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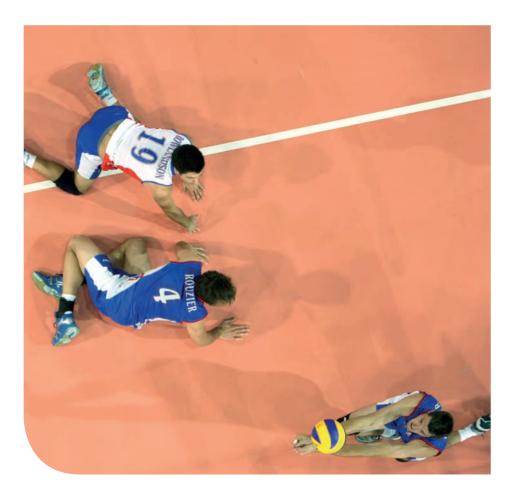
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France launches title defence with heroes of 2015 – Giant Muserskiy returns to the Russian team

With the FIVB Volleyball World League Group 1 teams unveiled, work now begins on building tow ards the premier annual men's volleyball event. Defending champions France have kept faith with the heroes of their 2015 campaign. Led by last year's MVP Earvin Ngapeth, 2015 Best Setter and captain Benjamin Toniutti and the high-scoring Antonin Rouzier, 13 players were also part of last year's squad that defeated Serbia 3-0 (25-19, 25-21, 25-23) in the final. Of the 2015 winners , only Yoann Jaumel is missing from coach Laurent Tillie's squad. France put together a sensational winning run last year and, after winning Group 2, also went on to claim over all victory in the tournament for the first time ever before following up with triumph at the European Championships.

Fresh from qualifying for the Olympic Games, Tillie and his charges are turning their attention to the tournament, with

the 52-year-old claiming that the "FIVB World League will be a very important part of this season." The 21-man squad for this year's tournament also features legendary libero Hubert Henno, who turns 40 this year. However, he is by no means the oldest player among the 12 teams in Group 1.

Sergey Tetyukhin, who is 41 this year, will take a central role for Olympic champions Russia as captain. "He is the only player guaranteed a place in the team," coach Vladimir Alekno revealed.

Alekno's squad features two notable comebacks . Firstly, 2.18-metre giant Dmitriy Muserskiy returns following his surprise absence at the European Olympic Qualification Tournament in January – Russia still won the tournament and secured their ticket to Rio without him. Taras Khtey is also a shock inclusion in the squad of 21. He captained the Russian team to Olympic gold at London 2012, but a spat of injuries has prevented him from appearing for the national team since.

Brazil will once again bank on their array of stars with few surprises in coach Bernardo "Bernardinho" Rezende's side, with the exception of Dante Amaral. The team will also be led by a man who turns 41 this year; legendary libero Serginho. As well as the coach' s son, Bruno "Bruninho" Rezende, the squad also features the lik es of Wallace de Souza, Murilo Endres, Ricardo Lucarelli and Eder Carbonera.

"There is no space for anything but collectiveness," Bernardinho reiterated. "Everyone involved has to understand this. People are important, but the whole group is even more important."

Having taken silver at Athens 2004 and Beijing 2008 Olympics, one of the team's goals in 2015 is – unsurprisingly – to claim Olympic gold on home soil in Rio de Janeiro. However, success in the FIVB World League is also important: Brazil may be the most successful nation in the history of the competition, with nine titles and 18 medals, but they have not stood on the top step of the podium since 2010.

Italy is the second most successful nation in the FIVBWorld League, with eight titles to its name, but the Italians have had 16 year gap since their last triumph. The team is led by stars Ivan Zaytsev and Osmany Juantorena –making his FIVB World League debut for Italy having last featured at the 2005 edition for his native Cuba,winning bronze in the process. The squad also features a newcomer in the form of 17-year-old Riccardo Sbertoli.

USA are also among the favourites following their FIVB Volleyball Men's World Cup success last year, a first title for the side at the tournament in 30 years World Cup MVP Matt Anderson, World Cup Best Setter Micah Christenson, World Cup Best Libero Erik Shoji, Taylor Sander and Olympic gold medallist and captain David Lee are just a few of the big names in the squad.

World champions P oland are led by outstanding hitter Bartosz Kurek, captain Michal Kubiak and Mateusz Mika. The 2016 FIVB World League is particularly important to the team as the world No.2 hosts the Finals and the team is hungry to repeat its 2012 success.

Last year's FIVB World League silver medallists Serbia also include a host of well-known names in their squad, spearheaded by acclaimed hitter Aleksandar Atanasijevic. The FIVB World League will be the highlight of their season – just as it is for Bulgaria, with the latter calling on the services of star hitter Tsvetan Sokolov once again.

Argentina will be led by captain Luciano de Cecco and Facundo Conte, while Australia will hope captain and top hitter Thomas Edgar is on good form. Belgium will make their Group 1 debut behind captain Sam Deroo and Iran will be headed by Saeid Marouf and new coach Raul Lozano, who guided the country to a first Olympi Games in 52 years earlier in the year with triumph at the World Olympic Qualification Tournament.

Group 1 will take place over three tournament weekends from June 16 to July 3, each featuring three pools of four teams. The Finals will take place in Krakow, Poland, from July 13 to 17.

Star player Cepeda to lead Cuba back to the world elite

Group 2 contains many teams with a history of great success in world volleyball. Two of these have already won the FIVB World League: the Netherlands (1996) and Cuba (1998). The team from the Caribbean even finished third i 2012 to claim a ninth medal. Only the elite trio of Br azil, Italy and Russia have more medals in the history of the competition. Now the young Cuban team is making gadual progress back towards the world's elite.

This year, the 21-strong squad for the FIVB World League will be led once again by the experienced Rolando Cepeda Abreu. The opposite spiker was the fourth-highest scorer in Group 2 last year with 192 points – consideably better than France's Earvin Ngapeth (151), who was later voted MVP.

The squad selected to represent the Netherlands , 1996 Olympic champions, includes many new faces alongside the experienced Kay van Dijk and captain J asper Diefenbach. Other nations with a proud volleyball history are Asian giants Japan, Korea and China. The Japanese team, 1972 Olympic champions, will be led by captain Kunihiro Shimizu, young star Yuki Ishikawa and setter Hideomi Fukatsu, with the world No.14 looking strong.

