

PKO Szczecin Open 2016

This summer IBB Polish Building Wholesale sponsored tennis challenger tournament in Poland - PKO SZCZECIN OPEN 2016

The 24th edition of the Pekao Szczecin Open challenger tournament took place between September 10th and 18th, on the Promasters' clay courts, on the Wojska Polskiego 127 av. in Szczecin. The tournament is organized yearly since 1993. At the beginning it was a satellite tournament, with 25.000 \$ in prize money and since 1996 Pekao Szczecin Open is a challenger tournament. Since 1997, Pekao Szczecin Open offers 125.000\$ in prize money + hospitality (free accommodation and board for the players). The tournament is a licensed ATP Challenger event. Bank Pekao joint-

stock company and a city of Szczecin are the main sponsors.

Players Granollers, Marcel FRA (ATP 45) and Ambroży, Filip (ATP) both were sponsored by IBB Polish Building Wholesale. Fans could watch them both in single matches and playing together in tennis double.

Amongst others were Cervantes, Inigo ESP (ATP 74), Brown, Dustin GER (ATP 87), Albot, Radu MDA (ATP 98), Basilashvili, Nikoloz GEO (ATP 102), Gabashvili, Teymuraz RUS (ATP 106), Eysseric Jonathan FRA (ATP 127), Montanes, Albert ESP (ATP 135), Cecchinato, Marco ITA (ATP 137), Lestienne, Constant FRA (ATP 166), Gaio, Federico ITA (ATP 169), Bourgue, Mathias FRA (ATP 189), Napolitano, Stefano (ATP 227), Janowicz, Jerzy POL (ATP 228), Michon, Axel FRA (ATP 231), Santillan, Akira JPN (ATP 244), Giannessi, Alessandro ITA (ATP 247), Kolar, Zdenek CZE (ATP



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Marcel Granollers Pujol

Marcel Granollers Pujol is the Spanish tennis player. The highest ranking in his career - No. 19 in singles in July 2012, in doubles No. 4 in February 2013, the current ATP ranking as of 29-08-2016 - 45 in singles and No.31 in doubles.

Age: 30, 12 April 1986 **Height:** 190 cm **Weight:** 77 kg
Turned pro: 2003 **Prize money:** 8,15 mln USD

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Filip Ambroży

Filip Ambroży was born in Szczecin. He has been playing tennis since the age of 6 years. He began training in Poland, continued in the UK, currently trains in Spain. Planned ATP ranking - No.1 :)

Age: 16, 22 August 2000 **Height:** 177cm **Weight:** 56 kg **Turned pro:** soon **Prize money:** 400,- USD

259), Mertl, Jan CZE (ATP 266), Sakharov, Gleb FRA (ATP 274), Sonogo, Lorenzo ITA (ATP 277), Eremin, Edoardo ITA (ATP 300), Vatutin, Alexey RUS (ATP 303), TOREBKO, Peter GER (ATP 339), PRZYSIĘŻNY, Michał POL (ATP 344), Caruso, Salvatore ITA (ATP 355), MICHNEV, Petr CZE (ATP 416), RUUD, Christian NOR (ATP 450), CIAŚ, Paweł POL (ATP 456), REISTER, Julien GER (ATP 650), IVANOV, Vladimir EST (ATP 690), Westerhof, Boy NED (ATP 897)

Alessandro Giannessi was unrivaled this year. He walked with confidence from victory to victory, he didn't lost even one set and absolutely deservedly the title of our challenger. Sunday's finale began, as most spectators expectet, with Brown keeping the lead. German has served two aces and easily won to zero. Another gem is fierce, lasting ten minutes, which eventually came out victorious for Italian player. And it is this moment that can be considered a breakthrough



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for the fate of the match. From now on the court has been ruled by Giannessi. Italian player answered almost every shot, successfully defended himself from the vicinity of the end line and patiently waited for rivals error. They've increased every minute. In the first set Brown won only one more gem (2: 6), the second wasn't much better. Giannessi again twice picked up a rival serve, he did not lose a single service gem and finally won 6: 2, 6: 3. The final match of Pekao Szczecin Open 2016 lasted exactly an hour.

- It was just a perfect match in my performance - said a match winner - The last few weeks were very good for me and I feel that I finally caught the appropriate form. I've made a solid performance in the US Open, and the match with Stan Wawrinka, although I eventually lost, stood at a very high level.

For Giannessiego victory in Szczecin is particularly important and gives great cause for satisfaction. - This is my first title, so no wonder I'm so happy. Throughout the week everything went my way. I feel that I played very well and I feel that I deserve this trophy, and it's really a wonderful feeling.

- Two times I was here in the finals of doubles and never had a chance to win. Now won the title in singles, so I can say that three times lucky. Thanks to everyone who put their hands to organize this wonderful tournament and I hope to see you here next year!

Dustin Brown, PKO Szczecin Open champion from two years ago, did not play the best match, but the journey to the finals allowed him to move up in the ranking to the highest position in the career. - Alessandro played really well today and fully deserved win. Sometimes it is so that you come out on the court, but the opponent is much better this day. I have to accept this defeat and congratulate him warmly - concluded Brown.

In this year edition of PKO Szczecin Open, for the first time Italian player triumphed in the tournament! This time the matches from the stands was watched by a total of up to 25 000 people!

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