



***INTERNATIONAL TENNIS TABLE FEDERATION  
PARA TABLE TENNIS DIVISION***

***TECHNICAL DELEGATE REPORT***

**RITTO Junior and Romanian**

**Name of Tournament:**

**International Para TT Championships**

**Ranking Factor Applied for:**

**20**

**Name of Responsible Federation:**

**Lamont Sports Club and Little People  
Association**

**Name of Tournament Organizers:**

**Sally Wood Lamont, Aileen  
Wood, Anca Chereches.**

**Dates of Play:**

**March 21 – 22, 2017 Junior  
March 23 – 25, 2017**

**Name of Technical Delegate:**

**Dave COCHRANE ENG**

**Report submitted to ITTF PTTD:**

**27<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**Airport:** Avram Iancu International Airport Cluj – around 20 min distance from the hotels by mini bus

**Railway station:** Cluj Napoca train station around 20 min distance from the hotels by mini bus

**Accreditation:** No accreditation, only check in at the hotels.

**Accommodation:** The accommodation was organized in 3 good hotels, Hotel Premier, Hotel Hampton Hilton, and Hotel Golden Tulip Ana Dome

### **Hotel Premier**



### **Hotel Hampton Hilton**



### **Hotel Golden Tulip Ana Dome**



**Distance between Hotels and Venue:** All hotels 10 minutes by car.

**Transportation:** Shuttle buses start 7:30am from hotels and then every hour on the half hour. Every hour on the hour from sports venue to hotels. This was displayed at each hotel and in venue. TD and Referee given separate transport.



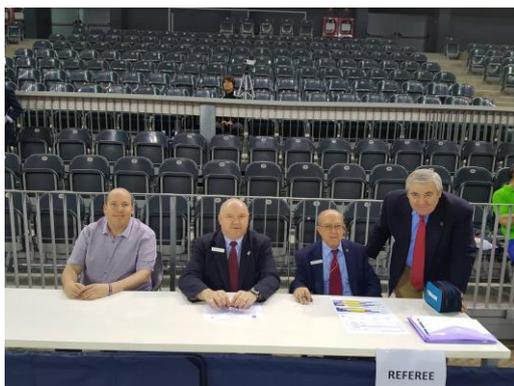
**Meals:** All breakfasts and evening meals were served at the hotels, all athletes and officials had lunch at venue restaurant – Food was good but sometimes struggled with speed of service when busy.



**Venue:** Sala Polivalenta, Cluj-Napoca Romania

The Polyvalent Hall, finished in 2015, is a multi-purpose indoor arena used for numerous international sports events in Cluj-Napoca, with space to seat 10,000 people. It is considered as the best arena in Romania.





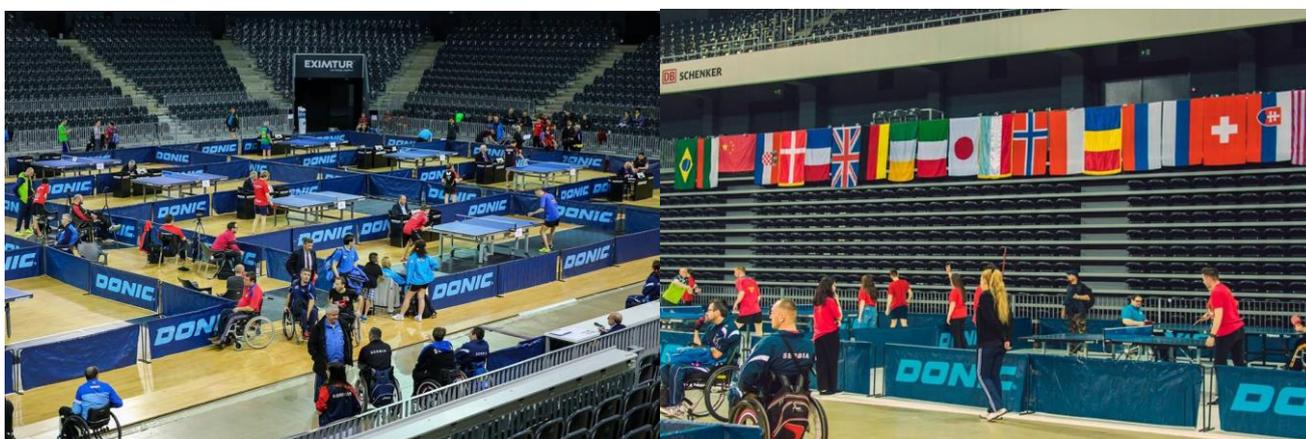
**Referee and TD Table:**

Close to the playing area in the center of playing hall.

