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"A historic month for FITEQ saw teqball added to the medal sport programme of the European Games for the first time. Europe's most prestigious sporting event will be held in Krakow, Poland from 21 June - 2 July 2023. It was a busy month of Challenger Cups and National Challenger Series events, with reigning mixed doubles world champions Natalia Guitler and Marquinhos Vieira returning to the court in style. As part of its ongoing commitment to clean sport, FITEQ announced that all athletes are required to participate in anti-doping educational activities. Meanwhile, the teqball family pledged its commitment to the UNAOC #OneHumanity campaign."

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#### TEQBALL ADDED AS MEDAL SPORT FOR EUROPEAN GAMES 2023

The International Teqball Federation (FITEQ) is delighted that teqball has been added to the European Games 2023 programme as a medal sport for the first time. Europe's most prestigious sporting event will be held in Krakow, Poland from 21 June - 2 July 2023.



#### FITEQ REQUIRES ALL ATHLETES TO PARTICIPATE IN ANTI-DOPING EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

As part of its ongoing commitment to clean sport, the FITEQ Executive Board has announced that all athletes competing in FITEQ competitions are required to participate in anti-doping webinars and educational workshops.





## WORLD CHAMPIONS WON BRAZILIAN NATIONAL CHALLENGER SERIES TITLE

Brazil's reigning mixed doubles world champions, Natalia Guitler and Marquinhos Vieira, returned to the court in style to win the country's inaugural National Challenger Series. Meanwhile, in the singles category, Lucas Bernardes dropped just one set on his way to securing the gold medal.



#### FITEQ PLEDGES COMMITMENT TO UNAOC #ONEHUMANITY CAMPAIGN

The International Teqball Federation (FITEQ) has joined forces with the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) to promote the organisation's #OneHumanity campaign. Through #OneHumanity, the UNAOC wants to advance understanding, cooperation and dialogue among nations and across all cultures.



## DATA-DRIVEN STUDY ANALYSES THE INFLUENCE OF THE SERVICE IN TEQBALL

A quantitative study led by data experts in the FITEQ education team has given insight to the influence of the service in the outcome of rallies in teqball singles. he study assesses the probability of winning a point after a successful (in this case meaning legal) first service and a successful second service.



#### GYORGYDEAK DEFEATED BLAZSOVICS IN ZABKI CHALLENGER CUP FINAL

Romania's Apor Gyorgydeak came through a star-studded field in Poland to secure the Zabki Challenger Cup (22-23 May) men's singles title, defeating the reigning world champion Adam Blazsovics in a tense final.





## AMERICAN SAMOA HOSTED PROMOTIONAL EVENT TO BUILD AWARENESS OF TEQBALL

The American Samoa Teqball Federation hosted a national promotional event as part of its ongoing efforts to grow the sport in the country. As COVID-19 restrictions begin to ease on the island, over 200 participants (mostly aged under 23) attended the public event.



#### FITEQ REFLECTS ON IMPACT OF CLUB DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

One year on from the launch of the Club Development Programme, FITEQ is celebrating the impact the initiative has had on the global growth of teqball. Over 2,500 clubs across all five continents have benefited from the ground-breaking initiative.



#### **TEQBALL CHALLENGER CUPS**

Budapest, Hungary Glendale, USA Glendale USA – All Female Canton, USA – All Female Canton, USA Zabki, Poland



#### **NATIONAL CHALLENGER SERIES**

Eswatini – Round 1,2,3,4 Portugal – Round 2,3,4

Romania – Round 2

Bulgaria – Round 2

Lebanon - Round 1

Brazil - Round 1



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