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Dear Colleagues,

Your players are invited to compete in the SCG THAILAND OPEN 2016. This invitation contains important information that should also be brought to the attention of the Team Manager accompanying your players

1. National Organization:	The Badminton Association of Thailand Under Royal Patronage of His Majesty the King. Badminton Association of Thailand Building, Wittayu-Sarasin Road, Lumpinee Park, Pathumwan, Bangkok 10330 Thailand Ph: +662 2553391 Fax: +662 2553392 Email: info@badmintonthai.or.th http://www.badmintonthai.or.th																												
2. Presented by:	The Badminton Association of Thailand Under Royal Patronage of His Majesty the King																												
3. Date:	Tuesday October 4 – Sunday October 9, 2016																												
4. Venue:	Nimibutr Stadium National Stadium, Rama I Rd., Pathumwan, Bangkok 10330																												
5. Event Directors:	<p>Organizing Committee Chair : Khunying Patama Leeswadtrakul Email: khunyingpatama@badmintonthai.or.th</p> <p>Tournament Director: Paisan Rangsitkitho Phone: +669-4449-8212 Email: paisanr@gmail.com</p> <p>Deputy Tournament Director: Nahathai Sornprachum Phone: +66818243736 Email: nsornprachum@gmail.com</p>																												
6. Referees:	<p>Referee: Phillip Lee (SIN) Email: philliplee52@gmail.com</p> <p>Deputy Referee: Ivan Skacha (CZE) Email: ivan.skacha@volny.cz</p>																												
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other draws begin on <u>Wednesday October 5, 2016</u>. • The finals will be played on <u>Sunday October 9, 2016</u>. <p><u>Qualification Draws</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A maximum of 32 players will take part in men's singles and 16 players or pairs will take part in each of the other four events, with the winners progressing to the relevant Main Draw events. • The qualifiers will begin at <u>09:00 on Tuesday October 4, 2016</u>. <p>Notice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All events will be run on a strict timetable system. • Competitors must be ready to play thirty (30) minutes before their Scheduled match time. • Competitors who are not ready to play at their scheduled match time will be disqualified. • Alterations to competition schedule due to television coverage are possible and will be announced by the Referee. 			
8. Schedule:	Day	Progression	Courts	Play Times
	Tuesday Oct 4, 2016	Qualifying Rounds	4	09:00 – 16:00
	Tuesday Oct 4, 2016	Main Draw MS	4	17:00 – 22:00
	Wednesday Oct 5, 2016	Main Draw	4	09:00 – 22:00
	Thursday Oct 6, 2016	Second Round	4	15:00 – 22:00
	Friday Oct 7, 2016	Quarter-Finals	3	15:00 - 21:00
	Saturday Oct 8, 2016	Semi-Finals	2	Start at 13:00
	Sunday Oct 9, 2016	Finals	1	Start at 13:00
9. Registration:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pathumwan Princess Hotel • Day & Date: <u>Monday October 3, 2016 & Tuesday October 4, 2016</u> • Time: 09:00 – 18:00 			
10. Official Shuttle:	The YONEX Aerosena 50. Practice shuttlecocks will be available at a minimum cost from the supplier at the competition venue.			
11. Conditions of Play:	The BWF General Competition Regulations will apply except where specific provisions are contained in the Regulations for Grand Prix. Where there is any conflict or apparent conflict, the Grand Prix Regulation(s) will take precedence. In the event of any dispute, the decision of the Tournament Referee will be final. Please familiarize yourself with these Regulations prior to your arrival in Bangkok.			
12. Team Managers' Meeting:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Team Managers' Meeting will be held on <u>Monday October 3, 2016 at 18:00 hours</u>. • The venue is the Pathumwan Princess Hotel. • It is compulsory for all team managers to attend the Team Managers' 			



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<p>Technical Officials' Meeting:</p>	<p>Meeting. Failure to attend means you are liable to be fined as per BWF "Offences and Penalties".</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member Associations may make a request for an alternative to the Team Manager to represent them at the meeting, provided the Referee is notified in advance. Technical Officials' Meeting will be held on <u>Monday October 3, 2016 at 19:00 hours</u>. The venue is the Pathumwan Princess Hotel. 																																								
<p>13. Key Dates:</p>	<p>Closing Date for Entries</p>	<p>Tuesday August 30, 2016</p>																																							
	<p>World Ranking Date for M & Q Report</p>	<p>Thursday September 1, 2016</p>																																							
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	<p>Last Date of Withdrawal (without penalty)</p>	<p>Sunday September 11, 2016</p>																																							
	<p>Draw Date</p>	<p>Tuesday September 13, 2016</p>																																							
<p>14. Prize Money:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The prize money for the SCG THAILAND OPEN 2016 US\$120,000. This prize fund will be distributed in accordance with BWF rules governing Grand Prix events. Income tax may be deducted according to the Local tax regulations. 																																								
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	<p style="text-align: center;">Total - US\$120,000</p> <p>*per pair</p>																																								
<p>15. International Entries:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All international players must enter through their respective Member Associations. BWF is implementing the Online Entry System for this tournament and we seek Member Associations' cooperation to ensure all entries are submitted before the closing date <u>Tuesday August 30, 2016 at 23:59 hours</u> BWF Headquarters time. No entry forms are required by Member Association. All entries must be submitted online only. 																																								



