



HRVATSKI TENISKI SAVEZ  
CROATIAN TENNIS ASSOCIATION

## CROATIAN COACHES ASSOCIATION

### 10<sup>th</sup> International Tennis Coaches Conference

Mali Lošinj, Croatia, 17 and 18 March 2018

Conference theme:  
"Preparing young players for international tennis"

The 10<sup>th</sup> International Conference of the CROATIAN COACHES ASSOCIATION will take place on 17–18 March 2018 in Hotel Aurora, Mali Lošinj, Croatia.

#### CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

The theme of this year's Conference is the preparation of young players for international tennis. Lectures are intended for coaches working with players aged 13 to 18 with the aim of breaking into professional tennis.

This year, three international top experts will present at the Conference. Carl Maes, who was coaching Kim Clijsters since the age of 12 up to the nr.1 in WTA ranking. Simon Wheatley who has been a coach for the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) for many years and at present is Performance Coach Education Manager for the LTA.

Dermot Sweeney ITF Technical Director of Training Centres and Players will represent International Tennis Federation (ITF), which supports this year's Conference. (For more information about the experts please see the attached CVs below.)

The complete program and lecturer list will be published at the beginning of February 2018 on the Croatian Tennis Association website [www.hts.hr](http://www.hts.hr)

#### ACCOMMODATION AND CONFERENCE FEE

Accommodation during the Conference is secured for all participants in Hotel Aurora, Mali Lošinj, Croatia.

The Conference package that includes registration fee and Half board\* in double room: 820kuna per person/2 days (ca. 110Euros). Half board\* in single room: 1.120kuna for 2 days (ca. 150Euros).

The Conference participants will also have free access to Wi-Fi Internet, indoor swimming pool and relaxation area (including five sort of sauna).

Half board\* in a double room for the accompany person during the Conference days is 450kuna (ca. 60Euros)

For the participants that would like to extend their stay after the Conference, the Hotel is offering the special price of 285kuna (ca. 38Euros) for half board per person per day in a double room.

Registration fee for the Conference without the accommodation is 450kuna(ca. 60Euros).

\* Half board consist of two dinners (16 and 17 March 2018) and two breakfasts (17 and 18 of March 2018).

#### REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

The registration form you will find attached as a separate document to this Circular. Please send the completed registration form to Mr Gordan Pavlović on [gordan.pavlovic@hts.hr](mailto:gordan.pavlovic@hts.hr) not later than February 25, 2018.

In order for your registration to be valid it is necessary to receive your payment no later than 25.02.2018.

#### TRAVELING INFORMATION

The participants should arrive in Mali Lošinj on Friday, 16th of March until 7pm, and depart (check out) by 1pm on Sunday 18th of March 2018.

Conference program will begin on Saturday 17th of March at 9am and finish on 18 of March 2018 at 12am.

For all Conference participants that are travelling by car there will be a free ferry service Merag-Valbiska & Brestova-Porozine on arrival day 16th and departure day 18th of March 2018.

In order to get a free ferry service please contact Mr Gordan Pavlović on [gordan.pavlovic@hts.hr](mailto:gordan.pavlovic@hts.hr) not later than March 5th, 2018

#### CONTACT AND OTHER INFORMATION

Other relevant information as well as a seminar program will be published until Friday 2nd of February and you will be able to find them on the official website of the Croatian Tennis Association. [www.hts.hr](http://www.hts.hr)

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Best regards,

The President of the Organizing Committee

Predrag Stojčević  
Vice President

## PAYMENT PROCEDURE

Payments must be made by international bank transfer to the following details:

Jadranka hoteli d.o.o.

Dražica 1, 51 550 Mali Lošinj

Name of the bank: Privredna banka Zagreb d.d.

SWIFT: PBZGHR2X

IBAN: HR91 2340 0091 1101 7348 5

Reference number: 00 – 697504

Please quote: Seminar teniskih trenera / Tennis coach seminar & name of the participant

## HOTEL INFORMATION

Jadranka hoteli d.o.o.

Dražica 1, 51550 Mali Lošinj, Croatia

[www.losinj-hotels.com](http://www.losinj-hotels.com)

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## SPEAKERS

### CARL MAES (BEL)



Carl Maes is one of the most experienced and respected coaches of female tennis players in the world. He is a Master in Sport Science and Kinesiology and joined the Belgian Tennis Federation in 1992. During this period he worked with Kim Clijsters, former nr1 in the World in single and doubles, from the age of 12 and coached her for more than 10 years in total throughout her career. As Belgium's Fed Cup captain, he led his side to only their second ever final.

He left Belgium for 8 years to become the LTA's Head of Women's Tennis where his role was to oversee and develop the junior and senior women's game in Britain. Since his return to Belgium he has been a consultant for several tennis federations, mentoring coaches and being part of the coach education programs.

Currently he is Academy Director for the Kim Clijsters Academy where he developed a worldwide unique screening system for tennis players with the Hawk Eye technology. Several top 100 players like Elise Mertens, Ana Konjuh, Svetlana Kuznetsova, Yanina Wickmayer, Kimmer Coppejans and also Kei Nishikori have been visiting and/or training the Academy.

### DERMOT SWENEY (ITF)

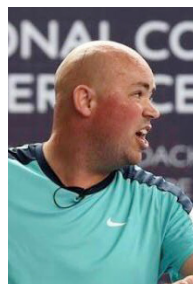


Dermot is the ITF Technical Director of Training Centres and Players. He is working on the technical aspects of the ITF/GSDF professional grants, ITF junior grants, ITF Training Centres and ITF/GSDF Touring Teams. For 16 years, Dermot was the Director of the ITF Training Centre in Pretoria, South Africa. Players that trained at the Centre included Kevin Anderson and Raven Klaasen.

He has been a touring coach for many top juniors and professional players and his highest ranked player, Vera Lapko (BLR) achieved a number 1 junior ranking. Several of his players have gone on to achieve top 100 ATP and WTA rankings.

Dermot has presented at ITF World wide coaches conferences and Regional coaches conferences. Dermot holds a ITF Level 3 Coaching certificate and has been a former Davis Cup player for Zambia.

### SIMON WHEATLEY (UK)



Simon Wheatley is Performance Coach Education Manager for the LTA in England. He is an author of a book on mini tennis plus countless resources developed for the coach education programme at the LTA.

Simon is in charge of the performance qualifications and Performance Coach Support Education programme at the LTA. He is an expert in structuring coach development projects, initiatives and tutor/coach training. He has spoken at 4 ITF worldwide coaches conferences, the USTA teachers conference, LTA coaches conference and Tennis Australia's grand slam coaches conference. In addition Simon presented in Barbados, Poland, Norway, Canada, Belgium, Denmark, Scotland, Estonia, and Cyprus.

Before working in coach Education Simon was a Regional coach for the LTA implementing the talent ID programme and travelling with many of British Tennis top junior players.