Korea's new coach Namsung Kim plans to return to the top flight with a mixture of experience and youth China, promoted from Group 3 last season, will rely on successful points scorer Yuan Zhi and captain Jiao Shuai. Slovakia has also stepped up a level since last year. New coach Miroslav Palgut is placing his trust in foreign-based players, such as Emanuel Kohut. The experienced veteran was the top points scorer for Slovakia last year.

The man who trained Slovakia last season, Flavio Gulinelli, will be leading Egypt this year . Of course, the new coach will be reliant on Badawy Mohamed Moneim, who was the top points scorer by some distance last season. Turkey is also making an appearance in Group 2, led by captain and setter Ulas Kiyak.

Canada will come into the tournament as one of the favourites following an unbeliev able result at the World

Olympic Qualification Tournament which saw them qualify for their first Olympic Games since Barcelona 1992 In Gavin Schmitt they possess one of the most feared opposites in world volleyball, while captain F rederic Winters can boast plenty of international experience.

However, there are some European teams who do not plan to make it easy for Canada. The cool Finns and their rowdy fans will be led in the tournament by setter and captain Eemi Tervaportti. Last year's top points scorer Urpo Sivula is not taking part, but a number of young players will be given a chance after the team failed to qualify for the Olympics.

The Czech Republic is a nation with a long volleyball history: world champions twice, Olympic runners-up in 1964 and a fourth in the 2003 FIVB World League. Spanish coach Miguel Angel Falasca Fernandes can call on familiar faces like captain Ales Holubec and Michal Finger. The FIVB World League has particular importance for P ortugal this year – the team will host the Finals . Returning coach F rancisco Santos is counting on experienced players such as Hugo Gaspar, Valdir Sequeira and captain Alexandre Ferreira.

The twelve teams in Group 2 are competing in a total of nine tournaments across three weekends from June 17-July 3. The three best teams, plus hosts Portugal, will qualify for the Finals from July 9-10 in Matosinhos. The winner has the opportunity of promotion to Group 1 in 2017.



Favourites Germany turn to old stars and new faces for their return to the FIVB World League

Group 3 promises to be more exciting than ever , with Germany making a spectacular comeback and three fascinating newcomers, in the form of Slovenia, Qatar and Chinese Taipei. Of the twelve teams in action, Finals hosts Germany go into the showdown as favourites . The Germans will put their faith in some of the stars that claimed a surprise bronze medal at the FIVB Men' s World Championship 2014.

The team is led by setter Lukas Kampa, best setter at the FIVB Men's World Championship 2014, and captain Marcus Boehme, who is regarded as one of the finest blockers in the world. Outside hitters Denys Kaliberda and Christian F romm have also proven themselves to be world-class. They are joined by a handful of talented youngsters. No longer part of the team is superstar Georg Grozer, who announced his retirement after missing out on qualification for the Olympic Games in Rio . This season's FIVB World League will form the farewell performance for successful coach Vital Heynen, who will coach his native Belgium in the future.

"The World League is an important first step to ards the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo. I am optimistic that we can achieve promotion into Group 2," said President of the German Volleyball Federation, Thomas Krohne.

Newcomers Slovenia will be k een to make an immediate impression. The team managed by Italian volleyball legend Andrea Giani won last year's European League and also caused quite a stir with silver at the European Championship. The man named Best Outside Spik er at the European Championship, Tine Urnaut, captains the team on its FIVB World League debut. He is joined in the 21-man squad by many players who ply their trade at top international clubs, including Alen Pajenk and Mitja Gasparini.

Another team to keep an eye on will be Montenegro, who reached the Group 3 Finals on their debut last year . The squad includes the high-scoring Marko Bojic and Milos Culafic and is led by captain Vojin Cacic. Former European



champions Spain will be have captain Sergio Noda Blanco at the helm for their 14th appearance in the FIVB World League. Greece, is also hoping for a return to successful times. Captain Mitar Djuric and Georgios Tzioumakas are two of the best-known stars in the squad.

As well as the strong European volleyball nations the FIVB World League will also be graced by two more newcomers Chinese Taipei is led by a hitter with the sonorous name Chen Chien-Chen. The Qatar team is captained by Bairami Ali. However, the squad also includes the lik es of Borislav Georgiev, Milos and Mark o Stevanovic, Bojan Djukic, Ribeiro Renan and Thiago de Oliveir a Guimaraes, who provide international experience for Italian coach Roberto Piazza.

Mexico go into the tournament with new coach Jorge Miguel Azair Lopez and last season's top scorer, Daniel Vargas. Puerto Rico are without the legendary Hector Soto, top scorer at the 2006 FIVB World Championship. The Tunisian squad, captained by Mahdi Ben Chaikh, includes Wassim Ben Tara, who plies his tade in France. Kazakhstan are led by new head coach Rafail Gilyazutdinov. The squad includes the country's top scorer in the 2015 FIVB World League, captain Alexandr Stolnikov.

The twelve teams in Group 2 play a total of six tournaments across two weekends (June 17-19 and June 24-26). The three top teams, plus hosts Germany, qualify for the Finals, which will take place in Frankfurt am Main on July 1-2.

INTERCONTINENTAL ROUND OVERVIEW

A record number of teams will participate in the 2016 edition of the FIVB Volleyball World League with the tournament expanding to include 36 teams for the fi st time. The competition has been shortened to accommodate teams taking part in the Rio 2016 Olympic Games. A total of 144 matches will take place during the Intercontinental Round.

