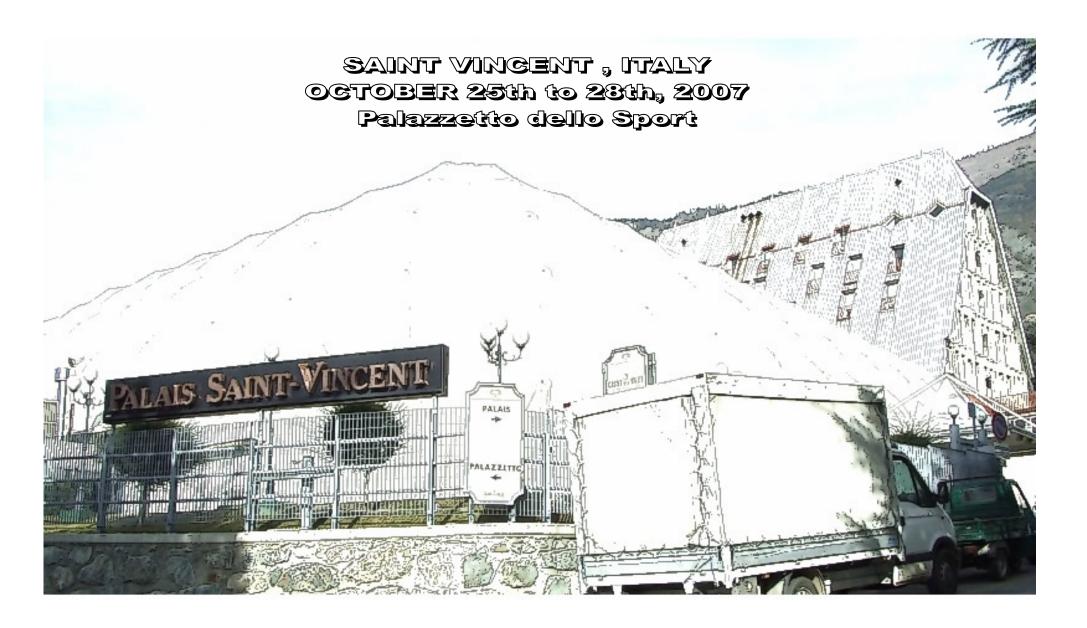
2007 TABLE SOCCER WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS





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INTRODUCTION

The International Table Soccer Federation and its partners are happy to introduce the ITSF 2007 TABLE SOCCER WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

This event is delegated to the **FICB**, the Italian table soccer federation, and its president **Massimo** Ragona, who are organizing this major event in Saint-Vincent, Italy, for the 4th consecutive year.

NEW THIS YEAR: JUNIOR AND SENIOR COMPETITIONS!

We are pleased to announce that for the first time, the 2008 World Championships will include Junior and Senior competitions, both in Singles and Doubles.

Junior and Senior qualification for the World Championships takes place as follows:

- The winners of each of the 5 World Championship Series event in the <u>Junior Singles</u> category automatically qualify.
- The <u>National Junior Champions</u> in <u>Singles and Doubles of each ITSF member federation</u> are also invited to take part in these Championships.
- The <u>National Senior Champions</u> in <u>Singles and Doubles of each ITSF member federation</u> are invited to take part in these Championships.

LAST YEAR'S WINNERS

Men's Singles



Frédéric Collignon (BEL)

Men's Doubles





Frédéric Collignon / Ismaël Saban (BEL)

Women's Singles



Cindy Head (USA)

Women's Doubles





Cindy Head / Dawn Duquette (USA)



TOURNAMENT VENUE

Saint Vincent is a small town in the beautiful Aosta Valley, set in the Italian Alps.

Just twenty miles from Aosta, this lively town is set in a well protected and lush nook of the Mount Zerbion foothills. Saint-Vincent is the quintessential vacation playground, because it is a great starting point for unforgettable hikes up the slopes, drives through nearby Gran Paradiso National Park, and sightseeing excursions to many local towns and churches.









