

WORLD **CHAMPIONSHIPS** 2006



SAINT VINGENT, ITALY NOVEMBER 3 TO 5, 2006





Valle d'Aosta Vallée d'Aoste









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INTRODUCTION

After the success of the 2004 and 2005 World Championships, ITSF and its partners are happy to welcome you one more time to Saint-Vincent, Italy, for the 2006 ITSF World Championships.

This event is delegated to the FICB, the Italian Table Soccer Federation. Its president, Massimo Ragona, has spent a lot of energy, in order to stage this event in the beautiful Val D'Aoste Province for the 3rd consecutive year.

Thank you to all partners, manufacturers, players, delegations and volunteers for making this event the best representation of our sport.

We wish you the best for the competition!

For ITSF Executive Committee

Farid LOUNAS













PLACE INFORMATION

Saint Vincent is a small town with a modern appearance, but preserves precious evidence of the past. A stop at the roman bridge is a must, of which remains a particular type of prop which perhaps indicates the origins of the town.

The Fons Salutis, in the park, still distributes water containing "bicarbonate-sulphate-sodium-magnesia", discovered in 1770, water which is "miraculous for illnesses of the liver and gall-bladder".

The parish of San Vicenzo, in Romansch style, was restored during the following centuries; it rose upon the ruins of a Roman villa equipped with a spa system, destroyed in the 6th and 8th centuries to be put to use as a burial ground soon after. The crypt has restored some sculptured capitals from the 9th century. In the Museum attached to it some mediaeval statues from Moron are preserved

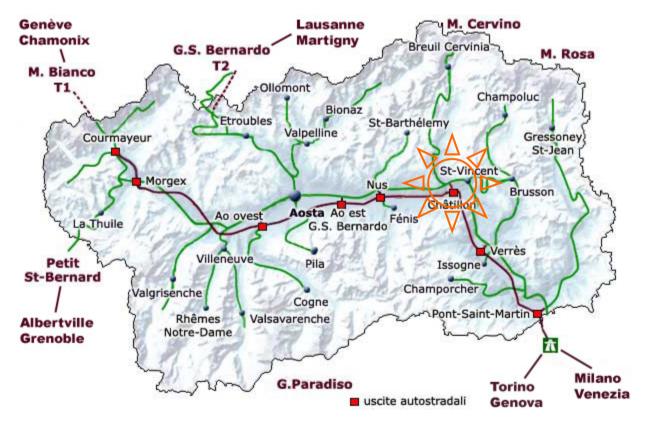








Today Saint Vincent is a great tourist organization based on the casino, the Casinò de la Vallée, integrated with a series of cultural activities; literary and journalistic contests, social evenings, various shows, art exhibitions, folk festivals, sport competitions, which have brought this resort to an international level. During the summer season Saint-Vincent offers different types of walks: the Capre bridge, a daring piece of work in a narrow gorge the Le Forche mountain; to the Saint-Germain castle in Emarèse and to the cave of ice.



More information on the city website http://www.comune.saint-vincent.ao.it



PARTNERS INFORMATION

We would like to thank our partners:





























WEEK END SCHEDULE

Friday, Nov 3 Official Dinner and Official Ceremony

Saturday, Nov 4 10:00 am – 6:00 pm: Qualification Matches (32 qualify in Singles & 16 in Doubles)

6:00 pm: Last 32 then last 16 in Singles; and last 16 in Doubles

Sunday, Nov 5 10:00 am – noon: Last 8 in Doubles

1:00 pm - 8:00 pm: Final matches



QUALIFYING CONDITIONS

Men Singles

- 1. Top 16 from 2006 ITSF Singles Ranking
- 2. Top 3 in Open Singles in ITSF World Championships Series
- 3. Top 1 in Open Singles in ITSF International Tournaments (new for 2006)
- 4. The National Champion of ITSF Member Countries. <u>His name has to be provided before July 31, 2006</u>. (Note that the national champion of a country already represented does not get financial support for travel.)
- 5. 1 Wild Card for the Host Country

Women Singles

- 1. Top 8 from 2006 ITSF Women Singles Ranking
- 2. Top 1 in Women Singles in ITSF World Championships Series (new for 2006)
- 3. The National Champion of ITSF Member Countries (new for 2006)Her name has to be provided before July 31, 2006.(Note that Female National Champions do not get financial support for travel.)
- 4. 1 Wild Card for the Host Country



QUALIFYING CONDITIONS FOR DOUBLES

We are pleased to announce that following a request made by many of you, we are introducing Doubles in the World Championships. Players entering the Doubles competition will represent their country.

