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- Meaningful competition
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## Message from ICC Regional Development Manager – Europe

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It gives me great pleasure to welcome all teams, players and officials to Belgium for the ICC European U/19 Division 2 Tournament. The event will see the U/19 national squads from Belgium, France, Germany, Gibraltar, Israel, Italy and Isle of Man play against each other in a series of 50-over and Twenty20 matches. Officiating at the tournament will be a ten-strong team of umpires from eight European countries – one of the largest and most diverse teams to officiate at a European Championship, and an indication of the increasing development of umpires throughout the region.

The U/19 competition is of particular importance to national development programmes and player pathways as it gives young cricketers a taste of international cricket before they play for their country's senior side.

Following the superb hosting of the ICC European World Cricket League Division 3 in 2007, I am confident that this tournament will enjoy the same level of success and we can look forward to a fantastic few days of cricket. There are many people who have contributed to the organisation of this event, not least the Tournament Organiser Ken Farmiloe to whom the ICC and I are truly grateful. Personally I would like to thank all the match officials – referee, umpires, scorers and web managers; groundsmen; match managers; and many other volunteers throughout the clubs who have worked so hard and kindly hosted matches.

In addition this year's event has secured the support of two official event partners Arjav Diamonds NV and Diarough NV, both Belgium-based diamond specialists with sales and manufacturing offices worldwide. We are therefore very grateful to both companies for their support of European Cricket and the Belgian Cricket Federation.

Good luck to all those involved and enjoy the tournament!

Yours sincerely



Richard Holdsworth  
ICC Regional Development Manager - Europe

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## Welcome to Belgium

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On behalf of Cricket Belgium I would very much like to extend a particularly warm welcome to this country, to Antwerp and to the ICC European U/19 Division 2 Tournament in particular.

We are delighted to be hosting what we believe is one of the most important tournaments in a development sense – the Under-19s are, after all, the players who will go on to represent our countries at senior level in the coming years and almost all will have come through each of our junior coaching and competition programmes.

We wish all of our visiting young cricketers a great tournament, a real challenge in terms of cricketing skills and abilities, and the very best of luck.

In addition to the cricket, we would also be very happy if you could find a little time to visit at least something of this historic city. Antwerp has a great deal to offer in both sporting and cultural terms and it would be sad if you did not get the chance to experience at least something of it while here.

Cricket Belgium is very grateful to our two official event partners, Arjav Diamonds NV and Diarough NV. It is pleasing to know that two such companies are not only enthusiastic about supporting cricket in this country but are also more than willing to put their hands up for European cricket.

We wish all of you a great stay and some very enjoyable and competitive cricket!

Yours sincerely



Kenneth Farmiloe  
Chairman, Cricket Belgium



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## Tournament Details

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### VENUES



Antwerp Indians CC, Laarstraat 20, 2640 Wilrijk



Mechelen CC, Hombeekouter, 2811 Hombeek



Royal Brussels CC, Chemin des Messes 39, 1380 Lasne

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## Tournament Personnel

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Tournament Director	David Jukes
Tournament Referee	Sandy Scotland
Tournament Organiser	Kenneth Farmiloe
Umpire Manager	Ken Amos
Umpires	Andy Bisson Naor Gudker Thomas Kentorp Willem Molenaar John Mountford Mike Rawle Jari Schabel Andrew Scott Robin Stockton
Web Managers	Rod Lyall and Peter Power

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## Tournament Match Schedule

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### *Day 1 - Mon 3rd*

Belgium v France at Royal Brussels (11.00) 50 over  
Israel v Germany at Antwerp Indians (10.00) 50 over  
Isle of Man v Italy at Mechelen (11.00) 50 over  
Gibraltar (Rest Day)

### *Day 2 - Tues 4th*

Israel v Belgium at Mechelen (11.00) 50 over  
Isle of Man v France at Antwerp Indians (10.00) 50 over  
Gibraltar v Germany at Royal Brussels (11.00) 50 over  
Italy (Rest Day)



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### ***Day 3 - Wed 5th***

Isle of Man v Israel at Antwerp Indians (9.00 - 12.00) T20  
Gibraltar v Isle of Man at Antwerp Indians (12.30 - 3.30) T20  
Gibraltar vs Belgium at Antwerp Indians (4.00 - 7.00) T20

Germany vs Belgium at Mechelen (9.00 - 12.00) T20  
Italy vs France at Mechelen (12.30 - 3.30) T20  
Italy vs Israel at Mechelen (4.00 - 7.00) T20

### ***Day 4 - Thur 6th Reserve Day***

### ***Day 5 - Fri 7th***

Italy v Gibraltar at Antwerp Indians (10.00) 50 over  
Germany v Isle of Man at Royal Brussels (11.00) 50 over  
France v Israel at Mechelen (11.00) 50 over  
Belgium (Rest Day)

