



ROBOT BADMINTON ASIA MIXED TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017



14th – 19th February 2017

PROSPECTUS

SUMMARY OF THE EVENT

EVENTS/ DESCRIPTION	Robot Badminton Asia Mixed Team Championships 2017
Frequency	Alternate Odd Year (e.g. 2017, 2019, 2021 and etc...).
Event Type	Mixed Team: Comprising of MS, WS, MD, WD, XD
Eligibility	a) For All Badminton Asia Member Associations
Format of Play	a) Group Stage: Round Robin within groups (Qualifying Stage) b) Top 2 teams from each group will play knock out in Quarter Finals, Semi-final and final (Final Stage)
Tournament Days	6 Days
Date for Event	February (alternate Odd year) For 2017, to be played in Week 7, 14th to 19th February 2017

1.0 ORGANISER

Badminton Asia

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2.0 HOST ORGANISER

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3.0 LOCAL HOST ORGANISER

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4.0 VENUE

Nguyen Du Cultural Sport Club

116 Nguyen Du Street, District 1. Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

5.0 PRACTICE VENUE

District 1 Sports Centre

1 Huyen Tran Cong Chua, District 1, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

6.0 WINNERS

The winning team for each category shall be entitled to call itself the **Badminton Asia Mixed Team Champion**.

7.0 TROPHY & MEDALS

A Challenge Trophy will be awarded to the Champion Team.

Medals will be awarded to all winners, runners-up and 2 losing Semi-Finalist.

8.0 SCHEDULE (Tentative)

Date	Start Time	Round
14 th February (Tuesday)	09:00 Hrs	Group Stage
15 th February (Wednesday)	09:00 Hrs	Group Stage
16 th February (Thursday)	09:00 Hrs	Group Stage
17 th February (Friday)	09:00 Hrs	Quarter Finals/Group Stage
18 th February (Saturday)	13:00 Hrs	Semi Finals
19 th February (Sunday)	13:00 Hrs	Finals

8.1 Alternation due to TV coverage and/ or any other reasons are possible and will be announced by the Referee. The above schedule may be changed at the discretion of the Referee.

- 8.2 All events/ ties will be strict on timetable system. Player(s) or pair(s) who are not ready to play at their scheduled time or arriving late for a match will be considered as no-show.

9.0 ELIGIBILITY

- 9.1 All member associations of Badminton Asia shall be entitled to take part.

10.0 EVENTS DAYS

Total duration of the event shall be Six (6) Days.

11.0 NUMBER OF COURTS

A minimum of three (3) courts to be used

12.0 RESPONSIBILITIES & FINANCE

- 12.1 Every Member Association taking part in the Badminton Asia Mixed Team Championships shall be responsible for all expenses incurred by its players and officials including travel, hotel accommodation and other expenses.
- 12.2 If a Member Association withdraws a team from the Championships, after the entry dateline (By Country Name), for any reason whatsoever, such a Member Association shall automatically be penalised by an administrative fine of US\$ 1,000.00 per team.
- 12.3 If a team of a Member Association arrives late or departs early, for any reason whatsoever and affecting the team's ability to play or complete their scheduled matches or ties, such Member Association shall be penalised by an administrative fine of US\$ 1,500.00 per team.
- 12.4 If a medal winning team of the Member Association is not present at the medal ceremony, for any reason whatsoever, the Member Association shall be penalised by and administrative fine of US\$ 1,500.00 per team.

13.0 NOTICE & FILING OF ENTRIES (ONLINE ENTRY)

- 13.1 Entries can be submitted ONLY by Member Associations and not later than the closing date and to the specified online address link quoted below (item: 13.3.2).
- 13.2 Badminton Asia Executive Committee (EXCO) shall have the power to reject the entry of any Member Association:

13.2.1 which contains a condition unresolved at the time of the entries closed;
or

13.2.2 Whose entry is considered against the interest of the Championships or the game.

13.3 The closing date for entries submission will be

13.3.1 Submission for Entry (By Country Name) : **Tuesday, 10th January 2017**

13.3.2 Submission for Entry (By Players Name): **Tuesday, 24th January 2017.**

All members associations must log on to:

<http://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=50706AE1-774D-4E28-8E91-3150EB93200F>

and submit BOTH entries (By Country Name & By Players Name).