Please note that players entering the Doubles competition do not get financial support for travel and accommodation from ITSF. They can either ask for support from their national federation or support their own expenses

Men Doubles

- 1. The National Champions of ITSF Member Countries; their names have to be provided before July 31, 2006.
- 2. 1 Wild Card for the Host Country

Women Doubles

- 3. The National Champions of ITSF Member Countries; their names have to be provided before July 31, 2006.
- 4. 1 Wild Card for the Host Country



	World Ranking	WC Series	International	ITSF Member Countries not represented	ITSF Member Countries already represented	Host Country
Women	Top 8	Top 1	/	National Champion*	National Champion*	Wild Card*
Men	Top 16	Top 3 OS	Top 1 OS	National Champion	National Champion*	Wild Card*

^{*} see specifications for travel package in chart below

The 2006 World Rankings will apply only to ITSF sanctioned tournaments

Official Rankings will be published on the ITSF Website http://www.table-soccer.org
Please visit the ITSF website for more information about the ranking system



TRAVEL PACKAGES

	Travel	Hotel		
Qualified Players and National Male	Package 300 €to 800 €	At their own cost or at		
Champions of Countries not represented	rackage 300 Eto 600 E	their federation's cost		
National Male Champions of already	At their own cost or at	At their own cost or at		
represented countries; National Female	their federation's cost	their federation's cost		
Champions; Wild Cards; and Doubles	ineir jederation's cost	men jederanon's cost		
Federations' Delegates	At their federation's cost	At their federation's cost		
ITSF EC (except if attending	At their own cost or at	At their own cost or at		
Official Meetings – see below)	their federation's cost	their federation's cost		
Commission Members (Official Meetings)	Package 300 €to 800 €	3 - 4 nights		
Referees	Package 300 €to 800 €	3 - 4 nights		
ITSF Staff	Package 300 €to 800 €	3 - 4 nights		

Continents	Package
Europe	€300
Africa and North America	€600
Asia, Oceania and South America	€800

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Travel Package

- > You have to book and pay for your flight.
- > The travel package includes the **whole trip** from your departure place to the competition place.
- ➤ Be aware that there is <u>no car shuttle</u> from airport/train station to Saint-Vincent! You have to find your way of transportation to Saint-Vincent (more information about trains or car rentals on pages 17/18).

Accommodation

- ➤ You have to book your room by yourself see hotel information on page 20. You are free to choose a different hotel than those mentioned here.
- ➤ Be aware that the Official Ceremony, the Press Conference, the ITSF General Assembly and Commissions' Meetings will all take place in Atahotel Miramonti see information next page.
- ➤ All players have to be in Saint-Vincent before Friday, Nov 3, 11:00 am and for the Official Ceremony. Please bring your national flag to the Ceremony. You will receive a personal invitation for the Official Dinner: people without an invitation will not be admitted.

Refund

Those entitled to a travel package and/or prize money will either receive a <u>cheque</u> on site or will receive their money by <u>bank transfer</u> (maximum 3 days after the tournament). No cash will be given out.

Referees

- ➤ International Referees including one Head Official will control all games during the 3 day tournament.
- ➤ All referees will receive complete refund for travel, hotel and food.





Rooms:

- safety box
- air conditioning
- hair dryer
- satellite TV
- radio
- minibar

- ...

The Atahotel Miramonti

Is a four star Hotel restructured at the end of 2003 and located in the splendid frame of Saint Vincent, famous historical locality of Aosta Valley founded in 1770, the 20th of July from the abbot Jean-Baptiste Perret, student of chemistry and mineralogy that discovered a thermal source in this marvellous place of italian Alps



<u>Services</u>:

- 24h covered parking
- outdoor parking
- secretarial service
- WI-FI service
- Shuttle to/from Casino

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http://www.atahotels.it mailto:prenotazioni@atahotelmiramonti.com



OTHER HOTELS IN SAINT-VINCENT

Hotel SAINT VINCENT	Double Room B & B	Single room B&	Semi pension	Complete pension	Number of rooms
AU SOLAIL*** +39 0166512685www.ausolail.it	76,00		108,00	138,00	24
ELENA*** VIA BIAVAZ,2 +390166 512140 www.logis.it/elena.htm www.consorziosaintvincent.it	70,00	55,00		138.00	+++CENTRO BENESERE 46
BIJOU *** P.CAVALIERIdi V.V, 3 +390166510067 www.bijouhotel.it	75,00	45,00	114,00	146,00	31
PARDISE VIALE PIEMONTE,54 www.paradise.com	85,00	60,00			32- R10
LEOND'ORO *** +390166512202	65	45	100	120	45



TOURNAMENT PROCESS

ONLY PLAYERS WITH SPORT DRESS WILL BE ALLOWED TO PLAY !!