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Member Associations are advised to log on: SCG THAILAND OPEN 2016 at: • https://bwf.tournamentsoftware.com/sport/tournament.aspx?id=C193AA46-BBB2-48FD-BA7A-3B6E134A98BF• Member Associations will require a username and password to submit your entries and this can be obtained from the BWF. Please contact R. Shanmugan at: s.ramachandran@bwfbadminton.org.• The online entry page will close immediately on <u>Tuesday August 30, 2016 at 23:59</u> hours BWF Headquarters time.• You are required to submit the entries on time. Late entries will not be accepted.• Close of Online Entry:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- After the closing date, the BWF Online Entry System will send notification to all participating Member Associations confirming receipt of final entries.- Receipt of this notification is the conclusive evidence of receipt of entries before the deadline. The Member Associations should contact BWF immediately if such notice is not received by <u>Wednesday August 31, 2016, 12:00</u> noon BWF Headquarters time following close of entries.- If no objection is received by BWF by <u>Thursday September 1, 2016, 23:59</u> hours BWF Headquarters time following the close of entries, the entries shall be deemed correct. No complaints / objections shall be entertained after this point. <p>International Partnerships, click the link below for more information: BAT Doubles & Mixed Doubles Partnership Guidelines for International Tournaments</p> <p>For International partnerships, the THAI player <u>MUST REGISTER</u> for the requested event <u>by the THAI DEADLINE Thursday August 25, 2016 at 20:00</u> hours Bangkok time.</p>
16. THAI Entries:	<p><u>สำหรับนักกีฬาไทย</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• สมาคมกีฬาแบดมินตันแห่งประเทศไทย ในพระบรมราชูปถัมภ์จะเป็นผู้ดำเนินการสมัครผ่านระบบออนไลน์• โดยให้สโมสรต้นสังกัดส่งรายชื่อทาง e-mail: pongsakorn@badmintonthai.or.th ภายในวันที่ <u>25 สิงหาคม 2559 เวลา 20.00 น.</u>• BWFจะเป็นผู้วางอันดับมือและจัดสายการแข่งขัน ให้นักกีฬาตรวจสอบรายชื่อจาก M&Q ได้ในวันที่ <u>2 กันยายน 2559</u>• นักกีฬาคนใดอยู่ในรายชื่อเป็นตัวสำรอง ให้ยืนยันการพร้อมลงแข่งในกรณีที่มีการถอนตัวในวันประชุมผู้จัดการทีม โดยให้ยืนยันภายในวันที่ <u>27 กันยายน 2559 เวลา 20.00 น.</u> สมาคมฯ จะแจ้งให้นักกีฬาที่ได้รับการเลื่อนอันดับให้เข้าแข่งขันทราบหลังจากเสร็จสิ้นการประชุมผู้จัดการทีม (ถ้านักกีฬาคนใดไม่แจ้งยืนยันมา สมาคมฯ ขอสงวนสิทธิ์ในการเลื่อนนักกีฬาที่อยู่ในตัวสำรองคนถัดไปแทน)



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17. Withdrawal:

For International Entries

- Withdrawal regulations and penalties will be based on BWF Regulations.
- Withdrawals can only be made through the Member Association before the deadline. A Member Association can withdraw through the BWF online entry system.
- Withdrawals after the deadline must be done by email immediately to the Deputy Tournament Director and the Referee. The following persons listed below should be copied in the email.

- The withdrawal notification must include the reason for withdrawal. If a withdrawal takes place after the draw is made, it must be supported by a medical certificate.

Withdrawal Contact Persons

Tournament Director: Pisan Rangsitkitho

Email: pisanr@gmail.com

Referee: Phillip Lee (SIN)

Email: philliplee52@gmail.com

BWF Technical Events Manager: Chris Trenholme

Email: c.trenholme@bwfbadminton.org

- If the withdrawal arises after your players arrive in Bangkok, notification of withdrawal must be made by the Team Manager in person to the Referee, or Deputy, and must be confirmed in writing.
- Withdrawal after Sunday September 11, 2016 (withdrawal without penalty date) shall automatically incur withdrawal fees as per BWF Regulations.
- Should a penalty be applied, it shall be imposed as per BWF General Competition Regulations by the BWF.