13.3.3 All entries must be in order of respective National Rankings.

14.0 TIMELINE

Week	Day/Date	Days from Start of Tournament	Action
Week 0	On the completion of Group Play of the Competitions		Conducting the Draw for Knock Out Stage, as soon as the Team Strength for Knock Out Stage is determined
Week 2	2nd February 2017 (Thursday)	12	World Ranking Date for deciding the ranking order of the Singles & Doubles players
Week 2	2nd February 2017 (Thursday)	12	Draw (To be held in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam)
Week 3	24th January 2017 (Tuesday)	21	Submission for Entries by Players Name (Online Entries)
Week 4	19th January 2017 (Thursday)	26	World Ranking Date for the purpose of deciding the Seeding of the Group and Knock Out Stage (Team Strength)

Week 7	10th January 2017 (Tuesday)	35	Submission for Entry by Country Name (Online Entries)
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15.0 REFEREE

Referee	: Mr. Anthony Linggian (MAS)
Email	: aclinggian@gmail.com
Deputy Referee	: Mr. Gyaneshwor Singh (IND)
Email	: h_gyaneswor@yahoo.com
Local Deputy Referee	: Ms. Hoang Thi Thu Ha
Email	: hoangha1606@gmail.com

16.0 TEAM MANAGER'S MEETING & UMPIRES'S BRIEFING

16.1 As per BWF Regulations, the Team/member association must be represented in the Managers' Meeting.

16.2 Member Associations must appoint ONE (1) team manager to facilitate communication.

It's compulsory that all team managers must attend the team managers meeting. Failing to attend the meeting are liable to be fined as per regulation Part III Section 1 B, Appendix 11 "Offences and Penalties". Members Associations can make a request someone to represent them at the meeting as long as the Referee knows in advance that is acceptable.

16.3 Meeting and Briefing

Event	Date	Time	Venue
Team Managers' Meeting	13 th February 2017 (Monday)	16:00 Hrs	Harmony Saigon Hotel
Umpires' Briefing		17:00 Hrs	Harmony Saigon Hotel

17.0 OFFICIAL SHUTTLECOCK

The official shuttlecock for this event is TBC

18.0 EVENTS

18.1 The Badminton Asia Mixed Team Championships Event shall comprise of : -

One Men's Singles
One Women's Singles
One Men's Doubles
One Women's Doubles
One Mixed Doubles

19.0 FORMAT OF PLAY

19.1 The Badminton Asia Mixed Team Championships shall be played in two stages: a Group Stage on Round Robin basis and, then the top 2 teams from the each group to qualify for the Final Stage to play on a Knock-out basis.

The top 2 teams from each group will advance to the Knock-out stage, where a draw will be made after the completion of the last match of the Group Stage. The condition of the draw is where the teams from the same group shall not be drawn to meet in the first round in the Knock-out stage.

19.2 Example of Group Stage:

Ranking Order	Countries	Seed
1	Country A	1
2	Country B	2
3	Country C	3
4	Country D	4
5	Country E	
6	Country F	
7	Country G	
8	Country H	
9	Country I	
10	Country J	
11	Country K	
12	Country L	
13	Country M	
14	Country N	
15	Country O	
16	Country P	

Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D
1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4

19.3 Group Stage Draw's Methodology

1. Team of 16 will be Drawn into 4 Groups (Group A, Group B, Group C and D)
2. Draws shall be conducted following by Badminton Asia.
3. Top 2 ranked teams shall be dealt with as follows:

- I. No. 1 placed at the top of Group A

1	Country A
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- II. No. 2 placed at the top of Group D

2	Country B
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4. The other ranked teams shall be dealt with as follows:

- I. No. 3 and No. 4 drawn by lot at the top of Group B and C

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- II. No. 5 to 8 drawn by lot at the second position of the groups

