May and in Gondomar in Portugal in July. I also took part in all monthly online meetings.

Dates: 27/02; 25/03; 13/04; 08/06

As the ETTU Executive Board member responsible for Rankings, I have been in close contact with the Ranking Committee and especially its Chair, Igor Heller and our Competition Director, Alen Ivancin.

The European Ranking is evolving year by year and brings value to our competitions and our players. Part of the work was to draft the new Ranking Rule book with some changes in the weighting of the points adding more value for the weighting of the World Ranking points.

We have also worked on a new European Mixed Team Ranking as a result of the introduction of a Mixed Team event in the Olympic Games to be used in the future depending on the evolution of the Mixed Team World Ranking.

The ETTU Ranking committee has established a working plan for 2026.

The European U21 Ranking is more and more accurate and we can see the importance with the participation of the best ranked players in the U21 European Championships.

For the U13 and U15 Rankings, we can see how important it is to participate in the European youth series events. All Member Associations take the youth series events very seriously ahead of the European Youth Championships.

As EB responsible for Technical matters, I had a discussion with the Referee and Umpires committee on how to improve the way of throwing the balls to the players for important competitions with big courts.

I have also participated with the General Secretary, Deputy General Secretary, Competition Director and some colleagues to start a Competition Management School as well in the ETTU Youth Competitions working group.

I was also appointed as member of the Technical Commission for European University Sports Association for the period 2026-2030.

As a representative of ETTU, I was present at:

2026 CCB Europe Top 16 Cup: 05-08/02/2026: Montreux/ Switzerland

2026 World Team Table Tennis Championships; 28/04-10/05/2026: London/England

2026 Europe Cup Women's Final: 22/05/2026: Linz/Austria

2026 European Youth Championships: 10/07-19/07/2026: Gondomar/Portugal

Also I would like to thank all my colleagues for the great motivation and hard work done in a very nice atmosphere when discussing all topics. We are looking to work always for the best of all ETTU MA's. Thanks to all ETTU family and the great work of all staff members, we can work in a positive manner.

A big thank you to the General Secretary, Pierre Kass and Deputy General Secretary Galia Dvorak for their hard work and to Igor Heller, Chair of the Ranking Committee and Alen Ivancin, Competition Director to be always available to discuss on different subjects.

Didier Leroy
ETTU VICE-PRESIDENT

ETTU VICE-PRESIDENT – Zoran Primorac

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

Introduction

It has been an honour to serve as ETTU Vice President during the past year. I have continued to work with the ETTU President, the Executive Board and the ETTU office to support the development of European table tennis and to help improve our competitions and projects.

Executive Board Activities

During the reporting period, I attended all Executive Board meetings and took part in the discussions and decisions related to the work and future development of the ETTU.

Executive Board Meetings Attended

- 19 December 2025
- 27 February 2026
- 25 March 2026
- 12 April 2026
- 8 June 2026

I also attended several working meetings related to ETTU club competitions:

- ETTU Champions League Clubs Meeting – 17 March 2026
- Club Directives Meeting – 31 March 2026
- Suppliers Pool Meeting – 20 May 2026

Representation at International Events

As an ETTU Vice President, I represented the ETTU at the following international events:

- ITTF World Team Table Tennis Championships and ITTF Summit, London, Great Britain (27 April – 10 May 2026)
- ETTU Champions League Final Four, Saarbrücken, Germany (15–17 May 2026)
- European Youth Championships, Portugal (10–19 July 2026)

These events gave me the opportunity to meet with Member Associations, clubs, athletes and international partners, exchange ideas and discuss the future development of European table tennis.

Development of ETTU Club Competitions

Club competitions remain one of my main responsibilities within the ETTU.

During the year, we worked on improving the format of both the Men's and Women's European Champions League. The new competition format has been introduced with the aim of making the competitions more attractive for clubs, players, fans and media.

We believe that these changes will improve the visibility of the European Champions League and help create better opportunities to attract new sponsors and commercial partners in the future.

ETTU Hall of Fame

Work on the ETTU Hall of Fame has continued during the year. The project is still in the development phase, and we are working on the structure, selection criteria and general guidelines.

I hope that we will soon have a clear framework that will allow us to launch this important project and recognise the people who have made a great contribution to European table tennis.

Closing Remarks

The past year has been positive and productive. I would like to thank the ETTU President, my colleagues on the Executive Board, the ETTU staff and all Member Associations for their cooperation and support.

I look forward to continuing our work together. I believe that, by working together, we can continue to improve our competitions, support our athletes and clubs, and make European table tennis even stronger in the years ahead.

Zoran Primorac
ETTU VICE-PRESIDENT

ETTU ATHLETES' COMMISSION CHAIR – Frane Tomislav Kojic

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

As Chair of the Athletes' Commission of the European Table Tennis Union, my main goal is to ensure that athletes' voices are not only heard but also reflected in the governance and development of our sport in Europe. Since my appointment as Chair in December 2025, I have approached this mandate with a clear focus on communication, representation, and practical advocacy in order to deliver concrete improvements for European athletes.

The Athletes' Commission currently consists of Frane Tomislav Kojic (CRO) as Chair, Linda Bergström (SWE), Tin-Tin Ho (ENG), Elizabeta Samara (ROU), and para-athlete representative Jack Hunter-Spivey (ENG). I am very satisfied with the cooperation within the Commission and with the quality of the ideas, discussions, and perspectives shared among its members. I believe that this diversity has been one of our key strengths, and I am especially pleased that the Commission includes strong female athlete representation, which brings important balance and valuable perspective to our work.

Throughout the reporting period, I maintained regular communication with the ETTU Executive Board through ongoing online meetings and direct exchanges. My aim throughout this process was to ensure that athletes' views, concerns, and proposals were consistently presented and properly considered within the ETTU decision-making framework.

I also remained in close contact with players throughout the year during major international events and competitions. At the Europe Top 16 in Montreux, the ITTF World Team Table Tennis Championships Finals in London, and several WTT events, I spoke directly with athletes about their experiences, concerns, and suggestions regarding the practical realities of elite competition.

Regarding the ITTF Athletes' Commission, I established communication with the newly elected leadership and exchanged initial ideas on topics that will require further attention in the period ahead. As the new leadership has only recently taken office, these matters will naturally require time to develop, but I see this as a positive and constructive beginning for future cooperation.

As a Commission, we also placed strong importance on the inclusion and representation of para table tennis athletes. Together with Jack Hunter-Spivey, who serves as the para-athlete member of the Commission, we addressed the specific needs, perspectives, and competitive challenges of para players, with the aim of ensuring that athlete representation within ETTU remains inclusive, balanced, and responsive to all parts of our sport.

One of the key sporting matters I have continued to raise during this period is the possibility of making team reserves eligible for use at the European Team Championships. In my view, this could help better protect athlete health, which should always remain a priority, while also providing a fair and practical solution in elite team competition.

Another important issue raised by players concerns the coordination of the competition calendar between WTT and ETTU events. We recognize that athletes competing at the highest club level can face difficulties when important dates overlap or conflict with WTT events. For that reason, we will continue to support efforts toward a more harmonized calendar that allows athletes to better plan their obligations and perform at the highest possible level across all competitions.

I value the cooperation established with the ETTU Executive Board and administration, and I appreciate their openness to athlete-centred dialogue and proposals. I believe that strong and trust-

based relationships between athletes and sports leadership are essential for the long-term progress, credibility, and sustainability of European table tennis.

Looking ahead, our focus will remain on strengthening athlete representation, improving communication, and promoting practical initiatives that enhance athlete welfare, competition conditions, and the overall quality of European table tennis.

Frane Tomislav Kojic

ETTU ATHLETES COMMISSION CHAIR

ETTU RANKING COMMITTEE CHAIR – Igor Heller

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

1. European Ranking System

The ETTU Ranking Platform is the basis for all invitations and seeding lists at all ETTU events in all age categories except the Para and the Masters Championships. All rankings are published monthly. Since the 2025 Congress, 2 changes have been made in the system. The factor for the World Ranking points in the Senior and U21 rankings has been increased. In the European Top 16 Cup, the players losing in the first qualification round do not get points, and the losers in the 2nd qualification round only receive victory points for round 1.

The Ranking Committee assisted the EB in the development of a new European Ranking for Mixed Teams to be used for the European qualification for the 2028 Olympic Games Mixed Team Event. This ranking system will be a combination of team results in World and European Championships and individual ranking positions in singles, doubles and mixed doubles. The Mixed Team Ranking will be published starting August 2026.

2. European Ranking Events

In the past year, again 6 European Youth Series events and 3 regional events (EST, LTU and HUN) were included in the European U13 and U15 rankings. In addition, the Europe Mini Champs (FRA) were added to the U13 rankings. The European Youth Series are a very popular event for the U13 and U15 category, in particular for the mid- and lower level players.

In the Senior and U21 rankings, the Finlandia Open and Belgium Open Senior and U21 were included. The number of ETTU Ranking Sanctioned Events is increasing. The accuracy of the U21 rankings is increasing, all high level players are in the top of the rankings.

3. Seeding lists

During the past year, the Ranking Committee prepared seeding lists for the following events:

- a. Europe Youth Top 10 2025. For all events, the invitation and seeding lists were made according to the European Rankings
- b. Europe Top 16 2026. Invitation and seeding according to the European Rankings.
- c. European U21 Championships 2026. Invitation and seeding according to the European Rankings.
- d. European Youth Championships 2026. Seeding according to the European Rankings.
- e. European Individual Championships 2026. Seeding according to the European Rankings

4. Ranking and result statistics

The Ranking Committee wants to create a full ETTU results archive. The current digital archive covers most of the ETTU events played since 2007 and most other results are available only on paper. ETTU is still looking for assistance to create a full digital archive for the European Championships, the European Youth Championships, the Top 12/16, the Youth Top 10 and the European Club Competitions. This archive is currently made on voluntary basis. Due to lack of time, progress is slower than intended.

5. Advise ITTF about the World Rankings

The Ranking Committee follows the development of the World Ranking system and advises the EB and the European ITTF Council members about possible changes, with the help of the ITTF World Ranking Working Group. Cooperation with ITTF has improved, but the main differences between the World and European Ranking systems still exist.

6. Acknowledgements

I want to thank the committee members, the EB members and the ETTU Staff for their cooperation. Special thanks to ETTU Competition Director Alen Ivancin for his continuous work on the European Ranking system and the Rulebook, and to Didier Leroy who is always available to discuss any possible ranking item with Alen and me.

Igor Heller

ETTU RANKING COMMITTEE CHAIR

ETTU UMPIRES AND REFEREES COMMITTEE CHAIR – Werner Thury

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

After the European Championships in Zadar ETTU URC continued to focus specifically on development activities but also the implementation of ETTU events.

The work of the Umpires and Referees Committee is divided into three working groups, which are guided by Marcin Fidala (Referees), Elena Semenova (Umpires) and by Asko Rasinen (Development).

Two URC online meetings have been held, and a specific WhatsApp group is used for urgent but also daily conversation. Additionally, ETTU URC members had the chance to use international events to have on-site meetings.

One of our main objectives is to continue the development of match officials, specifically also female umpires in Europe and to ensure that the best umpires are officiating in the ETTU-Top events.

ETTU URC prepared a development program for Match Officials 2026 and forwarded to the Executive Board, which has been approved and is ongoing.

A special focus has been placed on the support of young and female match officials.

ETTU URC continued in September 2025 with the **mentorship program**. Four mentors (Gold Badge Umpires) have close cooperation with sixteen young umpires and train/mentor them.

At least two online workshops per month and ad hoc meetings and availability for questions shall ensure that the mentees are well prepared for ETTU events. Mentors and mentees are also working together in pre-selected events (e.g. EYC). This group has been working together till July 2026 (EYC Gondomar 2026). A YUP (Young Umpires Project) will continue in 2026/2027 and new groups started after Gondomar.

ETTU URC also started a mentorship program for referees. Four mentors (experienced referees) have close cooperation with sixteen young umpires, who are interested to become International Referee and train/mentor them. Four of the mentees already successfully passed the IR school in Portugal this year and others will apply for the IR school in 2027. A practical seminar weekend was held in Havířov on 14–15 March 2026.

On April 2nd, 2026, ETTU URC organized a webinar for umpires regarding social media and how to deal with this new form of publicity for match officials. More than 70 participants have been present.

On April 9th, 2026 A webinar dedicated to women in table tennis was organized as part of ETTU's ongoing commitment to diversity, inclusion and equal opportunities within the sport.

A first online meeting of **YUP (Young Umpires Project) alumni** was organized to establish a long-term network for former participants of the Young Umpires Project. The objective of the initiative is to create a social and professional platform where young umpires can continue exchanging experiences, supporting each other and contributing to the development of umpiring across Europe after completing the YUP program.

The invitation and selection of match officials is done by the working groups and the performance of the officials in the last three years as well distribution between countries and gender is considered. Match officials for the Champions League and for all other events have been selected and are always coordinated with the ETTU office. A big thank you to Elena Semenova and Marcin Fidala, who are coordinating/coordinated these selections in cooperation with all other members.

A clear career pathway has been established in cooperation with ITTF URC and ETTU URC concentrates its efforts to intensify the steps. Young officials shall begin their career in junior events and “grow with the players.” Due to the excellent support of ETTU Executive Board ETTU URC could intensify the support of young match officials and training and evaluations has been provided in the European Youth Championships. Also, in 2026 the European Youth Championships had a lot of interested candidates. ETTU URC could select **thirty-six umpires below 40 years old (=47% of all umpires)** and fourteen are female match officials.

A lot of Development Activities have been organized in Europe in the last 12 months together with associations and ITTF support:

- Advanced Umpires Training, Advanced Rules Exam and Evaluations:
 - WTT YC Metz 2026
 - WTT Contender Panagyurishte 2026
- Advanced Rules Exam in
 - Vienna December 2025
- Evaluations only:
 - WTT YC Linz 2026
 - WTT Feeder Senec 2026
 - 2026 European U21 Championships in Cluj Napoca
 - 2026 European Youth Championships in Gondomar
- Assessments:
 - 2025 WTT-Champions in Montpellier
 - 2025 WTT-Champions in Frankfurt
 - 2026 Europe Top 16
 - 2026 World Team Championships in London
 - 2026 Europe Smash
- International Referee School in Portugal
- International Referee Conference in Brondby

ETTU URC worked closely with Alen Ivancin and STUPA to integrate match officials in the future IT-system.

I would like to thank Ina Jozepsone for her continuous support.

I also would like to highlight the excellent cooperation with Pierre Kass, Galia Dvorak, Alen Ivancin, Andrea Bjurström, Milica Nikolic and Ana Ivošević.