For Thai Players สำหรับนักกีฬาไทย

- Withdrawal regulations and penalties will be based on the BWF Regulations and BAT International Tournament Entry Procedures. การถอนตัวจากการแข่งขัน จะต้องปฏิบัติตามระเบียบและบทลงโทษของ BWF และสมาคมฯ
- Withdrawal must be made at Simply Compete. การถอนตัวจากการแข่งขัน ให้แจ้งผ่าน e-mail: pongsakorn@badmintonthai.or.th ภายในวันที่ 5 กันยายน 2559 เวลา 20.00 น.
- Withdrawal fees past deadline will apply according to the BAT Tournament Entry Procedures. ถ้ามีการถอนตัวหลังจากเวลาที่กำหนด สโมสรต้นสังกัด



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	จะต้องเสียค่าปรับตามที่ BWF กำหนด โดยจ่ายผ่านสมาคมฯ
18. Accreditation:	<p>International Entries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Please note that there will be photographic accreditation for SCG THAILAND OPEN 2016. Entry into the venue will be controlled by accreditation / badges which will be available for collection at the Team Managers' Meeting.• Accreditation will be issued to all qualifying players and officially nominated officials through the respective Member Association. Please find the attached Accreditation Request Form to apply for Team Officials Accreditation.• In accordance with agreement with the BWF, the number of accompanying officials for whom there will be accreditation depends on the size of your playing team.• No. of players from Association / No. of accompanying Officials:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- For up to 4 : 2 badges- For 5-10 : 3 badges- For 11-16 : 4 badges- For 16 or more : 5 badges• Note: If more officials accompany your team, you must purchase additional accreditations. A limited number of additional official accreditation passes may be purchased at the special rate of \$100.00 each.• Accreditation should be made by completing the attached Accreditation Form and must be send to e-mail: pongsakorn@badmintonthai.or.th by <u>Tuesday August 30, 2016.</u> <p>For THAI Entries สำหรับนักกีฬาและผู้ฝึกสอนไทย</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ให้สโมสรต้นสังกัดส่งไฟล์รูปภาพหน้าตรงของนักกีฬาที่สมัครเข้าแข่งขัน 1 ภาพ ทาง e-mail: pongsakorn@badmintonthai.or.th ภายในวันที่ <u>30 สิงหาคม 2559 เวลา 20.00 น.</u>• ให้สโมสรต้นสังกัดส่งรายชื่อผู้ฝึกสอนที่จะลงทำการฝึกสอนในการแข่งขัน SCG Thailand Open 2016 ทาง e-mail: pongsakorn@badmintonthai.or.th ภายในวันที่ <u>30 สิงหาคม 2559 เวลา 20.00 น.</u> พร้อมทั้งแนบสำเนาบัตรประชาชน หรือสำเนาหน้าหนังสือเดินทาง และไฟล์รูปภาพหน้าตรง 1 ภาพ• ผู้ฝึกสอนที่ไม่ได้แจ้งรายชื่อ จะไม่ได้รับการอนุญาตให้ลงทำการฝึกสอนในสนาม
19. Media Obligation:	Note that all players are required to participate in media engagements should they be requested in Pre-Tournament Media. They will not exceed 1 hour in total on the day prior to their first scheduled match of the tournament.



