Dominican Republic, March 2026

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The team will comprise up to six players—three boys and three girls—who will travel under the guidance of experienced ITF/COTECC coaches. During the tour, players will train and compete in ITF tournaments within the COTECC region. The project is fully funded by the Grand Slam Player Development Programme.

TOURNAMENTS SCHEDULE

April 30th	Arrival to San José, Costa Rica
Week of May 4th.	San José J100, Costa Rica
Week of May 11th.	Santo Domingo J100, Dominican Republic
Week of May 18th.	Santo Domingo J100, Dominican Republic
May 23rd.	Return to their country

The following coaches will travel with the team:

- TBC
- TBC

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. **Selection Committee**

1a. Composition

The Selection Committee will comprise the following members:

- COTECC Executive Director
- COTECC Juniors Coordinator
- ITF Development Officers (2)
- ITF Head, Performance & Events
- ITF Technical Director, Training Centres and Player Development

1b. All committee members must identify and disclose any actual, perceived, or potential conflicts of interest to safeguard the integrity of the selection process and mitigate reputational risk.

1c. Discretionary Authority: The Selection Committee has been granted the authority to use discretion when interpreting and implementing these guidelines.

2. **Components of Criteria:**

2a. All players must be from a Tier 1, Tier 2, or Tier 3 country as per the ITF National Association Development Eligibility Criteria 2026.

2b. Players must meet published National Association eligibility requirements and be available to represent their nation in the Junior Team Competitions, if selected.

2c. Players must declare in writing that they are fully fit and free from injuries.

2d. To be considered, a player must commit to the whole tour, unless an exemption request is received in writing and approved by COTECC in writing.

2e. Must not be currently serving a period of ineligibility or period of provisional suspension in relation to an Anti-Doping or integrity rule violation.

2f. Up to 6 players will be selected, 3 boys and 3 girls.

2g. Players must be born 2010 or younger and must have turned 13 on or before the day of the first tournament.

2h. Selection of players will be made using the ITF junior rankings of 23.03.26. This date may be changed depending on changes on the schedule of the team.

2i. The total number of players originating from one nation in the Touring Team cannot exceed two e.g. 1 boy and 1 girl; or 2 boys and 0 girls; or 0 boys and 2 girls in the order below. In cases where a nation has multiple nominees of both genders, priority will be given to selecting one player from each gender rather than two of the same gender.

2j. Allocation of spots.

2ja. Three spots are reserved for the highest ranked girls born in 2010 or younger that are ranked 650 or better. If there are no girls meeting the ranking criteria above from other nations, the Selection Committee can consider inviting more than two players from the same nation. If there are no girls that meet the ranking criteria above (650), the Selection Committee can consider inviting the next highest ranked girl(s) born in 2010 or younger.

2jb. Three spots are reserved for the highest ranked boys born in 2010 or younger that are ranked 900 or better. If there are no boys meeting the ranking criteria above from other nations, the Selection Committee can consider inviting more than two players from the same nation. If there are no boys that meet the ranking criteria above (900), the Selection Committee can consider inviting the next highest ranked boy(s) born in 2010 or younger.

2k. If there are fewer than three players of one gender that meet the criteria and multiple players of the other gender that do meet the criteria, the Selection Committee can consider inviting more than three players of the same gender.

3. Selection Timeframe

The Selection Committee will select the players based on the ITF Junior Rankings published on March 23, 2026. Following the publication of these rankings, the National Federations will receive the official invitations for the selected players.

4. Inquiry regarding the player selection process

If a National Federation that is a member of COTECC, wishes to inquire about how the selection criteria was applied, please send your query to cotecc@cotecc.org.sv. A period of **seven (7) working days** will be allowed, starting from the date the invitations are sent to the selected players.

La ITF y COTECC organizarán una vez más el Programa de Desarrollo de Jugadores de Grand Slam para giras de equipos de jugadores 16 y menores en la región COTECC. Competirán en una serie de eventos ITF J100 en mayo de 2026. Esta iniciativa del Equipo de Gira es uno de los proyectos emblemáticos del programa y ha logrado un éxito constante desde su inicio.

El equipo estará compuesto por hasta seis jugadores—tres chicos y tres chicas—que viajarán bajo la supervisión de entrenadores experimentados de ITF/COTECC. Durante la gira, los jugadores entrenarán y competirán en torneos ITF dentro de la región COTECC. El proyecto está financiado íntegramente por el Programa de Desarrollo de Jugadores del Grand Slam.