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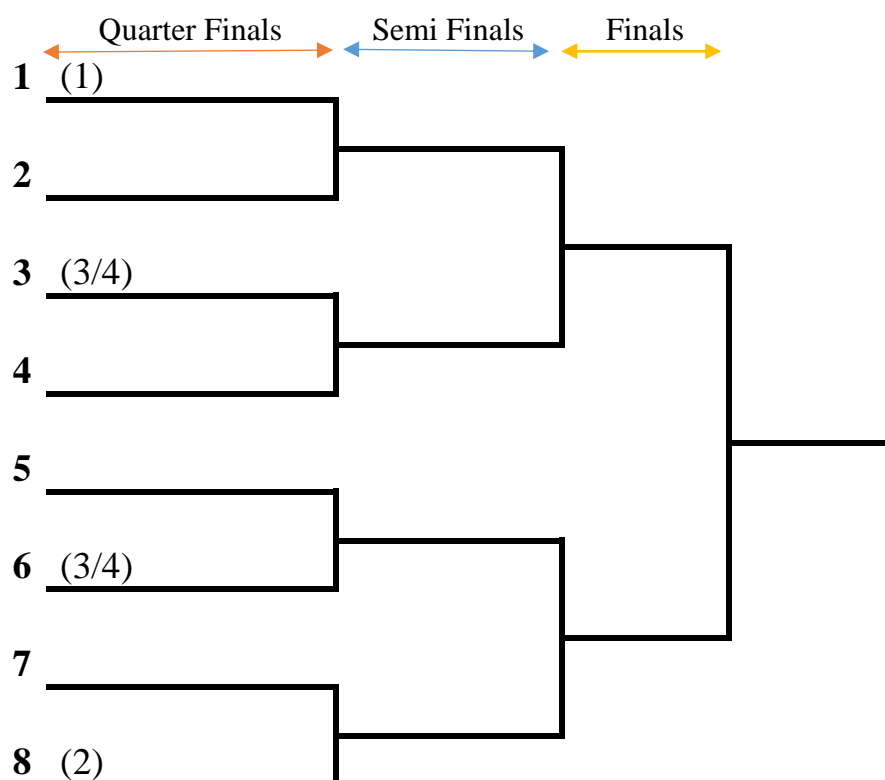
- III. No. 9 to 12 drawn by lot at the third position of the groups

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IV. No. 13 to 16 drawn by lot at the fourth position of the groups.

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19.4 Example of Knock-out Stage:



19.5 Knock-out Stage Draw's Methodology

The Teams will be dealt with as follows:

- I.** Seed 1 and 2 will be place in Position 1 and 8
- II.** Seed 3 and 4 will be drawn into Position 3 and 6
- III.** The remaining teams will be drawn into Position 2, 4, 5, 7 accordingly.
- IV.** Teams from the same group will not be drawn to play in the First Round (Quarter Finals) in the Knock-out draw.

Important Note:

Badminton Asia reserves the right to determine the number of group(s) and the size of each group for the Group Stage to be decided based on the number of participating teams.

Badminton Asia reserves the right to determine the size of the draw for the Knock-Out Stage accordingly based on the number participating teams.

20.0 WORLD RANKING & SEEDING

- 20.1 Seeding will be done based on BWF World rankings. The date of the world ranking to be used will be in accordance to the dates stipulated in the **Item: 14.0 - TIMELINE** above. Seeding will be done by Badminton Asia.
- 20.2 The seeding calculation is based on the total World Ranking points accumulated from the top three singles players and top two doubles players of each country for each category. The team with the most number of points will be the top seed; the team with second number of points will be second seed etc.

21.0 NOMINATION OF TEAMS

- 21.1 Each competing Member Association shall at least **no less than 21 days (24th January 2016)** before the date fixed for the commencement of the play in the Championships, nominate to Badminton Asia the players which team will be selected.
- 21.2 Nomination of Teams
- No player shall play in more than two matches in each Tie.
 - Each Team must nominate a minimum of **2 men and 2 women** for the Mixed Team Championships.
 - Each Team must nominate a maximum of **8 men and 8 women** for the Mixed Team Championships. The medals will be given to a maximum of this number.
 - Each Team must nominate a minimum of 4 players for each Tie (2 Men and 2 Women).
- 21.3 Ranking order
- 21.3.1 All players nominated shall be listed in order consistent with the World Rankings in singles. Players with no World Ranking shall be placed in the ranking order according to current singles strength.
- 21.3.2 All pairs nominated shall be listed in order consistent with the World Rankings in doubles. Pairs with no World Ranking shall be placed in the ranking order according to the doubles strength.