		POOL A1 (Sydney, Australia)	POOL B1 (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)	POOL C1 (Kaliningrad, Russia)		
	WEEK 1	Australia	Argentina	Bulgaria		
	JUNE 16 -19	Belgium	Brazil	Poland		
		France	Iran	Russia		
		Italy	USA	Serbia		
-	WEEK 2 June 23 - 26	POOL D1 (Łódź , Poland)	POOL E1 (Rome, Italy)	POOL F1 (Belgrade, Serbia)		
GROUP		Argentina	Australia	Brazil		
20		France	Belgium	Bulgaria		
9		Poland	USA	Iran		
		Russia	Italy	Serbia		
		POOL G1 (Nancy, France)	POOL H1 (Dallas, USA)	POOL I1 (Tehran, Iran)		
	WEEK 3	Belgium	Australia	Argentina		
	JULY 1 - 3	Brazil	Bulgaria	Iran		
		France	Russia	Italy		
		Poland	USA	Serbia		

	WEEK 1 JUNE 16 -19	POOL A2 (Izmir, Turkey)	POOL B2 (Osaka, Japan)	POOL C2 (Ceske Budejovice, Czech Republic)	
		Netherlands Portugal	Cuba Finland	Canada China	
		Slovakia Turkey	Japan Korea	Czech Republic Egypt	
2	WEEK 2 June 23 - 26	POOL D2 (Bratislava, Slovakia)	POOL E2 (Cairo, Egypt)	POOL F2 (Saskatoon, Canada)	
GROUP		Cuba	Egypt	Canada	
RO		Czech Republic	Finland	China	
G		Netherlands	Japan	Korea	
		Slovakia	Turkey	Portugal	
		POOL G2 (Seoul, Korea)	POOL H2 (Xuancheng, China)	POOL 12 (Tampere, Finland)	
	WEEK 3	Czech Republic	China	Canada	
	JULY 1 - 3	Egypt	Japan	Cuba	
		Korea	Slovakia	Finland	
		Netherlands	Turkey	Portugal	

		POOL A3 (Ljubljana, Slovenia)	POOL B3 (Mexico City, Mexico)	POOL C3 (Kozani, Greece)
	WEEK 1	Qatar	Spain	Greece
	JUNE 16 -19	Slovenia	Germany	Kazakhstan
ო		Tunisia	Mexico	Puerto Rico
Ч		Venezuela	Montenegro	Chinese Taipei
GROUP		POOL D3	P00L E3	P00L F3
G		Thessaloniki, Greece	(Tunis, Tunisia)	(Almaty, Kazakhstan)
6	WEEK 2	Thessaloniki, Greece Greece	(Tunis, Tunisia) Mexico	(Almaty, Kazakhstan) Spain
	WEEK 2 JUNE 23 - 26			
Ð		Greece	Mexico	Spain

COMPETITION FORMULA FOR INTERCONTINENTAL ROUND

GROUP 1
12 teams in nine pools of four
Three weekends of pool play
Same format as the FIVB Volleyball World Grand Prix Preliminary Round in 2016 with three different venues hosting matches over each of the three weeks of play.
Each team plays a total of nine matches
A total of 54 matches played in Group 1 and 54 matches in Group 2 during the Intercontinental Round

GROUP 2
12 teams in nine pools of four
Three weekends of pool play
Same format as the FIVB Volleyball World Grand Prix Preliminary Round in 2016 with three different venues hosting matches over each of the three weeks of play.
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Each team plays a total of nine matches

A total of 54 matches played in Group 1 and 54 matches in Group 2 during the Intercontinental Round

GROUP 3

12 teams in six pools of four

Two weekends of pool play

Same format as the FIVB Volleyball World Grand Prix Preliminary Round in 2016 with three different venues hosting matches over each of the two weeks of play.

Each team plays a total of six matches

A total of 36 matches played in Group 3 during the Intercontinental Round

INTERCONTINENTAL ROUND OVERVIEW

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COMPETITION FORMULA FOR FINALS

GROUP 1

A Final Six will be held for Group 1 from July 13 to 17 in Krakow, Poland. The six participating teams will comprise the organiser and the top five of a combined anking following the conclusion of the Intercontinental Round.

If the organiser is among the top five teams from the Intercontinental Round the next-best r anked team will be selected.

GROUP 2

A Final Four will be held in Matosinhos , Portugal from July 9 to 10 with four participating teams comprising the organiser as well as the top three of a combined r anking following the conclusion of the Intercontinental Round.

If the organiser is among the top five teams from the Intercontinental Round the next-best r anked team will be selected.

GROUP 3

A Final Four will be held in comprising the organiser and the three highest ranked teams after the Intercontinental Round.

Squad sizes

A maximum of 14 players are allowed to play in the matches of the 2016 FIVB World League Intercontinental Round and Finals.

Tie breaking criteria

In order to establish the r anking of teams after the Preliminary Round, the following criteria will apply for the tournament:

1 By the number of victories (matches won, matches lost).

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2 In case of equal numbers of victories:

Number of points gained = If two or more teams have the same number of victories (match won, match lost), they will be classified in descending order by the points gained by each team per match as follows:

MATCH POINT DISTRIBUTION	
Match won 3-0; 3-1	3 points
Match won 3-2	2 points
Match lost 2-3	1 point
Match lost 0-3; 1-3	0 point
Match forfeited	0 point (25-0, 25-0, 25-0)

3 If If teams are still tied after the number of victories and points gained:

• Set quotient = If two or more teams are tied on the number of points gained, they will be classified i descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of the number of all sets won by the number of all sets lost.

• Points quotient = If the tie still persists based on the set quotient, the teams will be classified in descending order by the quotient resulting from the division of all points scored by the total of points lost during all sets.

• If the tie continues to persist based on the point quotient the priority will be given to the team which won the last match between them. When the tie in point quotient is between three or more teams, a new classification of these teams under the terms 1, 2, and 3 and will be made taking into consideration only the matches involving the teams in question.

