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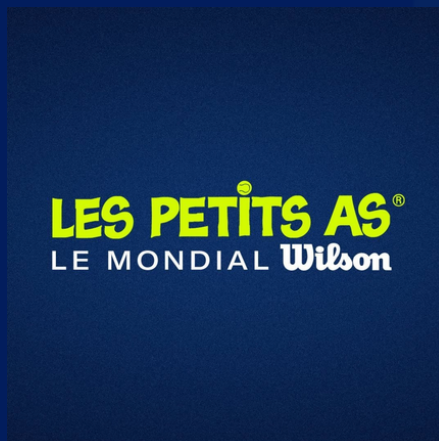


Les Petits AS

European Playoff Wilson

2026

Plovdiv, Bulgaria



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INTRODUCTION

First staged in Tarbes, France, in 1983, Les Petits As has grown into one of the world's most prestigious 14 & Under tournaments. For more than four decades, the event has brought together many of the world's young talents, with former participants including Rafael Nadal, Roger Federer, Novak Djokovic, Andy Murray, Martina Hingis, Justine Henin and Kim Clijsters. Since 2020, Les Petits As has held Super Category status on the Tennis Europe Junior Tour.

Over the past decade, the Les Petits As organisers have developed international Playoff pathways to give talented young players from different regions a route to the main event in Tarbes. This international pathway began with the USA Playoffs in 2017, expanded to Asia in 2018, and has since grown to include Africa and Latin America. In 2026, for the first time, European players will have their own dedicated Playoff opportunity, organised in cooperation with Tennis Europe and forming part of the Development Programme. The initiative is designed to widen access to high-level international competition and create a meaningful pathway for promising young players from Tennis Europe member nations.

The Les Petits As – Europe Playoffs Wilson is a Category 2 Tennis Europe Junior Tour event exclusively for boys and girls born in 2014. The Boys' Singles winner and the Girls' Singles winner will each earn an Organiser Acceptance (OA) position in the Main Draw of Les Petits As in January 2027, creating a direct pathway for Europe's emerging talents to compete at one of the most celebrated events in world junior tennis.

Nominations:

- Tennis Europe C member nations may nominate up to three boys, three girls, and one official coach. Nominations need to be done with the priority order.
- Host nation (Bulgarian Tennis Federation) may nominate up to four boys, four girls, and one official coach.
- Tennis Europe B member nations may nominate up to three boys, three girls, and one official coach. Nominations need to be done in priority order.

Only players formally nominated by their National Association will be considered.

Acceptance List:

- Tennis Europe C member nations nominees, priority order applies, will be accepted directly on the basis of 1 boy, 1 girl per member nation.
- Host nation (Bulgarian Tennis Federation) nominees will be accepted directly on the basis of 4 boys and 4 girls.
- Tennis Europe B member nations nominees, priority order applies, will be accepted for the remaining places on the basis of 1 boy, 1 girl per member nation in the first place.
- In case the number of nominated players from all B member nations exceeds the number of free spots in the draw, the following procedure will be taken into consideration:
 - Results on 2026 TEJT 12&U cat.1 events: Winners, Runner ups, Semifinalists. Better result priority.
 - Results on 2026 TEJT 12&U cat. 2 events: Winners, Runner ups, Semifinalists. Better result priority.
- In case there are still free places available in the draw, the selection of the remaining players will be done on the basis of Organizer Acceptance by the tournament organizer, following consultations with Tennis Europe, regardless of the 1 player per member nation rule.

Nominations must be submitted through the following Formstack form by **Tuesday, 15 September 2026, at 12:00 CET**.

National Associations make the nominations; final acceptance is subject to the criteria set out in this circular.

The tournament counts towards the Tennis Europe Junior Tour Ranking. Players receive Category 2 14&U TEJT ranking points according to their results and the applicable Tennis Europe Junior Tour Rules and Regulations.

The competition consists of Singles only. The draw size will be 32, with no qualifying taking place. The format is round-robin group play followed by an elimination play-off comprising Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Finals. No Doubles event will be held.

DATES AND VENUE 2026

The five competition days are Monday, 28th September to Friday, 2nd October 2026.

Boys and Girls – Round Robin Stage 28th–30th September 2026

Boys and Girls – Quarterfinals / Semifinals / Finals 1st –2nd October 2026

Venue, club, and supporting event information can be found below in the Tournament Information Sheet section of this circular.

HOST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Bulgarian Tennis Federation

INVITED COUNTRIES

Tennis Europe C member nations and Tennis Europe B member nations are invited to nominate their players.

- Tennis Europe C member nations' nominees will be directly accepted for the tournament's Main Draw. On the basis of 1 player per gender for each nation, according to the priority stated in the nominations.
- Tennis Europe B member nations nominees, priority order applies, will be accepted for the remaining places on the basis of 1 boy, 1 girl per member nation in the first place.
- In case the number of nominated players from all B member nations exceeds the number of free spots in the draw, the following procedure will be taken into consideration:
 - Results on 2026 TEJT 12&U cat.1 events: Winners, Runner ups, Semifinalists. Better result priority.
 - Results on 2026 TEJT 12&U cat. 2 events: Winners, Runner ups, Semifinalists. Better result priority.
- In case there are still free places available in the draw, the selection of the remaining players will be done on the basis of Organizer Acceptance is done by the tournament organizer following consultations with Tennis Europe, regardless of the 1 player per member nation rule.

