



## 2019 World Tour Platinum German Open

<b>CITY:</b>	Bremen, Germany
<b>SITE:</b>	ÖVB-Arena Bremen, Bürgerweide, 28215 Bremen
<b>DATE:</b>	08 Oct - 13 Oct 2019
<b>PLAYERS:</b>	201 men 150 women 351 total
<b>COUNTRIES:</b>	57
<b>TABLES:</b>	14
<b>TABLE BRAND:</b>	Butterfly Centrefold 25
<b>BALL BRAND:</b>	DHS 40+
<b>FLOOR BRAND:</b>	Taraflex Table Tennis 3.7
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### Introduction

Welcome to the 2019 World Tour Platinum German Open.

The German Open is a Platinum Series event on the ITTF World Tour, which is the former of the two tiers (Platinum & Regular).

The German Open is the fifth out of six Platinum Series, as the players fight for points to qualify for the season ending 2019 ITTF World Tour Grand Final from 12-15 December.

There are five titles on offer: Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles & Mixed Doubles

This media kit is designed to provide an update on the 2019 German Open. Enclosed are statistics and notes that will be of assistance during the tournament. Players' biographies as well as statistical, historical and personal data can be found on ITTF.com. Please make player interview requests through a member of the ITTF and OC media staff located in the press room.

### Key Dates/Times

- 08 October 2019, 10:00am @ ÖVB-Arena Bremen – Qualification Day 1
- 09 October 2019, 10:00am @ ÖVB-Arena Bremen – Qualification Day 2
- 10 October 2019, 10:00am @ ÖVB-Arena Bremen – Main Draw Day 1
- 11 October 2019, 10:00am @ ÖVB-Arena Bremen – Main Draw Day 2
- 12 October 2019, 01:20pm @ ÖVB-Arena Bremen – Mixed Doubles Final
- 12 October 2019, 07:50pm @ ÖVB-Arena Bremen – Men's & Women's Doubles Final
- 13 October 2019, 03:00pm @ ÖVB-Arena Bremen – Finals

- Timing based on Local time (GMT +2)

Schedule: [First Stage](#) | [Main Draw](#)



## Playing System

**Men's Singles:** Main draw round of 32

16 seeded players + 16 players coming from the qualifications

Players competing for 16 qualification slots in a Knock Out Format

**Women's Singles:** Main draw round of 32

16 seeded players + 16 players coming from the qualifications

Players competing for 16 qualification slots in a Knock Out Format

**Men's Doubles:** Main draw round of 16

8 seeded players + 8 players coming from the qualifications

Pairs competing for 8 qualification slots in a Knock Out Format

**Women's Doubles:** Main draw round of 16

8 seeded players + 8 players coming from the qualifications

Pairs competing for 8 qualification slots in a Knock Out Format

**Mixed Doubles:** Main draw round of 16

8 seeded players + 8 players coming from the qualifications

Pairs competing for 8 qualification slots in a Knock Out Format



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## 2019 ITTF World Tour Events and Winners

There has been 10 World Tour so far, 4 Platinum (Qatar, China, Japan, Australia), 6 Regular series (Hungary, Hong Kong, Korea, Bulgaria, Czech Rep, Sweden).

Type	Location	Men's Singles		Women's Singles	
Regular	Sweden	WANG Chuqin	CHN	CHEN Meng	CHN
Regular	Czech Rep	LIN Yun-Ju	TPE	CHEN Xingtong	CHN
Regular	Bulgaria	Tomokazu HARIMOTO	JPN	CHEN Xingtong	CHN
Platinum	Australia	Xu Xin	CHN	SUN Yingsha	CHN
Regular	Korea	XU Xin	CHN	CHEN Meng	CHN
Platinum	Japan	XU Xin	CHN	SUN Yingsha	CHN
Regular	Hong Kong	LIN Gaoyuan	CHN	WANG Yidi	CHN
Platinum	China	MA Long	CHN	CHEN Meng	CHN
Platinum	Qatar	MA Long	CHN	WANG Manyu	CHN
Regular	Hungary	LIN Gaoyuan	CHN	CHEN Meng	CHN

