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**World Table Soccer Championships Underway In St. Vincent, Italy  
- Tournament Brings Together Top 'Foosball' Superstars -**

*Competition at the International Table Soccer Federation (ITSF) World Championships tournament is now underway at the St. Vincent Palazzetto dello Sport, Valle d'Aoste, Italy. As the culmination of the five-continent, 60-tournament 2007 ITSF World Pro Tour, the very best table soccer (a.k.a. "foosball") players from approximately 40 countries are competing for the overall titles, cash and prizes.*

Valle d'Aoste, Italy (ITSF) October 27, 2007 -- The International Table Soccer Federation (ITSF) World Championships Finals tournament continues to be intense, as competition at the St. Vincent Palazzetto dello Sport, Valle d'Aoste, Italy resumes today. As the culmination of the five-continent, 60-tournament 2007 ITSF World Pro Tour, the very best table soccer (a.k.a. "foosball") players from approximately 40 countries are on hand to compete for the overall titles, cash and prizes.

In the conclusion of the first ever worldwide table soccer tours for Juniors and Seniors, finals for Juniors and Seniors Singles have already taken place, with the USA's newest phenomenon Ryan Moore, of Lexington, Kentucky sweeping the Junior field in his first international showing. A strong second place finish went to Kevin Hundstorfer of Linz, Austria. In a very hard fought match in Senior Singles, Dave Ziemann of North London, United Kingdom edged out Jean Pierre Pirlet of Tongeren, Belgium for first place honors.

Today's competition will reach a peak of activity amidst qualification rounds for the World Men's and Women's Singles and qualification rounds for all doubles categories. The day will culminate with finals matches for Junior and Senior Doubles to begin at 4:00 p.m., and the World Finals for both Men's and Women's Singles at 8:00 p.m. Tomorrow's events will feature World Finals for Men's and Women's Doubles, beginning at 6:00 p.m., and a special awards ceremony concludes the tournament at 8:00 p.m. Sunday evening.

Participation in the tournament is limited to ITSF World Series Class event Champions, World Tour "points" leaders, and the National Champions from all 50 ITSF member countries. In a true test of all around foosball skills, competition takes place on all five ITSF "Official" styles of tables: Brunswick's Tornado Table Soccer™, Bonzini™, Garlando, Roberto-Sport and Lehmacher Tec Ball.

The tournament is sanctioned by the ITSF and hosted by the Italian Table Soccer Federation (Federazione Italiana de Calcio Balilla) and its president, Massimo Ragona. Sponsors of the event include the Casino de la Vallee and the Community of St. Vincent - "the Riviera of the Alps." Additional sponsors include Carlsberg Brewery, Allianz Subalpina and Frutta. Spectators and press are welcome to attend and there is no admission fee to enter the tournament arena.

This is the final stop on the 2007 ITSF World Pro Table Soccer Tour. Other major tour events took place this year in France, Austria, Italy, Belgium and the United States, with even more qualifying events in countries as diverse as Australia, the Czech Republic, Costa Rica, Hungary, India, Japan, Malaysia, Poland, United Arab Emirates and the United Kingdom. And for 2008, there will be more than 70 tour stops worldwide in the largest world table soccer tour ever!!

For additional details about this event and/or the sport of table soccer, please see the following websites:

[www.table-soccer.org](http://www.table-soccer.org) - ITSF Website/International Rankings

[www.table-soccer.org/world\\_championships/index.php5](http://www.table-soccer.org/world_championships/index.php5) - ITSF World Championships Tournament Information

[www.table-soccer.org/partners](http://www.table-soccer.org/partners) - ITSF Official Table Manufacturers

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