

Remes



WORLD SQUASH

EUROPE



Opetus- ja kulttuuriministeriö







ESF President's Welcome

On behalf of the European Squash Federation, welcome to the 2017 European Team Championships Divisions 1 & 2 in Helsinki. Welcome to players, coaches, spectators and officials. We were last in Helsinki for this Championship in 2011, and I'm sure we'll have an equally memorable visit this year.

May I take the opportunity to thank the Finnish Squash Association, and its President Risto Penttilä for hosting these Championships.

These Championships are now in their 45th year for the men and 40th year for the women. We have 37 teams competing this year, including 3 of the world's top 10 players in men's and women's championships. So it promises to be a truly world class showcase for our sport here in Helsinki.

The Championships would not have been possible without the significant support from a very committed and efficient team in the Finnish Squash Federation. ESF would like to thank in particular Poku Salo, the Championship Director; Lars Ekholm who has managed all the logistics including venues, hotels and transport; Jyrki Wahlstedt, Championships Referee; and Ilkka Forsell who will manage the Championship Office in Espoo. Poku, Lars, Jyrki and Ilkka will have a team of volunteers supporting them, and our thanks extends to the team.

On behalf of ESF I would like to thank ESF Technical Director Martin Wren, who does an immense amount of work behind the scenes to support the host team in the months leading into the event; and also to the large team of referees for these Championships who give up a week of their time to support the event. We can look forward to seeing some world class competition over the 4 days in Helsinki, played in the best of spirit. I wish you all a successful and enjoyable championship.

Zena Wooldridge OBE President, European Squash

WELCOME TO FINLAND!

And welcome to the coolest capital in the world!

Finland turns one hundred as an independent country this year. It is a privilege for us to host the European Team Championships in Finland on our 100th anniversary.



The motto of Finland's anniversary celebrations is "together". That is a good motto for the Championships as well. The games are a joint effort created by the participating players, coaches, sponsors, spectators and organisers. Together we make it happen.

The organisers have worked hard to make sure that everything runs smoothly. Yet, there will be glitches. I ask for two things only. First, please, let us know if something does not work properly so that we can fix the problem as quickly as possible. And, secondly, have a little patience. You can rest assured that we will do our best.

Squash is the healthiest game in the world. It makes you fit. It makes you smart. It makes you look good.

It is a privilege and a delight to host the European Team Championships in Finland. Let's have a fantastic tournament! Let's make a lot of new friends!

In squash!

Risto E. J. Penttilä President Finnish Squash Association

TOURNAMENT STAFF

Championship Director

Poku Salo +358 40 776 5320 /Talihalli)

Assistant Championship Director

Ilkka Forsell +358 50 523 1787 (Esport Center)

Championship Referee Jyrki Wahlstedt +358 400 347 015

Technical Delegate Martin Wren +44 7734 053 004

Informationdesk Tuesday at 16:00-21:00 in Holiday Inn and starting on Wednesday at the venues.

Accomodation & transport Lars Ekholm +358 40 157 0553

IMPORTANT ADDRESSES & NUMBERS

Finnish Squash Association

Tel +358 40 7765320 (Poku Salo)

Tel +350 40 1570553 (Lars Ekholm)

E-mail: squash.office@squash.fi

HOTEL

Holiday Inn Helsinki-Exhib & Conv Ctr Messuaukio 1, 00520 Helsinki, Finland

Tel.: +358 200 48102

Email: helsinki.holidayinn@restel.fi

VENUES

DIVISION 1 Talihalli

Huopalahdentie 28, Helsinki

Tel: +358 50 4399800

DIVISION 2 Esport Center

Koivu-Mankkaantie 3, Espoo

Tel: +358 9 502 4700

CHAMPIONSHIP ADJUDICATING PANEL (CAP)

The CAP is chaired by Tecnical Delegate Martin Wren and includes Championship Director Poku Salo and Championship Referee Jyrki Wahlstedt.

The CAP will scrutinize nominations and will consider any objections lodged with the Championship Director.

The CAP reserves the right to amend any squad order without formal objection. They will hear all appeals and will be responsible for adjudicating on all on-site Championship matters.

