## **Press Release**

## Serena Hotels ITF Futures Tennis Tournament December, 2017 Men's Main Draw

**Serena Hotels ITF Futures Tennis Tournament, 2017** continued on the 4<sup>th</sup> December 2017, at Pakistan Tennis Federation (PTF) Complex Garden Avenue, Islamabad. Some high quality tennis was witnessed again by tennis fans of the twin cities as well as the top management of the PTF.

In Men's Singles Round 1, Muhammad Abid moved into the second round by overpowering Muhammad Shoaib. A resilient Ahmed Choudhry lost to Nikolay Vlegzhanin from Russia after an excellent display of Tennis by both players and stretched each other to the limits.

In the Men's Doubles Round 1, Pakistan's Junior ace Yousaf Khalil pairing with Afghanistan's Asad kebir stunned the Russian pair of Dmitiry Myagkov and Ivan Ponomarenko. It was one of most exciting matches of the tournament so far and the crowd applauded both sides for displaying great Tennis skills and sportsmanship. Pakistan No.1 Aqeel Khan pairing with Shahzad Khan comfortably beat their Pakistani counterparts Muhammad Wagas Malik and Usman Rafigue in straight sets.

Top seeded pair David Perez Sanz and Kelsey Stevenson progressed into the second round by comfortably beating their opponents. Second seed pair of Peter Goldsteiner and Julian Onken from Austria and Germany respectively, breezed past the Mehmood Khan Brothers. Vadim Alekseenko from Ukraine pairing Nikolay Vylegzhanin from Russia stunned third seed Russian pair of Shlava Dzhanashia and Ivan Nedelko.

The results are given below.

## Men's Singles Main Draw Results

Julian Onken (GER) [6] beat Tegbir Singh Hara (CAN) 6-0, 6-0; Shalva Dzhanashia (RUS) [5] beat Kshitij Kamal (IND): 6-3, 6-1; Muhammad Abid (PAK) beat Muhammad Shoaib (PAK): 6-0, 4-6, 6-0; Nikolay Vlegzhanin (RUS) beat Ahmed Choudhry (PAK): 6-4, 4-6, 6-2.

## **Men's Doubles Main Draw Results**

David Perez Sanz (ESP) / Kelsey Stevenson (CAN) [1] beat Muhammad Abid (PAK)/ Muzammil Murtaza (PAK): 6-4, 6-4; Oleg Besednikov (RUS)/ Alexander Lebedyn (UKR) beat Heera Ashiq (PAK)/ Yasir Khan (PAK): 6-4, 6-4; Fariduni Bekhodur (TJK)/ Roy Hobbs (SGP) beat Tegbir Singh Hara (CAN)/ Kshitij Kamal (IND): 7-6 (7), 6-0; Aqeel Khan (PAK)/ Shahzad Khan (PAK) beat Muhammad Waqas Malik (PAK)/ Usman Rafique (PAK): 6-0, 6-3; Luka Pavlovic (FRA)/ Pere Riba (ESP) beat Gleb Alekseenko (UKR) / Anton Chekhov (RUS): 4-6, 6-4, [10-4]; Vadim Alekseenko (UKR)/ Nikolay Vylegzhanin (RUS) beat Shlava Dzhanashia (RUS)/ Ivan Nedelko (RUS): 3]: 6-2, 4-6, [10-8]; Asad kebir (AFG)/ Yousaf Khalil beat Dmitiry Myagkov (RUS)/ Ivan Ponomarenko (RUS): 0-6, 7-5, [11-9]; Peter Goldsteiner (AUT)/ Julian Onken (GER) [2] beat Asad Mehmood Khan(PAK)/ Fahad Mehmood Khan(PAK): 6-0, 6-0.