

Dear Sir/Madam,

## WORLD HEYBALL MASTERS – GRAND FINALS (INTERNATIONAL QUALIFYING) QINHUANGDAO, CHINA, 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH TO 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2023

(JOY) is please to extend an invitation to Athletes from your Association/Federation to participate in the above International Qualifying Tournament. (Chinese 8-Ball Tournament)

We are offering to **Sponsor, One (1) Athlete** from your Association/Federation who wishes to participate with the following benefits and conditions. You can send as many Athletes to participate however, only 1 Athlete will be sponsored.

- 1. Athlete MUST be a Top Athlete nominated by the respective Association/Federation.
- 2. Free Return Flight form Country of Origin to Qinhuangdao, China.
- 3. Free Hotel Accommodation from date of arrival until departure. Qualifying Tournament starts from 20<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> March.
- 4. All Sponsored Athletes MUST attend the Opening Ceremony on 28<sup>th</sup> March in Formal Attire.
- 5. Should a Sponsored Athlete qualified to the Main Event, Hotel Accommodation will be extended from 29<sup>th</sup> March till 6<sup>th</sup> April.

We are also honored to invite and **Sponsor**, **One (1) Representative** from your Association/Federation, either the **President OR Secretary** to accompany your Athletes and witness this Championship with the following benefits and conditions.

- 1. Representative Sponsored must either be the President or the Secretary only from the Association/Federation.
- 2. Free Return Flight form Country of Origin to Qinhuangdao, China.
- 3. Free Hotel Accommodation from date of arrival (Latest 19<sup>th</sup> Mar) until departure date (your choice).
- 4. Qualifying Tournament starts from 20<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> March. Main Event start from 28<sup>th</sup> Mar to 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2023.
- 5. Sponsored Representative MUST attend the Opening Ceremony on 28<sup>th</sup> March in Formal Attire.
- 6. Meals will be provided to all Sponsored Representative throughout the stay in this Championship.

Below is the information to the tournament that will be held in **Qinhuangdao**, a port city on the Chinese coast in **Northern Hebei**, **China**. Please refer to the below details if you wish to attend and/or send your Athletes to participate in this Tournament. Please note that the closing date for this tournament is on **28<sup>th</sup> February 2023** and we seek your cooperation to adhere to the deadline.

# WORLD HEYBALL MASTERS – GRAND FINALS



# (INTERNATIONAL QUALIFYING ROUNDS)

The above World Heyball Masters Championship is divided into two parts, the International Qualifying Event and the Main Event. The Main Event, will have a total of 64 Athletes, consisting of 32 of the best Athletes from China, 12 invited International Star Athletes and 20 Athletes from the international qualifiers. Please note that this International Qualifying Event will NOT have any Chinese Athletes participating.

## **1. INTERNATIONAL QUALIFYING**

| International Qualifying Criteria | - | Open Invitation                                 |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| Date of Tournament                | - | 20 <sup>th</sup> to 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 |
| Number of Participants            | - | Unlimited per Country                           |
| Tournament Format                 | - | Double Eliminations to Single Knock-Out         |
| Entry Fees                        | - | Free  |
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#### QUALIFYING PRIZE

Top 20 Qualifiers will receive:

- RMB20,000 (before Tax), approx. US\$3,000
- Reimbursement of flight cost & Hotel cost.
- Free Accommodation from 28<sup>th</sup> March to 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023 to play in the main event.
- 20 Qualifiers **MUST** attend the Opening Ceremony on **28<sup>th</sup> March** or be disqualified.

#### 2. MAIN EVENT

| Total Participants is 64 Athletes | -<br>-<br>- | 32 Top Chinese Athletes<br>12 Invited International Star Athletes<br>20 Qualifiers from International Qualifying Event.   |
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| Date of Tournament                | -           | 28 <sup>th</sup> March to 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2023  |
| Tournament Format                 | -           | <b>Group 1 – Chinese Athletes Double Elimination</b><br>32 Top Chinese Athletes will play Group Double<br>Elimination. Top 16 winners will go to next Round.  |
|                                   |             | <b>Group 2 – International Double Elimination</b><br>32 International Athletes (12 invited & 20<br>qualifiers) will face each other in a Group Double<br>Elimination. Top 16 winners will go to next Round.                                       |
|                                   | -           | Joint Double Elimination Rounds (32 Athletes)<br>Top 16 Chinese winners from Group 1 will join the<br>Top 16 International winners from Group 2 for<br>another Double Elimination Round.16 winners<br>from here will go to next Knock-Out Rounds. |



**Knock-Out Rounds (16 Athletes)** 16 Athletes here will play a Knock-Out format until the Finals to determine the Winner.

• This tournament format will provide more opportunity for international Athletes to get into the top 32 Rounds and beyond.

## WORLD MASTERS GRAND FINALS - WINNER PRIZE POOL

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**Total Prize Money** 

Approximately US\$1,500,000

| WINNER                                    | _ | RMB 5,000,000 (approx. US\$730,000)   |
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| RUNNER-UP                                 | - | RMB 1,500,000                         |
| 3 <sup>RD</sup> PLACE                     | - | RMB 600,000                           |
| 4 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE                     | - | RMB 300,000                           |
| 5 <sup>™</sup> PLACE                      | - | RMB 200,000                           |
| 6 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE                     | - | RMB 160,000                           |
| 7 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE                     | - | RMB 140,000                           |
| 8 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE                     | - | RMB 120,000                           |
| 9 <sup>TH</sup> – 12 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE  | - | RMB 100,000                           |
| 13 <sup>тн</sup> – 16 <sup>тн</sup> PLACE | - | RMB 80,000                            |
| 17 <sup>TH</sup> – 24 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE | - | RMB 60,000                            |
| 25 <sup>TH</sup> – 32 <sup>ND</sup> PLACE | - | RMB 50,000                            |
| 33 <sup>RD</sup> – 64 <sup>TH</sup> PLACE | - | RMB 20,000                            |
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• The above Prize Money are before local tax.

Association/Federation who is keen to send their Representative and/or Athlete/Athletes to participate must send in their information of nominated Representative/Athletes immediately before **TUESDAY**, **28 FEBRUARY 2023**. Kindly provide the below information urgently for Visa application process:

- 1. Copy of Passport of Representative/Athlete/Athletes for Visa/Invitation Letter.
- 2. Intended Arrival and Departure Date.
- 3. For sponsored Representative/Athletes, please provide choice of departure/return Airport.

Please email the above information to Tony <u>1750562934@qq.com</u> or joypooltable@gmail.com.

Thank you.

Regards, Tony Zhang