21.3.3 Sample of Seeding Chart

Ranking Order	Country	Ranking/point					Total Point	SEED
		Men's Singles	Women's Singles	Men's Doubles	Women's Doubles	Mixed Doubles		
1	A	3	5	7	1	7	349,525.00	1
		74,767.00	72,238.00	70,610.00	74,640.00	57,270.00		
2	C	8	10	13	3	10	297,048.00	2
		68,354.00	56,925.00	48,440.00	72,579.00	50,750.00		
3	B	6	14	28	5	6	275,144.00	3
		71,738.00	47,406.00	34,830.00	62,110.00	59,060.00		
4	D	4	17	22	21	22	241,997.00	4
		73,807.00	45,715.00	40,990.00	40,900.00	40,585.00		

22.0 CONSTITUTION OF TIES AND TEAMS

- 22.1 Each tie shall be decided by the results of each event matches consisting of Men's Singles, Women's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, and Mixed Doubles.
- 22.2 In the group stage all five matches of each tie shall be played.
- 22.3 In the Knock-out stage each tie ~~will~~ shall be stopped when the tie is decided.
- 22.4 In Singles, each team shall play its two players according to the nominated order of strength.
- 22.5 In Doubles, each team shall play its three pairs according to the nominated order of strength.
- 22.6 No player shall play more than one Singles and two Doubles matches.

23.0 ORDER OF PLAY

- 23.1 There are seven permissible orders of play:
- 23.1.1 Men's Doubles – Women's Singles – Men's Singles – Women's Doubles – Mixed Doubles
- 23.1.2 Men's Singles – Women's Singles – Men's Doubles – Women's Doubles – Mixed Doubles
- 23.1.3 Mixed Doubles – Men's Singles – Men's Doubles – Women's Singles – Women's Doubles

23.1.4 Mixed Doubles – Men’s Singles – Women’s Singles – Men’s Doubles – Women’s Doubles

23.1.5 Mixed Doubles – Women’s Singles – Men’s Singles – Women’s Doubles – Men’s Doubles

23.1.6 Women’s Singles – Men’s Singles – Women’s Doubles – Men’s Doubles – Mixed Doubles

23.1.7 Men’s Doubles – Women’s Doubles – Men’s Singles – Women’s Singles – Mixed Doubles

23.2 Determining the Order of Play

23.2.1 Order of play 23.1.1 to 23.1.7 will be considered in turn and the first order of play will be used which has no player playing in two consecutive matches or playing doubles before singles.

23.2.2 If all seven order of play, 23.1.1 to 23.1.7 result in a player playing in two consecutive matches or playing doubles before singles, order of play 23.1.5 will be used.

23.3 Any player participating in two matches is entitled to a minimum interval of 30 minutes between the matches.

24.0 CLOTHING REGULATIONS

24.1 We would like to highlight the regulations as below:

24.1.1 Team Competition

All participating teams must wear team colours. That is, each player must wear the same colour and design of shirts and shorts (or equivalent articles of clothing) throughout a tie.

It is Mandatory that the opposing players in each match wear significantly different colours from each other from first day.

24.1.2 Player Names & Country Name

Player’s Name and Country Name at the back of the shirt is mandatory from the first day.

24.2 Other regulations shall follow BWF’s General Clothing Regulation.

25.0 TEAM ARRIVAL

All participating Teams must arrive at least 24 hours before the start of the first Tie for the Championships.

26.0 DOPING TEST

Random dope testing will be conducted throughout the duration of the tournament.

27.0 PLAYER'S OBLIGATIONS AT THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

27.1 Media Obligations

- 27.1.1 The players will be required to fulfil the media obligations as per BWF norms.
- 27.1.2 Player(s) must attend any media press conference and/ or interview before and/ or after matches and/ or whenever they are required to do so.
- 27.1.3 Failure to fulfill Media obligations under (Part III SECTION 1A Player's Code of Conduct Clause 4.8) will be subjected to BWF Penalty.

27.2 Functions

- 27.2.1 Players will be required to attend any activities and/ or functions whenever they are requested by the host organizer or Badminton Asia, so long as the player(s) is not scheduled to play in any matches at the same period of time.
- 27.2.2 All participating Teams must arrive at least 24 hours before the start of the first Scheduled match.