The decision of the CAP will be final.

REGULATIONS

The Championships will be run in accordance with the rules governing the ETC.

CHAMPIONSHIP OFFICE

There is a Championship Office both at the Talihalli and the Esrport Center. They will be open every day from 09:00 until 30 minutes after the last match is finished.

ARRIVAL SERVICE

On arrival day the 25th of April there will be a person at both terminals at the airport meeting the groups and directing them to the buses.

INFORMATION DESK

The Information Desk is located at Holiday Inn on Tuesday 25th from 16:00-21:00 and daily during playing hours at both venues in connection with the Championship office.

PRESS OFFICE

A Press Office is located at the venues and will be available to the press during playing hours. boards.

ACCOMMODATION

The package fee covers accommodation and meals for players, managers, coaches and supporters as submitted on the entry forms. All additional rooms and rooms booked for other nights must be paid for by the occupants.

All participants must settle the bill for all their extras at the hotel reception before departure.

TRANSPORTATION

There will be a shuttle bus from the hotels to the venue regularly. The first bus leaves every morning from Holiday Inn 90 min before the

start of the daily matches. The last bus from the venue leaves 60 min after the last matches or when everybody is ready to leave the venue. A schedule for the transportation covering all days will be posted on the information boards.

BADGES

Every participant, coach, manager, supporter and volunteer will be supplied with a badge. You will be required to wear this badge visibly throughout the

Championship. If you lose your badge, you must report this to the Championship Office immediately.

MEAL VOUCHERS

The package fee covers the meals for those that have paid for the package fee as follows:

Lunch (Venue)

Wednesday - Saturday 12.00 - 15.00

Dinner

Tuesday 25th (Hotel)

Wednesday – Friday (Venue) 18.00 – 21.00

Finals Dinner – Saturday (Holiday Inn)

Breakfast will be served in the hotel every morning.

Lost meal vouchers WILL NOT be replaced.

COST INCURRED

All players and officials will be responsible for all extras incurred at the hotel and venue.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP AND RELATED INFORMATION

Division 1 (men & women) consists of the top 8 teams from last year's Championships. The men's Division 2 consist of teams that finished 9th to 20th and the women's Division 2 of teams that finished 9th to 16th + the host team.

Division 1 (men & women) first stage will be a round-robin of four teams in each pool. In the second stage the top two teams of each pool will play the semi-finals on a knock-out basis. The other four teams will play a round-robin with results from the first stage pools carried forward.

Division 2 (men) first stage will be in pools of three teams. In the second stage top two teams of each pool will play the quarter-finals on a knock-out basis. The other tree teams play a round-robin.

Division 2 (women) will play a in two pools with the top two teams of the pools will play the semi finals on a knock-out basis.

SQUASH BALL

The Dunlop PRO XX ball will be used for all matches. The white ball is used on the glass court.

TEAM MANAGERS MEETINGS

The Team Managers meeting will be held at Holiday Inn on Tuesday 25th April at 20:00.

REFEREES MEETING

A referees meeting and workshop will be held on Tuesday 26th April at Holiday Inn starting at 18:00.

NOMINATIONS / TEAM AND SQUAD ORDERS

The Championship Director will publish all squad orders seven days before the start date on the event website www.squash.fi/?page_id=19248 and send copies by email to all competing MNA's. Objections to player eligibility or playing order must be lodged in writing and justified with evidence five days before the start date. Any objection to playing order must be based on latest PSA top 100 / WISPA top 50 rankings, current National Rankings or results of latest National Championships.

The CAP will scrutinize nominations and reserves the right to amend any squad order without formal objection. The CAP will consider any objection lodged with the Championship Director.

The responsible Team Manager will be advised at least two days before the start date if his squad order is subject to objection or amendment or if he is required to justify player eligibility to the CAP. In this case he must be available between 18:00 and 22:00 hours on the day before the start date to give evidence to the CAP if required. The CAP will hear his justufication with the objecting manager(s) invited to be present. The decision of the CAP will be final and will be announced by 22:00 hours on the day before the start date. Written details of the decision will be provided to Team Managers involved in the objection.