**Floor:** Wood sprung sports flooring.

**Lighting:** Approx. 700 Lux over tables.

**Practice Tables:** 6 x Joola Practice Tables on other side of playing hall.



**Equipment (All ITTF approved) :**

- Tables: 14 tables Donic blue all wheelchair accessible, (8 for standing, 6 for wheelchairs)
- Nets: Donic
- Balls: Donic 3\* White (Plastic)
- Scoreboards: Donic
- Umpire tables: Donic
- Towel boxes: Donic
- Surrounds: Donic



**Volunteers :** A good number of volunteers from local schools and The Little People Association were used throughout the event - They were very efficient and helpful from start to finish.



**Changing rooms:** 3 for men and 1 for women – 4 wheelchair accessible toilets in total.

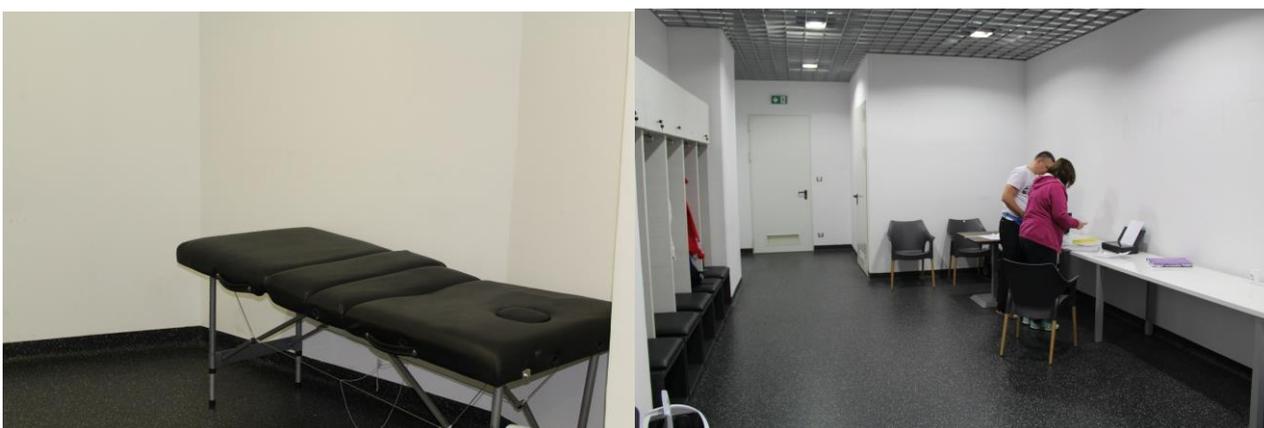


**Water :** Many water machines were available throughout the venue.

**Call Area:** Arranged in large corridor next to playing hall - WC and standing tables separate.



**Classification:** The classification room was between the practice area and call area. 19 athletes were classified during the tournament. The classifiers worked well during the tournament.



**Other services:**

- Computer center, print service and staff were situated in own office shared with Referee & TD.
- Wi-Fi Internet available to everyone at hotels and venue.
- Pigeon holes using folders to give team leaders information.