Saint Vincent styles itself as 'La Riviera Delle Alpi', and why not. According to the Saint Vincent Municipality Tourist Agency, this part of the Aosta Valley means sport, nature, culture, 'spectacular', thermal baths and playing at the Casino della Vallée.

www.comune.saint-vincent.ao.it





OFFICIAL TABLES























SCHEDULE

Competitions' schedule

Competition	Registration ends at :	Qualification begins at :	Elimination begins at :	Finale & 3 rd place
Men single	Friday 12:00 am	Friday 1:00 pm Max 32 qualified	Friday 6:00 pm	Saturday 11:00 pm
Men double	Saturday 12:00 am	Saturday 1 :00 pm Max 32 qualified	Sunday 12:00 am	Sunday 7:00 pm
Women single	Friday 12:00 am	Friday 1 :00 pm Max 32 qualified	Friday 5:00 pm	Saturday 10:00 pm
Women double	Saturday 12:00 am	Saturday 1:00 pm Max 32 qualified	Sunday 11:00 am	Sunday 6:00 pm
Junior Single	Friday 09 :30 am	Friday 10 :00 am	Friday 3:00 pm	Friday 7:00 pm
Junior double	Saturday 09:30 am	Saturday 10:00 am	Saturday 2:00 pm	Saturday 5:00 pm
Senior Single	Friday 09 :30 am	Friday 10 :00 am	Friday 3:00 pm	Friday 6:00 pm
Senior Double	Saturday 09:30 am	Saturday 10:00 am	Saturday 2:00 pm	Saturday 4:00 pm



Weekend schedule:

Thursday 25th, October:

2:00 pm: Doors' opening – free tables for warm-up

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm: DYP registrations

3:00 pm – 9:00 pm : DYP & training

10:00 pm: Doors' closing

Friday 26th, October:

9:00 am: Doors' opening – registration for the weekend

8:00 pm – 9:00 pm: Opening Ceremony

9:00 pm – 10:00 pm: VIP Tournament & free cocktail

12:00 pm: Doors' closing

Saturday 27th, October:

9:00 am: Doors' opening

Sunday 28th, October:

10:30 am: Doors' opening

8:00 pm: Prizes ceremony

9:00 pm: free cocktail

12:00 pm: Doors' closing



TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Sport Dress

- Each player must have a different "national" shirt for each day (3 national shirts per player).
- A jogging suit (top and bottom) is also required of all players.
- The name of the country must be clearly displayed on the players' shirts and jogging suit; players can also add their names and country's flag on their shirts and jogging suits, if they wish.

Tables

- Each player must choose his/her table by October 15th at the latest.
- Players cannot change their choice of table during the tournament.
- If 2 opponents have chosen the same table, they will play on one table only.

Qualification matches

- Each player or team will play qualification matches. In the Men's Singles/Doubles and Women's' Singles/Doubles categories, only the first 32 players will qualify.
- A match is 2 games, one on each player's table, the first to 7.
- 1 point is awarded for each game won.
- There is a draw for the first table to be played on.
- <u>New</u>: the Top 4 players in the ITSF Open Singles and Women's Singles Rankings will not play against each other during qualification matches.

Elimination matches

- New: best of 5 sets, first to 5 on each game
- In the event of a tie, shorter games of 2 balls each will be played alternately on both tables (2 times); if the scores are still tied (4:4), players will play 1 ball on each table until there is a winner with a 2 point difference

QUALIFYING CONDITIONS CHART

		ITSF World Rankings	Word Championship Series	International	National Champions and Wild Cards
	Singles	Top 8*	Top 1*	-	Champion
Women	Doubles	-	-	-	Champions
	Doubles	-	-	-	Wild Card
Men	Singles	Top 16*	Top 3*	Top 1*	Champion
	Doubles	-	-	-	Champions
		-	-	-	Wild Card
Junior	Singles	-	Top 1*	-	Champion
	Doubles	-	-	-	Champions
Senior	Singles	-	-	-	Champion
	Doubles	-	-	-	Champions

^{*} Players entitled to a travel package (full package for ITSF Regular Members; 50% of package for Associate members; no package for Provisional Members). See details on travel packages page 12.



