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ATP ANNOUNCES 2019 ATP WORLD TOUR CALENDAR

LONDON — The ATP has released the 2019 ATP World Tour calendar, a tournament schedule that will feature 63 tournaments in 31 countries across six continents, in addition to the four Grand Slams.

The 2019 calendar offers a continuation of the existing tournament structure and schedule that, since 2009, has so successfully served as a global platform for the world's greatest men's professional tennis players, leading to record growth for the Tour, tournaments and players over the past decade.

In addition to the four Grand Slams, the 2019 schedule will feature nine leading ATP World Tour Masters 1000 tournaments, 13 ATP World Tour 500 events, and 39 ATP World Tour 250 tournaments, with all roads leading to the spectacular season-ending Nitto ATP Finals at The O2 in London, as well as the Next Gen ATP Finals in Milan.

The announcement of the 2019 calendar comes on the back of a record-breaking year for the ATP World Tour in 2017. More than 4.5 million fans attended ATP World Tour tournaments last season, an all-time record, while 995 million fans tuned into the action on television and online.

Chris Kermode, ATP Executive Chairman & President, said: "Our calendar has yielded strong results for the Tour over the past 10 years, attracting record audiences and leading to triple digit increases in prize money during that period. We're pleased to extend the existing calendar through to 2019 as we look to continue the sustainable growth that has underpinned the Tour over the past ten years."

Total on-site prize money on the ATP World Tour this season is set to reach US\$137.5 million (excluding Grand Slams), an increase of more than 110 per cent since 2008, when numerous structural changes were made to the Tour.

The 2019 ATP World Tour calendar can be found here.

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About the ATP

The ATP is the governing body of the men's professional tennis circuits - the ATP World Tour, the ATP Challenger Tour and the ATP Champions Tour. With 64 tournaments in 31 countries, the ATP World Tour showcases the finest male athletes competing in the world's most exciting venues. From Australia to Europe and the Americas to Asia, the stars of the 2018 ATP World Tour will battle for prestigious titles and ATP Rankings points at ATP World Tour Masters 1000, 500 and 250 events, as well as Grand Slams (non ATP events). At the end of the season only the world's top 8 qualified singles players and doubles teams will qualify to compete for the last title of the season at the Nitto ATP Finals. Held at The O2 in London, the event will officially crown the 2018 ATP World Tour No. 1 presented by Emirates. For more information, please visit www.ATPWorldTour.com.

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