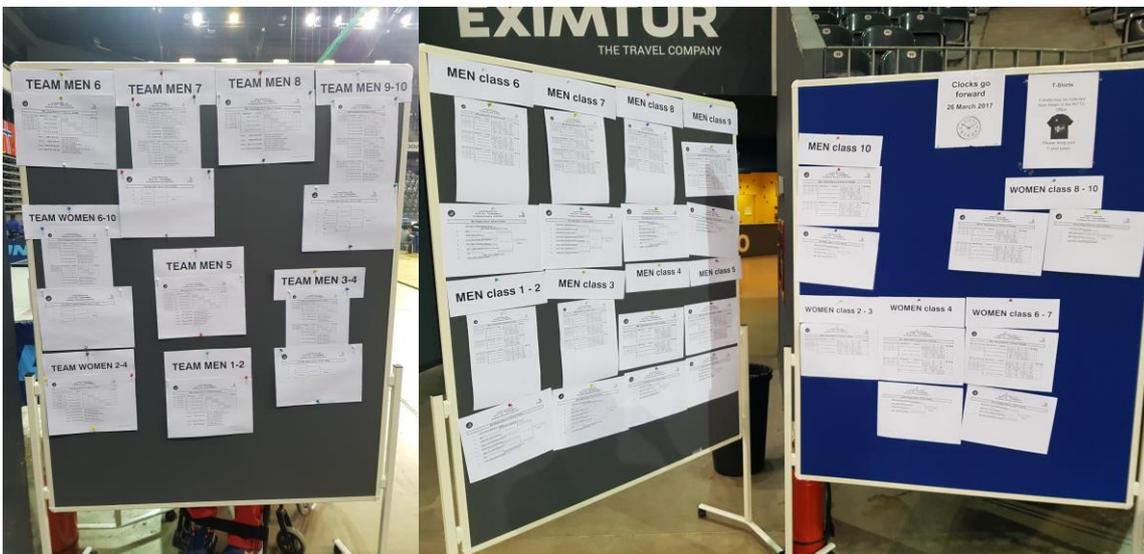
**Results Service:** Elisabeta & Ileana inputting results in office assisted by a volunteer.



**Medical service:** Available everyday throughout the tournament. Ambulance present.



**Information Boards:** Updated regularly throughout the tournament.



**Opening Ceremony:** The opening ceremony was held at 12pm on 23<sup>rd</sup> March. The tournament was very privileged to be joined by His Royal Highness Prince Radu of Romania and the Mayor of Cluj Dr Emil Boc. The Mayor showed off his table tennis skills with one of the athletes.



**Medal Ceremony:** At the end of the Junior Singles event the medals were presented – For the main RITTO event the medals for singles and team events were presented after the completion of team event.



**10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Farewell Party:** A Farewell party was held in the evening of the last day at the venue restaurant with a meal and celebration cake.



#### **Tournament Schedule:**

<b>19<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Junior Arrivals for classification
<b>20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Junior Classification and other Junior arrivals all day. Draw for Junior Tournament. Technical Meeting 19:30.
<b>21<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Junior singles event until completion.
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	Junior Team (Friendly matches) event completion and medal presentation. Arrivals for Senior event and practice day. Draw for Singles Event. Technical meeting 20:00.
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	Departures for Junior players only. Senior Singles Events and Draw for Team Event.
<b>24<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Completion of singles events. Start of Team events.
<b>25<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Completion of Team events and Medal presentation ceremony. Farewell Party.
<b>26<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Departures.

### Meetings:

There was a Technical Meeting in the venue at 19:30 on 20<sup>th</sup> March for the RITTO Junior Tournament where the draw for the first competition day and all necessary information were given to the team leaders. Another technical meeting at the venue was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> March for the Open RITTO Tournament where the draw for the Single events, the team composition form and all the useful information were given too. The umpires' briefing for the RITTO Junior tournament was held in the venue on 21<sup>st</sup> June at 08:30 before the start of the competition and for the Open RITTO tournament in the venue on 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 08:30.

### Participants RITTO Junior Tournament

Athletes from 10 associations were present.

(CHN, GBR, GER, JPN, LUX, NOR, ROU, RUS, SRB, SVK)

**Male ♂ :**                    **28**

**Female ♀ :**                    **9**

**Staff:**                        **21**

**Total:**                        **58**

### Participants Open RITTO Tournament

Athletes from 20 associations were present.

(BRA, BUL, CHN, CRO, DEN, FRA, GBR, GER, IRL, ITA, JPN, LUX, NOR,

POL, ROU, RUS, SRB, SUI, SVK, USA)

**Male ♂ :**                    **85**

**Female ♀ :**                    **24**

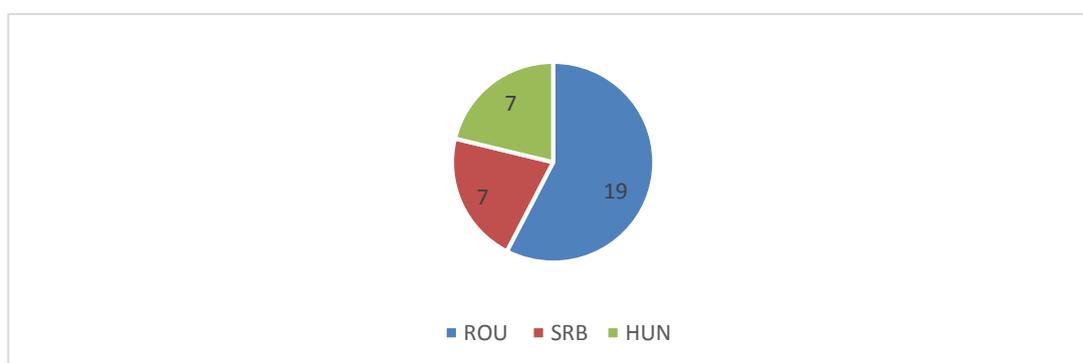
**Staff:**                        **26**