All Team Managers will be adviced if any squad is changed. All squad orders approved by the CAP will be displayed in the Championship Office.

The squad order must be adhered to throughout the Championships. Any player can be omitted from a Tie provided the others play in the order of merit approved by the CAP.

Unless the Championships Director is notified otherwise in writing at least one hour before the scheduled start of a Tie or within 10 minutes of completion of the previous Tie (whichever is the later),

Managers shall be deemed to have selected their top 4 men or top 3 women players.

The CAP reserves the right to allow changes to player nominations after the deadline for each Tie in exceptional circumstances.

A Team Manager may request permission from the CAP to replace a member of his squad at any time after the Final Submission Date and through the

Championships. Such permission will only be given if the reason is considered by the CAP to be legitimate (e.g. illness, injury or force majeure) and provided that the replacement player is accepted by the CAP as being of lower strength than all members of the squad previously nominated.

The Championships Director will advise all Team Managers in writing if a player is being replaced. Any appeal against the decision to replace or not replace a player during the Championships must be made within two hours to the CAP.

All player privileges and facilities will be passed on to any replacement player, on arrival at the Championships, by the player being replaced; and the replaced player may not rejoin his squad during the Championships.

CLOTHING REGULATIONS

The WSF clothing and advertising regulations will be adhered to. In all matters of judgment or opinion arising from the interpretation of the regulations, the decision of the Championships Referee shall be final, except that he may not rule illegal or unacceptable an item or a design which has been approved by the WSF.

The sponsor(s) of the Championships shall have no automatic right of exposure on players' clothing unless such exposure is stipulated on the Entry Form and with the approval of the ESF Officers. MNAs are advised to ensure that their contracts with individual players specify that

players' personal sponsors have no right of exposure on such kit. Where the manufacturer of clothing is also the sponsor of the player or team wearing the clothing, he shall additionally be allowed to utilise some or all of the advertising space granted to sponsors.

PLAYERS ON COURT

It is the responsibility of each team to be ready to play at the advertised start time of the Tie. Every nominated player must be present at the venue at the start time for the Tie.

RACKET STRINGING

There is a stringing service available at the venue for the entire event. This service is at the player's own expense. For more information please enquire at the Information Desk.

PRACTICE COURTS

A limited number of practice courts can be booked at the Championship Office at each venue.

SQUASH BAGS

All squash bags should be kept under own supervision at all times. No responsibility can be accepted for loss or damage to personal items. Please do not leave any belongings in the changing rooms.

MEDICAL

Medical staff will be present at the venue at all times. In case of medical emergencies and/or accidents, please report immediately to the Information Desk. They will notify the proper authorityies, if necessary.

TEAM PHOTOGRAPHS

Teams may have their photographs taken by the official photographer, who will be present daily. The pictures can be purchased at own expense.

NEWS & COMMUNICATION

Information boards

The Championship's offical information board will be located at the venue. There will also be an "unofficial" information board at the hotels. Participants are asked to check the boards on a regular basis for updated news.

Team's mail boxes

Mail boxes for each team are situated at the venue next to the Championships Office. For smooth running of the Championships, we ask Team Managers to empty their boxes regularly.

Website

The Championship official website is www.squash.fi/?page_id=19248

OPENING CEREMONY

The official opening ceremony will be held at the Talihalli Glass Court on Wednesday 26th April at 09:30 hours.

MEDAL AWARD CEREMONY

The official medal award ceremony for the Championships will take place on the Talihalli Glass Court following the completion of the finals on Saturday April 29th.

Players and team managers for the top three teams in both Division 1 and Division 2 are expected to be present wearing team tracksuits.

FINALS DINNER AND PARTY

The Championships finals dinner for players and officials will be at Hotel Holiday Inn.

RULES GOVERNING THE CHAMPIONSHIPS Definition

Ties are between opposing teams, matches are between individual players.

Team management

Upon arrival at the Championships the Team Manager shall be the official and sole representative of their team in all matters, exept when an individual match has started, when the Rules of the Game shall apply. At all other times, the team manager shall act for all members of their team in receiving and giving instructions.