28.0 PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Kindly complete the **Practice Request Form** for preferred practice dates and send it to Mrs HUYNH Ngoc Lien by email huynhlienmc@vnn.vn or ngoclienhuynh52@gmail.com no later than **Tuesday, 31st January 2017.**

The Organiser will prepare an overall equitable practice schedule, taking into consideration of the size and arrival details of each team from **Sunday, 12th February to Saturday, 18th February 2017.** The Organising Committee will publish the overall schedule after obtaining the approval from the referee.

29.0 ON COURT DOCTOR

There will be at least one on-court doctor on duty during the event at the tournament venue.

30.0 OFFICIAL HOTEL

For Reservation, kindly fill up the **Accommodation Form** attached and email to Mrs HUYNH Ngoc Lien by email huynhlienhcmc@vnn.vn or ngoclienhuynh52@gmail.com no later than **Friday, 20th January 2017**.

Hotel	Room rate		Address
	Single	Twin	
1. Harmony Saigon Hotel 4 stars	US\$90	US\$90	32A-34 Bui Thi Xuan Street, Ben Thanh Ward, District 1.
2. Oscar Saigon Hotel - 4 stars	US\$80	US\$80	68A, Nguyen Hue Boulevard, District 1

Important Note:

The hotel bookings will be on first come first serve basis. The Local Host Organiser reserves the right to allocate teams into another hotel, if the hotel of preference is already full.

All room bookings must be guaranteed by credit card.

31.0 ACCREDITATION

Players and Team Officials are required to wear passes to enter the tournament venue. Kindly fill up the Official **Accreditation Form** attached with passport size photo of all players and team officials and email to Mr. NGUYEN Quang Kieu Khuyen by email kieukhuyen@gmail.com no later than **Friday, 20th January 2017**.

Each Team/Country will be given a maximum of **five (5)** accreditation for the officials. Extra request are required to pay **USD 30/ each**.

32.0 VISA

All players and officials who require a visa to enter Vietnam, please complete the **Visa form** by National Association and return to Mr. NGUYEN Quang Kieu Khuyen by email kieukhuyen@gmail.com no later than **Friday, 20th January 2017**. An invitation letter will be issued for visa application.

Players from Malaysia, Indonesia, Laos, Singapore, Cambodia Thailand Kyrgystan, Kazakhstan do not need visa to stay in Vietnam for up to 30 days. For players from the Philippines, the limit is up to 21 days. For players South Korea, Japan – free visa up to 15 days and players from Brunei, Myanmar – free visa for 14 days. We would like to advise you to check with your local Vietnam Embassy/ Foreign Mission to ensure any visa requirements.

33.0 TRANSPORTATION

- 33.1 All teams should arrive at **Tan Son Nhat International Airport (SGN), Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.**
- 33.2 Airport Transportation will be provided for arrival and departure between the **Tan Son Nhat International Airport (SGN)** and the official hotel(s). No airport pick up for the team should the team not book the official hotel(s) with the local host organiser.
- 33.3 All teams should complete and submit the **Transportation Form** to Mrs HUYNH Ngoc Lien by email huynhlienhcmc@vnn.vn or ngoclienhuynh52@gmail.com by **Tuesday, 31st January.**
- 33.4 No transportation will be provided if the form is submitted after the dateline.

34.0 INDEMNITY AND INSURANCE

- 34.1 By sending the entry for this event clearly signify acceptance of participating member associations and its delegated players/ officials to indemnity and not hold the Organising Committee accountable for and/ or to have any recourse against any cost, claims or damages for personal illness, injury, death, financial loss, death or property damage, in any form at any location arising out of or in any way resulting from the participation ~~in~~, postponement or cancellation of the event.
- 34.2 The Organiser will NOT be responsible for any illness, injury sustained, at any time, by any player or official arising from his/ her participation in the event/ Championships. Any costs incurred for diagnosis, consultancy, and medical treatment (including any form of surgical procedure) and/ or hospitalisation shall be borne by the member association of the player/ official concerned.
- 34.3 Please kindly ensure that your player/ officials/ team possess the requisite insurance coverage to meet current requirement.