Official information concerning acceptance of the nominated players to the tournament will be announced online by Tennis Europe not later than **Friday 18th September 2026**.

List of Tennis Europe C member nations:

Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Cyprus, Estonia, Faroe Islands, Iceland, Ireland, Kosovo, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, North Macedonia, San Marino.

List of active Tennis Europe B member nations:

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Israel, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Türkiye, Ukraine.

ENTRIES

Each National Association is required to send its entry using the Formstack link provided.

Link: https://TennisEurope.formstack.com/forms/2026_lespetitsas_europeanplayoff
The deadline is **15th September, 12:00 CET**.

NOMINATIONS

Nominations must be submitted by the National Association through the official Formstack form, with an active World Tennis IPIN and Tennis Europe account.

Tennis Europe C member nations may nominate up to three boys, three girls and one official coach. Nominations need to be done with the priority order.

Host nation (Bulgarian Tennis Federation) may nominate up to four boys and four girls and one official coach.

Tennis Europe B member nations may nominate up to three boys, three girls and one official coach. Nominations need to be done with the priority order.

Only players formally nominated by their National Association will be considered.

Acceptance List:

- Tennis Europe C member nations nominees, priority order applies, will be accepted directly on the basis of 1 boy, 1 girl per member nation.
- Host nation (Bulgarian Tennis Federation) nominees will be accepted directly on the basis of 4 boys and 4 girls.
- Tennis Europe B member nations nominees, priority order applies, will be accepted for the remaining places on the basis of 1 boy, 1 girl per member nation in the first place.
- In case the number of nominated players from all B member nations would exceed number of free spots in the draw, the following procedure will be taken into consideration:
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 - Results on 2026 TEJT 12&U cat. 2 events: Winners, Runner ups, Semifinalists. Better result priority.
- In case there will be still free places available in the draw, the selection of the remaining players will be done on the basis of Organizer Acceptance done by the tournament organizer, following consultations with Tennis Europe, regardless 1 player per member nation rule.

Nominations must be submitted through the following Formstack form by **Tuesday, 15 September 2026, at 12:00 CET**.

Only nominated players will be considered.

Official information concerning acceptance of the nominated players to the tournament will be announced online by Tennis Europe not later than **Friday 18th September 2026**.

SIGN-IN DEADLINE

The on-site sign-in will be on Sunday 27 September at 16:00-17:00 local time (before the Coaches Meeting).

Telephone sign-in will be available from Saturday 10:00-18:00 & Sunday 10:00-17:00

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CHANGE OF NOMINATIONS

For Tennis Europe C member nations/Host Nation, nominations may be changed until Sunday, September 27, 17:00 local time (before the draw is made).

For Tennis Europe B member nations, no changes to nominations are permitted after the submission.

HOSPITALITY

The organiser will provide lunch and dinner for accepted players and one official coach per national squad until the last member of that national squad is eliminated. Teams are responsible for all additional expenses.

NOTE: Accommodation arrangements are the responsibility of the national squad. It is advised that teams stay in the official hotel, mentioned below in the Fact Sheet.

Accompanying persons are responsible for organising and paying for their own accommodation and meals. In this case, they should contact the organisers before the event to make the necessary arrangements.

COACHES MEETING

The Coaches' Meeting shall be held on the day preceding the first day of the competition and shall be chaired by the Supervisor. The time for the Coaches' Meeting is 18:00 local time on Sunday, 27 September 2026.

It is a closed meeting and must be conducted in English. Attendance is compulsory for the Tournament Director, Supervisor, the official Tennis Europe representatives (if on-site), and all coaches.

The Tournament Director and the Supervisor shall use the meeting to inform about all the relevant procedures and hand out the latest information, including draws preparation procedure, order of play, schedule for ceremonies, social activities, important contact numbers, and so on. Coaches are requested to bring players' passports to the meeting. Draws and the order of play will be made immediately after the coaches' meeting.

ELIGIBILITY

Les Petits As – Europe Playoffs Wilson: PLAYERS BORN 2014

The tournament is available only to eligible players born in 2014 who are formally nominated by their National Association and satisfy all applicable Tennis Europe Junior Tour eligibility requirements.

For 2026, only players born between 1 January 2014 and 31 December 2014 are eligible.

Players must also hold an active World Tennis IPIN and Tennis Europe account by the nomination deadline.

AGE ELIGIBILITY

Players are only allowed to participate if born in 2014 and accepted through the nomination process described in this circular.

No player outside the 2014 birth year is eligible for this 2026 Les Petits As – Europe Playoffs Wilson.

TRAVEL

Participating nations are responsible for arranging their team's travel to and from Bulgaria. Arrival at the hotel and transfer arrangements are also the responsibility of the national squads.