Responsibility

Players enter and play in the Championships at their own risk. Neither the ESF, the Host Association nor the Host Club will accept any responsibility for injury or other damages arising from participating in the Championships. Players may be required to sign a disclaimer to this effect.

Doping testing

The ESF and the Host Association reserve the right to implement compulsory doping testing for any player participating in the Championships. The doping regulations shall be those published by the WSF.

Championship timetable

- 1. Ties shall be played on a maximum of two courts per tie.
- 2. All ties shall be played over a period not exceeding four days.
- 3. The playing schedule shall be organised, where possible, to ensure that all teams have an equal rest period between ties. (The period from the start of the first tie to the start of the last tie in a Pool shall be similar for all teams in that Pool.)
- 4. Teams may be required to play two ties per day, in which case there shall be a minimum of four hours between the scheduled start times of each tie.
- 5. Both semi-final ties shall take place on the same day.
- 6. Each final shall be scheduled to commence at least 18 hours after the start of the latest relevant semi-finals.

Final order of teams

- 1. The following are scored by each team:
- Tie Points for each tie 2 for a win, 1 for a draw, 0 for a loss
- Match Points for each Match won in the Tie
- Game Points for each Game won in each Match
- Single Points for each Point won in each Game.
- 2. The final places in a Pool shall be decided on all the results of that Pool:
- a. first by the greater number of ties won; b. if 2 or more teams have won the same number of ties, then by the greater number of Tie Points won:
- c. if 2 or more teams are still equal, then by the greater positive difference of Match Points won and lost; four days.
- d. if 2 or more teams are still equal, then by the greater positive difference of Game Points won and lost;
- e. if 2 or more teams are still equal, then by the greater positive difference of Single Points won and lost;
- f. if 2 or more teams are still equal, the result of the match(es) between the #1 players (in order of games then points) of the Tie(s) between them;

- e. if 2 or more teams are still equal, then by the greater positive difference of Single Points won and lost;
- f. if 2 or more teams are still equal, the result of the match(es) between the #1 players (in order of games then points) of the Tie(s) between them:
- g. if 2 or more teams are still equal, the result of the match(es) between the #2 players (in order of games then points) of the Tie(s) between them:
- h. if 2 or more teams are still equal, the result of the match(es) between the #3 players (in order of games then points) of the Tie(s) between them.
- 3. At any knockout stage, the result of a Tie between two teams shall be decided:
- a. by the greatest number of matches won;
- b. if equal, by the greatest positive difference of games won and lost;
- c. if still equal, by the greater positive difference of oints won and lost:
- d. if still equal, by the result of the match between the #1 players of the Tie.

Playing order of matches in Ties

1. The playing order of matches in all Ties on each day of the Championships will be drawn by the CAP at the Tream Managers meeting; and shall be posted in the Tournament Office and in the official hotel. All Ties played each day will use the same playing order (but can vary from day to day).

In men's Ties, if 3 or 4 matches are played on one court, the # 1 must play 2nd on that court. If only two matches are played on a court the #1 player must play 1st on one court. The playing order of all other matches will be drawn against 6 possible permutations.

In women's Ties, the #1 must play 1st or 2nd with the playing order of all other matches being drawn against 4 possible permutations (1-2-3, 1-3-2, 2-1-3, 3-1-2). In mans ties

2. Players will be required to complete all matches in a Tie even if the result of the Tie has already been decided except in the Men's Final when, if both Managers agree, the following will apply:

If the result of the Tie has already been decided on count-back before a Match commences, then that Match will not be played and the result will be recorded as 'unplayed'

If the result of the Tie becomes decided on count-back whilst a Match is in progress, then play will cease at the end of the current Game and the result will be recorded as 'unfinished'

A Tie is decided on count-back in line with Rule J3 only if the result of the Tie cannot be changed however many more matches, games or points are played in that Tie

If the Managers do not agree, the match will be played in line with Rule H1.