> Top 16 players in Open Singles / Top 8 players in Women's Singles

<u>New</u>: If a player (male or female) who qualified through the ITSF World Rankings can not make it to the World Championships, the *next highest ranked PLAYER* in the Rankings can go instead – **there will be no travel** package for these substitute players.

Check current rankings on http://www.table-soccer.org/rankings/

> Top players in WCS and International events

There can be no substitute players for these qualified players.

> National Champions

All national champions must have qualified in the official national tournament in their country **OR** be announced by national federations by June 30th, 2007 – if there is no national championship in their country – there will be no travel package for these players.

If a national champion (male or female) can not make it to the World Championships (in Singles or Doubles), the *next highest placing PLAYER in Singles* in the national qualifying event can go instead in the case of Singles. In the case of Doubles, the *next highest placing TEAM in Doubles* in the national qualifying event can go instead.

Wild Cards

<u>New</u>: ITSF **Regular Member federations** benefit from special Wild Cards to have a second Men's Doubles and second Women's Doubles representing their country – **there will be no travel package for these players**. **Associate and Provisional Members are not entitled to these Wild Cards.**

The names of these players will have to be announced by national federations by September 30th, 2007. No late submission will be accepted after that date.



TRAVEL PACKAGES

	Travel Package
Qualified Players from ITSF Rankings (Singles) and Top players in WCS and International events (full package for Regular Members; 50% of package for Associate members; no package for Provisional Members)	Package: 250 €to 800 € (depending on country of origin – see below)
All others (National Champions and Wild Cards)	At their own cost or at their federation's cost
Federations' Delegates	At their own cost or at their federation's cost



Con	tinents	Package
Europe		€250
Africa		€500
North America		€700
Asia; Central and South A	America; Oceania	. €800

The players' packages will be given in Saint-Vincent.



PRIZES

	Men	Singles Women	Junior Senior	Men	Doubles Women	Junior Senior
	€1500	€1000	Awards	€2000	€1000	Awards
	€1000	€ 500	Awards	€1500	€500	Awards
3	€500	€300	Awards	€900	€300	Awards
4	€400	€200		€600	€200	
5-8	€200	€100		-	-	

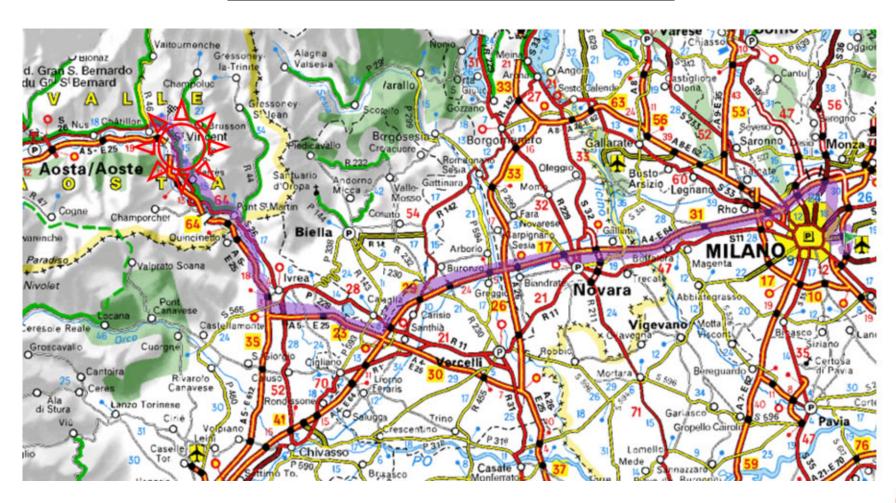
- No entree fees - Only qualified players can play -

In all, ITSF pays 50 000 euros in travel packages (players, referees, Executive Committee members and staff), prize money and awards.