Type	Location	Men's Doubles			Women's Doubles				
Regular	Sweden	XU Xin	CHN	FAN Zhendong	CHN	CHEN Meng	CHN	DING Ning	CHN
Regular	Czech Rep	CHO Daeseong	KOR	LEE Sangsu	KOR	GU Yuting	CHN	MU Zi	CHN
Regular	Bulgaria	JEOUNG Youngsik	KOR	LEE Sangsu	KOR	GU Yuting	CHN	MU Zi	CHN
Platinum	Australia	JEOUNG Youngsik	KOR	LEE Sangsu	KOR	CHEN Meng	CHN	WANG Manyu	CHN
Regular	Korea	FAN Zhendong	CHN	XU Xin	CHN	CHEN Meng	CHN	WANG Manyu	CHN
Platinum	Japan	FAN Zhendong	CHN	XU Xin	CHN	SUN Yingsha	CHN	WANG Manyu	CHN
Regular	Hong Kong	LIANG Jingkun	CHN	LIN Gaoyuan	CHN	CHEN Ke	CHN	MU Zi	CHN
Platinum	China	Timo BOLL	GER	Patrick FRANZISKA	GER	GU Yuting	CHN	LIU Shiwen	CHN
Platinum	Qatar	HO Kwan Kit	HKG	WONG Chunting	HKG	SUN Yingsha	CHN	WANG Manyu	CHN
Regular	Hungary	LIANG Jingkun	CHN	XU Xin	CHN	WANG Manyu	CHN	ZHU Yuling	CHN



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Type	Location	Mixed Doubles			
Regular	Sweden	XU Xin	CHN	LIU Shiwen	CHN
Regular	Czech Rep	CHO Daeseong	KOR	SHIN Yubin	KOR
Regular	Bulgaria	Jun Mizutani	JPN	Mima ITO	JPN
Platinum	Australia	WONG Chun Ting	HKG	DOO Hoi Kem	HKG
Regular	Korea	WONG Chun Ting	HKG	DOO Hoi Kem	HKG
Platinum	Japan	XU Xin	CHN	ZHU Yuling	CHN
Regular	Hong Kong	LIN Yun-Ju	TPE	CHENG I-Ching	TPE
Platinum	China	LIN Yun-Ju	TPE	CHENG I-Ching	TPE
Platinum	Qatar	XU Xin	CHN	LIU Shiwen	CHN
Regular	Hungary	XU Xin	CHN	LIU Shiwen	CHN



## Race to 2019 ITTF World Tour Grand Finals

The players are all battling it out for points to secure their qualification to the 2019 World Tour Grand Finals, 12-15 Dec 2019.

### How does it work?

#### Men's & Women's Singles

**Places available:** 15 players with the most points from the 2019 World Tour events, plus one host country player that meets the below criteria. If the player from the host association is already amongst the 15 invited players or does not meet the participation criteria, the 16<sup>th</sup> player in order will be invited.

**Criteria:** Have to play in a minimum of 5 events

#### Men's, Women's & Mixed Doubles

**Places available:** 7 doubles pairing with the most points, plus one host country player that meets the below criteria. If the pair from the host association is already amongst the 7 invited players or does not meet the participation criteria, the 8<sup>th</sup> pair in order will be invited.

**Criteria:** Have to play in a minimum of 4 events (playing together)

**Criteria:** For XD, maximum of 1 pair per NOC

Full criteria: <https://bit.ly/2QqmA3e>

### Points system (Platinum)

#### WORLD TOUR PLATINUM

QAT . CHN . JPN . AUS . GER . AUT					
	MS	WS	MD	WD	XD
Winner	500 pts	500 pts	300 pts	300 pts	300 pts
Finalist	300 pts	300 pts	150 pts	150 pts	150 pts
SF	200 pts	200 pts	75 pts	75 pts	75 pts
QF	100 pts	100 pts	38 pts	38 pts	38 pts
R16	50 pts	50 pts	19 pts	19 pts	19 pts
R32	25 pts	25 pts			