3. The Team Manager and all members of his team for that specific tie must be at the designated court(s) ready for the scheduled start of the tie. If the whole team fails to arrive within 10 minutes of the scheduled start time or within 10 minutes of the first court becoming available for that Tie (if later), the Tie shall be conceded with the Team earning no Tie, Match, Game or Single Points.

If a member of the team fails to arrive within 10 minutes of the scheduled start time or within 10 minutes of the first court becoming available for that Tie (if later), the player must be replaced by the nominated member of the team ranked immediately below this player. The "bottom" match in the Tie shall be conceded.

Any player not on the designated court and ready to play within 10 minutes of the completion of the preceding match in the Tie will be scratched. If after another 10 minutes the next scheduled player is not on court ready to play that player also will be scratched. In this instance, all matches lower in the playing order, will be forfeited. The Team Manager has the right of appeal to the CAP in the event of force majeure.

Scoring

All matches are PAR-scoring to 11 points.

TRANSPORT SCHEDULE

On each day of play the buses will leave from the Holiday Inn, go first to Talihalli and then continue on to Esport Center. From Esport Center the buses will go back the same route.

Tuesday 25.4.

Holiday Inn - Esport Center departures: 16:30 17:30 18:30 19:30 Esport Center - Holiday Inn departures: 18:15 19:15 20:15 21:15 22:00 (If needed)

Wednesday 26.4. to Saturday 29.4.

Comprehensive schedule will be posted on the information boards.

MEN TALIHALLI

Pool A

	EGN	GER	ESP	SUI
England [1]		Thu 16:30 G/2	Thu 10:00 3/4	Wed 13:00 G/2
Germany [4]			Wed 13:00 3/4	Thu 10:00 G/2
Spain [5]				Thu 16:30 3/4
Switzerland [8]				

Pool B

	FRA	SCO	FIN	CZE
France [2]		Thu 19:00 3/4	Thu 12:00 G/2	Wed 16:00 3/4
Scotland [3]			Wed 16:00 G/2	Thu 12:00 3/4
Finland [6]				Thu 19:00 G/2
Czech Republic [7]				

Semifinals	Final	Winner	
Pool A#1			
	G/2		
Pool B#2	Fri 16:30		
	<u></u>	Glass	
Pool A#2		Sat 14:00	
	G/2		
Pool B#1	Fr1 19:00		
	<u> </u>		
Position 3-4			
		G/2	
		Sat 10:00	

Places 5-8

	1	2	3	4
		Sat 10:00 3/4		Fri 11:00 3/4
Pool A#3				
			Fri 14:00 3-€	
Pool B #3				
				Sat 10:00 4/5
Pool A #4				
Pool B #4				

WOMEN TALIHALLI

	ENG	WAL	BEL	DEN
England [1]		Thu 14:00 G	Wed 19:00 3	Wed 11:00 G
Wales [4]			Wed 11:00 2	Wed 19:00 4
Belgium [5]				Thu 14:00 4
Denmark [8]				

Pool B

. **: =					
	FRA	NED	CZE	ESP	
France [2]		Thu 14:00 3	Wed 19:00 G	Wed 11:00 3	
Netherlands [3]			Wed 11:00 4	Wed 19:00 2	
Czech Republic [6]				Thu 14:00 2	
Spain [7]					

Semifinals	Final	Winner	
Pool A#1			
	Glass		
Pool B #2	Fri 11:00		
		Glass	
Pool A#2		Sat 12:00	
	Glass		
Pool B#1	Fri 14:00		
Position 3-4			
		2	
		Sat 12.00	
	-		

Places 5-8

	1	2	3	4
		Sat 12:00 5		Fri 16:30 4
Pool A#3				
			Fri 19:00 4	
Pool B#3				
				Sat 12:00 6
Pool A#4				
Pool B#4				

Pool A

	NED	ISR	UKR
Netherlands [1]		Thu 10:00 8/9	Wed 11:00 6/7
Israel [8]			Wed 17:00 8/9
Ukraine [9]			

Pool B

	IRE	HUN	NOR
Ireland [2]		Thu 10:00 6/7	Wed 11:00 9/10
Hungary [7]			Wed 17:00 6/7
Norway [10]			