Werner Thury

ETTU UMPIRES AND REFEREES COMMITTEE CHAIR

ETTU VETERANS COMMITTEE CHAIR – Reto Bazzi

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

The Veterans Committee consisted of the following members during the reporting period:

Reto Bazzi (Switzerland), Chair; Susie Venner (England), Deputy Chair; Savas Ertufan (Turkey), Deputy Chair; Maria Gaftea (Romania); Farhad Ismayilov (Azerbaijan); Vincent Labarbe (France).

Since the committee meeting in Novi Sad during the EVC 2025, the exchange took mainly place via correspondence. An online meeting took place in June 2026.

After the update of the “Action plan” in June 2025 the Veterans Committee was focused on the development of an evaluation form for future EVC. The committee is happy with the existing system for seeding at EVC in cooperation with the Ranking Committee. There is now a list with contacts of responsible persons for veterans from around 30 ETTU Member Associations. The committee discussed also possible amendments for ETTU regulations and directives.

In January 2026 the second edition of the ETTU Veterans INFO-BULLETIN was published and distributed to all ETTU Member Associations and National Veteran Representatives. A next edition is planned for autumn 2026.

I attended the World Masters Championships from 7th to 12th June in Gangneung (KOR). As only one committee member was present it was unfortunately not possible to organise a committee meeting. There were a total of 2308 participants (Men 1500/Women 808) from 81 Associations. A total of 9333 matches were played. The oldest participant was 101 years old.

It was clear that the high participation of Rome (ITA) two years ago could not be achieved. Nevertheless, the organisers had expected a higher number. The championships were well organised. The large hall in which the ice-skating competitions of the Olympic Games 2018 took place offered very good playing conditions. A total of 1031 participants (45%) from 37 ETTU Member Associations competed in Korea. The largest groups from Germany (299), Poland (94) and France (87). The total participation of players from ETTU Member Associations was 43% of the total (2394) one year ago at the European Veterans Championships in Novi Sad (SRB).

ETTU players won a total of 76 medals:

11 Gold medals (5 in singles and 6 in doubles)

21 Silver medals (9 in singles and 12 in doubles)

44 Bronze medals (10 in singles and 34 in doubles)

The oldest medallist from an ETTU Member Association was Hans Nolte (GER) who won Gold in MS90.

In June 2026 the ITTF announced that Las Vegas (USA) will host the inaugural World Masters Team Championships from 11th to 16th December 2027. The next World Masters Individual Championships will be organised in Istanbul (TUR) in summer 2028.

The 17th European Veterans Championships will take place from 28th June to 3rd July 2027 in Riga (LAT). Registrations via the official website of the organiser should be possible from August 2026.

Many thanks for the good cooperation to Vice-President in charge for Veterans Ina Jozepson, all committee members and the ETTU staff.

Reto Bazzi

ETTU VETERANS COMMITTEE CHAIR

ETTU GENDER EQUALITY COMMITTEE CHAIR – Esko Heikkinen

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

Gender Equality Committee has met three times since the previous report (twice in late 2025 and once in 2026). In addition, members have had informal meetings, such as during the London WC 2026. The meetings have been virtual, and information has also been actively exchanged in the committee's own WhatsApp group.

The composition of the committee for the period 2024–2028 is as follows:

Esko Heikkinen (FIN, chair), Johanna Grech (MLT, deputy chair), Emma Persson (SWE, deputy chair), Marta Adamczak (POL), Davis Avdjukovich (LAT), Sally Hughes (ENG), Konul Mikaylova (AZE), Jean-Michel Mureau (BEL), Inga Navickiene (LTU) and Paula Penedo (POR). Vice-President Ina Jozepsone (LAT) is the EB deputy president responsible for this committee.

Unfortunately, after the Zadar meeting, we had to announce that our active committee member Jean-Michel Mureau had to leave us after being elected to the ETTU Board of Appeal. Congratulations to Jean-Michel on this election.

Among the most significant achievements of the autumn was a survey of ETTU member organizations on the number of female players, coaches and officials in different countries on the continent. The results have been reported in more detail in the committee's newsletter, but as a very rough generalization, it can be stated that the number is on average less than 20 percent of all players and other persons. In addition, the range of variation is very large. The committee has decided to repeat the survey every two years, the next time in 2027. The results provide us with information that has not been available before.

The second “survey” concerned the perceptions of equality among the continent’s top female players, and it was carried out in connection with the EC in Zadar. However, there were very few responses. The committee was not discouraged and decided to propose that it be carried out again in connection with the European Youth Championships, albeit quite modified and also aimed at male players.

New openings are the proposal by Deputy President Ina Jozepsone on training, in which male coaches are trained to face young female players. Experts will be recruited from outside the sport. The project is still in progress at the time of writing, but our committee is very positive about the matter.

Other issues that the committee is actively following are the discussions on the so-called third gender playing rights. In this regard, the IOC has published a document called “on the protection of the female category”. In the committee, we assume that the ITTF will adopt a similar policy, after which it will also adopt it in the ETTU.

Communication is one of the most important things in gender equality issues. The committee started its own newsletters in 2025 (2 copies), and the 2026 newsletter will be published during the autumn. It should also be noted that in connection with the European Championships in Zadar, our member Inga Navickienė (LAT) was awarded the ETTU Badge of Honour. Warm congratulations to Inga.

Special thanks go to Ina Jozepsone, Deputy President of ETTU responsible for the committee, and Galia Dvorak, ETTU Deputy secretary General, whose contribution to the committee's work cannot be overemphasized. Ina has brought matters to the attention of the committee, and Galia has successfully put the committee's proposals for action and ideas into practice.

Esko Heikkinen

ETTU GENDER EQUALITY COMMITTEE CHAIR

ETTU PARA TT COMMITTEE CHAIR - Karen Tonge OBE

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

The Para TT Committee (me, Alessandro Arcigli and Tomas Varga, my deputies). We continue to have close cooperation with Mrs Sonja Grefberg (ETTU Vice President), and together we decided the topics to be submitted to the Executive Board to improve Para Table Tennis.

The Para TT Committee has continued in 2026 with a tender for an Under 23 training camp closing date to apply was 24 April 2026. The tender was awarded to the Czech Republic to take place in Havirov. The Deputy General Secretary is currently liaising on a suitable date to hold it.

The European Para Championships will be organized by ETTU and this is planned for the first time 2027. Visits took place during the Helsingborg, Sweden last European Para Championships held under the ITTF banner. I was also present as Deputy Referee.

Executive Board Members, Para Table Tennis Committee Members and ETTU Staff held a joint ETTU meeting, which took place on 7 April at 15:00 CET via Zoom. The purpose was to use this opportunity to open a discussion on how to ensure a successful event, as well as to support its future development and growth. The ETTU Board had decided that the European Para Championships would be held as part of the European Para Championships in 2027 for the first time as part of this multisport event. It is to be in the host city of Geneva 2-15 August 2027.

At this moment Para Table Tennis is third largest world Paralympic sport and it's played in more than 100 countries. All Para competitions are governed by ITTF through the International Para Table Tennis Committee and in the World there are approximately 900 "active and ranked" para players, 420 of that are from Europe.

Karen Tonge OBE

ETTU PARA TT COMMITTEE CHAIR

ETTU YOUTH COMMITTEE CHAIR – Thomas Buza

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

During the past year, the Youth Committee has continued its work in close cooperation with the ETTU Executive Board, other ETTU committees and the member associations. In addition, Committee members have served on the jury at most European youth events. A particularly important part of our work has concerned the future of European youth competitions and how these events can remain attractive, accessible and relevant while continuing to provide Europe's young players with meaningful international competition.

The Youth Committee has been actively represented in the Youth Working Group, which was established to review the format and development of the European Under-21 Championships, the Europe Youth Top 10 and the European Youth Championships. The discussions have been constructive and have included sporting, financial and practical perspectives. The Committee warmly welcomes this broad cooperation and considers consultation with athletes, coaches and member associations essential when changes of this importance are being discussed.

Survey of member associations

A survey carried out among ETTU member associations provided a useful basis for the discussions. The results show that 78% of respondents consider participation in the European Youth Championships to be a moderate to critical financial challenge, while 52.5% believe that reducing the event by one or two days would help significantly.

At the same time, the survey clearly confirms the sporting value of the event. A total of 77.5% believe that the European Youth Championships remain unique and should continue to offer many matches, while 65% oppose a knockout-only system without a group stage. Furthermore, 77.5% support, or consider acceptable, the use of best-of-five singles in all rounds. A majority of respondents (52.5%) did not support a shorter event if this would mean fewer team matches.

In the Committee's view, these results demonstrate the need to find a careful balance: reducing costs and improving the schedule without weakening the character and sporting value of the championships. The Committee would also like to give credit to the Executive Board and key staff for their excellent work in establishing the Working Group and initiating the survey.

European Youth Championships

For the European Youth Championships, the Executive Board unanimously approved a return to best-of-five singles in all rounds. This direction is also strongly supported by the survey and was endorsed by the Coaches Committee.

The wider system of play has required further consultation. The Working Group examined two principal alternatives: retaining the present structure with best-of-five singles or introducing a shortened nine-day format, beginning with the singles events and followed by the team events. A hybrid scheduling option has also been discussed, with the aim of reducing idle days for smaller associations while avoiding disruption to the timetable.

According to the Executive Board minutes of 1 May 2026, the final decision on the system of play was deferred until the Executive Board meeting held during the European Youth Championships, following the presentation of the alternatives to the Coaches' Meeting.

Further work

The Working Group will continue to monitor and discuss possible developments in game-based team formats and assess their implications for European competitions. It will also examine whether systems already used in other ETTU competitions could create time savings in youth team events. Any future proposal must be evaluated in relation to player welfare, sporting fairness, operational reliability and the needs of associations of different sizes.

The Youth Committee is pleased that its work has contributed to a structured and evidence-based discussion. The survey confirms both the financial pressures faced by our members and the strong desire to preserve the unique value of the European Youth Championships. The Committee will continue to support solutions that make participation possible for as many associations as possible, while ensuring that Europe's young players receive sufficient high-quality matches and have a clear pathway towards senior competition.

A productive hybrid meeting was held during the European Youth Championships in Gondomar, Portugal, 14th of July. ETTU Board members and key staff were also invited and contributed through a number of presentations.

As always, a big thank you to Mrs Heike Ahlert, ETTU Deputy President, for her invaluable support and input, and to the members of the Youth Committee and the member associations for their constructive contributions.

The complete Terms of Reference for the Youth Committee can be found at the following link:

<https://www.ettu.org/en/about-ettu/regulations-amp-documents/terms-of-reference/>

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Full Member

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Full Member

ETTU TECHNICAL COMMITTEE CHAIR – Carlo Borella

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

This is my second report to the Congress as Chair of the ETTU Technical Committee together with Øivind ERIKSEN.

ETTU Technical Committee is currently composed of the following members:

Carlo BORELLA (Italy) – Chair

Øivind ERIKSEN (Norway) – Chair

Emie DEKKER (Netherlands) – Deputy Chair

Matthias VATHEUER (Germany) – Deputy Chair

Nehat ÇITAKU (Kosovo) – Member

Predrag MILIĆEVIĆ (Serbia) – Member

Claudio STEFANELLI (San Marino) – Member

Didier LEROY (Belgium) – Member of the Executive Board

During this period, I participated in the events described below:

- Montreux (Switzerland) February 4-9, 2026 – Top European Cup 16 as Jury Chair
- Ljubljana (Slovenia) October 10-19, 2026 – European Individual Championships as Jury Chair

The competitions were held regularly; I thank Competition Manager Alen Ivancin and ETTU Ranking Committee Chair Igor Heller for their cooperation, as well as Referee Vincent Blanchard.

The Technical Committee, after a consultation on June 13, does not intend to submit any propositions or resolutions to the Executive Board.

Carlo Borella

ETTU TECHNICAL COMMITTEE CHAIR

ETTU COACHES COMMITTEE CHAIR – Emmanuele Delsante

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

During the 2025/2026 season, the ETTU Coaches Committee continued its work in the areas of coach education, international cooperation and technical support for European competitions.

1. Eurospins Project

The Eurospins Project was launched as an international cooperation initiative involving young players and coaches from Europe and Asia. The first training camp took place in Jeju, Republic of Korea, in December 2025, bringing together a selected European delegation with Korean players and coaches. The exchange continued in spring 2026 with a return training camp in Havířov, Czech Republic. The project will continue in September 2026 with a training camp in Gangneung, Republic of Korea, involving participants from Europe, Korea, Chinese Taipei and Japan with a following training camp planned in Europe during Easter 2027.

2. Coach Education

An important step in the ETTU Coach Education Programme was the organisation of the renewed ETTU Level 1 Coach Course. The practical part of the course was held at the University of Split, Croatia, at the end of April 2026, with 16 registered participants from different Member Associations. Preparations have also started for the implementation of the ETTU Level 2 Coach Course, continuing the development of the European coach education pathway.

3. “Learn from the Best” Programme

The “Learn from the Best” programme offered young European coaches the opportunity to spend a training period at leading European training centres. The programme received more applications than available places. Four coaches—two male and two female—were selected, with the programme funded by ETTU.

4. Technical Support for Competition Formats

During the season, the Coaches Committee contributed to discussions concerning the development of several ETTU competition formats. The work included technical feedback and proposals regarding the European Youth Championships, from U13 to U21, and the European Top 10 events for U15 and U19 boys and girls. The objective was to support competition formats that are practical, clear and appropriate for the long-term development of players and coaches.

Outlook

The Coaches Committee will continue its work on coach education, international development projects and technical support for ETTU competitions during the coming season.

Emmanuele Delsante

ETTU COACHES COMMITTEE CHAIR

ETTU MEDICAL AND SPORT SCIENCE COMMITTEE CHAIR – Bruno Soares

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

1. General Presentation

During 2025 and the first half of 2026, the ETTU Medical and Sport Science Committee (MSSC) continued to consolidate its role as an essential body for the health, performance and safety of Table Tennis athletes at European level. Through a scientific and interdisciplinary approach, the Committee promoted good clinical practice, continuing education and research applied to the sport, while advancing its two flagship initiatives for this period: the ETTU Medical Congress and new sports nutrition guidelines for ETTU events.

2. Strategic Objectives

- Exchange views on current clinical and sports science topics related to Table Tennis.
- Provide programmes, spaces and materials for all ETTU competitions.
- Draw up proposals for the treatment of injuries and other clinical conditions.
- Establish a cooperation protocol with the ITTF Medical and Sport Science Committee.
- Develop clinical education programmes for Table Tennis.
- Monitor the ETTU anti-doping programme.
- Provide materials for the Medicine Matters publication.
- Organise a medical conference every two years.