Full Points allocation: <https://bit.ly/2C47sTR>

**Current Race to World Tour Grand Final Standings (after Swe Open):**
**Men's Singles**

Rank	Events	Player	Country	Points
1	7	XU Xin	CHN	1744
2	5	MA Long	CHN	1425
3	7	LIN Gaoyuan	CHN	1375
4	9	HARIMOTO Tomokazu	JPN	780
5	8	WANG Chuqin	CHN	769
6	8	LIN Yun-Ju	TPE	741
7	8	LIANG Jingkun	CHN	523
8	6	FAN Zhendong	CHN	507
9	7	FALCK Mattias	SWE	388
10	7	OVTCHAROV Dimitrij	GER	387
11	7	FRANZISKA Patrick	GER	371
12	6	CALDERANO Hugo	BRA	369
13	9	MIZUTANI Jun	JPN	327
14	7	JANG Woojin	KOR	273
15	4	BOLL Timo	GER	244
16	10	WONG Chun Ting	HKG	238

**Women's Singles**

Rank	Events	Player	Country	Points
1	6	CHEN Meng	CHN	1550
2	7	SUN Yingsha	CHN	1382
3	7	WANG Manyu	CHN	1082
4	9	ITO Mima	JPN	885
5	6	LIU Shiwen	CHN	810
6	6	DING Ning	CHN	806
7	8	CHEN Xingtong	CHN	755
8	9	HIRANO Miu	JPN	586
9	9	ISHIKAWA Kasumi	JPN	474
10	6	ZHU Yuling	CHN	414
11	6	WANG Yidi	CHN	399
12	8	HE Zhoujia	CHN	338
13	9	SATO Hitomi	JPN	287
14	9	FENG Tianwei	SGP	279
15	7	CHENG I-Ching	TPE	270
16	9	JEON Jihee	KOR	242

\*Green cells indicate that player has qualified for the 2019 WTGF

**Men's Doubles**

Rank	Events	Player	Country	Points
1	4	FAN Zhendong / XU Xin	CHN	775
2	5	JEOUNG Youngsik / LEE Sangsu	KOR	750
3	6	HO Kwan Kit / WONG Chun Ting	GER	451
4	2	BOLL Timo / FRANZISKA Patrick	HKG	450
5	4	LIANG Jingkun / LIN Gaoyuan	CHN	394
6	4	JANG Woojin / LIM Jonghoon	KOR	263
7	6	LIAO Cheng-Ting / LIN Yun-Ju	TPE	251
8	1	LIANG Jingkun / XU Xin	CHN	200

**Women's Doubles**

Rank	Events	Player	Country	Points
1	2	CHEN Meng / WANG Manyu	CHN	500
2	3	SUN Yingsha / WANG Manyu	CHN	475
3	2	GU Yuting / MU Zi	CHN	400
4	2	WANG Manyu / ZHU Yuling	CHN	350
5	1	GU Yuting / LIU Shiwen	CHN	300
5	1	CHEN Meng / LIU Shiwen	CHN	300
7	7	KIHARA Miyuu / NAGASAKI Miyu	JPN	289
8	4	HIRANO Miu / SHIBATA Saki	JPN	263

**Mixed Doubles**

Rank	Events	Player	Country	Points
1	4	XU Xin / LIU Shiwen	CHN	770
2	8	WONG Chun Ting / DOO Hoi Kem	TPE	783
3	7	LIN Yun-Ju / CHENG I-Ching	CHN	763
4	5	MIZUTANI Jun / ITO Mima	JPN	600
5	1	XU Xin / ZHU Yuling	CHN	300
6	3	CHO Daeseong / SHIN Yubin	KOR	263
7	8	HO Kwan Kit / LEE Ho Ching	HKG	252
8	9	FLORE Tristan / GASNIER Laura	FRA	233

The full standings for the race to the 2019 ITTF World Tour Grand Finals can be found here:  
<https://bit.ly/2HPzENG>



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## German Open Seeded Players & 2019 Stats