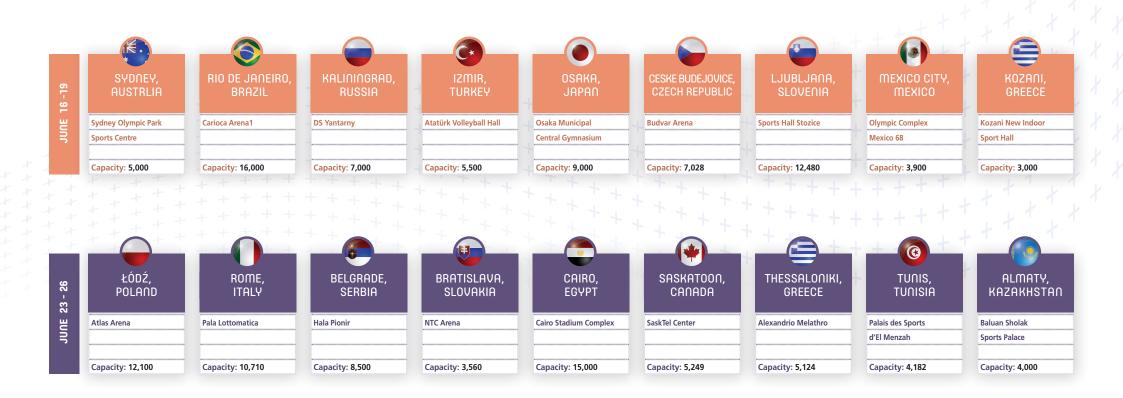


INTERCONTINENTAL ROUND POOLS DISTRIBUTION **FIVE**

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	JUNE 16 -	19		JUNE 23 -	26	
GROUP 1	POOL A1	Australia Belgium France Italy Argentina Brazil Iran USA Bulgaria Poland Russia Contina	GROUP 1	POOL D1 ARG FRA POL RUS POOL E1 AUS BEL USA ITA POOL F1 BRA BUL IRI CDD 	Argentina France Poland Russia Australia Belgium USA Italy Brazil Bulgaria Iran Cachira	
GROUP 2	SRB POOL A2 NED POR SVK SVK CUB FIN FIN JPN KOR POOL C2 CAN CHN CZE EGY	Serbia The Netherlands Portugal Slovakia Turkey Cuba Finland Japan Korea Canada China Czech Republic Egypt	GROUP 2		Serbia Cuba Czech Republic The Netherlands Slovakia Egypt Finland Japan Turkey Canada China Korea Portugal	
GROUP 3	POOL A3 QAT SLO TUN VEN POOL B3 ESP GER	Qatar Qatar Slovenia Tunisia Venezuela Spain Germany Mexico Montenegro Greece Kazakhstan Puerto Rico Chinese Taipei	GROUP 3	POOL D3 ← GRE ← PUR ● QAT ● QAT ● SLO ● POOL E3 ● MREX ● CERR ● KAZ ● TERE	Greece Puerto Rico Qatar Slovenia Mexico Montenegro Tunisia Venezuela Spain Germany Kazakhstan Chinese Taipei	

	JULY 1 - 3	
	POOL G1	
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	ITA 🚺	Italy
	SRB SRB	Serbia
	POOL G2	
	CZE	Czech Republic
	EGY	Egypt
	(KOR	Korea
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	FIN	Finland
	Ø POR	Portugal





INTERCONTINENTAL ROUND MATCH SCHEDULE

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JU	NE 16 - 19							
	POOL, HOST, HALL	Date	Match No.	Local Time	GMT Time	Match		
		Friday, June 17	1	18:10	08:10	FRA	٧	ITA
	P00L A1		2	20:40	10:40	AUS	٧	BEL
	SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA	Saturday, June 18	3	17:40	07:40	BEL	v	ITA
			4	20:10	10:10	AUS	٧	FRA
		Sunday, June 19	5	12:40	02:40	BEL	٧	FRA
			6	15:10	05:10	AUS	٧	ITA
		Thursday, June 16	7	14:10	17:10	BRA	٧	IRI
-			8	17:15	20:15	ARG	v	USA
ЧР	POOL B1	Friday, June 17	9	14:10	17:10	BRA	v	ARG
GROUP	RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL CARIOCA ARENA 1		10	17:15	20:15	USA	v	IRI
9		Saturday, June 18	11	20:30	23:30	IRI	v	ARG
			12	23:10	01:10*	BRA	v	USA
		Friday, June 17	13	16:40	14:40	BUL	v	POL
			14	19:10	17:10	RUS	v	SRB
	POOL C1	Saturday, June 18	15	16:40	14:40	BUL	v	SRB
			16	19:10	17:10	RUS	v	POL
		Sunday, June 19	17	16:40	14:40	SRB	٧	POL
			18	19:10	17:10	RUS	٧	BUL

	P00L A2	Friday, June 17	1	14:30	11:30	NED	٧	SVK
			2	17:30	14:30	TUR	٧	POR
		Saturday, June 18	3	14:30	11:30	POR	٧	NED
			4	17:30	14:30	TUR	٧	SVK
		Sunday, June 19	5	14:30	11:30	POR	٧	SVK
			6	17:30	14:30	TUR	٧	NED
		Friday, June 17	7	16:10	07:10	CUB	v	KOR
~	POOL B2 OSAKA, JAPAN OSAKA MUNICIPAL CENTRAL GYMNASIUM		8	19:15	10:15	JPN	٧	FIN
₽.		Saturday, June 18	9	16:10	07:10	JPN	٧	CUB
GROUP			10	19:15	10:15	FIN	٧	KOR
G		Sunday, June 19	11	16:10	07:10	CUB	٧	FIN
			12	19:15	10:15	JPN	٧	KOR
		Friday, June 17	13	16:00	14:00	CZE	v	EGY
	P00L C2		14	19:00	17:00	CHN	٧	CAN
	CESKE BUDEJOVICE,	Saturday, June 18	15	15:10	13:10	CAN	V	EGY
	CZECH REPUBLIC		16	18:10	16:10	CHN	v	CZE
		Sunday, June 19	17	15:10	13:10	EGY	V	CHN
			18	18:10	16:10	CZE	v	CAN

* GMT time on the following day

	POOL, HOST, HALL	Date	Match No.	Local Time	GMT Time	Match		
	P00L A3	Friday, June 17	1	16:30	14:30	TUN	V	VEN
			2	20:00	18:00	SLO	v	QAT
		Saturday, June 18	3	16:30	14:30	VEN	V	QAT
			4	20:00	18:00	TUN	v	SLO
		Sunday, June 19	5	15:30	13:30	QAT	V	TUN
			6	19:00	17:00	VEN	V	SLO
		Friday, June 17	7	18.00	23:00	MNE	V	GER
က	POOL B3 MEXICO CITY, MEXICO OLYMPIC COMPLEX MEXICO 68		8	20:30	01:30*	MEX	v	ESP
Ч		Saturday, June 18	9	18.00	23:00	GER	V	ESP
GROUP			10	20:30	01:30*	MEX	v	MNE
6		Sunday, June 19	11	16:00	21:00	ESP	V	MNE
			12	18:30	23:30	MEX	V	GER
		Friday, June 17	13	18:00	15:00	TPE	V	PUR
	P00L C3		14	21:00	18:00	KAZ	V	GRE
		Saturday, June 18	15	18:00	15:00	KAZ	v	TPE
	KOZANI, GREECE KOZANI NEW INDOOR SPORTS HALL		16	21:00	18:00	GRE	V	PUR
		Sunday, June 19	17	18:00	15:00	PUR	V	KAZ
			18	21:00	18:00	GRE	٧	TPE