3. Activities Developed

3.1 ETTU Medical Congress

Building on the goal of organising a medical conference every two years, the Committee developed this proposal into a structured two-day event – the ETTU Medical Congress: Medicine and Sport Science in Table Tennis – combining scientific research, clinical practice and applied topics for players, medical teams and event organisers. The programme covers biomechanics, performance analysis and physiology; injury prevention and recovery; psychology and physiotherapy; and nutrition, event medical provisions, AI and telemetry. A call for abstracts will offer oral and poster presentation opportunities, with awards for the best contributions.

3.2 Sports Nutrition Guidelines for ETTU Events

Alongside the Congress, the Committee has been drafting dedicated sports nutrition guidelines for ETTU events, covering pre-, during- and post-competition nutrition, hydration strategies and basic food-safety expectations for host federations. Developed in coordination with the ETTU's sports medicine network and aligned with anti-doping regulations, the guidelines were introduced at the Congress and are being refined with input from host federations ahead of a wider rollout.

3.3 Sports and Competitive Preparation

Review of mandatory pre-competition medical examinations (physical, cardiological and neurological); briefing clinics for medical teams, referees and coaches; and preparation of guidance documents and regulations for all competitions.

3.4 Presence during Competitions

Guarantee of minimum clinical safety requirements at ETTU events: AED, ambulance, on-site medical team with a doctor, and emergency equipment.

4. Ongoing Projects

4.1 Clinical Team Training Programme

Three workshops planned, standardising practice across member federations: (i) emergency and clinical performance, (ii) diagnosis and treatment of Table Tennis injuries, and (iii) athlete protection, covering performance, nutrition, psychology and rehabilitation.

4.2 Webinars and Podcasts

Monthly sessions with researchers and clinicians, and the launch of podcasts on science and medicine in Table Tennis.

5. Scientific Development

Continued promotion of scientific research in biomechanics, performance analysis, psychology, training, injury prevention and equipment technology, aiming to elevate the understanding of Table Tennis and improve player performance, safety and enjoyment.

6. Sports Medicine and Physical Therapy

Implementation of evidence-based clinical protocols and rehabilitation strategies specific to Table Tennis, supporting injury prevention and player recovery.

7. Multidisciplinary Support

Continued integration of nutrition, psychology, physiology and biomechanics, with the athlete at the centre of all clinical and scientific work.

8. Final Considerations

The work developed by the MSSC in 2025-2026, in particular the ETTU Medical Congress and the sports nutrition guidelines, reinforces the Committee's mission to make European Table Tennis a reference in the application of science to sport.

A more detailed version of this report is available on the ETTU website, under the Medical and Sport Science Committee page: <https://www.ettu.org/committees/>

Bruno Soares

ETTU MEDICAL AND SPORT SCIENCE COMMITTEE CHAIR

ETTU CLUB COMPETITION OFFICIAL - Arne Madsen**Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)**

The club competition Official has been involved every time cases have been brought up by the clubs , or the clubs have not fulfilled their obligations

We did not have major problems or issues with the club competitions last season. Everything was running more or less smoothly.

It was not necessary to impose any fines.

I would like to thank the Competition manager, the Secretariat and the clubs for the co-operation.

Arne Madsen

ETTU CLUB COMPETITION OFFICIAL

ETTU WELFARE OFFICER – Senga Thomson

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

1. Overview of Safeguarding Role Development

Since my appointment as ETTU Welfare Officer in September 2025, significant foundational progress has been made in establishing a coherent safeguarding framework for the organisation.

Key milestones include:

- Introductory meetings with **Galia Dvorak, Heike Ahlert, and Pierre Kass** to define role expectations and operational priorities.
- Proposal and subsequent adoption of the **UNICEF SafeSport Pledge**, following consultation with **Liz Twyford and Sorch Kennedy** of UNICEF.
- Development of an initial safeguarding framework and visibility materials (roll-ups, posters, QR-coded reporting routes).
- Presentation of safeguarding priorities and next-step recommendations at the **ETTU Executive Board meeting in London** during the World Table Tennis event in June 2026.

These steps have established safeguarding as a recognised and visible component of ETTU's governance and event delivery.

2. Event Report: European Youth & Junior Championships, Gondomar, Portugal (2026)

2.1 Purpose of Attendance

This event marked my first operational safeguarding assignment for ETTU. I worked closely with Galia, who provided guidance on event structure, safeguarding expectations, and reporting procedures.

2.2 Safeguarding Visibility

Safeguarding visibility at the venue was strong. The safeguarding roll-up display positioned at the main entrance ensured that athletes, coaches, officials, and spectators were reminded of ETTU's commitment to safe sport.

Recommendation: To enhance accessibility, safeguarding information, QR code, reporting strapline, should be incorporated into **accreditation passes** at future events.

2.3 Observations

Throughout the event, I conducted extended observational periods both on and off the field of play.

- **No behaviours of concern were identified.**
- Coach–athlete interactions were appropriate, respectful, and consistent with expected professional standards.

This reflects positively on participating delegations and event organisation.

3. Building Safeguarding Capacity

The ETTU has identified two staff members in training as safeguarding officers for future ETTU events. This is a strategically important development, as safeguarding coverage cannot rely on a single officer.

Expanding the safeguarding team will:

- Improve event-to-event consistency
- Strengthen responsiveness
- Embed safeguarding as a routine operational function across the competition calendar

Continued promotion of reporting routes (QR code, safeguarding@ettu.org) will help normalise early reporting and reinforce expectations around basic information capture (who, where, when).

4. Policy Development and Governance

A meeting with ETTU Officials highlighted the need for clearer enforcement mechanisms and formalised safeguarding governance. Items to be taken forward to the ETTU Board include:

- Agreement and adoption of formal safeguarding policies
- Establishment of a disciplinary committee
- Clear procedures for managing safeguarding cases, including thresholds, documentation, and decision-making routes

This governance work is essential to ensure safeguarding is not only promoted but supported by robust accountability structures.

5. Strategic Priorities for Upcoming Events

Building on progress to date, the following priorities are recommended for future ETTU events:

- **Standardised safeguarding visibility package** (roll-ups, posters, accreditation QR codes)
- **Deployment of trained safeguarding officers** at all major events
- **Routine safeguarding briefings** for team managers and officials
- **Clear escalation pathways** for concerns, supported by policy and disciplinary procedures
- **Continued collaboration with UNICEF SafeSport** to align ETTU practice with international standards

These actions will strengthen ETTU's safeguarding culture and ensure consistent protection for all participants.

6. Conclusion

Safeguarding within ETTU has progressed meaningfully over the past year, with visible improvements in awareness, reporting routes, and organisational commitment. The Portugal Youth Championships demonstrated positive safeguarding practice, with no concerns identified and strong professionalism observed across delegations.

The development of additional safeguarding officers and the forthcoming policy work represent important next steps in embedding safeguarding as a core, non-negotiable element of ETTU operations. Continued visibility, strengthened governance, and proactive communication will support ETTU's commitment to safe sport for all.

Senga Thomson

ETTU WELFARE OFFICER

ETTU SECRETARY GENERAL – Pierre Kass

Report to the 2026 ETTU Congress, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

Preamble: This report reflects the joint work of the General Secretariat, comprising the Secretary General and the Deputy Secretary General, and should therefore be regarded as a report from both. As Secretary General, I nevertheless take responsibility for the report submitted and express my sincere gratitude to my deputy, Galia.

The report is structured in three categories:

Events, Development and Governance

Events

The following events and competitions have been completed since the last Congress:

2025 European Team Championships Final Stage - Zadar, Croatia 12-19.10.2025
 2025 Joola Europe Youth Series Czechia Open - Plzen 22-26.10.2025
 2025-2026 ETTU Champions League women GS2-R1 – more locations 11-12.11.2025
 2025-2026 ETTU Champions League men R16 leg 1 – more locations 11-16.11.2025
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup men stage 1 – 1 location 14-16.11.2025
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup women stage 1 – 1 location 14-16.11.2025
 2025-2026 ETTU Champions League women GS2-R2 – more locations 15-16.11.2025
 2025 Joola Europe Youth Series Serbian Open - Beočin 26-30.11.2025
 2025-2026 ETTU Champions League women GS2-R3 – more locations 16-17.12.2025
 2025-2026 ETTU Champions League men R16 leg 2 – more locations 16-21.12.2025
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup men stage 2 – 1 location 19-21.12.2025
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup women stage 2 – 1 location 19-21.12.2025
 2025-2026 ETTU Champions League women GS2-R4 – more locations 20-21.12.2025
 2025-2026 ETTU Champions League women GS2-R5 – more locations 13-14.1.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup men R16 leg 1 – more locations 13-14.1.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU HYLO® Champions League men 1/4 Finals leg 1 – more locations 13-18.1.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Trophy men and women Regional Stage – more locations 16-18.1.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Champions League women GS2-R6 – more locations 17-18.1.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup men R16 leg 2 – more locations 17-18.1.2026
 2026 Joola Europe Youth Series Croatia Open - Osijek 3-7.2.2026
 2026 CCB Europe Top 16 Cup - Montreux, Switzerland 5-8.2.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup men 1/4 Finals leg 1 – more locations 11-12.2.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup women 1/4 Finals leg 1 – more locations 11-12.2.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Champions League women 1/4 Finals leg 1 – more locations 11-12.2.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU HYLO® Champions League men 1/4 Finals leg 2 – more locations 11-15.2.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Champions League women 1/4 Finals leg 2 – more locations 14-15.2.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup men 1/4 Finals leg 2 – more locations 14-15.2.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup women 1/4 Finals leg 2 – more locations 14-15.2.2026
 2026 National Championships recommended / protected date – various locations 20-22.3.2026
 2026 Joola Europe Youth Series BiH Open - Sarajevo 21-25.4.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup men 1/2 Finals leg 1 – more locations 21-22.4.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup women 1/2 Finals leg 1 – more locations 21-22.4.2026
 2026 Europe Trophy Grand Finals – Niš, Serbia 24-26.4.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup men 1/2 Finals leg 2 – more locations 24-26.4.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup women 1/2 Finals leg 2 – more locations 24-26.4.2026
 2026 Joola Europe Youth Series Portugal Open - Albufeira 21-25.5.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup men Final leg 1 – Priego de Córdoba, Spain 15.5.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup women Final leg 1 – Cagliari, Italy 15.5.2026

2026 ETTU HYLO® Champions League men Final 4 – Saarbrücken, Germany 16-17.5.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup men Final leg 2 – Prague, Czechia 22.5.2026
 2025-2026 ETTU Europe Cup women Final leg 2 – Linz, Austria 22.5.2026
 2026 ETTU Champions League women Final 4 – Tarnobrzeg, Poland 23-24.5.2026
 2026 Romstal European U21 Championships – Cluj-Napoca, Romania 17-21.6.2026
 2026 European Youth Championships - Gondomar, Portugal 10-19.7.2026

The following events and competitions have been confirmed and will be held in the period leading up to the 2027 Congress:

2026 Joola Europe Youth Series Riga Open - Riga 19-23.8.2026
 2026-2027 ETTU HYLO® Champions League men stage 1 – Lille, France 28-30.8.2026
 2026-2027 ETTU Champions League women stage 1 – Budaörs, Hungary 28-30.8.2026
 2026 Joola Europe Youth Series Serbian Open - Beočin 9-13.9.2026
 2026 Europe Youth Top-10 – Antibes, France 2-4.10.2026
 2026 European Individual Championships - Ljubljana, Slovenia 11-18.10.2026
 2026 Joola Europe Youth Series Czech Open - Plzen 7-11.10.2026
 2026-2027 ETTU Champions League women GS2-R1 – more locations 10-11.11.2026
 2026 European U13 Championships – Nevşehir, Türkiye 11-15.11.2026
 2026-2027 ETTU HYLO® Champions League men R16 leg 1 – more locations 13-15.11.2026
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup men stage 1 – 1 location 13-15.11.2026
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup women stage 1 – 1 location 13-15.11.2026
 2026-2027 ETTU Champions League women GS2-R2 – more locations 14-15.11.2026
 2026-2027 ETTU Champions League women GS2-R3 – more locations 15-16.12.2026
 2026-2027 ETTU HYLO® Champions League men R16 leg 2 – more locations 18-20.12.2026
 2026-2027 ETTU Champions League women GS2-R4 – more locations 19-20.12.2026
 2026-2027 ETTU Champions League women GS2-R5 – more locations 9-10.1.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU HYLO® Champions League men 1/4 Finals leg 1 – more locations 12-13.1.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Champions League women GS2-R6 – more locations 12-13.1.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup men R16 leg 1 – more locations 12-13.1.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup women R16 leg 1 – more locations 12-13.1.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Trophy men and women Regional Stage – more locations 15-17.1.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup men R16 leg 2 – more locations 16-17.1.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup women R16 leg 2 – more locations 16-17.1.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Champions League women GS2-R7 – more locations 16.1.2027
 2027 Europe Top 16 Cup - Montreux, Switzerland 28-31.1.2027
 2027 European Team Championships Stage 1 – tbc 3-7.2.2027
 2027 Joola Europe Youth Series - tbc 17-21.2.2027
 2027 European Games Mixed Team Qualification – tbc 25-28.2.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup men 1/4 Finals leg 1 – more locations 2-3.3.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup women 1/4 Finals leg 1 – more locations 2-3.3.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU HYLO® Champions League men 1/4 Finals leg 2 – more locations 5-6.3.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Champions League women 1/4 Finals – more locations 5-6.3.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup men 1/4 Finals leg 2 – more locations 6-7.3.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup women 1/4 Finals leg 2 – more locations 6-7.3.2027
 2027 National Championships recommended/protected date – various locations 19-21.3.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup men 1/2 Finals leg 1 – more locations 6-7.4.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup women 1/2 Finals leg 1 – more locations 6-7.4.2027
 2027 Europe Trophy Grand Finals – 1 location tbc 9-11.4.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup men 1/2 Finals leg 2 – more locations 10-11.4.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup women 1/2 Finals leg 2 – more locations 10-11.4.2027
 2027 Joola Europe Youth Series - tbc 14-18.4.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup men Final leg 1 – 1 location 30.4.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup women Final leg 1 – 1 location 30.4.2027
 2027 ETTU Champions League women Final 4 – location tbc 1-2.5.2027
 2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup men Final leg 2 – 1 location 7.5.2027

2026-2027 ETTU Europe Cup women Final leg 2 – 1 location 7.5.2027
 2027 ETTU HYLO® Champions League men Final 4 – location tbc 8-9.5.2027
 2027 Joola Europe Youth Series - tbc 12-16.5.2027
 2027 European U21 Championships – Berlin, Germany 2-6.6.2027
 2027 European Games – Istanbul, Türkiye 16-22.6.2027
 2027 European Veterans Championships – Riga, Latvia 28.6-3.7.2027
 2027 European Youth Championships - Osijek, Croatia 9-18.7.2027
 2027 European Para Championships – Geneva, Switzerland 10-15.8.2027
 2027 Joola Europe Youth Series - tbc 18-22.8.2027
 2027 Joola Europe Youth Series - tbc 15-19.9.2027
 2027 Europe Youth Top-10 – Nevşehir, Türkiye 1-3.10.2027
 2027 European Team Championships Final Stage - Porto, Portugal 17-24.10.2027

Thanks to Competition Director Alen Ivancin, the LOCs and everyone else involved—including the Executive Board, Committees, staff, umpires and volunteers—all the completed events and competitions listed above were successfully delivered. In his role as Competition Director, Alen was also responsible for competition management at most events, supported by Competition Managers Josipa Zajec and Viktoria Lucenkova and Club Competitions Manager Andrea Bjurström. My thanks to everyone involved.