### Men's Singles

Players name	Date of Birth	Age	Hand	Grip	Pl. Style	Seed	2019 WT Statistics				
							OCT 2019 WR	% Won	Played	Won	
Xu Xin CHN	08/01/1990	29	L	Penhold	Attack	1	1	87%	30	26	
FAN Zhendong CHN	22/01/1997	22	R	Shakehand	Attack	2	2	77%	26	20	
LIN Gaoyuan CHN	19/03/1995	24	L	Shakehand	Attack	3	4	83%	36	30	
HARIMOTO Tomokazu JPN	27/06/2003	16	R	Shakehand	Attack	4	5	65%	31	20	
CALDERANO Hugo BRA	22/06/1996	23	R	Shakehand	Attack	5	6	63%	16	10	
BOLL Timo GER	08/03/1981	38	L	Shakehand	Attack	6	7	67%	12	8	
LIANG Jingkun CHN	20/10/1996	22	R	Shakehand	Attack	7	8	76%	33	25	
LIN Yun-Ju TPE	17/08/2001	18	L	Shakehand	Attack	8	10	76%	29	22	
NIWA Koki JPN	10/10/1994	24	L	Shakehand	Attack	9	11	42%	19	8	
OVTCHAROV Dimitrij GER	02/09/1988	31	R	Shakehand	Attack	10	12	70%	23	16	
MIZUATNI Jun JPN	09/06/1989	30	L	Shakehand	Attack	11	13	53%	19	10	
JANG Woojin KOR	10/09/1995	24	R	Shakehand	Attack	12	14	41%	17	7	
FRANZISKA Patrick GER	11/06/1992	27	R	Shakehand	Attack	13	15	61%	18	11	
WONG Chun Ting HKG	07/09/1991	28	R	Penhold	Attack	14	16	42%	24	10	
LEE Sangsu KOR	31/08/1990	29	R	Shakehand	Attack	15	17	40%	20	8	
PITCHFORD Liam ENG	12/07/1993	26	R	Shakehand	Attack	16	18	40%	15	6	

\* Seeding based on Sep WR

**List of players (Men):** <https://bit.ly/359bzvv>

**Link to WT Stats:** <https://bit.ly/2Jj4jSG>

**Link to WR (Men):** <https://bit.ly/2IsOITb>

#### Top seed (Xu Xin):

- Xu Xin has not won a title in Germany but he made the finals in 2018.
- He has 3 WT titles to his name in 2019
- Xu Xin has held on to the position as World #1 since July 2019





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## Women's Singles

Players name	Date of Birth	Age	Hand	Grip	Pl. Style	Seed	2019 Statistics			
							OCT 2019 WR	% Won	Played	Won
CHEN Meng CHN	15/01/1994	25	R	Shakehand	Attack	1	1	91%	33	30
WANG Manyu CHN	09/02/1999	20	R	Shakehand	Attack	2	4	76%	25	19
SUN Yingsha CHN	04/11/2000	18	R	Shakehand	Attack	3	6	86%	36	31
ITO Mima JPN	21/10/2000	18	R	Shakehand	Attack	4	7	71%	31	22
ISHIKAWA Kasumi JPN	23/02/1993	26	L	Shakehand	Attack	5	8	61%	28	17
HIRANO Miu JPN	14/04/2000	19	R	Shakehand	Attack	6	9	61%	36	22
CHENG I-Ching TPE	15/02/1992	27	R	Shakehand	Attack	7	10	52%	25	13
DOO Hoi Kem HKG	27/11/1996	22	R	Shakehand	Attack	8	11	41%	17	7
FENG Tianwei SGP	31/08/1986	33	R	Shakehand	Attack	9	12	50%	22	11
CHEN Xingtong CHN	07/05/1997	22	R	Shakehand	Attack	10	13	74%	23	17
SUH Hyowon KOR	10/05/1987	32	R	Shakehand	Defend	11	14	31%	16	5
POLCANOVA Sofia AUT	03/09/1994	25	L	Shakehand	Attack	12	16	54%	13	7
SZOCS Bernadette ROU	05/03/1995	24	R	Shakehand	Attack	13	17	45%	11	5
SATO Hitomi JPN	23/12/1997	21	R	Shakehand	Defend	14	19	50%	16	8
SOLJA Petrissa GER	11/03/1994	25	L	Shakehand	Attack	15	21	57%	7	4
HAN Ying GER	29/04/1983	36	R	Shakehand	Defend	16	30	67%	12	8

\* Seeding based on Sep WR

**List of players (Women):** <https://bit.ly/2MnE28r>

**Link to WT Stats:** <https://bit.ly/2Jj4jSG>

**Link to WR (Women):** <https://bit.ly/2N24B1C>

### Top seed (Chen Meng):

- Chen Meng did not compete at the German Open in 2018
- She has 4 WS and 3 WD title to her name in 2019
- In WT women's Singles final appearance, Chen Meng has won 13 out of 16 (81%) of them.