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JUNE 23 - 26								
	POOL, HOST, HALL	Date	Match No.	Local Time	GMT Time	Match		
		Friday, June 24	19	17:10	15:10	RUS	٧	FRA
			20	20:10	18:10	POL	٧	ARG
	P00L D1	Saturday, June 25	21	17:10	15:10	FRA	٧	ARG
	ŁÓDŹ, POLAND ATLAS ARENA		22	20:10	18:10	POL	٧	RUS
		Sunday, June 26	23	17:10	15:10	ARG	٧	RUS
			24	20:10	18:10	POL	٧	FRA
	P00L E1	Friday, June 24	25	17:00	15:00	BEL	٧	USA
-			26	20:00	18:00	AUS	٧	ITA
ПР		Saturday, June 25	27	17:00	15:00	USA	٧	AUS
GROUP	ROME, ITALY PALA LOTTOMATICA		28	20:00	18:00	ITA	٧	BEL
9	FALA LUTTUMATICA	Sunday, June 26	29	15:30	13:30	AUS	٧	BEL
			30	18:30	16:30	USA	٧	ITA
		Thursday, June 23	31	16:00	14:00	IRI	٧	BUL
			32	19:00	17:00	BRA	٧	SRB
	P00L F1	Friday, June 24	33	16:00	14:00	BRA	٧	IRI
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	HALA PIONIK	Saturday, June 25	35	16:00	14:00	BUL	٧	BRA
			36	19:00	17:00	IRI	٧	SRB

		Thursday, June 23	19	17:00	15:00	NED	V	CZE
	POOL D2		20	20:00	18:00	SVK	V	CUB
	BRATISLAVA,	Friday, June 24	21	17:00	15:00	CUB	V	CZE
	SLOVAKIA		22	20:00	18:00	SVK	V	NED
		Saturday, June 25	23	17:00	15:00	CUB	V	NED
			24	20:00	18:00	CZE	٧	SVK
		Friday, June 24	25	21:00	19:00	TUR	V	JPN
N			26	23:00	21:00	EGY	V	FIN
Ч	POOL E2	Saturday, June 25	27	21:00	19:00	TUR	V	FIN
3ROUP	CAIRO, EGYPT CAIRO STADIUM COMPLEX		28	23:00	21:00	EGY	V	JPN
5		Sunday, June 26	29	21:00	19:00	FIN	V	JPN
			30	23:00	21:00	EGY	v	TUR
		Friday, June 24	31	17:35	23:35	CHN	V	POR
			32	20:05	02:05*	CAN	V	KOR
	POOL F2	Saturday, June 25	33	15:35	21:35	KOR	V	POR
	SASKATOON, CANADA SASKTEL CENTRE		34	18:05	00:05*	CAN	v	CHN
	SASKTEE CENTRE	Sunday, June 26	35	15:35	21:35	KOR	V	CHN
			36	18:05	00:05*	CAN	V	POR

* GMT time on the following day

	POOL, HOST, HALL	Date	Match No.	Local Time	GMT Time	Match		
		Friday, June 24	19	18:00	15:00	SLO	V	QAT
	D001 D0		20	21:00	18:00	GRE	V	PUR
	P00L D3	Saturday, June 25	21	18:00	15:00	SLO	V	PUR
	THESSALONIKI, GREECE ALEXANDRIO MELATHRO HALL		22	21:00	18:00	GRE	V	QAT
		Sunday, June 26	23	18:00	15:00	PUR	V	QAT
			24	21:00	18:00	GRE	V	SLO
		Friday, June 24	25	16:00	15:00	MNE	V	VEN
ო	POOL E3 TUNIS, TUNISIA		26	22:00	21:00	TUN	V	MEX
Ч		Saturday, June 25	27	16:00	15:00	MEX	v	VEN
GROUP	PALAIS DES SPORTS		28	22:00	21:00	TUN	V	MNE
9		Sunday, June 26	29	16:00	15:00	MEX	v	MNE
			30	22:00	21:00	TUN	V	VEN
		Friday, June 24	31	12:10	06:10	ESP	٧	TPE
	POOL F3 ALMATY, KAZAKHSTAN BALUAN SHOLAK SPORTS PALACE		32	15:40	09:40	KAZ	v	GER
		Saturday, June 25	33	12:10	06:10	TPE	V	GER
			34	15:40	09:40	KAZ	V	ESP
		Sunday, June 26	35	12:10	06:10	GER	v	ESP
			36	15:40	09:40	KAZ	V	TPE



INTERCONTINENTAL ROUND MATCH SCHEDULE

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JU	LY 1 - 3	1 - 3						
	POOL, HOST, HALL	Date	Match No.	Local Time	GMT Time	Match		
		Friday, July 1	37	15:00	13:00	BRA	v	POL
			38	18:00	16:00	FRA	v	BEL
	P00L G1	Saturday, July 2	39	15:00	13:00	BRA	v	BEL
	NANCY, FRANCE PALAIS DES SPORTS JEAN WEILLE		40	18:00	16:00	FRA	v	POL
		Sunday, July 3	41	15:00	13:00	BEL	v	POL
			42	18:00	16:00	FRA	٧	BRA
		Friday, July 1	43	17:30	22:30	AUS	٧	RUS
-	P00L H1		44	19:30	00:30*	USA	٧	BUL
Ъ	DALLAS, USA	Saturday, July 2	45	17:30	22:30	BUL	v	RUS
GROUP			46	19:30	00:30*	USA	v	AUS
9		Sunday, July 3	47	12:40	17:40	USA	v	RUS
			48	15:00	20:00	BUL	v	AUS
		Friday, July 1	49	18:00	13:30	ITA	v	ARG
			50	21:00	16:30	IRI	v	SRB
	P00L 1	Saturday, July 2	51	18:00	13:30	SRB	v	ARG
	TEHRAN, IRAN AZADI SPORTS COMPLEX		52	21:00	16:30	IRI	v	ITA
		Sunday, July 3	53	18:00	13:30	ITA	v	SRB
			54	21:00	16:30	IRI	V	ARG