Special thanks must be extended to Christoph Theis and Michael Theis, who, once again, have voluntarily devoted an immense amount of time and effort to European table tennis. Everything displayed on the screens and video cubes inside the venues, as well as the live ticker, online registration and results management—the latter together with Igor Heller—is made possible by the “Theis Brothers”.

This year, ETTU began operating its competitions through the STUPA Tournament Management System (TMS). The online registration system on the platforms provided by STUPA will follow shortly. I wish to express my gratitude to Alen, who works on this project with STUPA on a daily basis, and again to Christoph for his assistance and support throughout the transition.

ETTU is proud of the continued success of its youth competitions, including the European Under-13 Championships and the JOOLA Europe Youth Series, which continues to grow and has been very well received by players and coaches. We thank JOOLA for supporting us on this journey through its partnership with the Europe Youth Series.

Thanks to Club Competitions Manager Andrea Bjurström, the European Club Competitions continue to receive the attention and support they require.

The third edition of the HYLO® Champions League Men Final 4 in Saarbrücken once again exceeded expectations, building further on the success of the previous two editions. The first-ever Champions League Women Final 4 was also successfully hosted in Tarnobrzeg, Poland.

ETTU has entered into an agreement to include Para Table Tennis in the 2027 European Para Championships, to be held in Geneva, Switzerland, from 10 to 15 August 2027. This will be the first European Para Table Tennis Championships organised under ETTU’s responsibility.

Following discussions at the 2025 ETTU Congress, ETTU conducted a survey on youth competitions, which was completed by 40 Member Associations. Based on the results, a working group was established to analyse the findings and consider possible reforms to the youth competition structure.

Development

The 2026 ETTU Development Programme is well underway, led by Development Manager Galia Dvorak. Three of the six scheduled camps have already taken place: the Eurotalents Camp in Izvorani, Romania (13–19 May), the Eurotalents and Hopes Selection Camp in Havirov, Czechia (14–20 June), and the Eurotalents Selection Camp in Terni, Italy (26 July – 1 August).

Alongside these camps, ETTU continues its core annual activities: the Umpires programme, support for 15 Member Associations through the Participation Programme, scholarships for 12 able-bodied players, and coaching development through the Learn from the Best and My Gender My Strength programmes. The Para U23 Camp will also be held in Havirov, with dates to be confirmed.

Four new projects have been launched since the end of 2025. The first is EUROSPINS, a joint programme with the Korea Table Tennis Association, giving young European players the opportunity to train alongside Korean national team players. The first edition took place in Jeju, Korea (11–22 December 2025), followed by a second edition in Havirov, Czechia (29 March – 7 April 2026). The next cycle will be held in Gangneung, Korea, from 2 to 11 September 2026, with players from Japan and Chinese Taipei also joining for the first time.

The second new project is the ETTU Level 1 Coach Education course, which began online in December 2025 and held its first practical week in Prelog, Croatia, from 22 to 26 April 2026, bringing together 19 coaches from 13 countries. A second edition of Level 1 and the first edition of Level 2 are both planned for autumn 2026.

In 2026, two further projects were added: dedicated Para Table Tennis scholarships for U23 players—two for male and two for female athletes—to support training and competition beyond the assistance already provided through their national programmes; and the ETTU Competition Management School, which will combine online sessions with practical training at ETTU events. Its pilot online phase will begin in November 2026.

Governance

Structure

The Congress is the supreme governing body of ETTU and consists of the assembled delegates of the Associations (58).

The Congress elects the eight members of the Executive Board, whose responsibilities include determining ETTU's internal operations and procedures.

Executive Board members and their areas of responsibility

President Pedro Moura – EB leadership, Marketing and partnerships, Innovation and digital transformation, Communications and media, Medical and Sport science, Representation

Deputy President Heike Ahlert – Title Events & Regulations, Youth, Welfare, Representation

Vice-President for Finance Sandra Deaton – Finances, Staff, Protocol, Integrity

Vice-President Sonja Grefberg – Para TT, Europe Youth Series, European TT Opens, Sustainability

Vice-President Ina Jozepsone – Umpires and Referees, Veterans, Gender Equality

Vice-President Jarosław Kołodziejczyk – Development, Coaches

Vice-President Didier Leroy – Technical, Ranking

Vice-President Zoran Primorac – Club Competitions, High Performance, Hall of Fame

Athletes' Commission Chair Frane Kojic – Athletes, Clean Sport, Education and Dual Career

ITTF Council (Europe members)

Pedro Moura
 Heike Ahlert
 Sonja Grefberg
 Zoran Primorac
 Richard Scruton
 Miguel Angel Machado Sobrados
 Aleksandar Matković
 Phil McCallum

Officials

Club Competitions - Arne Madsen
 Medical and Anti-Doping - Iaroslav Denezhkin
 Welfare Officer - Senga Thomson (appointed in 2025)

Committee Chairs

Medical and Sport Science - Bruno Soares
 Coaches – Emmanuele Delsante
 Gender Equality – Esko Heikkinen
 Para TT – Karen Tonge OBE
 Ranking - Igor Heller
 Technical - Øivind Eriksen and Carlo Borella
 Umpires and Referees - Werner Thury
 Veterans – Reto Bazzi
 Youth - Thomas Buza

Commissions

Audit - Joshua Reynolds, Diogo Rafael De Sousa Rovisco, Goran Tilovski (all members)
 Athletes - Frane Kojic (Chair), Linda Bergström, Tin-Tin Ho, Elizabeta Samara and Jack Hunter-Spivey (members), all newly elected in 2025 during the European Team Championships and the European Para Championships.

Judicial Chair

Board of Appeal - Peter Meyer

Staff

Secretary General / GDPR Officer - Pierre Kass
 Deputy Secretary General / Development Manager - Galia Dvorak
 Competition Director - Alen Ivancin
 Marketing Manager - Chiara Colantoni
 Press Manager - Milica Nikolic
 Club Competitions Manager and Executive Assistant - Andrea Bjurström
 Digital Content Manager – Carla Fernandez
 Social Media Coordinator - Leonie Hartbrich
 Competition Managers – Josipa Zajec, Viktoria Lucenkova
 Event Support Officer - Ana Ivosevic (until December 2025)

Volunteers

IT / online registrations / live ticker / results management – Christoph Theis, Michael Theis

Partnerships

ETTU's partners are:

- Stupa Sports Analytics Private Limited for the creation and maintenance of a new website, OTT platform and management system and data collection.
- SPORTRADAR GROUP for integrity services through its Universal Fraud Detection System (UFDS) and for the betting rights to the Champions Leagues, Europe Top 16 Cups and European Championships, under an agreement valid from 2024 to 2030.
- antesi media GmbH to advise and assist ETTU with the tendering and sale of commercial rights relating to its table tennis competitions.
- Ranke v. Eggelkraut-Gottanka Rechtsanwälte PartG mbB for legal representation concerning the inclusion of all ETTU leagues and events on the White List of the Gemeinsame Glücksspielbehörde der Länder (GGL), as well as the development of general regulations governing the admission of sports leagues and events by the GGL. This cooperation ended in December 2025, after all requested competitions had been accepted for inclusion on the White List.
- Spring Media DACH AG for on-site television and streaming production management and MCR services at ETTU events.
- Intelligent Research in Sponsoring GmbH (IRIS) for cross-media analysis of the European Championships, Europe Top 16 Cup and Champions League Final 4 events.
- ITTF under the Strategic Quadrennial Agreement covering development, events and governance.
- European University Sports Association (EUSA) for promoting university sport in Europe.
- Special Olympics Europe/Eurasia for mutual support in promoting and developing table tennis.
- European Paralympic Committee (ETTU contribution to EPC membership).
- Liebherr as event main sponsor.
- Ursapharm Arzneimittel GmbH, with its HYLO® brand, as title sponsor of the ETTU Champions League Men.
- Donic/Nittaku as Official Ball Sponsor of the European Championships.
- Genza Spin LTD (TT Cup) as a partner for promotion of table tennis in Europe.
- JOOLA Tischtennis GmbH as title sponsor of the Europe Youth Series and sponsor of the ETTU Development Camps.
- Riddle Technologies AG to boost fan engagement by creating tools to build quizzes, personality tests, lists, ranked lists, surveys, polls and sentiment widgets (until June 2026).
- Pendular S.L. to provide real-time match highlights and generate post-match summaries for use across our social media platforms, helping ETTU reach wider audiences around the world.
- KNOT Player S.L. / 2BTUBE Inc. for the non-exclusive CMS integration of ETTU's YouTube channel, including geoblocking tools, technical support, revenue collection and transfer through 2BTUBE, and reporting.
- Ni Xialian as Ambassador to China.
- Aurora Sports Group LTD as ETTU's audiovisual rights sales agent for Mainland China.
- Butterfly, Contra (GEWO), DHS, DONIC Sportartikel (DONIC and Nittaku), Dr. Neubauer, JOOLA, STAG, STIGA, TIBHAR, Gerflor and Yinhe as members of the European Suppliers Pool.

Projects/groups

ETTU was actively involved in the Erasmus+ GAP Women project together with nine other sports associations. The project, which aimed to increase female participation in all areas of sport—including grassroots activities, coaching, umpiring, refereeing and decision-making positions—was successfully completed in 2025.

Regulations/Directives/Guidelines

Proposals concerning the Constitution and Event Regulations were prepared for consideration by the Executive Board.

The Event Directives were reviewed and updated as required.

No data breach has been reported, and ETTU continues to comply with the General Data Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/679).

Contracts

Event and partnership agreements were prepared.

Juridical

Since the last Congress, legal advice has been sought on a limited number of minor matters.

Financial management and control

The financial management is administered by the Secretary General under the supervision of the Vice-President for Finances. Following the auditor's recommendation, ETTU introduced a dual-validation process for online banking transactions, under which each transaction must be validated in the online banking system by both the Secretary General and Andrea Bjurström.

Fisogest S.A. is contracted to calculate salaries and prepare the related declarations.

Baker Tilly Luxembourg Experts-Comptables S.A. is contracted to provide accounting services and prepare ETTU's annual accounts.

PKF Audit & Conseil Sàrl is contracted to audit ETTU's accounts in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing (ISA).

The 2025 audit report was signed on 10 July 2026.

In addition to the external audit, the ETTU Audit Commission reviewed the financial accounts and will submit its report to Congress.

Communication/meetings

ETTU continued to hold weekly staff meetings.

Regular meetings with ETTU's partners.

Regular meetings with ITTF Development Management.

Meetings with Member Associations.

Meetings with European clubs.

Meetings with LOCs.

Meetings with Committees.

Meetings with European Championships Management (for participation at the European Multi Sports Championships in 2030).

Meetings with European Para Championships BV (for participation at the European Para Multi Sports Championships in 2027).

Meetings with ETTU Supplier Pool members.

Meetings with various stakeholders (concerning potential future partnerships and other matters).

ETTU annual workshop in Montreux, Switzerland following the Europe Top 16 Cup.

Executive Board Meetings have been held since the last Congress:

Zadar, Croatia 17.10.2025

Online, 18.11.2025

Online, 19.12.2025

Online, 27.2.2026

Online, 25.3.2026

Online, 13.4.2026

London, England, 1.5.2026

Online, 8.6.2026

Gondomar, Portugal, 15–16.7.2026

Minutes were prepared and submitted to the Executive Board for approval.

Marketing and Events Presentation

Chiara Colantoni, who leads the planning and implementation of ETTU's marketing activities, including the preparation of sponsorship proposals and branding materials as well as liaison with media rights holders and partners, was promoted to Marketing Manager in January 2026. Thanks to Chiara's work, the presentation of our events has been expanded and brought to a new level.

Digital Content and Social Media

Carla Fernandez is responsible for developing, implementing and overseeing ETTU's digital strategy, ensuring a cohesive and effective presence across all digital media platforms. Thanks to Carla, ETTU benefits from a professional digital media presence.

Leonie Hartbrich continued to create content and update ETTU's social media channels. Since the last Congress, thanks to Leonie and Carla, ETTU's Instagram following grew from 97.6K to 110K, Facebook from 135.7K to 224K, TikTok from 31.8K to 35.2K and YouTube from 14.5K to 35.7K, while the ETTU Douyin account (the Chinese equivalent of TikTok) now has 35K followers. Some of Leonie's creative short-form videos achieved remarkable viewing figures, with several generating millions of views and a combined total of more than 200 million views across all ETTU social media platforms.

Broadcast and Media Value Insights for Main Events:

The media coverage and media value of the European Championships, Europe Top 16 Cup and Champions League Final 4 events are analysed by Intelligent Research in Sponsoring GmbH (IRIS). Key figures:

2025 ETTU European Team Championships: 117.98 M reach, 17.359 M € media value

2026 CCB Europe Top 16 Cup: 112.38 M reach, 8.922 M € media value

2026 HYLO® Champions League Men Final 4: 92.41M reach, 61.169 M € media value

2026 Champions League Women Final 4: 12.10M reach, 2.443 M € media value

Website and Press

Ana Ivosevic was in charge of website administration until 30 June 2025 and continued to serve until the end of the year as an Event Support Officer, providing administrative support to the event LOCs.

ETTU thanks Ana for her contribution throughout her many years of service and wishes her every success in her future career.

Milica Nikolic is responsible for ETTU's press activities and coordinates event photography. Thanks to Milica, our website is regularly updated with news articles, including quotes collected through her interviews. In addition, she prepares and distributes regular newsletters to keep everyone informed.

Thanks to Alen Ivancin, who has led ETTU's work on the continued development of the website and the implementation of the new management system, most of our new platforms are now operational.

