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For the attention of:
FISTF Member Nations
FISTF Member Nations Provisional

Subject: FISTF Major Grand Prix 2023

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,
Chères Mesdames et Messieurs,
Dear Members,
Chères Membres,

FISTF is pleased to invite each MNA to send the Form 04, the form to request a FISTF event, for Major FISTF of the 2023 competition seasons. **It is important that the 2023 season is indicated and not 2022-2023.**

The form is downloadable from the FISTF website: [DOWNLOAD](#)

Once completed, the Form04 must be **signed and submitted** to board@fistf.com before November 15th at 11.59 pm Paris time.

The FISTF Board reserves the right to communicate any assignments prior to November 15th.

Please note that the Form04 can only be submitted by MNAs and not by individual tournament organisers or clubs.

Form 04 received after the date will not be considered valid.

We ask MNAs to attach photos of the location and as much information as possible to Form04, in order to allow the FISTF Board to establish the correct assignment.

2.10.1 Major Grand Prix

(a) Definition:

Federation International Sports Table Football
President: Stephen Dettre, Australia
Association Register No./Nr.: W941004017
Founded : 1992

Bank: Targobank AG & Co. KGaA
Kasernenstrasse Nr. 10, D-40213 Düsseldorf, Germany
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- (i) Each season, the five best Grand Prix tournaments around the world are allotted the status of Major Grand Prix. These tournaments are considered the most prestigious outside of the World Cup and Continental Championships. The allotment of all five Major Grand Prix will be reconsidered each season.

(b) System of selection:

- (i) The right to organise a Major will be given to those tournaments considered to be the best choices for the next season only, according to certain weighted criteria that FISTF has defined.
- (ii) The idea is to form a list of “candidate” tournaments every year and let FISTF criteria decide the best five to be named Majors for the next season. Every year, the list of “candidates” shall be populated by a maximum of two tournaments per nation, including any event from the same country already among the five current Majors, which will be named exclusively by the respective MNAs, if candidate events from the same country must be at least 50 Km away from each other.
- (iii) Applications must be sent based on the deadlines established in section 2.7.2.
- (iv) The criteria for the selection of Majors will be the following:
- (A) Total number of individual participants in all categories the last time the event was organised (*)
 - (B) Total number of categories played (Open, Veterans, U20, etc.) the last time the event was organised (*)
 - (C) Total number of foreign players in all categories the last time the event was organised (*)
 - (D) Total number of top-10 ranked players in all categories the last time the event was organised (*)
 - (E) Total number of events (International Open, Grand Prix and Major Grand Prix) organised in the country of the candidate event during the current season.
 - (F) An international airport in a short distance from the venue of the event
 - (G) An overall evaluation judging the quality of venue, condition & number of tables, media coverage, organisers’ spirit of cooperation with FISTF, decided by FISTF BoD.

() If the event has not been held before the third weekend of April of the current season, the statistics of last year’s version of the event will be used instead.*



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- (v) The five tournaments in the list of candidates collecting the most points will be named Majors for next season. No more than 2 tournaments from the same country will be allowed to have a Major status during the same season.

(c) Deadline for the MNAs to send candidacies:

- (i) must be sent based on the times established in section 2.7.2;
(ii) the application must come from the MNA but FISTF can contact the organizers if the Form F04 does not arrive on time.

(d) Tournament System:

- (i) It is mandatory to have both events, Individual and Teams, in a Major Grand Prix.
(ii) The first round of the tournament must be a group stage with a minimum of 4 players per group, in which all players must participate. Groups with a bigger number of players are accepted.
(iii) The organiser must inform FISTF about the structure of the tournament's groups one month before its date.
(iv) Compliance to the sports regulations defined in the FISTF Tournament Organisers Handbook is mandatory.

With kindest regards

FISTF Board