LES PETITS AS 2027 MAIN DRAW OPPORTUNITY

The tournament is part of the Tennis Europe Junior Tour (14&U Category 2), and the applicable Tennis Europe Junior Tour Rules and Regulations apply.

Only the winner of the Boys' Singles event and the winner of the Girls' Singles event will each receive an Organiser Acceptance position in the Main Draw of Les Petits As 2027, granted by the Les Petits As 2027 organiser.

RULES & REGULATIONS OF THE PLAY OFF TOURNAMENT

Tennis Europe Junior Tour regulations available on (<http://www.tenniseurope.org>) shall be the decisive regulations for all Tennis Europe Development events.

The event is Singles only, with separate 32-player Boys' and Girls' draws. Each draw contains

eight (8) round-robin groups of four (4), and every player plays the other three players in the group. Players receive one (1) point for each match won. Group standings are determined first by the highest number of points. If two players are tied on points, the head-to-head result between them decides the higher position. If three or more players are tied on points, only those tied players are compared, first by the percentage of sets won out of sets played and then, if necessary, by the percentage of games won out of games played. If either calculation reduces the tie to two players, their head-to-head result decides the order. If players remain tied, the Tennis Europe Junior Ranking used for seeding will decide the order; if they are still tied, the order will be drawn by lot. If a player withdraws or is a no-show for the entire tournament, all of that player's round robin results are void. Only the winner of each of the eight groups advances to the Quarterfinals; no runner-up or other group finisher advances. The Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Final are played as an elimination draw.

WITHDRAWALS

For the nominees of the Tennis Europe C and B Member Nations, the withdrawal deadline is Monday, 21st September 2026. If such case occurs the next player prioritized from the official Formstack entry form will be considered to be invited. For late withdrawals from Tennis Europe C or B member nations occurring less than 2 days before the beginning of the tournament, the Host Nation will be allowed to provide on-site alternates to fill the vacancies after consultation with Tennis Europe. Similarly, in case of no-show from Tennis Europe C or B member nations the Host Nation will be allowed to provide on-site alternates to fill the vacancies after consultation with Tennis Europe.

VISA – INVITATION LETTERS

Obtaining the necessary visas for Bulgaria for your players is the responsibility of each member nation. However, to assist you in obtaining visas, please find below the contact persons in each venue for obtaining the Invitation letters:

For invitations, please contact:

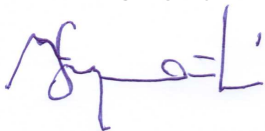
Name:	International Department
Organisation:	Bulgarian Tennis Federation
Email Address:	ybozhinov@bgtennis.bg
Phone:	+35989 986 5215

ENTRY FEES

The entry fee is according to standard TEJT Rules & Regulations..

For further information, please do not hesitate to get in contact with us.

Kind regards,
TENNIS EUROPE



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Tennis Europe

ATTACHMENT 1

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION SHEET 2026 Les Petits As – Europe Playoffs Wilson PLOVDIV, BULGARIA

Tournament Director:

Name:	Thibault OLLIVIER
Organisation:	Las Petits As
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* For any information prior to the tournament, please contact Stephanie Gatcheva (please see below the Pre-Tournament Contact Person)

Emergency contacts:

Police number: 166
Child protective services number: 116 111

Tournament Referee:

Name:	Carlos Ramos
E-mail:	+33622746485
Mobile phone:	carlosjbramos@gmail.com

Pre-Tournament Contact Person:

Name:	Stephanie Gatcheva
Organisation:	Bulgarian Tennis Federation
Address:	sgatcheva@bft.bg
Phone:	+359 89 889 8229

Tournament Site

Name:	Tennis Club Max Pro
Address:	Septemvri Zapaden, Bul. "Koprivshtitsa" 59, 4002, Plovdiv
Phone:	+359 89 889 8229
No of courts:	7
Surface:	Clay
No of lighted courts:	7
Official balls:	Wilson Roland Garros
Training/ Treatment room:	Yes
Doctor available:	On request
Trainer available:	Yes
Tournament Office:	On-site
Location:	Plovdiv

Accommodation

Accommodation for Players:

Name:	Park Sankt Peterburg Hotel
Address:	Severen, Bulgaria Blvd 97, 4003, Plovdiv
Phone:	+359 87 719 1515

Rates:

Single room:	100 EUR
Double room:	120 EUR

Distance from hotel to tournament site: 2.8 KM

Accommodation for Players (pre-tournament and post-tournament):

Name: Park Sankt Peterburg Hotel
Address: Severen, Bulgaria Blvd 97, 4003, Plovdiv
Phone: +359 87 719 1515
Rates:
Single room: 100 EUR
Double room: 120 EUR

Note: All players and coaches will be accommodated in **twin rooms**.

If some of the coaches prefer a single room, they must pay the difference in price between a twin and a single room.

Transportation

Airport pickup for teams: Yes

Rates: 220 EUR (6 persons max.)

Visas

What are the visa requirements and how can they be arranged? More information at:
<https://www.mfa.bg/en/services-travel/consular-services/travel-bulgaria/visa-bulgaria>

For invitations, please contact:

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