Pool C

	WAL	AUT	POR
Wales [3]		Thu 12:00 9/10	Wed 13:00 6/7
Austria [6]			Wed 19:00 9/10
Portugal [11]			

Pool D

	DEN	BEL	ITA
Denmark [4]		Thu 12:00 7/8	Wed 13:00 8/9
Belgium [5]			Wed 19:00 6/7
Italy [12]			

Quarterfinals	Semifinals	Final	Winner

Pool A#1	7/8		
Pool B#2	Thu 16:30	7/8	
X 2	T9/10	Fri 18:00	
Y 1	Thu 16:30		T-115-111 4/5
X 1	7		Talihalli 4/5 Sat 12:00
Y 2	6/7 Thu 19:00		
Pool A#2		9/10 Fri 18:00	
Pool B#1	9/10 Thu 19:00		

Position 3-4

7/8		
Fri 12:00		
	7/8	
	Sat 12:00	
9/10		
Fri 12:00		

Position 7-8

9/10
Sat 12_00

Talihalli 2/3 Sat 12:00

Places 9-12

Position 5-8

r inces s-12					
	1	2	3	4	
Pool A#3		Sat 10:00 7/8	Fri 16:00 9/10	Fri 10:00 7/8	
Pool B#3			Fri 10:00 9/10	Fri 16:00 7/8	
Pool C#3				Sat 10:00 9/10	
Pool D#3					

WOMEN

Pool A

	GER	POL	AUT	ITA	FIN
Germany [1]		Thu 19:00 1	Thu 10:00 10	Wed 11:00 1	Wed 19:00 8
Poland [4]			Wed 19:00 1	Thu 10:00 1	Wed 11:00 8
Austria [5]				Wed 15:00 8	Thu 14:00 8
Italy [8]					Thu 19:00 8
Finland [9]				1	

Pool B

	IRE	SUI	HUN	sco
Ireland [2]		Thu 14:00 6	Wed 13:00 10	Wed 17:00 10
Switzerland [3]			Wed 17:00 1	Wed 13:00 1
Hungary [6]				Thu 14:00 10
Scotland [7]	1			

Semifinals	Final	Winner
Pool A#1		
Pool B#2	8 Fri 14:00	\neg
		Talihalli 4
Pool A#2	10	Sat 12:00
Pool B#1	Fri 14:00	
Position 3-4		_
		Talihalli 3
	-	Sat 12:00

Placec 5-6

Final	Winner
Pool A#3	
	6
Pool B#3	Fri 14:00

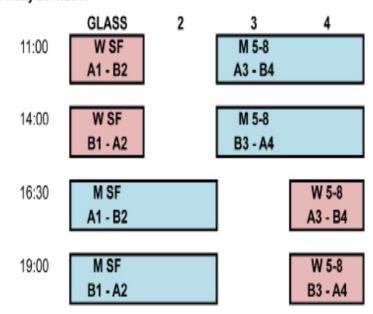
Placec 7-9

2	1	2	3
Pool A#4			Fri 16:00 6
Pool A#5			Sat 10:00 6
Pool B#4			

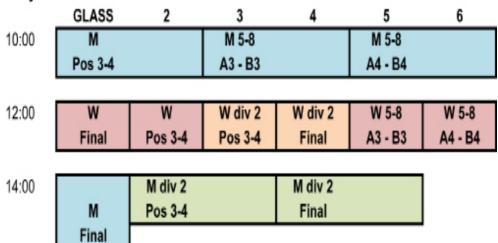
TALIHALLI

Wednesday	26.4.2017			
	GLASS	2	3	4
11:00	WA	WA	WB	w€
	ENG - DEN	WAL - BEL	FRA - ESP	NED - CZE
13:00	MA		MA	
	ENG - SUI		GER - ESP	
16:00	MB		MB	
	SCO - FIN		FRA - CZE	
19:00	WB	WB	WA	WA
	FRA - CZE	NED - ESP	ENG - BEL	WAL - DEN
Thursday 2		1	2	2
40.00	GLASS	2	3	4
10:00	MA		MA	
	GER - SUI		ENG - ESP	
40.00	MD		MD	
12:00	MB		MB	
	FRA - FIN		SCO - CZE	
44.00	18/4	WD	WD	VA/A
14:00	WA	WB	WB	WA
	ENG - WAL	BEL - CZE	FRA - NED	BEL - DEN
10.00	144		MA	
16:30	MA			
	ENG - GER		ESP - SUI	
40.00	MD		MD	
19:00	MB FIN - CZE		MB FRA - SCO	
			FRA - SUU	