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		Friday, July 1	37	16:00	07:00	KOR	V	CZE
			38	18:30	09:30	EGY	V	NED
	P00L G2	Saturday, July 2	39	14:00	05:00	KOR	V	EGY
			40	16:30	07:30	CZE	v	NED
		Sunday, July 3	41	14:00	05:00	KOR	V	NED
			42	16:30	07:30	CZE	v	EGY
		Friday, July 1	43	15:00	07:00	TUR	v	JPN
2			44	17:00	09:00	CHN	V	SVK
Ч	POOL H2	Saturday, July 2	45	15:00	07:00	SVK	V	JPN
GROUP	XUANCHENG, CHINA XUANCHENG SPORTS CENTRE		46	17:00	09:00	CHN	V	TUR
G		Sunday, July 3	47	15:00	07:00	TUR	V	SVK
			48	17:00	09:00	CHN	v	JPN
		Friday, July 1	49	15:40	12:40	CAN	V	CUB
			50	18:40	15:40	FIN	V	POR
	POOL 12	Saturday, July 2	51	15:40	12:40	POR	V	CAN
	TAMPERE, FINLAND TAMPERE ICE ARENA		52	18:40	15:40	FIN	v	CUB
		Sunday, July 3	53	15:10	12:10	CUB	V	POR
			54	18:10	15:10	FIN	v	CAN

* GMT time on the following day



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INTERCONTINENTAL ROUND MATCH RESULTS

FIVB

JUNE 16 - 19

RE	SULTS						
	Match No.	Pool	Match	Score	Sets		
	1		FRA - ITA	-			
	2		AUS - BEL	-			
	3	01	BEL - ITA	-			
	4	A1	AUS - FRA	-			
	5		BEL - FRA	-			
	6		AUS - ITA	-			
	7		BRA - IRI	-			
	8		ARG - USA	-			
UP 1	9	B1	BRA - ARG	-			
GROUP 1	10	ы	USA - IRI	-			
	11		IRI - ARG	-			
	12		BRA - USA	-			
	13	C1	BUL - POL	-			
	14		RUS - SRB	-			
	15		BUL - SRB	-			
	16		RUS - POL	-			
	17		SRB - POL	-			
	18		RUS - BUL	-			
	1		NED - SVK	-			
	2		TUR - POR	-			
	3	A2	POR - NED	-			
	4		TUR - SVK	-			
	5		POR - SVK	-			
	6		TUR - NED	-			
	7		CUB - KOR	-			
01	8		JPN - FIN	-			
GROUP 2	9	B2	JPN - CUB	-			
GRO	10	DL	FIN - KOR	-			
	11		CUB - FIN	-			
	12		JPN - KOR	-			
	13		CZE - EGY	-			
	14		CHN - CAN	-			
	15	C2	CAN - EGY	-			
	16	62	CHN - CZE	-			
	17		EGY - CHN	-			
	18		CZE - CAN	-			

P00L A1		
Rank	Team	Points
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P00L B1		
Rank	Team	Points
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P00L C1		
Rank	Team	Points
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P00L A2		
Rank	Team	Points
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P00L B2		
Rank	Team	Points
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P00L C2		
Rank	Team	Points
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RE	ESULTS							P00L A3
	Match No.	Pool	Match	Score	Sets		 	Rank
	1		TUN - VEN	-				1
	2		SLO - QAT					2
	3		VEN - QAT	-				3
	4	A3	TUN - SLO	-				4
	5		QAT - TUN	-				DOOL DO
	6		VEN - SLO	-				P00L B3
	7		MNE - GER	-				Rank
	8		MEX - ESP	-				1
JP 3	9		GER - ESP	-				2
GROUP	10	B3	MEX - MNE	-				3
Ŭ	11		ESP - MNE	-				4
	12		MEX - GER	-				P00L C3
	13		TPE - PUR	-				·····
	14		KAZ - GRE	-				Rank
	15		KAZ - TPE	-				1
	16	C3	GRE - PUR	-				2
	17		PUR - KAZ	-				3
	18		GRE - TPE	-				4

Rank	Team	Points
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POOL B	3	
	Team	Points
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4		
POOL C		



INTERCONTINENTAL ROUND MATCH RESULTS

FIVB

JUNE 23 - 26

RE	SULTS				
	Match No.	Pool	Match	Score	Sets
	19		RUS - FRA	-	
	20		POL - ARG	-	
	21	D1	FRA - ARG	-	
	22		POL - RUS	-	
	23		ARG - RUS	-	
	24		POL- FRA	-	
	25		BEL - USA	-	
	26		AUS - ITA	-	
UP 1	27	E1	USA - AUS	-	
GROUP 1	28	E1	ITA - BEL	-	
	29		AUS - BEL	-	
	30		USA - ITA	-	
	31	E1	IRI - BUL	-	
	32		BRA - SRB	-	
	33		BRA - IRI	-	
	34	F1	SRB - BUL	-	
	35		BUL - BRA	-	
	36		IRI - SRB	-	
	19		NED - CZE	-	
	20		SVK - CUB	-	
	21	50	CUB - CZE	-	
	22	D2	SVK - NED	-	
	23		CUB - NED	-	
	24		CZE - SVK	-	
	25		TUR - JPN	-	
	26		EGY - FIN	-	
GROUP 2	27	F 0	TUR - FIN	-	
GROI	28	E2	EGY - JPN	-	
0	29		FIN - JPN	-	
	30		EGY - TUR	-	
	31		CHN - POR	-	
	32		CAN - KOR	-	
	33		KOR - POR	-	
	34	F2	CAN - CHN	-	
	35		KOR - CHN	-	
	36		CAN - POR	-	