CALENDARIO DE TORNEOS

Abril 30	Llegada a San José, Costa Rica
Semana de Mayo 4	San José J100, Costa Rica
Semana de Mayo 11	Santo Domingo J100, República Dominicana
Semana de Mayo 18	Santo Domingo J100, República Dominicana
Mayo 23	Regreso a sus países

Los siguientes entrenadores viajarán con el equipo:

- TBC
- TBC

CRITERIOS DE SELECCIÓN

1. Comité de Selección

1a. Composición

El Comité de Selección estará compuesto por los siguientes miembros:

1. Director Ejecutivo de COTECC
2. Coordinador de Juniors de COTECC
3. Oficiales de Desarrollo de la ITF (2)
4. Jefe de Rendimiento y Eventos de ITF
5. Director Técnico de ITF, Centros de Entrenamiento y Desarrollo de Jugadores

1b. Todos los miembros del comité deben identificar y divulgar cualquier conflicto de interés real, percibido o potencial, para salvaguardar la integridad del proceso de selección y mitigar el riesgo reputacional.

1c. Autoridad discrecional: Al Comité de Selección se le ha concedido la autoridad para ejercer discreción al interpretar e implementar estas directrices.

2. Componentes de los criterios:

2a. Todos los jugadores deben ser de un país de Nivel 1, Nivel 2 o Nivel 3 según los Criterios de Elegibilidad de Desarrollo de ITF para las Federaciones Nacionales 2026.

2b. Los jugadores deben cumplir los requisitos de elegibilidad publicados por la Asociación Nacional y estar disponibles para representar a su país en las competiciones por equipos junior, si son seleccionados.

2c. Los jugadores deben declarar por escrito que están completamente en forma y libres de lesiones.

2d. Para ser considerado, un jugador debe comprometerse a toda la gira, salvo que se reciba una solicitud de exención por escrito y que COTECC la apruebe por escrito.

2e. No debe estar cumpliendo actualmente un periodo de inelegibilidad o suspensión provisional en relación con una infracción de normas antidopaje o de integridad.

2f. Se seleccionarán hasta 6 jugadores, 3 chicos y 3 chicas.

2g. Los jugadores deben haber nacido en 2010 o después y haber cumplido 13 años el día de inicio o antes, del primer torneo.

2h. La selección de jugadores se realizará utilizando el ranking junior ITF de 23.03.26. Esta fecha puede cambiarse según los cambios en el calendario del equipo.

2i. El número total de jugadores originarios de una nación en el equipo no puede superar a dos, por ejemplo, 1 chico y 1 chica; o 2 chicos y 0 chicas; o 0 chicos y 2 chicas en el orden siguiente. En los casos en que una nación tenga varios nominados de ambos géneros, se dará prioridad a seleccionar un jugador de cada género en lugar de dos del mismo género.

2j. Asignación de plazas.

2ja. Tres plazas están reservadas para las chicas mejor clasificadas nacidas en 2010 o después, que estén en el puesto 650 o superior. Si no hay chicas de otras naciones que cumplan los criterios de clasificación anteriores, el Comité de Selección puede considerar invitar a más de dos jugadoras del mismo país. Si no hay chicas que cumplan los criterios de clasificación anteriores (650), el Comité de Selección puede considerar invitar a la(s) chica(s) con mejor ranking nacida(s) en 2010 o más tarde.

2jb. Tres plazas están reservadas para los chicos mejor clasificados nacidos en 2010 o después, que estén en el puesto 900 o superior. Si no hay chicos de otras naciones que cumplan los criterios de clasificación anteriores, el Comité de Selección puede considerar invitar a más de dos jugadores del mismo país. Si no hay chicos que cumplan los criterios de clasificación anteriores (900), el Comité de Selección puede considerar invitar al siguiente chico mejor clasificado nacido en 2010 o más tarde.

2k. Si hay menos de tres jugadores de un género que cumplen los criterios y varios jugadores del otro género que los cumplen, el Comité de Selección puede considerar invitar a más de tres jugadores del mismo género.

3. Plazo de selección

La selección de jugadores será realizada por el Comité de Selección utilizando el ranking ITF Junior publicado el 23 de marzo de 2026. Tras la publicación de dicho ranking, las Federaciones Nacionales recibirán las invitaciones oficiales correspondientes para los jugadores seleccionados.