Viktoria Lucenkova and Josipa Zajec provided valuable support through extensive testing of the new STUPA platforms. Josipa is currently responsible for updating and checking the website, while Leonie Hartbrich supports the presentation of content on the OTT platform.

Sustainability

As part of its ongoing commitment to sustainability, ETTU continued to encourage event hosts to minimise their environmental impact and welcomed competition concepts that did not require daily transportation, as demonstrated at the European Under-13 Championships in Kosta, Sweden. ETTU also added sustainability as a criterion in the event evaluation process and introduced sustainability requirements in its 2028 Event Directives.

Social Activity

ETTU continued to support the participation of Ukrainian athletes in ETTU events and development activities.

In 2025, ETTU launched its first Equipment Support Programme, under which Member Associations in Categories 3 and 4 were eligible to apply for table tennis equipment. Following the application process, one Member Association was selected to receive support. The programme will continue in the coming years, with twice as much funding allocated to it in 2027.

Safeguarding

Since the appointment of ETTU's Welfare Officer in 2025, significant progress has been made in building a comprehensive safeguarding framework. Key milestones include the development and adoption of Internal Directive 07 (ID-07), available at <https://www.ettu.org/regulation-document/>, the launch of an awareness campaign during the European Youth Championships in Gondomar, Portugal, the introduction of a dedicated incident reporting tool, and ETTU's formal signing of the UNICEF Safe in Sport pledge. Looking ahead, the updated directives will introduce a mandatory Event Safeguarding Officer at all ETTU events, ensuring that trained safeguarding support is present on the ground at every competition.

Acknowledgements

I wish to thank the Executive Board members for their positive leadership and support in their respective areas of responsibility; all staff members and volunteers for their tireless dedication to ETTU; the Officials; the Juridical Board; the Chairs and members of the Committees and Commissions; our partners and sponsors; and all Member Associations and European clubs.

Pierre Kass

ETTU SECRETARY GENERAL



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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31.12.2025

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Executive Board of
 Europäische Tisch-Tennis Union a.s.b.l.
 52, avenue de la Gare
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Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Europäische Tisch-Tennis Union a.s.b.l. (the "Association"), which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2025 and the profit and loss account for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Association as at 31 December 2025 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in accordance with Luxembourg legal and regulatory requirements relating to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Law of 23 July 2016 on the audit profession (Law of 23 July 2016) and with International Standards on Auditing (ISA) as adopted for Luxembourg by the "Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier" (CSSF). Our responsibilities under the Law of 23 July 2016 and ISA as adopted for Luxembourg by the CSSF are further described in the « Responsibilities of the "réviseur d'entreprises agréé" for the audit of the financial statements » section of our report. We are also independent of the Association in accordance with the International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, including International Independence Standards, issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants (IESBA Code) as adopted for Luxembourg by the CSSF together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements, and have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities under those ethical requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of the Executive Board for the financial statements

The Executive Board is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Luxembourg legal and regulatory requirements relating to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements, and for such internal control as the Executive Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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In preparing the financial statements, the Executive Board is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Executive Board either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Responsibilities of the “réviseur d'entreprises agréé” for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a report of the “réviseur d'entreprises agréé” that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Law of 23 July 2016 and with ISA as adopted for Luxembourg by the CSSF will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Law of 23 July 2016 and with ISA as adopted for Luxembourg by the CSSF, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Executive Board.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of Executive Board use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our report of the “réviseur d'entreprises agréé” to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our report of the “réviseur d'entreprises agréé”. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.



We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Luxembourg, 10 July 2026

PKF Audit & Conseil Sàrl
Cabinet de révision agréé

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Medernach", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the left.

Jean Medernach

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BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	31.12.2025 EUR	31.12.2024 EUR
Assets			
A. Fixed Assets		-	-
1. <i>Tangible Assets</i>	3	-	-
B. Currents Assets		1'095'199	1'158'929
1. <i>Debtors</i>	4	527'741	539'136
2. <i>Cash at bank and in hand</i>	5	567'458	619'793
C. Prepayments		25'922	870
Total Assets		1'121'121	1'159'799
Capital, Reserves and Liabilities			
A. Capital and Reserves	6	1'005'105	1'038'288
1. <i>Association's Reserves</i>		450'000	450'000
2. <i>Transferred results</i>		588'288	472'087
3. <i>Result of the year</i>		-33'182	116'201
B. Liabilities		79'332	94'011
1. <i>Creditors</i>	7	79'332	94'011
D. Deferred income		36'684	27'500
Total Capital, Reserves and Liabilities		1'121'121	1'159'799

The notes in the annex form an integral part of the financial statements

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

	Notes	31.12.2025 EUR	31.12.2024 EUR
Profit and Loss account			
1. Revenue from ordinary activities	8	417'975	238'912
2. Grants and Sponsoring	9	1'189'628	1'182'091
3. Event and operating expenses	10	-921'469	-623'586
4. Other operating income	11	79'666	86'214
5. General and administrative expenses	12	-577'425	-593'502
6. Staff costs	13	-172'486	-166'082
7. Value adjustments		-15'476	18'420
8. Other operating expenses	14	-34'244	-38'071
9. Other interest receivable and similar income		11'840	14'050
10. Interest payable and similar expenses		-11'191	-2'245
Result of the year		-33'182	116'201

The notes in the annex form an integral part of the financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1 - General activity

Europäische Tisch-Tennis Union (hereinafter "ETTU" or the "Association") was incorporated on 11 August 2006 and is organized under the laws of Luxembourg as an "Association sans but lucratif" for an unlimited period.

ETTU is registered with the "Registre de Commerce et des Sociétés" under number F4227.

According to the ETTU Informal Meeting decision of the 27th April 1997 in Manchester (England), ETTU has been vested the status of a non-profit-making Association (in French: "Association sans but lucratif") under Luxembourg law (ETTU Constitution, article A.1.1.1.).

The registered office of the Association is established at 52, avenue de la Gare, L-1610 Luxembourg.

ETTU's financial year starts on 1st January and ends on 31st December of each year.

The social object of ETTU is the organization of international competitions in table tennis.

ETTU is not subject to value added tax.

2 - Summary of significant accounting policies and valuation rules

2.1 - Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Luxembourg legal and regulatory requirements under the historical cost convention, with some deviations in presentation compared to the legal format necessary to present the Association's balance sheet and income statement with clarity for the intended users of the financial statements.

Accounting policies and valuation rules are, besides the ones laid down by the law of 19 December 2002 as amended, determined and applied by the Executive Board.

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires the Executive Board to exercise their judgment in the process of applying the accounting policies. Changes in assumptions may have a significant impact on the financial statements in the period in which the assumptions changed. Executive Board believes that the underlying assumptions are appropriate and that the financial statements therefore present the financial position and results fairly.

ETTU makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities in the next financial year. Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

2.2 - Significant accounting policies and valuation rules

The main accounting policies and valuation rules applied by ETTU are the following:

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2.2.1 - Foreign currency translation

The financial statements are prepared in EUR. Transactions expressed in currencies other than EUR are translated in EUR at the exchange rate effective at the time of the transaction. To (re-)evaluate at year-end the balances denominated in foreign currencies (other than EUR), the Association follows the "monetary vs non-monetary" method, as described hereafter :

At year-end, monetary items are translated at the exchange rate effective at the balance sheet date. Unrealized gains and losses are recorded in the profit and loss account.

At year-end, non-monetary items remain translated at historic rates. No exchange gains or losses are generated from these items.

Year-end USD exchange rate used was 0,85 USD/EUR.

2.2.2 - Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are valued at purchase price including the expenses incidental thereto or at production cost. Tangible fixed assets are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives.

The depreciation rates and methods applied are as follows:

	Depreciation rate	Depreciation method
Other fixtures and fittings, tools and equipment	10% - 33%	Linear

2.2.3 - Debtors

Debtors are valued at their nominal value. They are subject to value adjustments where their recovery is compromised. These value adjustments are not continued if the reasons for which the value adjustments were made have ceased to apply.

2.2.4 - Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand is valued at nominal value.

2.2.5 - Prepayments

This asset item includes expenditures incurred during the financial year but relating to a subsequent financial year.

2.2.6 - Creditors

Creditors are recorded at their reimbursement value. Where the amount repayable on account is greater than the amount received, the difference is recorded in the profit and loss account when the debt is issued.

2.2.7 - Deferred income

This liability item includes income received during the financial year but relating to a subsequent financial year.

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3 - Tangible fixed assets

The movements for the year are as follows:

	Other fixtures
Gross book value - opening balance	17'257.57
Gross book value - closing balance	17'257.57
Accumulated value adjustment - opening balance	17'257.57
Accumulated value adjustment - closing balance	17'257.57
Net book value - opening balance	-
Net book value - closing balance	-

4 - Debtors

Debtors are composed as follows :

	2025	2024
Receivables from internal debtors	533'361.55	535'244.77
<i>Member Associations, ITTF, Clubs</i>		
Invoices to be established	35'769.67	40'730.89
Value adjustments	-41'390.00	-36'840.00
Total	527'741.22	539'135.66

Following hacking attacks and the criminal complaints lodged by ETTU and by FITET, a value adjustment regarding the receivable towards FITET for an amount of EUR 73.680 was recorded in the financial statements 2022 due to the prudence principle.

In contracts dated 13th February 2024 and 27th June 2024 between ETTU and FITET, FITET agreed to and repaid to ETTU an amount of EUR 36.840 (2/4 of the total amount).

Therefore, the value adjustment was reduced by this amount.

However, the ETTU is still expecting to receive the full amount outstanding following the outcome of this complaint.

The invoices to be established are mainly composed of sponsoring.

5 - Cash at bank and in hand

5.1 - Cash at bank

	2025	2024
Account 'euro' - LU34	43'493.43	93'739.08
Account 'euro' - LU84	42'902.90	11'899.83
Account 'euro' - LU47	464.54	40'484.54
Account 'euro' - LU80	1'869.86	1'389.86
Account 'euro' - LU55	474'133.74	465'727.53
Account 'US Dollar' (\$ 3.923,34)	3'315.74	3'766.68
Total	566'180.21	617'007.52

5.2 - Cash in hand

	2025	2024
Cash Secretariat	1'277.75	2'784.89
Total	1'277.75	2'784.89

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6 - Capital and Reserves

The movements for the year are as follows:

	Association's Reserves	Transferred results	Result of the year
As at 31/12/2024	450'000.00	472'086.78	116'200.91
Movements for the year :			
Allocation of previous year's profit or loss	-	116'200.91	-116'200.91
Profit or loss for the year	-	-	-33'182.34
As at 31/12/2025	450'000.00	588'287.69	-33'182.34

The reserve has been set up to cover the current costs of the ETTU Secretariat for a period of about two (2) years, for the case there will be any unexpected drop in ETTU's regular income. The reserve fund has been set up in 1997 at the amount of 300.000 CHF, and has been increased, according to the related decisions of the ETTU Congress in 2003 and 2006 to the level of 400.000 EUR.

In 2023, the Congress approved the reserves to be increased to the level of EUR 450.000.

7 - Creditors

Creditors are composed as follows :

	2025	2024
Payables to external creditors	30'685.02	23'089.77
Suppliers - not yet received invoices	48'646.92	70'921.06
Total	79'331.94	94'010.83

8 - Revenue from ordinary activities

Revenue from ordinary activities are composed of the following income :

	2025	2024
Membership subscriptions	29'000.00	29'000.00
European Championships	147'000.00	50'600.00
European Youth Championships	5'500.00	5'500.00
U21 Championships	10'600.00	10'650.00
U13 Championships	6'200.00	6'520.00
European Olympic Qualification	-	14'000.00
European Veterans Championships	83'975.00	-
Top 16	33'200.00	23'000.00
Europe Youth Series	11'100.00	8'715.00
Champions Leagues	68'400.00	60'000.00
Europe Cup	12'500.00	14'500.00
Europe Trophy	10'500.00	11'750.00
Meetings / Travels / Representation EB	-	4'677.09
Total	417'975.00	238'912.09

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9 - Grants and sponsoring

Grants and sponsoring are composed of the following income :

	2025	2024
Rights and responsibilities	897'209.48	939'535.50
Governance grant	90'261.50	94'323.69
Income sponsor and ITTF	202'157.12	148'231.42
<i>Women's activity</i>	1'905.16	-
<i>Para TT activity</i>	12'040.79	-
<i>National Assistance Programme</i>	27'311.98	23'633.26
<i>Participation Programme</i>	4'120.00	-
<i>Eurotalents U13 development camps</i>	53'485.45	82'979.19
<i>Eurotalents selection camps</i>	21'143.91	13'209.70
<i>Hopes selection camps</i>	14'085.74	-
<i>Eurospins *</i>	23'696.00	-
<i>Scholarships</i>	37'521.24	23'285.53
<i>Umpires and Referees activities</i>	6'846.85	5'124.00
Total	1'189'628.10	1'182'090.61

* This income is only collected from South Korea and the member federations

10 - Event and operating expenses

Event and operating expenses are composed of the following expenses :

	2025	2024
Champions Leagues	95'493.00	94'000.00
Europe Cup	18'000.00	22'000.00
Virtual TT	-	2'820.00
Rights and responsibilities	602'928.08	355'527.74
Women's activity	1'905.16	-
Para TT Activity	12'202.17	1'000.00
NA Assistance	27'311.98	23'635.26
Participation Programme	4'120.00	-
Eurotalents and Hopes camps	88'715.10	96'191.89
Eurospins	26'426.00	-
Scholarships	37'521.24	23'286.49
Additional activities	-	5'124.74
Umpires and Referees activities	6'846.85	-
Total	921'469.58	623'586.12

11 - Other operating income

Other operating income are composed of the following income :

	2025	2024
SP - Suppliers	77'500.00	74'000.00
Contingency	500.00	120.55
Penalties, Fines and Appeal Fees	1'500.00	-
Training	-	8'130.00
Other income	166.43	3'963.72
Total	79'666.63	86'214.27

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12 - General and administrative expenses

General and administrative expenses are composed of the following expenses :

	2025	2024
Contract deeds	311'580.00	302'270.00
Technical operating	2'137.97	-
Communication	12'011.83	9'582.15
Office Equipment	580.68	1'314.08
Website management	38'050.68	82'272.59
Accounting / Payroll / Audit	35'487.57	29'930.02
Juridical assistance	7'859.53	10'133.50
Insurance	665.37	681.85
Meetings / Travels EB	86'426.06	79'829.75
Meetings / Travels staff	82'625.70	77'488.19
Total	577'424.99	593'502.13

ETTU had eight (8) persons engaged under service contracts, including four (4) full-time and four (4) part-time (prior year : 7).

13 - Staff costs

On 31st December 2025, ETTU had two (2) persons (prior year : 2) employed (Permanent contract).