**Total:**                        **135**

## **Officials:**

<b>Technical Delegate:</b>	Dave COCHRANE (ENG)
<b>Referee:</b>	Jacky SIMON (FRA)
<b>Deputy Referee:</b>	Joseph "Pepe" MURCIA (ESP)
<b>Assistant Referee:</b>	Mr COLCERIU (ROU) (Call Area)
<b>Classifiers:</b>	Dr. Maja PUHOVSKI (CRO) Mr Zeljko COP (CRO)

**Umpires:** 33 International and National umpires from 3 countries



**Umpires:** Plenty of umpires who worked well, various experience in the team.

**Competition:** Both events ran very well to schedule with a comfortable temperature and in a friendly atmosphere. There was an excellent cooperation among organizers, officials, team leaders and athletes.

**Results:** During the tournament results were regularly published on the information boards, also updated at least 3 times a day on the IPTTC website and in various Para TT Facebook groups by the Technical Delegate.

**Photo service:** A professional photographer Dizzy FILIPESKU was present during most tournament taking photos of the athletes and these were sent to Ian Marshall.

## **Links to photos:**

[https://www.facebook.com/pg/ComitetulNationalParalimpicRomania/photos/?tab=album&album\\_id=1616585891689378](https://www.facebook.com/pg/ComitetulNationalParalimpicRomania/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1616585891689378)

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### **Articles to ITTF Website:**

All the articles published by Ian Marshall on the ITTF website:

<http://www.ittf.com/2017/03/21/star-name-nine-months-ago-ioana-monica-tepelea-heads-list-cluj-napoca/>

<http://www.ittf.com/2017/03/21/slovak-republic-provides-surprise-winner-opening-day-cluj-napoca/>

<http://www.ittf.com/2017/03/23/dignified-start-celebrated-names-commence-style/>

<http://www.ittf.com/2017/03/23/first-titles-decided-success-michele-brunelli/>

<http://www.ittf.com/2017/03/25/paralympic-games-gold-medallists-assert-authority-surprise-winners-emerge/>

<http://www.ittf.com/2017/03/25/curtain-closes-cluj-napoca-unexpected-winners-emerge/>

<http://www.ittf.com/2017/03/25/gold-rio-silver-medallists-ioana-monica-tepelea-collects-third-title/>

### **Organizing Committee:**

<b>Tournament Director:</b>	Sally Wood-Lamont
<b>Finance and IT:</b>	Aileen Wood
<b>Results Service:</b>	Elisabeta Serbanescu & Ileana Aciu
<b>Volunteer Coordinator:</b>	Shajjad Rizvi / George Apostu
<b>Equipment:</b>	Anca Chereches

### **Evaluation:**

<b>Accommodation:</b>	Very Good
<b>Transport:</b>	Sufficient
<b>Meals:</b>	Good quality but sometimes struggled with speed of service.
<b>Venue:</b>	Excellent
<b>Sport Equipment:</b>	Very good, all ITTF approved
<b>Light in the hall:</b>	Good
<b>Information:</b>	Very good, both on the information board and on internet.
<b>Referee Team:</b>	Excellent
<b>Computer Team:</b>	Excellent
<b>Medal Ceremony:</b>	Good

## **CONCLUSION**

The tournament was a big success with all athletes, team leaders and coaches having a very enjoyable experience at the tournament.

This is due to the excellent teamwork and cooperation amongst the organization team, referee team, technical delegate, volunteers, athletes, and coaches from start to finish.

**I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to the organizing committee, officials, staff and volunteers for their efficient and professional work that helped deliver a very successful event.**

**A special thanks to Sally, Aileen, Anca, Jacky, Pepe, Elisabeta and Ileana for their help and support from start to finish.**

**Keep up the good work!!!**

**Dave COCHRANE – ENG  
Technical Delegate**