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## Prize Money

### Men's Singles and Women's singles:

<b>Winner:</b>	US\$ 30,000
<b>Runner-up:</b>	US\$ 15,000
<b>Semi finalist:</b>	US\$ 7,500
<b>Quarter finalist:</b>	US\$ 3,750
<b>Round of 16:</b>	US\$ 2,100
<b>Round of 32:</b>	US\$ 1,200

### Men's, Women's & Mixed Doubles:

<b>Winner:</b>	US\$ 8,000
<b>Runner-up:</b>	US\$ 4,000
<b>Semi finalist:</b>	US\$ 2,000

**Total:** US\$ 270,000

## Past Winners

### Men's Singles

Venue	Year	Winner		Runner Up	
Bremen	2018	MA Long	CHN	XU Xin	CHN
Magdeburg	2017	OVTCHAROV Dimitrij	GER	BOLL Timo	GER
Berlin	2016	MA Long	CHN	SAMSONOV Vladimir	BLR
Bremen	2015	MA Long	CHN	ZHANG Jike	GER
Magdeburg	2014	OVTCHAROV Dimitrij	GER	MIZUTANI Jun	JPN
Berlin	2013	FAN Zhendong	CHN	OVTCHAROV Dimitrij	GER
Bremen	2012	OVTCHAROV Dimitrij	GER	BOLL Timo	GER
Dortmund	2011	ZHANG Jike	GER	BOLL Timo	GER
Berlin	2010	MA Long	CHN	WANG Hao	CHN
Bremen	2009	BOLL Timo	GER	SAMSONOV Vladimir	BLR
Berlin	2008	BOLL Timo	GER	CHUANG Chih-Yuan	TPE
Bremen	2007	MA Long	CHN	MA Lin	CHN
Bayreuth	2006	BOLL Timo	GER	HOU Yingchao	CHN
Magdeburg	2005	SAMSONOV Vladimir	BLR	MA Long	CHN
Leipzig	2004	BOLL Timo	GER	LIU Guozheng	CHN
Bremen	2003	WANG Liqin	CHN	MA Lin	CHN
Magdeburg	2002	MA Lin	CHN	SAMSONOV Vladimir	BLR
Bayreuth	2001	SAMSONOV Vladimir	BLR	SCHLAGER Werner	AUT
Bremen	1999	LIU Guoliang	CRO	SAMSONOV Vladimir	BLR

### Women's Singles

Venue	Year	Winner		Runner Up	
Bremen	2018	ISHIKAWA Kasumi	JPN	SUH Hyowon	JPN
Magdeburg	2017	CHEN Meng	CHN	ZHU Yuling	CHN
Berlin	2016	WU Yang	GER	ISHIKAWA Kasumi	JPN
Bremen	2015	ITO Mima	JPN	SOLJA Petrissa	GER
Magdeburg	2014	SHAN Xiaona	GER	SEO Hyowon	KOR
Berlin	2013	WEN Jia	CHN	FUKUHARA Ai	GER
Bremen	2012	SHEN Yanfei	ESP	VACENOVSKA Iveta	CZE



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Dortmund	2011	GUO Yan	CHN	LI Xiaoxia	CHN
Berlin	2010	FENG Yalan	CHN	DING Ning	CHN
Bremen	2009	HIRANO Sayaka	JPN	PAVLOVICH Viktoria	BLR
Berlin	2008	LIU Jia	AUT	WU Jiaduo	GER
Bremen	2007	LI Xiaoxia	CHN	CAO Zhen	CHN
Bayreuth	2006	WANG Yuegu	SIN	LI Jiawei	SIN
Magdeburg	2005	CAO Zhen	CHN	FAN Ying	CHN
Leipzig	2004	NIU Jianfeng	CHN	GUO Yan	CHN
Bremen	2003	ZHANG Yining	CHN	WANG Nan	CHN
Magdeburg	2002	BOROS Tamara	CRO	FAN Ying	CHN
Bayreuth	2001	RYU Ji Hae	KOR	SCHOPP Jie	GER
Bremen	1999	WANG Nan	CHN	LI Ju	CHN