14 - Other operating expenses

Other operating expenses are composed of the following expenses :

	2025	2024
Contingency	27'845.00	23'438.50
Training	-	13'830.97
Penalties, Fines and Appeal Fees	3'215.92	-
Recognition expenses	2'035.87	611.27
Exceptional operations	530.39	190.00
Outstanding engagements (other income/expenses)	616.70	-
Total	34'243.88	38'070.74

15 - Subsequent events

There aren't any subsequent events after the closing date of 31 December 2025 which could significantly impact the financial situation of ETTU.

ETTU Audit Commission Report regarding 2025 Financial statements and Audit

Committee Members:

Mr. Joshua REYNOLDS (ENG)

Mr. Diogo Rafael DE SOUSA ROVISCO (POR)

Mr. Goran TILOVSKI (MKD)

Background

The audit was undertaken by PKF Audit & Conseil in accordance with the International Standards of Auditing under Luxembourg legal and regulatory requirements for accounting practices. As this is now a full financial audit undertaken by the ETTU, this report is to summarise the work that has been reviewed and any recommendations to be provided for future works.

The commission would like to thank both PKF Audit & Conseil for their detailed report and the Secretary General in answering any questions that the commission had to be able to provide this report on the financial statements.

This report will comprise of 2 main sections, the review of the audit conducted by PKF Audit & Conseil alongside the work undertaken by the audit commission to confirm the figures presented.

Audit Review

Audit Risks

PKF have identified 2 main significant audit risks as part of the audit process, these being the “existence and accuracy of expenses” and “management override of controls”.

Following their audit, they did not find any material misstatements in these areas which is pleasing to note however they did identify a potential weakness in terms of multiline payment approval with the Secretary General having full payment facilities with no second approval. This is something that needs to be resolved immediately to avoid any potential issues of fraud.

2023 RECOMMENDATION: ETTU set up Multiline payment approval immediately using either the Vice President of Finance or another Board Member to approve payments above a certain value or involving the Secretary General.

The commission is pleased to note that this has been implemented during the 2025 financial period utilising Andrea Bjurstroem as another member of ETTU staff. In the commission’s opinion, this was an important priority to safeguard both ETTU finances and also provide support and cover for the Secretary General in this regard.

The audit commission is pleased to note that this has been implemented and therefore this recommendation will be removed from the audit commission.

Internal Controls and Recommendations

PKF have identified open issues in prior years that relate prior to the year in relation to controls for receivables and payment approvals with all other issues resolved.

There is an outstanding issue regarding the balance with the ITTF as they had to adjust the figures previously relating to this and no systematic reconciliation takes place with the ITTF as a related party to confirm the figures within both entities. Given this is a related party, this could be seen as a material issue by nature and therefore needs resolving.

2023 RECOMMENDATION: ETTU to conduct reconciliations with the ITTF accounting department on a quarterly basis as a guide to confirm the balances agreed within the 2 related parties to minimise the risk of any differences.

Following discussions with the Secretary General, we understand that in 2025, ETTU has managed to setup reconciliations between themselves and ITTF finance department which is pleasing to note given the history regarding this practice. We understand that the audit firm did receive a response from the ITTF to confirm the balance also.

The audit commission is pleased to note that this has been implemented and therefore this recommendation will be removed from the audit commission.

Accounting Policies and Adjustments

The auditors have confirmed that the financial statements have been produced in line with the Luxembourg legal and regulatory requirements under the historical cost convention and that the executive board have applied a prudent approach in relation to the accounting estimates. As such, the commission has nothing further to add in this regard.

Audit Adjustments

There were no movements made by the audit firm as far as the audit commission was aware.

Audit Report

The report issued by PKF Audit & Conseil confirms that they have provided an unqualified audit report stating that they believe the financial statements have been prepared under the true and fair basis and are represented fairly based upon this.

The audit report also contains the responsibilities of the executive board to prepare and provide the true and fair financial statements alongside the responsibilities of the independent auditor and thus was signed off by the audit firm confirming as such.

As such, the audit commission have no concerns regarding the work conducted by the audit firm however detailed below is the work undertaken by the commission to confirm their level of comfort regarding the figures presented.

Audit Commission Review

On behalf of the audit commission, Joshua Reynolds undertook the review of the financial statements provided by the Secretary General and queried transactions and figures to confirm their accuracy in line with expectations.

Whilst a full explanation of all figures is not provided in this report due to the sensitivity of some of the transactions, we are happy to report the below points.

Whilst reviewing the debtors owed to ETTU, there are potentially some Member Associations which have outstanding debts which do not appear recoverable however no allowance has yet been made for a potential bad debt. The commission would prefer for a provision to be made to highlight the issue further.

The only currently provision relates to the criminal issues between ETTU and FITET which is correct based on the information regarding this. The commission would also request an update at Congress as to the current situation regarding these outstanding funds due to the criminal nature of it.

Whilst the balance remains low and is below trivial materiality, this is still in theory a loss to ETTU as a result.

2024 RECOMMENDATION: ETTU to consider creating a bad debt provision for old debts which they are unlikely to recover.

The audit commission still considers this to be the case. The audit commission also would query whether further restrictions should be brought in regarding late payment of tournament fees. For example, some associations were in arrears for these from January 2025 for EC Stage 1 for the remainder of the year but then able to play in other championships.

Whilst this is not a formal recommendation, the audit commission would like this to be further discussed either by the Executive Board or Congress as to whether associations should be able to play in other championships whilst in arrears from others. For example, if a country is in arrears from European Youth Championships, should they be able to play in the European Senior Championships until the previous tournament fees have been paid.

The audit commission notes the small loss made in 2025 however the reserves remain strong and as such there is no underlying concern from the commission regarding the ability of ETTU to continue as a going concern function. This is in line with the expectations from the finance webinar however we would note that the original budget showed a €67K profit so this is over €100K different from the budget approved at congress in 2024 so this needs to be considered.

Conclusion

As a result of the audit commission's work into the financial statements and the audit, we have no concerns in relation to the information provided either by the audit company or by the Secretary General. In relation to our recommendations, these are only those we have provided and therefore it is up to the Executive Board as to whether they wish to follow these but we will report back for the next Congress as to whether these recommendations have been actioned or not including follow up on prior years recommendations provided by the audit commission.

We therefore commend this report to Congress to ask them to approve the financial statements for ETTU for the financial year 2025 and remain at the disposal of both Congress and the Executive Board for any further assistance that they require.

Recommendations for 2024 carried over from 2023 – Now completed

- ~~ETTU set up Multiline payment approval immediately using either the Vice President of Finance or another Board Member to approve payments above a certain value or involving the Secretary General.~~
- ~~ETTU to conduct reconciliations with the ITTF accounting department on a quarterly basis as a guide to confirm the balances agreed within the 2 related parties to minimise the risk of any differences.~~

Recommendations for 2025 carried over from 2023

- ETTU to consider creating a bad debt provision for old debts which they are unlikely to recover.

New Recommendations for 2025

- No formal recommendations made.

EUROPEAN TABLE TENNIS UNION - BUDGET 2027

proposal to Congress Budget 2027

Item	Budget 2027			
	Income	% inc	Expend.	% exp
Current expenses	2,085,600	92.01%	1,845,950	86.38%
Membership Subscriptions	117,000	5.16%	0	0.00%
Member Associations Subscriptions	29,000	1.28%	0	0.00%
Suppliers Pool Subscriptions	88,000	3.88%	0	0.00%
Competitions/Events	1,870,600	82.53%	849,100	39.73%
European Championships individual (levy)	5,000	0.22%	0	0.00%
European Championships individual (fees)	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
European Championships team final stage (fees)	84,000	3.71%	0	0.00%
European Championships team final stage (levy)	20,000	0.88%	0	0.00%
European Championships team stage 1 (fees)	40,000	1.76%	0	0.00%
European Championships team stage 1 (levy)	5,000	0.22%	0	0.00%
European Youth Championships (team fees)	5,000	0.22%	0	0.00%
European U21 Championships (levy)	5,000	0.22%	0	0.00%
European U21 Championships (player fees)	5,600	0.25%	0	0.00%
European U13 Championships (player fees)	6,000	0.26%	0	0.00%
European Veterans Championships (levy)	20,000	0.88%	0	0.00%
European Veterans Championships (player fees)	62,500	2.76%	0	0.00%
Europe Top16 (levy)	20,000	0.88%	0	0.00%
Europe Top16 (fees)	13,200	0.58%	0	0.00%
Europe Youth Top-10	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Europe Youth Series (players fees)	17,000	0.75%	0	0.00%
European Champions League 'Men' (fees)	68,800	3.04%	61,000	2.85%
European Champions League 'Women' (fees)	17,000	0.75%	84,100	3.94%
Europe Cup (fees)	10,000	0.44%	22,000	1.03%
Europe Trophy (fees)	12,500	0.55%	0	0.00%
EOQ levy	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
EOQ fees	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
European Games (levy)	50,000	2.21%	0	0.00%
European Para Championships Levy	15,000	0.66%	0	0.00%
European Para Championships Player fees	10,000	0.44%	0	0.00%
Virtual TT / other events levies (new starting 2027)	5,000	0.22%	0	0.00%
Contingency	0	0.00%	60,000	2.81%
Rights and responsibilities	1,374,000	60.62%	622,000	29.11%
General Management	90,000	3.97%	701,850	32.84%
Remunerations including Social Security and taxes	0	0.00%	578,650	27.08%
Secretariat technical operating	0	0.00%	2,500	0.12%
Communication	0	0.00%	12,000	0.56%
(Office) Equipment	0	0.00%	15,000	0.70%
Website management	0	0.00%	45,000	2.11%
Audit	0	0.00%	18,000	0.84%
Accounting and payroll	0	0.00%	19,000	0.89%
Juridical Assistance	0	0.00%	10,000	0.47%
Insurances	0	0.00%	700	0.03%
General charges	0	0.00%	1,000	0.05%
ITTF governance grant	90,000	3.97%	0	0.00%
Structural Entities	0	0.00%	292,000	13.66%
Congress	0	0.00%	2,000	0.09%
Meetings / Travels / Representation EB	0	0.00%	90,000	4.21%
Executive Board Allowance	0	0.00%	45,000	2.11%
Executive Board Annual Representation Allowance (new start 2027)	0	0.00%	16,000	0.75%
Meetings/Travels/Representation Staff + Experts	0	0.00%	90,000	4.21%
Staff and Experts Allowance	0	0.00%	38,000	1.78%
training (Project Integration)	0	0.00%	8,000	0.37%
Recognition expenses	0	0.00%	3,000	0.14%
Financial Operations	8,000	0.35%	3,000	0.14%
Interest	8,000	0.35%	0	0.00%
Currency Win / Loss	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Bank operations	0	0.00%	3,000	0.14%
Other Operations	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Fixed Assets - yearly depreciation	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Penalties, Fines and Appeal Fees	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Exceptional operations	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Outstanding engagements (other income/expenses)	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
value adjustments	0	0.00%	0	0.00%

Development	181,000	7.99%	291,000	13.62%
Event and Equipment Support for Member Associations (<i>Event Support moved from Rights and responsibilities starting 2027</i>)		0.00%	25,000	1.17%
Competition management school and other projects (<i>new starting 2027</i>)		0.00%	10,000	0.47%
Women's activity	8,000	0.35%	10,000	0.47%
Para TT activity	8,000	0.35%	10,000	0.47%
National Assistance Programme		0.00%		0.00%
Participation Programme	20,000	0.88%	60,000	2.81%
Eurotalents Programme (Programs and projects)				
Eurotalents selection camps	20,000	0.88%	20,000	0.94%
Eurotalents U13 development camps	50,000	2.21%	50,000	2.34%
High Performance Continental Programme				
Hopes Selection camps	10,000	0.44%	10,000	0.47%
<i>Eurospins</i>		0.00%	30,000	1.40%
Continental Professional Building				
Annual Coaching Conference	8,000	0.35%	8,000	0.37%
Scholarships (<i>including Para TT Scholarships starting 2026</i>)	48,000	2.12%	48,000	2.25%
Additional activities		0.00%		0.00%
Umpires and Referees activities	9,000	0.40%	10,000	0.47%
Profit/Deficit	129,650	5.72%		
TOTAL	2,266,600	100%	2,266,600	100%

PKF Audit & Conseil

March 2026



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Jean Medernach

- Specialises in financial services and Alternative Investment Fund audits.
- At PKF, Jean is in charge of auditing several listed companies. He is also responsible for the audit engagements of the National Parliament, the CAA (national insurance regulator) and University of Luxembourg.
- Member of the Board of IRE (Institut des Réviseurs d'Entreprises), observer at the Board of EFRAG (European Financial Reporting Advisory Group), member of the CWG of the Investment Management Standing Committee of ESMA, Board member of private investor associations Investas and Better Finance (until 2021).
- Former CFO of a listed investment company in private equity with extensive experience in due diligence and valuation of funds and direct investments (2001 - 2013).
- Licensed auditor in Luxembourg and US CPA (inactive), professional experience in the US and Asia, former partner at a Big Four firm.



Yves Mertz

- Managing Partner of PKF Luxembourg, specialises in investment and asset management vehicles, insurance companies and commercial companies.
- Yves has been active in the Luxembourg financial market for over 30 years.
- Founder of Mazars and PKF in Luxembourg.
- A certified auditor and chartered accountant, he started his professional career with KPMG in Luxembourg.

Our partners



Bertrand Collard

- Partner at PKF Luxembourg since 2024, specialises in auditing commercial and industrial companies, as well as holding structures.
- Luxembourg chartered accountant (inactive).
- Bertrand has conducted various audit assignments, mainly in the commercial sector.
- Bertrand has 15 years of experience in the field of auditing and accounting.
- He has experience as Partner at Baker Tilly, auditing a portfolio of commercial and industrial clients and private equity companies, including international groups, under LuxGAAP or IFRS.



Tom Pfeiffer

- Partner at PKF Luxembourg since 2025
- 2019- Founder and CEO of Triple Line Advisory
- 2012-2019 Deloitte, Partner
- 2002-2012 PKF Luxembourg, Partner
- Registered auditor and chartered accountant
- Tom has extensive experience in financial and internal audit with commercial and industrial companies, investment firms and professionals in the financial sector (PSF). He is experienced in sustainable finance and sustainability reporting as well as CSRD, ESRS, CSDD, SFDR and Taxonomy regulations and standards.

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Rita Rakib
Partner

- Partner at PKF Luxembourg since 2022, specialises in consolidation and accounting of commercial and listed companies.
- French Chartered Accountant (inactive).
- Rita has 29 years of experience in the field of auditing and accounting.
- Rita conducts audit assignments for clients in France and Luxembourg, mainly in the commercial, maritime and industrial sectors.



