

## Riga will hold an International competition in Table Tennis



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“Riga City Council’s Youth Cup 2020”, the prestigious international table tennis competition for young participants will be held from February 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> in Riga. The cup will take place in Oskars Kalpaks Riga Folk Art Primary School in Riga, Skrindu Street 1.

More than 350 young players from 17 countries, representing England, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Estonia, India, Iceland, Italy, Israel, Russia, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Norway, Poland, Ukraine, Uzbekistan and Sweden, will compete for the prize medals.

“I am glad that every year we see the level of the competition growing, in terms of their skills and the number of participants. Young players from China were invited as well, though they will not be able to come due to the measures taken to limit coronavirus. However, it does not mean less competition for our young table-tennis players. The Latvian team expects successful results by Sabina Musajeva and Daniels Kogans, who study at “Rīdzene” sports school and were awarded medals the previous year. We would be happy to see great scores by Franciska Liniņa, Artūrs Spalis and Deniss Vasiļjevs, too,” says Ina Jozepsone, President of Table Tennis Federation of Latvia.

For the Latvian youth, „Riga City Council’s Cup 2020” is the most important international event in the field of table tennis, supported continuously by Riga City Council, allowing the young athletes to play with competitors from different countries around the world.

We would like to invite the fans to show their support for the youth, by coming to the event or watching the competition video online.

**“Riga City Council’s Youth Cup 2020” will take place in three age groups:**

Friday, February 14, games for boys and girls born in 2008.

Saturday, February 15, games for boys and girls born in 2005-2007.

Sunday, February 16, games for boys and girls born in 2002-2004.

The cup starts at 9:30 A.M. every day, while the most exciting part – the final games will take place every day after 3:00 P.M.

Internet live stream will be available on sites [www.lgtf.lv](http://www.lgtf.lv) and [www.galdateniss.lv](http://www.galdateniss.lv), and the records of the final games will be available on Sunday at [www.sportacentrs.com](http://www.sportacentrs.com).

Last year, among representatives from 13 countries, Sabina Musajeva, the Latvian Champion of 2018 in women singles, won the silver medal, while Daniels Kogans won the shared third place. In total score, the cup was won by the Ukrainian team, followed by Warmia-Masuria province team in the second place and the players from Grodno, Belarus in the third place. In total score team of Latvian representatives gained the seventh place.

More information about the participants and results of “Riga City Council’s Youth Cup 2020” available on [www.lgtf.lv](http://www.lgtf.lv) and [www.galdateniss.lv](http://www.galdateniss.lv).

The cup is supported by Riga City Council and Latvian Sports Federation Council. The information provided by [www.galdateniss.lv](http://www.galdateniss.lv).

## **About Table Tennis Federation of Latvia**

Table Tennis Federation of Latvia (TTFL) (*Latvijas Galda tenisa federācija*) is the main organization responsible for table tennis in Latvia, promoting development of table tennis in Latvia, ensuring participation of table tennis teams and representatives in local and international cups. TTFL is a member of International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) and European Table Tennis Union (ETTU). Read more on [www.lgtf.lv](http://www.lgtf.lv).

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