



## 9th Edition of the Foreign Affairs Open

Tennis Championship

(28 May – 13 June 2011)

### PLAYERS

- The competitors are foreign diplomats posted in Bucharest and Romanian diplomats (men's/women's and double competition). Diplomats accredited in neighboring countries may also enter the competition;
- As far as the doubles competition is concerned, there is no age, sex, nationality or other constraint in the making up of the teams. All the teams will play in the same competition regardless of differences of diverse nature they may occur. For example a men team might play with a mixed team, or a women team might play with a mixed or men team;
- If you choose the doubles competition, please mention also the name of your partner who should be also a Romanian or foreign diplomat. If not, a partner will be determined according to the drawing lots, depending on the subscriptions.

### REGULATIONS

- Eliminary system
- There should be at least 4 competitors enlisted for each competition (men's/women's and double competition).
- 2 sets out of 3. Tie-break in the last set.
- **If it gets dark or rains during the match so that the game is affected** either player may decide to call a halt to the match, but the match must still be completed at a later stage. Matches should resume with the least delay possible, at the score registered when the match has been stopped.

- **If a player retires injured, unwell or for any other reason**, he or she loses the match - it cannot be re-played.
- **If a player does not turn up at the agreed time, or is more than 15 minutes late**, he or she forfeits the match.
- **If a player has reasonable reasons and wants to reschedule a match** he or she must give his or her opponent a minimum of 24 hours notice. If less than 24 hours notice is given, the match may be recorded as a walkover in favour of the opponent, although it is still preferable to play the match if possible (if both players/ teams commonly agree for a reschedule and the organizers could accommodate the request). In either of these two cases, organizers have to be informed first.
- In case of withdrawal after the drawing lots, the concerned players are disqualified and the opponent/s is/are declared qualified for the next round.
- **Players may not agree to play their match AFTER the round has ended.** The player who cannot play the match when the round is scheduled will be considered forfeiting the match.
- **In any of the above mentioned cases referee's and/or organizer's decision are final**

## REGISTRATIONS

- Registrations will be made **ONLY by e – mail.**
- **Competitors have to prove they are Romanian or foreign diplomats accredited in Romania (scanned documents). Diplomats accredited in neighboring countries may also enter the competition.**
- **VERY IMPORTANT: WHEN REGISTERING DON'T FORGET TO GIVE YOUR MOBILE NUMBER**
- The registration period will start on **28 April** and will end on **20<sup>th</sup> of May, 17.00.** No late entries may be accepted.
- The drawing lots will be conducted in a public meeting on **24<sup>th</sup> of April.**
- The Championship will commence on **28 May** and will last till **13 June.**
- On the **27 April**, the organizers will set up a meeting with interested players to explain the rules and regulations of the tennis competition ( exact time and venue will be announced at a latter stage to Embassies and in the MFA).

## COMPETITION TABLE

The schedule will be drafted according to the number of players and teams registered. The playing list will be decided through drawing lots. An invitation will be extended to all enlisted

players who may want to attend the event (further information concerning the venue and hour will be sent out after the closure of the registration).

**PRE-REQUISITES:**

1. Participants have to prove before filling in the entry forms that they are foreign or Romanian diplomats: provide a copy of a valid diplomatic ID card.
2. Active professional tennis players or trainers could not register for this competition;

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