Audrey Mertz
Senior Manager

- Chartered accountant in Luxembourg (inactive).
- Senior tax Manager at PKF Audit & Conseil since 2021 in charge of tax services (compliance and advisory).
- Advising Luxembourg and international clients on aspects of Luxembourg cross-border taxation, tax due diligence and all tax compliance assistance.
- More than 10 years' experience in tax services to the financial sector in Luxembourg.
- Master's degree in Finance (Université de Paris X) and Bachelor's degree in Accounting (HEL Liège).

Client references

PKF audit clients in the public and non-profit sector

Luxembourg Parliament (Chambre des Députés)

University of Luxembourg

Luxembourg insurance regulator (Commissariat aux Assurances)

Luxembourg Expo Osaka

City of Luxembourg, quarterly treasury reporting (2020 – 2023)

Court of Auditors of Luxembourg (Cour des Comptes) (2019 – 2021)

PKF audit clients in the commercial and industrial sector

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Amaury, Group CFO, January 2023

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Robert, CEO, March 2024

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Andriy, Head of Accounting, February 2021

"Dankeschön!
 Die Beurkundung hat heute Nachmittag wohl reibungslos geklappt. Ich darf dies zum Anlass nehmen, mich - auch im Namen des Mandanten und der Kollegen aus unserem Team - für die erneut sehr gute und kooperative Zusammenarbeit zu bedanken!"

Martin, WP, StB, August 2024

"This to thank you for all the efforts and constructive approach since the very beginning. We all appreciate your involvement which can not be forgotten."

Aid, Investment fund director, March 2020

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Julia, Group Chief Financial Officer, January 2023

*"It was a very challenging assignment **to meet our external deadlines** and we are very grateful that we were able to get there just in time. We appreciated **the new and refreshing look at our business model** that you took."*

Paul, CFO, April 2019

*« Je remercie toute l'équipe de PKF pour le travail effectué **avec les contraintes de temps** que nous vous avons données. C'était un vrai challenge de réaliser cela **en 4 semaines sans connaître le dossier** et sans accès aux dossiers historiques de votre feu confrère. Vous l'avez fait, bravo »*

Vincent, CFO, July 2021

*"We would like to thank you for the great service provided. The audit process went smoothly with cooperation from both sides. We and all Board members really appreciated **your compromise to reach the deadline.**"*

Carla, Group controller of a NYSE listed company on the audit of their Lux. Finance company, March 2023

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Proposition 1

A – ETTU CONSTITUTION

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Implementation date of all changes: effective immediately once approved

2.5 OBLIGATIONS OF THE ASSOCIATIONS

2.5.1 The Associations have the following obligations:

2.5.1.8 to cooperate with ETTU where the Executive Board considers it necessary to assist an Association in resolving governance, operational or financial difficulties, including through discussions or mediation with the relevant National Olympic Committee, governmental authorities or other recognised sports organisations, with the objective of safeguarding the proper functioning of the Association and the interests of table tennis.

5.2 EXECUTIVE BOARD

5.2.8 A member of the Executive Board shall cease to hold office upon resignation, death, loss of eligibility for office under this Constitution or removal by the Congress by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the votes cast.

5.6 ELIGIBILITY FOR OFFICE

5.6.5 No person shall serve at the same time as a member of more than one (1) Committee and no more than **four (4)** **five (5)** such posts shall be occupied by members of an Association.

5.9 CHANGES TO RULES

5.9.6 New Rules and Regulations may be submitted by the Executive Board to the Congress following the procedure as defined in articles 5.9.2–5.9.5. **The Executive Board may adopt, amend and withdraw Directives, Guidelines and Internal Directives.**

5.9.7 Regulations shall be set up in order to provide overall technical specifications for the organisation of the Events. **An Event organised for the first time may be governed solely by Event Directives, in accordance with Article 5.9.8. Where the Executive Board decides to organise a subsequent edition of such Event, Regulations shall be set up for its organisation in accordance with Articles 5.9.2–5.9.5.**

5.9.8 Event Directives shall be set up in order to provide **detailed** **organisational** specifications for the **organisation of the** Events.

5.9.10 In cases of force majeure, safety, security, political or other exceptional circumstances, the Executive Board may set conditions or restrictions relating to any ETTU competition, which shall apply even where the Regulations or the Event Directives provide otherwise.

5.9.11 In the event of any inconsistency between this Constitution, the Regulations and the Directives, the Constitution shall prevail. In the event of any inconsistency between the Regulations and the Directives, the Regulations shall prevail.

6.1 MANAGEMENT STAFF

6.1.2 A Secretary General shall be appointed by the Executive Board and shall be responsible for the direction and supervision of ETTU's professional structure, and programmes, and administration.

6.1.3 The Secretary General shall implement the decisions of the Congress and the Executive Board.

6.1.4 The Secretary General shall ensure the proper administration of ETTU and the preparation of meetings of the Congress and the Executive Board.

6.1.5 The Secretary General shall maintain the official records and archives of ETTU and issue all notices and communications required under this Constitution, the Regulations and the Directives.

7.3 AUDIT COMMISSION

7.3.1.1 The members of the Audit Commission shall elect a Chair from among themselves.

7.4 SUBSCRIPTIONS

7.4.1 Each Association shall pay an annual subscription as determined by the Congress.

7.4.1.1 The maximum annual subscription payable by a Member Association shall not exceed EUR 1,000.

8.3 BOARD OF APPEAL

8.3.1 The Board of Appeal consists of up to ten (10) members elected by the Congress. The Congress shall elect up to ten (10) members of the Board of Appeal, subject to a minimum of five (5). The members shall have a juridical education or experience in juridical matters; the Executive Board appoints a member with a juridical qualification as chair.

Rationale

The proposed amendments modernise the ETTU Constitution and align it with international sport governance principles.

The insertion of new Article 2.5.1.8 provides a constitutional basis for ETTU to support Member Associations experiencing governance, operational or financial difficulties, including through discussions and mediation with the relevant National Olympic Committee, governmental authorities or other recognised sports organisations, where necessary to safeguard the proper functioning of the Association and the interests of table tennis.

The amendment to Article 5.2.8 introduces the conditions governing the cessation of office of members of the Executive Board. This provision is required to ensure compliance with Article 3 of the Luxembourg Law of 7 August 2023 on associations and foundations without profit, which requires the statutes to specify the conditions for the appointment and removal of members of the management body.

The amendment to Article 5.6.5 increases the maximum number of Committee positions that may be occupied by members of the same Member Association from four (4) to five (5). This reflects the increased number of ETTU Committees while maintaining an appropriate balance in the representation of Member Associations.

The amendment to Article 5.9.6 clarifies the respective competences of the Congress and the Executive Board with regard to ETTU's governing documents. While new Rules and Regulations remain subject to the procedure leading to approval by the Congress, the Executive Board is

expressly empowered to adopt, amend and withdraw Directives, Guidelines and Internal Directives. This reflects the governance practice already followed within ETTU and improves legal certainty by allocating competences explicitly.

The addition to Article 5.9.7 provides the flexibility required to introduce new Events. An Event organised for the first time may be governed solely by Event Directives, in accordance with Article 5.9.8, avoiding the need to adopt dedicated Regulations before it is established whether the Event will be maintained. Where an Event is continued beyond its first edition, Regulations shall be set up in accordance with the ordinary procedure defined in Articles 5.9.2–5.9.5. This preserves the legislative competence of the Congress over established Events while allowing ETTU to introduce and develop new Events in a timely and legally certain manner.

The modified wording of Article 5.9.8 uses "organisational" as a broader term that better captures the actual purpose and content of Directives, which better reflects the actual scope of them while avoiding the narrower, technical-only framing of the previous wording.

The insertion of new Article 5.9.10 provides a clear constitutional basis for the Executive Board to determine additional conditions or restrictions relating to any ETTU competitions in exceptional circumstances. The amendment ensures that such decisions may be applied consistently across all ETTU competitions, where necessary, without requiring corresponding amendments to the individual Regulations or Event Directives.

The insertion of new Article 5.9.11 establishes a clear hierarchy between the Constitution, the Regulations and the Directives, thereby improving legal certainty and ensuring consistency in the interpretation and application of ETTU's governing documents.

The amendments to the provisions concerning the Secretary General modernise and clarify the constitutional role of the Secretary General by expressly reflecting the administrative responsibilities already exercised in practice and by aligning the Constitution, where appropriate, with international sport governance principles.

The addition of Article 7.3.1.1 completes the governance framework of the Audit Commission by providing for the election of a Chair from among its elected members. This aligns the Audit Commission with the governance structure applicable to the other permanent bodies of ETTU, ensures the orderly organisation of its work and preserves its independence by entrusting the selection of its Chair to the members of the Commission rather than to the Executive Board.

The insertion of new Article 7.4.1.1 introduces a maximum annual subscription payable by a Member Association, as required by the Luxembourg Law of 7 August 2023 on associations and foundations without profit. The amendment provides legal certainty and protection for existing and future Member Associations, as the maximum financial obligation cannot be increased without the approval of the Congress through an amendment to the Constitution.

The amendment to Article 8.3.1 introduces a minimum number of members to be elected to the Board of Appeal while maintaining the existing maximum of ten (10), ensuring that the Board of Appeal can always be properly constituted and perform its functions effectively.

Proposition 2

CI - EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (INDIVIDUAL EVENTS)

CT - EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (TEAM EVENTS)

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Implementation date of all changes: effective from the respective 2029 and 2030 editions

Regulation CI EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (Individual events)

CI.5 ENTRY FEES AND LEVIES

CI.5.1 There shall be, payable to the ETTU, a levy of **25.000 €** **30.000 €** for the championships on the organising Association as well as an entry fee of 100€ for each player of participating Associations.

Regulation CT EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (Team events)

CT 3 ENTRY FEES AND LEVIES

CT 3.2 There shall be a Stage 1 organisation levy of 5,000 €, payable by the Organising Association to the ETTU.

CT 3.3 There shall be a Final Stage organisation levy of **20,000 €** **30,000 €**, payable by the Organising Association to the ETTU.

Rationale:

The organisation levy for the European Championships has remained unchanged for many years. Since it was last set, the cost of staging an event of this scale has risen significantly, while the standing and profile of the Championships as ETTU's flagship competition have continued to grow. The proposed adjustment brings the levy into line with the present-day value and organisational scope of the event.

The amendment sets the organisation levy at 30.000 € for both the Individual Championships and the Final Stage of the Team Championships, aligning the two flagship events and ensuring equal treatment of organising Associations and predictability in the hosting conditions. The Stage 1 organisation levy of the Team Championships remains unchanged at 5.000 €, as it relates to a separate preliminary stage.

Proposition 3

CI – EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS (INDIVIDUAL EVENTS)

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CI.6 ENTRIES

CI.6.1 Numbers

CI.6.1.1 In singles events each Association shall be entitled to enter according to the results of the previous year's European Championships team events final stage and 2nd stage as follows:

Associations in positions 1-8: 5 players

Associations in positions 9-16: 4 players

Associations in positions 17-24: 3 players

6 best placed Associations not proceeding to the final stage (from **2nd stage groups** **European Team Championships Stage 1**): 3 players

All remaining Associations: 2 players

Host Association: 5 players

In case of vacant places, the allocation principle and procedure will be confirmed in the directives or prospectus.

The winner, runner up and losing semi-finalists of the European Under 21 Championships singles events **as well as the U19 winner of the Europe Youth Top10**, will receive automatic places in the following European Championships (Individual events). These places will be in addition to the places each Association shall be entitled to enter according to the results of the previous year's European Championships team events.

Rationale:

The amendment aligns the wording of CI.6.1.1 with the current system of play for the European Championships (Team events), which is organised in a Stage 1 and a Final Stage. The reference to the former "2nd stage groups" is replaced by "European Championships Stage 1" to reflect the terminology now used in the Regulations, ensuring consistency across the ETTU competition documents.

The amendment adds the winner of the Under-19 singles event at the European Youth Top 10 to the players granted automatic places at the European Championships (Individual events). The addition provides an incentive and reward for the champion of this category, recognising their sporting achievement and offering a direct pathway from youth competition to the senior European Championships, in line with the existing provision for the European Under-21 Championships medallists.

Proposition 4

D – European Youth Championships

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D.11 INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

- D.11.1 In singles events 32 seeded players shall be directly placed in first rounds of the knockout stage. All remaining players shall play in a qualification stage in groups of 3 or 4 players. In the qualification stage matches shall be the best of 5 games, in the knockout stage all matches shall be the best of **7** **5** games.

Rationale:

With this amendment, all matches in the singles events of the European Youth Championships are played as the best of 5 games. This modification brings the European Youth Championships into line with the other ETTU youth competitions, ensuring a consistent match format across the youth events and easing the physical load on the young players over the course of the championships.

Proposition 5

H – EUROPE TOP 16 CUP

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H.3 QUALIFICATION

H.3.2 In each event the following players shall be invited:

a) The current European Champion.

b) The winner of the previous Europe Top 16 Cup.

c) In addition, ETTU may grant up to 2 wild cards. If a wild card is not awarded or a player is not available or withdraws, the player shall be replaced by the remaining highest ranked player.

d) The **top 19** remaining **17** players from the last available European Rankings excluding the current European Champion and the winner of the previous Europe Top 16 Cup, as well as the wild card players, or **top 20** **18** players if a Host Association player qualifies. Where the current European Champion and the winner of the previous Europe Top 16 Cup is the same player, the place shall be allocated to the remaining highest ranked player.

d) e) If no players qualify from the Host Association then the Host Association shall nominate one Host Association player.

The first reserve man and woman player should be present.

Rationale

The introduction of two (2) wild cards gives ETTU the flexibility to invite players who merit participation in the Europe Top 16 Cup but whose current level is not yet reflected in the Rankings.

In order to maintain the established field of 22 players in each event, the number of players qualifying directly through the European Rankings is adjusted accordingly, so that the two wild card places are accommodated without increasing the overall size of the competition.

Where the current European Champion and the winner of the previous Europe Top 16 Cup is the same player, only one place would otherwise be filled under a) and b). This provision ensures the vacant place is allocated to the next highest ranked player, so that the full field of 22 players is maintained.

The reserve arrangements remain unchanged and continue to ensure that any place that becomes vacant is filled by the highest ranked available player.

