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**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**



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## Exciting Times for Young Officials – Youth Olympic Games in Singapore 2010!

*The ITTF is proud to announce a new and exciting educational project targeting young umpires eager for international recognition.*

*In August 2010 Singapore will host the first ever Youth Olympic Games. The gathering of the Youth to enjoy the Olympic Spirit and to compete in all the twenty six sports will surely set its mark on the Olympic Movement for years to come.*

*The ITTF is now looking at launching several projects, important for the sport of Table Tennis and targeting a good performance by our sport in the 2010 Youth Olympic Games. Starting in early 2010 we will have activities for athletes, coaches and officials.*

*We are now extremely happy to open the opportunities for young umpires to join us in our ambition to make Table Tennis at the Singapore Games a unique and outstanding experience.*

*The ITTF Young Umpires Project is a world-wide educational project built on the pillars of Ambition – Success and Reward;*

- **Ambition** Ready to take your official duties of umpiring to the next level?
- **Success** ; Participate in a new online learning project geared towards international level of umpiring
- **Reward** ; Join us in Singapore (with airfare and accommodation paid) as one of eighteen international umpires on duty!

**Sounds Interesting? – We thought so!**

**Welcome to register candidates for the ITTF YUP Project!**



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## AMBITION and Planning

The ambition behind the ITTF Young Umpire Project is touching several important issues;

- Long term education of Umpires for international events
- Pilot testing of a new online learning/educational tool for international umpires
- Recruiting quality officials for our sport
- Raising the ITTF profile within the Olympic Family
- Event delivery from a general point of view – improved quality from all the involved parties!

The ITTF YUP will in 2010 focus entirely on the Youth Olympic Games in Singapore.

The selected candidates will be invited to join the international group of officials travelling to the games.

Our commitment is now to process applications in good order and select, from the global scene of table tennis, suitable candidates ready to join a specific educational process targeting performance at the Games in Singapore 14-26 of August.

Link to the LOCOG; <http://www.singapore2010.sg/public/sg2010/en.html>

Please note that nominations and applications will be accepted ONLY through the ITTF Website – ITTF URC Section using the official link –during the period of;

**3 December 2009 – 10 January 2010**



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## VISION

*“The introduction of the ITTF Young Umpires Project enables the ITTF to become actively involved in recruiting ambitious young umpires for a quality introduction to ITTF officiating duties setting the scene for long term involvements and personal success.” Build on the pillars of AMBITION – SUCCESS and REWARD our commitment is to educate – promote and support the selected candidates targeting major ITTF events starting with the Youth Olympic Games in Singapore 2010 “*

## ITTF GOALS

- Boost NOMINATION by opening the project for world-wide nominations by 1 Dec 2009.
- SELECT suitable candidates for ONLINE learning course by Jan 10 - 2010
- Provide the OPPORTUNITY for practical EVALUATIONS prior to final selection
- FINAL SELECTION of NINE suitable umpires for Singapore 2010 – April/May 2010
- FINISHING TRAINING procedures introduced 14-16 Aug in Singapore.

## NOTES

- The ITTF Young Umpires Project is open for candidates ; 16 - 30 years of age
- National Umpires certification or similar equivalent educational steps as well as extensive experience of Umpiring are a must!

## AGE BRACKET YUP 2010

**The ITTF is accepting nominations from Umpires; 16 to 30 years of Age!**



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## BASIC CONDITIONS

- **Basic BUDGET** will be controlled and managed by the ITTF Education and Training Department and the ITTF URC.
- Suitable candidates are umpires actively involved in officiating duties on the national scene and recognized as responsible individuals by their respective national association.
- Involved NATIONAL Association will have to confirm the availability of the selected umpire and APPROVE as well as CONDUCT initial research/ basic evaluations of the individual candidate.
- The final benefits will include FULL accreditation as UMPIRE for the 2010 YOG with airfare, hospitality and uniform included.
- **The YOG will be held 14-26 of August 2010.**
- A detailed planning will be available for the selected candidates upon confirmation – January 2010.
- All nominations will be subject for a validation process .Responsible for validations within the ITTF is ; Ms Alison Burchell ; Email ; [burchell@ittf.com](mailto:burchell@ittf.com)
- Final selections will be done by the URC



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## HOW to REGISTER CANDIDATES for the ITTF YUP

**REGISTRATION for the ITTF YUP is ONLY AVAILABLE through the ITTF web site;**

- Log onto [www.ITTF.com](http://www.ITTF.com) - The ITTF URC Section and look for the ITTF YUP LOGO
- The link for registration is ; [www.ittf.com/youth/YUP](http://www.ittf.com/youth/YUP)
- Age Bracket; 16 to 30 years of AGE!
- Fill out the forms completely and click Submit. An automatic email response/confirmation will be generated containing a password for updating achievements and if necessary to make changes. **Note:** Please remember to upload a photo!
- Please note that all application received will be double checked and confirmed by respective national associations.
- The Registration will be OPEN starting from Thursday 3 December 2009 until Sunday January 10.
- The ITTF will announce a first group of potential candidates by E-MAIL in January 2010
- The complete and final selection will be announced no later than May 1 - 2010
- Co-ordinator of the program: Ms Alison Burchell ITTF Staff : [burchell@ittf.com](mailto:burchell@ittf.com)

*With the FUTURE in Mind*

Handwritten signature of Mikael Andersson.

**Mikael Andersson**  
Executive Director-Education & Training

Handwritten signature of Albert Rooijmans.

**Albert Rooijmans**  
Chair ITTF URC