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RESULTS P									
	Match No.	Pool	Match	Score	Sets				Rank
	19		SLO - QAT						1
	20		GRE - PUR						2
	21		SLO - PUR						3
	22	D3	GRE - QAT						4
	23		PUR - QAT						DOO
	24		GRE - SLO						P00
	25		MNE - VEN						Rank
	26		TUN - MEX						1
JP 3	27		MEX - VEN						2
GROUP 3	28	E3	TUN - MNE						3
0	29		MEX - MNE	-					4
	30		TUN - VEN						
	31		ESP - TPE						P00
	32		KAZ - GER	-					Rank
	33		TPE - GER	-					1
	34	F3	KAZ - ESP						2
	35		GER - ESP						3
	36		KAZ - TPE	-					4

P00L D	3	
Rank	Team	Points
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Rank	Team	Points
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P00L F :	3	
Rank	Team	Points
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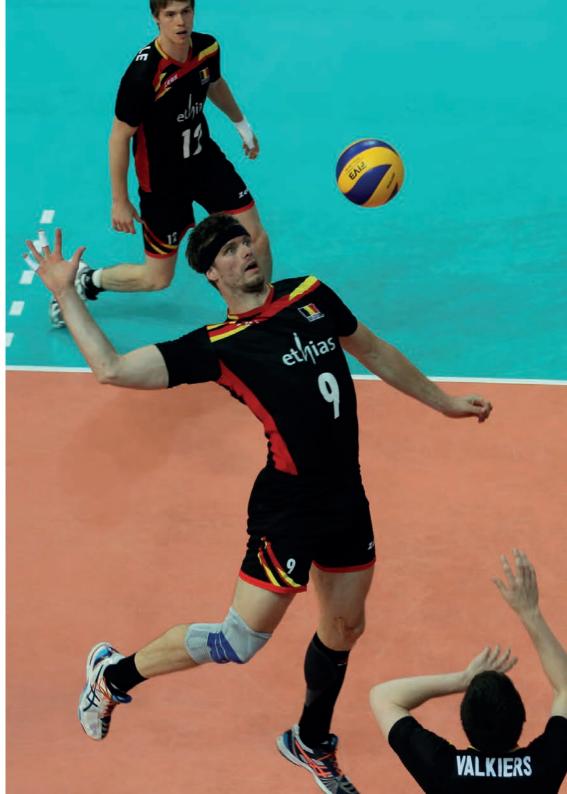
INTERCONTINENTAL ROUND MATCH RESULTS

FIVB

JULY 1 - 3

RE	SULTS					 	
	Match No.	Pool	Match	Score	Sets		
	37		BRA - POL	-			
	38		FRA - BEL	-			
	39	01	BRA - BEL	-			
	40	G1	FRA - POL	-			
	41		BEL - POL	-			
	42		FRA - BRA	-			
	43		AUS - RUS	-			
	44		USA - BUL	-			
L L L	45		BUL - RUS	-			
GROUP	46	H1	USA - AUS	-			
J	47		USA - RUS	-			
	48		BUL - AUS	-			
	49		ITA - ARG	-			
	50		IRI - SRB	-			
	51		SRB - ARG	-			
	52	1	IRI - ITA	-			
	53		ITA - SRB	-			
	54		IRI - ARG	-			
	37		KOR - CZE	-			
	38		EGY - NED	-			
	39		KOR - EGY	-			
	40	G2	CZE - NED	-			
	41		KOR - NED	-			
	42		CZE - EGY	-			
	43		TUR - JPN	-			
	44		CHN - SVK	-			
JP 2	45		SVK - JPN	-			
GROUP 2	46	H2	CHN - TUR	-			
Ċ	47		TUR - SVK	-			
	48		CHN - JPN	-			
	49		CAN - CUB	-			
	50		FIN - POR	-			
	51		POR - CAN	-			
	52	12	FIN - CUB	-			
	53		CUB - POR	-			
	54		FIN - CAN	-			

P00L G1		
Rank	Team	Points
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P00L H1		
Rank	Team	Points
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Rank	Team	Points
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P00L G2		
Rank	Team	Points
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P00L H2		
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P00L 12		
Rank	Team	Points
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The FIVB Volleyball World League 2016 will see three Finals take place – in Poland, Portugal and Germany – to conclude the competition.

GROUP 1 FINALS – JULY 13-17

Host Country: Poland

Poland has a long tradition in volleyball, with the national team having played a significant role in the development of the sport since their first appea ance at the inaugural FIVB Volleyball Men's World Championship in 1949. Their latest triumph came in 2014 when they won the World Championship on home soil for only the second time . The tournament was a landmark moment as 62,000 fans were welcomed to the opening ceremony at the National Stadium in Warsaw before the tournament concluded a few weeks with a remarkable victory over Biazil in the final in Katowice.

Poland have participated in 18 consecutive editions of the World League since 1998. They have been on the podium of the World League twice, with bronze in 2011 and gold in 2012. Poland missed out on a podium spot in 2015, losing out to USA in the bronze medal match. Most recently, Poland took bronze at the FIVB Volleyball Men's World Cup 2015 in Japan.

The country will host the World League Finals for the fourth time, with Katowice having welcomed the tournament in 2001 and 2007, and in Gdansk in 2011.

Host City: Krakow

Krakow is the second largest city in Poland with a thousand years of tradition. It was the former seat of P olish kings and the capital of the country, but it is now an important European metropolis. The passionate volleyball fans of Krakow raise the viewing experience and provide a different kind of energy to the participants in every competition held in its modern sports hall.

Venue: Tauron Arena Krakow

The Tauron Arena Krakow is the largest sports venue of its type in Poland and one of the most modern facilities in Europe. The 14,752 capacity of the competition hall and its state-of-the-art giant screen in the outside section of the stadium, provides a unique setup for more volleyball fans to view the action inside the venue. In 2014, Tauron Arena hosted its first ever event the FIVB Volleyball World League match between Poland and Br azil, which w as followed by the FIVB Volleyball Men's World Championship Poland 2014 Group D matches and the Intercontinental Round clashes between Poland and USA during the 2015 edition of the World League.

GROUP 2 FINALS – JULY 9-10

Host Country: Portugal

Portugal have climbed the world r ankings in recent years and have participated in the FIVB Volleyball World League 11 times since 1999. They competed in their first international competition at the 1948 European Championship, finishing fourth Following their quest to break into international men's volleyball, Portugal finally qualified for the World League in 1999. Their biggest achievement in the World League was a joint-fifth place finish in 2005

In continental competitions, Portugal hosted the European League Final Four in 2007 finishing the tournament with a silver medal. They finally bro e through in 2010 when they took gold at the same tournament in Spain.