Proposition 6

I – EUROPE YOUTH TOP 10

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I.3 QUALIFICATION

- I.3.1 Qualification shall be determined by the **August** Under 19 and Under 15 European ranking lists **published not less than 7 weeks prior to the event** for boys and girls., **but only Under 19 players who will be under 18 and Under 15 players who will be under 15 on 1st January of the year of the competition will be eligible.**

I.3.3 Qualified Participants

- I.3.3.1 Under 19 events: In each event the reigning European Under 19 Champion, **the reigning Europe Youth Top 10 Under 15 Champion,** and the **9** **8** other highest ranked Under 19 players, unless this does not include a player of the organising Association, in which case the host Association shall be entitled to nominate one of its players to replace the lowest ranked Under 19 player.

I.6 SYSTEM of PLAY

- I.6.1 All matches in both the Under 19 and the Under 15 events shall be the best of **7** **5** games.

Rationale:

The reference to the “August” ranking is replaced to accommodate the Executive Board’s decision to move the tournament to the spring. As the exact dates are not yet fixed, this flexible wording ensures that the most recent European ranking lists are always used for qualification, whatever the period in which the tournament is held.

The deleted text is a residual provision from a previous version of the regulation that was retained in error. Its removal corrects this oversight and has no effect on the current eligibility rules.

The reigning Europe Youth Top 10 Under 15 Champion is granted direct qualification to the Under 19 event. In many cases this player moves up to the Under 19 age category in the following season, where qualification is considerably more difficult. The direct place recognises and rewards the achievement of the Under 15 Champion.

The Europe Youth Top 10 is played as a full round-robin in each group, which makes it a long and physically demanding tournament for young players. Reducing the matches to the best of 5 games eases the physical load and brings the Europe Youth Top 10 into line with the match format applied in the other ETTU youth competitions.

Proposition 7

J – EUROPEAN CLUB COMPETITION – MEN

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J.3 Directives

The European Champions League, Europe Cup, Europe Trophy and other events' directives provide a supplementary framework to the ECCM regulations. The directives may be reviewed and amended in line with the decisions of the ETTU Executive Board to reflect updates to the general organisation and planning of the ECCM.

The European Champions League, Europe Cup, Europe Trophy and other events' Directives provide the supplementary operational framework governing the organisation, disciplinary matters, penalties, protest and appeal procedures and other administrative provisions applicable to the respective competitions. The Directives may be reviewed and amended in line with the decisions of the ETTU Executive Board to reflect updates to the general organisation and planning of the ECCM.

J.4 ECCM PENALTY CATALOGUE

- J.4.1 A club violating the ITTF Laws, the ETTU Constitution, the ETTU Regulations or the ETTU Directives may be disqualified from the competition and may be financially fined. A team which has refused to continue the match until its end, played with an incomplete team or failed to play the match at all may be fined up to ten thousand (10,000) €. A team whose players, coaches or officials during or in connection with a match have behaved in a way that the table tennis sport has been brought into disrepute may be financially fined and a ban can be imposed on the players, coaches or officials for the following match(es).
- J.4.2 A ECLM club failing to inform either ETTU or its Media Partner about the interest of any other party in exploiting ECLM media rights may be fined up to ten thousand (10,000) €. A ECLM club selling ECLM media rights on its own account to any third party may be fined up to fifteen thousand (15,000) €.
- J.4.3 All withdrawals after the exit possibility may be fined up to five thousand (5,000) €.
- J.4.4 A ECLM club failing to observe the Directives concerning the Official Court Layout or the Official Match Protocol will be fined five hundred (500) € on the first infringement, one thousand (1000) € on the second infringement and two thousand (2000) € for any further infringement.
- J.4.5 A club failing to observe the Directives concerning advertisement within the playing area may be fined up to five thousand (5,000) € for each disregard.
- J.4.6 A club whose players fail to observe the Directives concerning advertisements on players' clothing may be fined up to five thousand (5,000) € and may be banned or excluded from the competition.
- J.4.7 A club failing to use the correct denomination of the official sponsor(s) may be fined up to two thousand (2,000) € on each occasion.
- J.4.8 A club failing to fulfil the obligations regarding the production of live streaming (e.g. sufficient and stable internet connection, camera/working position will be fined as follows: - lower internet connection during a match, as laid down in the directives (but sufficient for live streaming) five hundred (500) € on the first infringement, one thousand (1,000) € on the second infringement and two thousand (2,000) € for any further infringement. - lower internet connection during a match, as laid down in the directives (and not sufficient connectivity for live streaming) two thousand (2,000) € on the first infringement and four thousand (4,000) € for any further infringement. - wrong camera

and or working position during a match, as laid down in the directives one thousand (1,000) € on the first infringement and two thousand (2,000) € for any further infringement.

- J.4.9 A club failing to use the official ECLM Equipment (only in case of an official ECLM equipment sponsor) may be fined up to seven thousand (7,000) €.
- J.4.10 A club having a lower light intensity than laid down in the Directives will be fined one thousand (1,000) €.
- J.4.11 A ECLM club failing to have A-boards, B-boards or LED panels, or failing to have ITTF approved flooring at their home match will be fined one thousand (1.000) € on each infringement.
- J.4.12 A club participating in the Europe Cup failing to have A-boards, B-boards or LED panels, or failing to have ITTF approved flooring starting with the quarter finals will be fined one thousand (1.000) € on each infringement.
- J.4.13 A club not fulfilling the duties to offer appropriate meals or transportation may be fined up to two thousand (2,000) €.
- J.4.14 A club failing to send an invitation to the visiting club or with delay will be fined five hundred (500) €. The home club shall put ETTU in copy of the invitation sent to their guest club.
- J.4.15 A club failing to make a prompt and satisfactory financial settlement with an opposing club, using wrong equipment may be subject to a fine of five hundred (500) € on the first occasion; on a second occasion this fine may be increased to one thousand (1,000) € and on all further occasions to two thousand (2,000) €.
- J.4.16 A club failing to answer to ETTU requests (or from its partners) in due time (within 48 hours) will be fined one thousand (1,000) €.
- J.4.17 A ECLM club failing to have one official club representative present throughout the entire meeting convened by ETTU will be fined one thousand (1,000) €.
- J.4.18 A ECLM club failing to fulfil the standards for Competition Halls and Playing Conditions as stipulated in the valid ECLM Men Directives may be fined up to five thousand (5,000) €.
- J.4.19 A ECLM club being responsible (either home or guest club) for an early or late match start (first serve start more than 5 minutes before or after the fixed starting time) will be fined one hundred (100) € on the first infringement, two hundred (200) € on the second infringement and four hundred (400) € for any further infringement.
- J.4.20 A ECLM club not fulfilling the duties about multi balls and Ball Boys and Girls (BBGs) will be fined one hundred (100) € on the first infringement, two hundred (200) € on the second infringement and four hundred (400) € for any further infringement.
- J.4.21 All penalties mentioned in this paragraph shall be imposed by the ETTU Club Competition Official.
- J.4.22 Further contraventions, not specified above, to the Regulations and Directives may also be fined by the ETTU Club Competition Official.
- J.4.23 The ETTU Club Competition Official can reduce the amounts of fines or withdraw the fines as laid down in the Regulation J.4. for valid or force majeure reasons.

J.5 JURISDICTION

- J.5.1 A club wishing to protest about any aspect of the ECCM shall send this protest, together with all relevant details, by e-mail to the ETTU Secretariat, within 2 days after the date of the match. No protest shall be accepted after this deadline.
- J.5.2 The ETTU Club Competition Official has to take a decision concerning a protest as soon as possible after the protest has been received and the necessary hearing and investigations have been concluded.

- J.5.3 A club wishing to protest against a decision of either the ETTU Club Competition Official or of the Secretary General shall send this protest, together with the relevant details, including reasoning, by e-mail via the ETTU Secretariat to the ETTU Board of Appeal within 8 days after the receipt of the decision. No protest shall be accepted after this deadline.
- J.5.4 The costs of the procedure of the ETTU Board of Appeal shall include the actual expenses and the protest fee of one thousand (1,000) €. This latter fee shall be paid into the ETTU bank account and has to be received by the ETTU within eight (8) days of the submission of the case otherwise the protest is not accepted and the ETTU Club Competitions Official or Secretary General decision remains final.
- J.5.5 The ETTU Board of Appeal shall inform the opposing or accused party (parties) within thirty (30) days of the case lodging. The decision of the ETTU Board of Appeal shall be final on ETTU level.
- J.5.6 At the time of making a protest to the Club Competition Official, the protesting club shall pay to the ETTU bank account a fee of five hundred (500) € per case, to be received within 8 days, which will be refunded if the protest is not upheld or if the contested sentence is cancelled.
- J.5.7 At the time of making an appeal against a decision taken by either the Club Competition Official or by the Secretary General, to the Board of Appeal, the appealing club shall send to the ETTU bank account a fee of one thousand (1,000) € per case, which will be refunded if the appeal is not upheld or if the contested sentence is cancelled.
- J.5.8 In case of any appeal against the decision of the ETTU Board of Appeal at the Court of Arbitration for Sports shall be made within 14 days of the notification of the decision of the ETTU Board of Appeal, which should be communicated to the ETTU Secretariat.

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Editorial note: following the deletion of Chapters J.4 (ECCM Penalty Catalogue) and J.5 (Jurisdiction), the closing provisions shall be renumbered accordingly.

Rationale

The Penalty Catalogue and Jurisdiction provisions are operational in nature and are already fully integrated into the applicable competition Directives.

The penalties are already integrated into the relevant Champions League, Europe Cup and Europe Trophy Directives, where they can be differentiated according to the level and the specific requirements of each league.

Maintaining them in both the Regulations and the Directives creates duplication and increases the risk of inconsistencies. The Regulations should establish only the general framework, while operational matters, including disciplinary provisions, penalties, protests and appeals, should be governed by the Directives, which may be updated by the Executive Board as necessary.

Proposition 8

K – EUROPEAN CLUB COMPETITION – WOMEN

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K.3 Directives

The European Champions League, Europe Cup, Europe Trophy and other events' directives provide a supplementary framework to the ECCW regulations. The directives may be reviewed and amended in line with the decisions of the ETTU Executive Board to reflect updates to the general organisation and planning of the ECCW.

The European Champions League, Europe Cup, Europe Trophy and other events' Directives provide the supplementary operational framework governing the organisation, disciplinary matters, penalties, protest and appeal procedures and other administrative provisions applicable to the respective competitions. The Directives may be reviewed and amended in line with the decisions of the ETTU Executive Board to reflect updates to the general organisation and planning of the ECCW.

K.4 ECCW PENALTY CATALOGUE

K.4.1 A club violating the ITTF Laws, the ETTU Constitution, the ETTU Regulations or the ETTU Directives may be disqualified from the competition and will be financially fined. A team which has refused to continue the match until its end, played with an incomplete team or failed to play the match at all may be fined up ten thousand (10,000) €. A team whose players, coaches or officials during or in connection with a match have behaved in a way that the table tennis sport has been brought into disrepute may be financially fined and a ban can be imposed on the players, coaches or officials for the following match(es).

K.4.2 All withdrawals after the exit possibility may be fined up to five thousand (5.000) €.

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K.4.7 A club failing to make a prompt and satisfactory financial settlement with an opposing club, using wrong equipment, not inviting the opponent team in time may be subject to a fine of five hundred (500) € on the first occasion; on a second occasion this fine may be increased to one thousand (1,000) € and on all further occasions to two thousand (2,000) €.

- K.4.8 A club failing to answer to ETTU requests in due time (within 48 hours) may be fined up to one thousand (1,000) €.
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- K.4.10 A ECLW club failing to have A-boards, B-boards or LED panels, or failing to have ITTF approved flooring at their home match will be fined one thousand (1.000) € on each infringement.
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- K.4.12 A ECLW club failing to have one official club representative present throughout the entire meeting convened by ETTU will be fined one thousand (1,000) €.
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Maintaining them in both the Regulations and the Directives creates duplication and increases the risk of inconsistencies. The Regulations should establish only the general framework, while operational matters, including disciplinary provisions, penalties, protests and appeals, should be governed by the Directives, which may be updated by the Executive Board as necessary.

Proposition 9**U – EUROPEAN UNDER 21 CHAMPIONSHIPS**

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U.10 SYSTEM OF PLAY

U.10.2 All singles matches shall be the best of **7** **5** games **except Stage 1 matches shall be best of 5 games.**

Rationale:

The amendment standardises the format of all singles matches to the best of 5 games, removing the distinction between Stage 1 and the later stages.

A single, uniform match format simplifies the organisation and scheduling of the championships, eases the physical load on the players over the course of the event, and brings the singles events into line with other youth competitions and the doubles events, which are already played as the best of 5 games.

Resolution 1

2027 European Championships (Doubles and Mixed Doubles Events)

The Congress is requested to approve the introduction of a new event in 2027: the European Championships (Doubles and Mixed Doubles Events), comprising the men's doubles, women's doubles and mixed doubles events.

The event is introduced in view of the timeline for the continental qualification for the Olympic Games Los Angeles 2028. It awards European Championship titles in doubles and mixed doubles and, at the same time, provides European players with an adequate competitive pathway in these disciplines.

As the event will be part of the qualification pathway to the Olympic Games, its conditions of participation differ from those of the European Championships (Individual events). Players shall represent their National Olympic Committee rather than their Member Association. Each National Olympic Committee may be represented by one (1) pair in each event, and each pair must be composed of players representing the same National Olympic Committee.

This edition of the event shall be governed solely by Event Directives, in accordance with Article 5.9.7 of the Constitution. Should the Executive Board decide to organise a subsequent edition, Regulations governing the event shall be submitted for approval to a following Congress in accordance with Articles 5.9.2–5.9.5.

Resolution 2

Team events at the 2027 European Youth Championships

The Congress is requested to approve, on an experimental basis and for the 2027 edition of the European Youth Championships only, a modified format for determining the results of the team events, in all categories (Under 15 Boys, Under 15 Girls, Under 19 Boys and Under 19 Girls).

The current team formation shall be retained, namely two (2) players in the Under 15 categories and three (3) players in the Under 19 categories, together with the current system of play. The result of each team match shall, however, be determined by counting the individual games won. Each individual match shall be played in full three (3) games, so that each team match comprises fifteen (15) games in total. In the group stage, all fifteen (15) games shall be played, so that every game counts towards the final result, irrespective of whether a team has already reached eight (8) games. In the knockout stage, the team match shall be won as soon as one team reaches eight (8) games.

The change is introduced on a trial basis, with a view to its evaluation after the 2027 edition. Counting individual games in team matches is the format increasingly adopted across ITTF and ETTU competitions, including the 2027 World Youth Championships.



Audit Commission Nominees

The following nominations have been received:

Mr. Joshua REYNOLDS (ENG)

Mr. Michael GEIGER (GER)

Mr. Diogo Rafael SOUSA ROVISCO (POR)



Honorary Member proposition

The ETTU Executive Board proposes to Congress

Mr. Raul Calin (ESP)

as ETTU Honorary Member