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	<p>It is also a condition of entry that each player must be willing to give on-court interviews for television immediately after the match has been won or lost, and to attend a post-match press conference on request.</p> <p>In order to assist with the promotion of the tournament and game in general, it is a condition of entry that each player must be willing to participate on request in at least one appropriate activity of not more than 1 hour (such as autograph signing, participating in 'meet the public' question and answer sessions, etc.)</p>
<p>20. Video Recording & Photography:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Badminton THAI and the Tournament Organizers reserve the right take photos, film material or any other image of players taken during events. • No unauthorized persons may enter the playing arena to video record or take photos without the prior approval of THAI Badminton or the Tournament Organizers. • Flash photography is not permitted within the arena at any time. • Video recording is permitted for analytical purposes only, and only by competing Member Associations. The Tournament Director and/or Referee shall designate positions. Cameras operating outside of these areas or without the correct accreditation may be removed. Camera accreditation must be obtained in advance. • Member Associations may be liable for any costs incurred by BWF if their video footage is used for any other purpose.
<p>21. Practice Facilities:</p>	<p>Practice times at the venue on Monday onwards may be requested from the organizer before the event starts, or by completing the practice request form and emailing to batmins@hotmail.com & pongsakorn@badmintonthai.or.th by <u>Tuesday September 6, 2016</u>, however, we cannot guarantee to meet all requests.</p>
<p>22. Transport:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Airport transportation between the Pathumwan Princess Hotel and the Suvarnabhumi/Donmueng airport will only be provided for players staying at the official hotel. • For airport pick up requests complete Transport Request Form. Transport Request Forms must be emailed to cctmice3@cct-group.com & pongsakorn@badmintonthai.or.th by <u>Tuesday September 20, 2016</u>.
<p>23. Accommodation:</p>	<p>1. Pathumwan Princess Hotel Phayathai Rd, Pathum Wan, Bangkok 10330 Tel: +662 216 3700</p> <p>2. Siam At Siam Design Hotel Bangkok 865 Rama 1 Road, Opposite National Stadium, Wang Mai, Patumwan, Bangkok 10330, Thailand Tel: +662 217 3000</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard Room for Single or Double or Twin is 135 USD/room/night (include Breakfast buffet for up to 2 persons per room).



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reservation should be made by completing the attached Hotel Reservation Form and must be send to e-mail: pongsakorn@badmintonthai.or.th by <u>Tuesday September 6, 2016</u>.
24. Visa:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If your players and officials require visa to enter Thailand, we can provide a letter of invitation to assist. Provide us the necessary information by returning the Visa Support Request Form by <u>Tuesday September 6, 2016</u> to the BAT Office, attention Mr.Pongsakorn Ravipiansub at pongsakorn@badmintonthai.or.th • BAT will only communicate with a Member Federation. • BAT will not be able to provide visa support letters if the Visa Support Request Form is incomplete and are not accompanied by the requested documents. • Please note, the letter of invitation we provide does not guarantee entry into Thailand and the final decision is made by the Thai Embassy at your own country. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that they apply for their visa in sufficient time. Any issues with the visa application need to be dealt with directly to the respective Thai Embassy who is dealing with your application. BAT accepts no responsibility for withdrawals made due to late or unapproved visa applications. Where required, courier costs to post letters of invitation will be recharged to your Federation.
25. Anti-Doping:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-doping will be conducted in accordance with BWF and WADA Regulations. Please consult the BWF website for further information, and to view the current WADA Prohibited List. • Please note that athletes must complete a TUE application process to apply for authorization to take medications which fall under the Prohibited List - before they take medication.
26. Medical Insurance:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All non-BAT participants are NOT covered by BAT's insurance. • BAT encourage non-BAT participants and the accompanying team members to organize medical insurance before arriving in the Thailand • BAT is not responsible for medical expenses incurred during the competition.
27. Indemnity:	<p>By submitting an on-line entry to the SCG THAILAND OPEN 2016 participant (and parent(s)/guardian(s) if participant is of minority age) affirms having read this document and agrees to be bound by its terms.</p> <p>In consideration of being permitted to participate in the SCG THAILAND OPEN 2016 and for good and valuable consideration any participant named below, hereinafter called ENTRANT, do hereby agree and covenant with, and release and discharge Badminton Association of Thailand, SCG, their employees, agents, officers, members, heirs, assigns, executors and administrators and any and all participants in this event as follows:</p> <p>Entrant does hereby promise, agree and covenant that he/she will never, at any</p>



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future time, sue or bring action against the forenamed or any of them, reason of any claim for damages, whether such damage arises from the conduct of the tournament or condition of the premises or from any cause whatsoever. Entrant does hereby release, remise and discharge the forenamed, or any of them from all claims, actions, suits, causes of actions and demands of nature, whether at law or in equity, arising from or alleged to arise from any accident or other occurrence during or in connection with this tournament or condition of the premises on which this event takes place.

Entrant warrants and represents that he/she will be bound by the rules and regulations of the Badminton World Federation and THAI Badminton; is an eligible player as defined by the rules of the organization; understands that the forenamed makes no warranties or guarantees of any nature with respect to the condition of the premises, the operation of the tournament and that no agent or employee is authorized to vary the terms of this agreement, either orally or in writing.

For the same consideration Entrant hereby gives Badminton Association of Thailand, and each and every licensee or contractee of either or all of them including photographers, television and or motion picture companies or concerns, their affiliates and subsidiaries, full television and motion picture rights, including full power, permission and authority to film or video tape me during all matches, narrations, personal interviews, or comment thereon for any or all commercial, news or other purposes together with the right to transfer to grant their rights to offers, without compensation to me whatsoever.



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