Portugal have established their place in the sport and will now host their first-ever Group 2 World League Finals.

Host City: Matosinhos

Matosinhos is located on the northern coast of Portugal and is a commercial and industrial centre in the P orto Metropolitan area. Matosinhos is known as a surfing spot and renowned for its great restaurants. It is also the home base of Leixoes Sport Club, which plays in the Portuguese Volleyball League A1. The city has a strong tradition in beach volleyball – most recently hosting a stage of the CEV Continental Cup in 2014 – but has successfully held World League matches in the past, including during the 2015 edition.

Venue: Centro de Desportos e Congressos

The Centro de Desportos e Congressos in Matosinhos plays a major sporting, social and cultural role within the city. It is a multi-purpose facility that can cater to v arious needs such as sports competition and training, concerts, seminars and conferences. Its size, unique architecture and ease of access and pro ximity to transportation terminals are great attributes. The centre is always the preferred venue whenever the FIVB Volleyball World League takes place in Matosinhos.

GROUP 3 FINALS – JULY 1-3

Host Country: Germany

Germany is located in west centr al Europe and has the second largest population and seventh largest area in the continent. As a unified countr , Germany has made its mark on men's volleyball, most notably when they qualifie for the FIVB Volleyball Men's World Championship for a fourth time in 2014, eventually bagging the bronze medal at one of the most prestigious volleyball tournament in the world. The country has recorded top 10 finishes on eac of their previous attempts, with an eighth place finish i Italy in 2010 and a ninth place finish in both the 1994 an 2006 editions.

Germany has participated 11 times in the FIVB Volleyball World League since 2014. The world No.9 missed the 2015 edition of the World League and are still seeking to improve their fifth place finish in the 2012 editio

Host City: Frankfurt

Frankfurt is a central German city and is a major financial hub. The reconstructed old town of Altstadt is home to the famous Romemberg Plaza, which hosts an annual Christmas market. Since the World League Group 3 Finals will make a stop in the city, German volleyball fans will be treated to world-class action, while the participating teams will be able to appreciate the host city's beautiful backdrop.

Venue: Fraport Arena

The FIVB World League Group 3 Finals will be played at the Fraport Arena, an indoor arena primarily used for basketball and indoor football. The Fraport Arena has been operating since 1988 and is the city's largest indoor sports stadium, offering ample space and seating of 5,000 for all types of sporting and non-sporting events.

FINALS MATCH SCHEDULE

FIVB

FINALS MATCH RESULTS

	POOL, HOST, HALL	Date	Match No.	Local Time	GMT Time	Match		
ຕ	FINAL ROUND	Friday, July 1	37	17:10	15:10	GER	VS	4 th Ranked
GROUP	FILLEROOLD		38	20:10	18:10	2 nd Ranked	VS	3 rd Ranked
02	FRANKFURT, GERMANY	Saturday, July 2	39	14:10	12:10	Loser SF1	VS	loser SF2
9	FRAPORT ARENA		40	17:10	15:10	Winner SF1	VS	winner SF2

Final round for Group 3 will be played in a play-off format, with semifinals and Finals (1st and 2nd place / 3rd and 4th Place

2	FINAL ROUND	Saturday, July 9	55	16:00	15:00	2 nd Ranked	VS	3rd Ranked
Ч	MATOSINHOS. PORTUGAL		56	19:00	18:00	POR (Host)	VS	4 th Ranked
GROUP	CENTRO DE DESPORTOS	Sunday, July 10	57	15:00	14:50	Loser SF1	VS	Loser SF2
6	E CONGRESSOS		58	18:00	17:50	Winner SF1	VS	Winner SF2

Final round for Group 2 will be played in a play-off format, with semifinals and Finals (1st and 2nd place / 3rd and 4th Place

		Wednesday, July 13	55	17:30	15:30	1	VS	5
	FINAL ROUND		56	20:30	18:30	POL	VS	4
	FITHE ROOTE	Thursday, July 14	57	17:30	15:30	2	VS	5
-	KRAKOW, POLAND		58	20:30	18:30	POL	VS	3
P	TAURON ARENA	Friday, July 15	59	17:30	15:30	3	VS	4
GROUP			60	20:30	18:30	1	VS	2
5	SEMI FINALS	*Saturday, July 16	61	17:30	15:30	A-1	VS	B-2
	SEIIII FIIIHLS		*62	20:30	18:30	A-2	VS	B-1
	FINALS	Sunday, July 17	63	17:30	15:30	L-61	VS	L-62
	FIIIHLS		64	20:30	18:30	W-61	VS	W-62

*If POL qualifies for the semifinals they will play match



Group (Host)	Date	Match No.	Local Time	GMT Time	Γ	/latc	h	Score	Sets
3	July 1	37	17:10	15:10	GER	VS	4 th Ranked		
FURT IANY		38	20:10	18:10	2 nd Ranked	VS	3 rd Ranked		
FRANKFURT GERMANY	July 2	39	14:10	12:10	Loser SF1	VS	Loser SF2		
ш		40	17:10	15:10	Winner SF1	VS	Winner SF2		
2	July 9	55	16:00	15:00	2 nd Ranked	VS	3 rd Ranked		
JGAL		56	19:00	18:00	POR (Host)	VS	4 th Ranked		
MATOSINHOS Portugal	July 10	57	15:00	14:50	Loser SF1	VS	Loser SF2		
Щ.		58	18:00	17:50	Winner SF1	VS	Winner SF2		
1	July 13	55	17:30	15:30	1	VS	5		
ККАКОШ РОГАПD		56	20:30	18:30	POL	VS	4		
KRA POL	July 14	57	17:30	15:30	2	VS	5		
		58	20:30	18:30	POL	VS	3		
	July 15	59	17:30	15:30	3	VS	4		
		60	20:30	18:30	1	VS	2		
	July 16	61	17:30	15:30	A-1	VS	B-2		
		*62	20:30	18:30	A-2	VS	B-1		
	July 17	63	17:30	15:30	L-61	VS	L-62		
		64	20:30	18:30	W-61	VS	W-62		

*If POL qualifies for the semifinals they will play match