Friday 28.4.2017

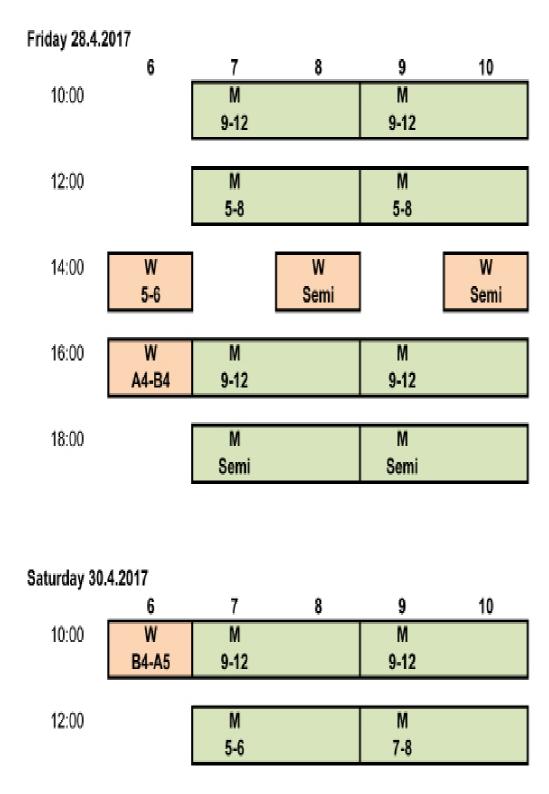


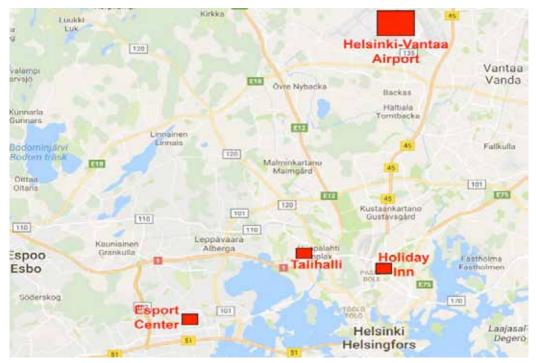
Saturday 30.4.2017



ESPORT CENTER

Wednesday 26.4.2017						
11:00	MA NED - URK	7	8 WA POL - FIN	9 MB IRE - NOR	10	WA GER - ITA
13:00	MC WAL - POR		MD DEN - ITA		WB IRE - HUN	WB SUI - SCO
15:00			WA AUT - ITA			
17:00	MB HUN - NOR		MA ISR - UKR		WB IRE - SCO	WB Sui - Hun
19:00	MD BEL - ITA		WA GER - FIN	MC AUT - POR		WA POL - AUT
Thursday 26.4.2017						
10:00	6 MB IRE - HUN	7	MA NED - ISR	9	10 WA GER - AUT	1 WA POL - ITA
12:00		MD DEN - BEL		MC WAL - AUT		
14:00	WB IRE - SUI		WA AUT - FIN		WB HUN - SCO	
16:30		M Quarter		M Quarter		
19:00	M Quarter		WA ITA - FIN	M Quarter		WA GER - POL





Helsinki-Vantaa airport - Holiday Inn 14 km Holiday Inn - Talihalli 5 km; Holiday Inn - Esport Center 15 km



Holiday Inn - Lidl 650 m; Holiday Inn - Railway Station 500 m



Talihalli - MacDonald's 350 m; Talihalli - Shopping Center 500 m



Esport Center - MacDonald's 650 m; Esport Center - Lidl 800 m