



Entries For 2018 World Amateur Team Championships Open March 5th

LAUSANNE, Switzerland (5 March 2018) – Entries for the 2018 World Amateur Team Championships, conducted by the International Golf Federation (IGF), open on 5 March 2018.

National federation members should apply online at <http://watac.igfgolf.org/> and log in with credentials sent from the IGF office. Applications will be taken through 5 May 2018.

The Golfing Union of Ireland (GUI) and the Irish Ladies Golf Union (ILGU) will host the 2018 World Amateur Team Championships. The Espirito Santo Trophy (women's championship) will be Wednesday 29 August to Saturday 1 September, and the Eisenhower Trophy (men's championship) will be Wednesday 5 September to Saturday 8 September.

The two events will be staged at Carton House, where players will be tested on the world-famous O'Meara and Montgomerie courses. The Championships together represent an international festival of golf, during which time a Championship Gala Dinner for all participants will be staged at Maynooth University and the Biennial Meeting of the International Golf Federation will be held in Carton House on Monday 3 September.

Both championships feature the world's leading amateurs and are played over 72 holes of stroke play. Each country is represented by a team of two or three players.

At the 2016 Championships in Mexico, 55 teams competed for the Espirito Santo Trophy, which was won by Republic of Korea, and 71 teams played for the Eisenhower Trophy, which was won by Australia.

The World Amateur Team Championships are a biennial international amateur competition conducted by the International Golf Federation, which comprises national governing bodies of golf in 151 countries. The competition is rotated among three geographic zones: Asia-Pacific, Americas and Europe-Africa.

The IGF is the international federation recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) as the world governing body for golf. In addition to the World Amateur Team Championships, the IGF also organizes the golf competitions at the Olympic Games and the Youth Olympic Games.

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