For the qualification matches

- > each player or team will play qualification matches
- > a match is 2 games, one on each player's table
- ➤ 1 point is awarded for each game won
- there is a draw for the first table to be played on

For the eliminations matches

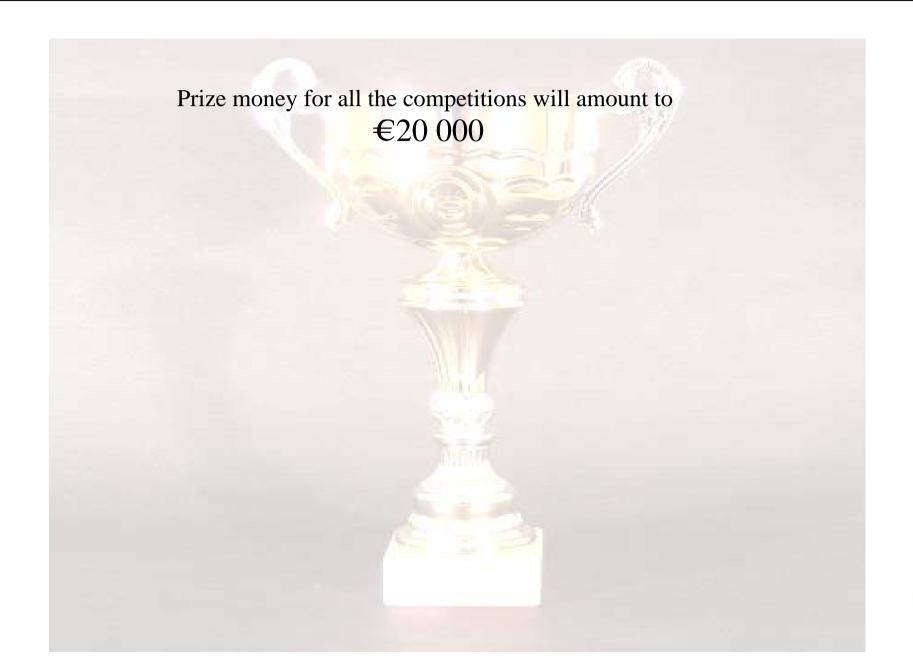
- ➤ If some players have to play both Singles and Doubles Matches, they play Singles Matches first
- A match is: <u>All details coming soon</u> depending on new rules-

Matches will be refereed by players of the competition, but please call referees only in case of problems.

Last year only two matches were refereed.



PRIZES



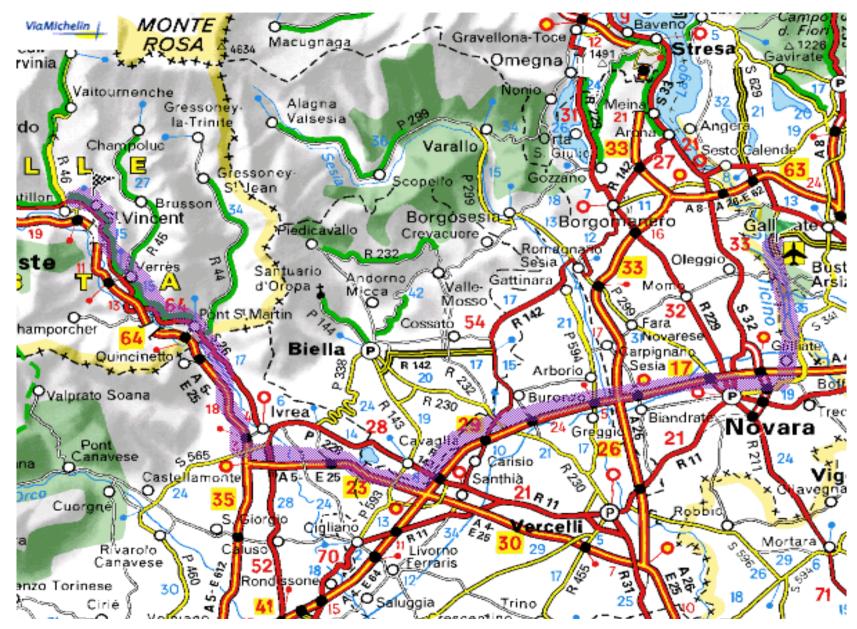


Going to Saint Vincent from Milan Linate Airport





Going to Saint Vincent from Milan Malpensa Airport





Going to Saint Vincent from Turin





Renting a car

(for more information, you can follow these links: http://www.rentalcargroup.com, http://www.hertz.com)

Examples of tariffs, from October 27th to November 1st:

Milan Linate Airport / Milan Malpensa Airport / Torino Caselle Airport					
vehicle	Company	Tariff			
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	Locauto Tirreno	164.30 €/ 207.97 USD \$			
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 \$			



Going by train

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

From	Duration	Tariff	Schedules
Milan	3 hours approx.	12 / 15 €	Every hour approx.
Turin	2 hours approx.	8 / 10 €	

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



Map of Saint Vincent





BUYING A TABLE ??

The competition tables (5 of each) will be sold at the end of the tournament at a special prize.

If you want to buy a table, you have to contact the manufacturer to book it, see here for the appropriate e-mail:

TORNADO: mailto: Cheryl. Sartin@valley-dynamo.com

ROBERTO SPORT: mailto: robertosport@eponet.it

GARLANDO: mailto: info@garlando.it

JUPITER: mailto: info@jgc.be

BONZINI: mailto:bonzini.babyfoot@wanadoo.fr



INFORMATION AND CONTACT

If you need any information, please contact us:

FOR VISAS – DO IT NOW!:

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