4. Consulta sobre el proceso de selección de los jugadores

Si una Federación Nacional, miembro de COTECC, desea preguntar sobre la forma en la cual se aplicaron los criterios de selección, por favor enviar su consulta a la dirección: cotecc@cotecc.org.sv. Se dará un plazo de 7 días hábiles, a partir de la fecha de la invitación a los jugadores seleccionados.

GRAND SLAM TENNIS
Touring Teams

TOUR No. 2

Dominican Republic, August 2026

Dear Sir or Madam,

WORLD TENNIS and COTECC will once again organise the Grand Slam Player Development Programme 16 & Under Touring Team to COTECC, which will compete in a series of WORLD TENNIS J60 events in October 2026. This Touring Team initiative is one of the programme's flagship projects and has achieved consistent success since its inception.

The team will comprise up to eight players—four boys and four girls—who will travel under the guidance of experienced WORLD TENNIS/COTECC coaches. During the tour, players will train and compete in WORLD TENNIS tournaments within the COTECC region. The project is fully funded by the Grand Slam Player Development Programme.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Thursday, Oct. 8th: **Travel to Panamá**
Week of Oct. 12th: **J60 Panamá**
Week of Oct. 19th. **J60 Panamá**
Saturday, Oct. 24th. **Return to their home countries**

The following coaches will travel with the team:

- Alejandro Obando (HON)
- Daniela Muñoz (MEX)
- Erick Rodríguez (ESA) (Physical trainer)

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. **Selection Committee**

1a. Composition
The Selection Committee will comprise the following members:

- COTECC Executive Director
- COTECC Juniors Coordinator
- WORLD TENNIS Development Officers (2)
- WORLD TENNIS Head, Performance & Events

- WORLD TENNIS Technical Director, Training Centres and Player Development

1b. All committee members must identify and disclose any actual, perceived, or potential conflicts of interest to safeguard the integrity of the selection process and mitigate reputational risk.

1c. Discretionary Authority: The Selection Committee has been granted the authority to use discretion when interpreting and implementing these guidelines.

2. **Components of Criteria:**

2a. All players must be from a Tier 1, Tier 2, or Tier 3 country as per the WORLD TENNIS National Association Development Eligibility Criteria 2026.

2b. Players must meet published National Association eligibility requirements and be available to represent their nation in the Junior Team Competitions, if selected.

2c. Players must declare in writing that they are fully fit and free from injuries.

2d. To be considered, a player must commit to the whole tour, unless an exemption request is received in writing and approved by COTECC in writing.

2e. Must not be currently serving a period of ineligibility or period of provisional suspension in relation to an Anti-Doping or integrity rule violation.

2f. Up to 8 players will be selected, 4 boys and 4 girls.

2g. Players must be born 2011 or younger and must have turned 13 on or before the day of the first tournament.

2h. Selection of players will be made using the WORLD TENNIS junior rankings of 24.08.26. This date may be changed depending on changes on the schedule of the team.

2i. The total number of players originating from one nation in the Touring Team cannot exceed four e.g. 2 boys and 2 girls; or 4 boys and 0 girls; or 0 boys and 4 girls: or 3 boys and 1 girl; or 3 girls and 1 boy. In cases where a nation has multiple nominees of both genders, priority will be given to selecting two player from each gender rather than four of the same gender.

2j. Allocation of spots.

2ja. Four spots are reserved for the highest ranked girls born in 2011 or younger that are ranked 1600 or better. If there are no girls meeting the ranking criteria above from other nations, the Selection Committee can consider inviting more than two players from the same nation. If there are no girls that meet the ranking criteria above (1600), the Selection Committee can consider inviting the next highest ranked girl(s) born in 2011 or younger.

2jb. Four spots are reserved for the highest ranked boys born in 2011 or younger that are ranked 1700 or better. If there are no boys meeting the ranking criteria above from other nations, the Selection Committee can consider inviting more than two players from the same nation. If there are no boys that meet the ranking criteria above (1700), the Selection Committee can consider inviting the next highest ranked boy(s) born in 2011 or younger.

2k. If there are fewer than four players of one gender that meet the criteria and multiple players of the other gender that do meet the criteria, the Selection Committee can consider inviting more than three players of the same gender.

3. Selection Timeframe

The Selection Committee will select the players based on the WORLD TENNIS Junior Rankings published on August 24, 2026. Following the publication of these rankings, the National Federations will receive official invitations for the selected players.

4. Inquiry regarding the player selection process

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please send your query to cotecc@cotecc.org.sv. A period of **seven (7) working days** will be allowed, starting from the date the invitations are sent to the selected players.