TRAVEL INFORMATION

Going to Saint Vincent from Milano





Going to Saint Vincent from Torino





Renting a car

For more information, go to: www.hertz.com or www.hertz.com

Examples of prices, from last year

Milan Linate Airport / Milan Malpensa Airport / Torino Caselle Airport				
Vehicle	Company	Prices		
Fiat Punto	Alamo	142.15 €/ 179.94 USD \$		
Renault Clio	Alamo	186.90 €/ 236.58 USD \$		
Renault Megane	Alamo	213.60 €/ 270.38 USD \$		
Ford Focus	Alamo	238.40 €/ 301.77 USD \$		
Volvo V70 automatic	Alamo	426.25 €/ 539.56 USD \$		
Fiat Punto	Europear	270.00 €/ 342.28 USD \$		
Opel Astra	Europear	378.50 €/ 479.11 USD \$		
Mercedes Class A	Europear	432.65 €/ 547.66 USD \$		
Renault Clio	Renault Clio Locauto Tirreno			
Opel Meriva	Locauto Tirreno	253.15 €/ 320.44 USD \$		
Renault Laguna	Locauto Tirreno	345.20 €/ 436.96 USD \$		
Ford Fiesta	Hertz	172.75 €/ 217.66 USD \$		
Fiat Punto	Hertz	206.00 €/ 258.56 USD \$		



All these maps are available on $\underline{www.viamichelin.com}$



Going by train

You can take the train to Saint Vincent Chatillon station from Milan and Torino.

From	Duration	Last year's prices	Frequency
Milan	3 hours approx.	12 / 15 €	Every hour approx.
Turin	2 hours approx.	8 / 10 €	



For more information you can visit this website: www.trenitalia.com/en/index.html



Flights

You can find many low-cost companies flying to Milano and Torino airports.

http://www.sea-aeroportimilano.it/en/
http://www.aeroportoditorino.it/EN/voli/default.php

Here is a list of websites that will help you find the easiest and cheapest flights.

www.bravofly.fr

www.attitudetravel.com/italy/lowcostairlines/

www.travellero.it/voli.asp



For best prices, book as soon as possible!



ACCOMMODATION

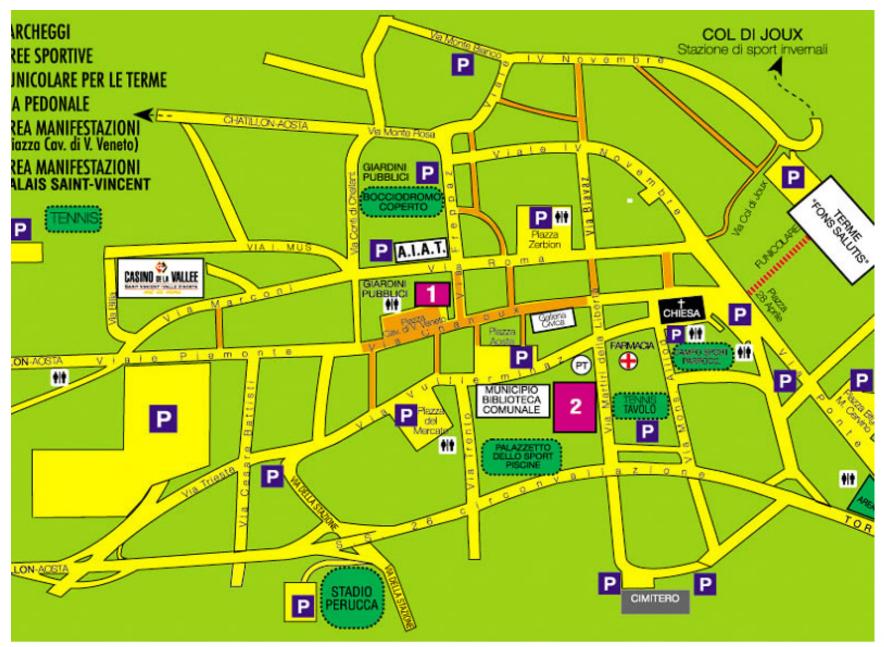
For accommodation information in Saint-Vincent and Chatillon, please go to: http://www.saintvincentvda.it/dormire.asp?l=i&id=146&loc=1&tipo=0&cat=0&act=avvia+la+ricerca

Make sure to book as early as possible!

As we get closer to the event, we will have more information on available accommodation. Please check again later.



Map of Saint-Vincent





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