## Men's Doubles

Venue	Year	Winning Pair
Bremen	2018	MA Long (CHN) XU Xin (CHN)
Magdeburg	2017	JEOUNG Youngsik (KOR) LEE Sangsu (KOR)
Berlin	2016	MORIZONO Masataka (JPN) OSHIMA Yuya (JPN)
Bremen	2015	BOLL Timo (GER) FRANZISKA Patrick (GER)
Magdeburg	2014	WANG Hao(CHN) LYU Xiang (CHN)
Berlin	2013	BOLL Timo (GER) FRANZISKA Patrick (GER)
Bremen	2012	JIANG Tianyi (HKG) WONG Chun Ting (HKG)
Dortmund	2011	HAO Shuai (CHN) ZHANG Jike (CHN)
Berlin	2010	CHEN Qi (CHN) MA Long (CHN)
Bremen	2009	BOLL Timo (CHN) SUSS Christian (CHN)
Berlin	2008	<i>TEAM EVENT</i>
Bremen	2007	WANG Hao (CHN) WANG Liqin (CHN)
Bayreuth	2006	CHILA Patrick (FRA) SCHLAGER Werner (AUT)
Magdeburg	2005	LEE Jung Woo (KOR) OH Sang Eun (KOR)
Leipzig	2004	BOLL Timo (GER) SUSS Christian (GER)
Bremen	2003	KO Lai Chak (HKG) LI Ching (HKG)
Magdeburg	2002	MA Lin (CHN) KONG Linghui (CHN)

## Women's Doubles

Venue	Year	Winning Pair
Bremen	2018	HAYATA Hina (JPN) ITO Mima (JPN)
Magdeburg	2017	HAYATA Hina (JPN) HIRANO Miu (JPN)
Berlin	2016	JEON Jihee (KOR) YANG Haeun (KOR)
Bremen	2015	SHAN Xiaona (GER) SOLJA Petrissa (GER)
Magdeburg	2014	ITO Mima (JPN) HIRANO Miu (JPN)
Berlin	2013	WEN Jia (CHN) ZHAO Yan (CHN)
Bremen	2012	SOLJA Petrissa (GER) WINTER Sabine (GER)
Dortmund	2011	GUO Yue (CHN) LI Xiaoxia (CHN)
Berlin	2010	FUKUHARA Ai (CHN) ISHIKAWA Kasumi (CHN)
Bremen	2009	LI Xiaodan (CHN) MU Zi (CHN)
Berlin	2008	<i>TEAM EVENT</i>
Bremen	2007	GUO Yue (CHN) LI Xiaoxia (CHN)



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Bayreuth	2006	LI Jiawei (SIN)	SUN Beibei (SIN)
Magdeburg	2005	TIE Yana (HKG)	ZHANG Rui (HKG)
Leipzig	2004	GUO Yue (CHN)	NIU Jianfeng (CHN)
Bremen	2003	ZHANG Yining (CHN)	WANG Nan (CHN)
Magdeburg	2002	NIU Jianfeng (CHN)	LI Jia (CHN)

### Most Successful German Open Players

Ma Long (CHN) has won the title 5 times followed by Timo Boll (GER) with 4 and Dimitrij Ovtcharov (GER) with 3. Ovtcharov last won the title in 2017. No one has won the women singles title twice.

**Men's singles** – Ma Long (CHN) – five

**Women's singles** – none

**Men's doubles** – Timo Boll (GER) – four. Partners all were German – Christian Suss (2), Patrick Franziska (2)

**Women's doubles** – Guo Yue (CHN) - three. Partners all were Chinese – Li Xiaoxia (2), Niu Jianfeng (1)

### Tournament Facts

- The 2019 German Open is the 20<sup>th</sup> edition since 1999.
- Bremen will be hosting the German Open for the 7<sup>th</sup> time.
- The last German Open was held in March 2018 having brought the event earlier in the calendar year.
- Mima Ito (JPN) became the youngest ever female singles champion on the World Tour in 2015, at the age of 14 years and 152 days old.

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