### ***Day 6 - Sat 8th***

Germany v Italy at Mechelen (11.00) 50 over  
France v Gibraltar at Royal Brussels (11.00) 50 over  
Belgium v Isle of Man at Antwerp Indians (10.00) 50 over  
Israel (Rest Day)

### ***Day 7 - Sun 9th***

France v Germany TBC T20  
Belgium v Italy TBC 50 over  
Israel v Gibraltar TBC 50 over  
Isle of Man (Rest Day)

Tournament Dinner - Sunday 9th, 7.30 for 8 pm

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## A Word from our Partners

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"ARJAV DIAMONDS is delighted to be a sponsor of this year's ICC-Europe Under-19 Division 2 Championships in Belgium. National teams in Belgium have been well supported by Cricket Belgium and ICC-Europe over the years and we are very pleased to be able to play a role in helping to raise the profile of the sport we all enjoy so much. We look forward to a competitive and exciting tournament played in the right spirit."

Ashit Mehta  
*Managing Director, Arjav Diamonds NV*  
[www.arjavidiamonds.com](http://www.arjavidiamonds.com)



# DIAROUGH N.V.

"DIAROUGH nv is pleased to support European U19 cricket by being a sponsor for this tournament. We trust that all teams will enjoy their stay in Belgium and that the cricket will demonstrate just how far the sport has progressed in Europe in recent years. We've always been proud supporters of Belgian cricket and are very happy to extend this support to a European level. We wish all of you an enjoyable and beneficial tournament."

Saurin Parikh  
*Managing Director, Diarough NV*  
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### BELGIUM

Was Flanders, the northern region of what is now Belgium, the place where cricket began?

Recently published research has again indicated that Flemish weavers and shepherds who emigrated to the south of England from the 14th century onwards could have taken the game of cricket along with them.

The first recorded cricket match, however, comes several centuries later when British Guards officers played a match shortly before the Battle of Waterloo in 1815. Matches have been played to mark the 150th and 175th anniversaries of this occasion.

The first record of organised cricket can be found in a painting dated 1870 which shows the opening of the Brussels Cricket Club ground in 1866 by the Mayor of Brussels.

The next club was the Antwerp Football and Cricket Club, founded in 1880. More and more clubs were formed in the 1950s, 1970s, 1980s and 1990s and today 17 clubs and two schools belong to the Belgian Cricket Federation. In addition, there are a number of teams representing businesses and other organizations playing in a mid-week T20 competition and other non-League events. There are eight cricket grounds in Belgium.

The history of international competition in Belgium dates from the first fixture against Holland in 1905. Belgium has also played a full role in ECC and now ICC-Europe senior and junior tournaments and is an Associate Member of the ICC. The country has had some success over the years, notably at youth level.

This year, 2009, the national squad has played in a triangular tournament with France and Germany and in early July took part in the first European Continental Twenty20 Tournament organised by the Netherlands. It will travel to Spain in September for the ICC-Europe Championships.

Domestically, the country has a senior league of four divisions and there are also youth leagues for under 15s, 13s and 11s. The national youth teams and some of the leading club sides at these levels also play in the Dutch competition.

Cricket Belgium is delighted to welcome its visitors to this tournament and trusts everyone enjoys their stay here - from both an individual and cricketing point of view.

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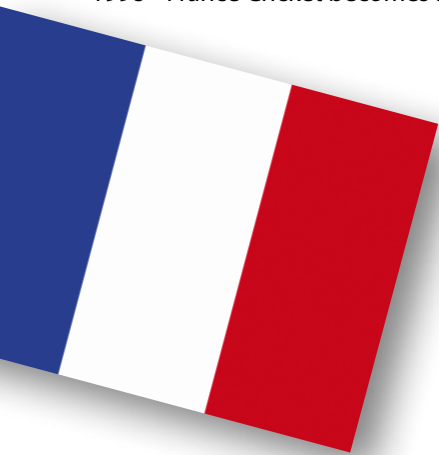
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FRANCE

Milestones in French cricket:

- 1478 First recorded game of 'croquet' in the Pas de Calais
- 1789 MCC cancels visit to Paris because of the Revolution
- 1865 Paris CC publishes a booklet explaining the rules
- 1867 MCC and I Zingari play Paris CC in the Bois de Boulogne. A French teams plays Prussia in Germany
- 1889 Crickt ground established at Chantilly, Boulogne, Cannes, Nice & Lille
- 1899 Paris selection plays Nottingham
- 1900 France wins silver medal at the Paris Olympics
- 1906 France eats Belgium in Brussels (series interrupted in 1914)
- 1910 France beats the Netherlands in triangular tournament with Belgium
- 1910 France loses the first 'nationals only' match against Belgium
- 1920 First Federations Française de Cricket formed
- 1966 France's withdrawal from NATO ends most cricketing activity
- 1986 FFC re-formed as Association Française de Cricket
- 1988 AFC becomes Fédération Française de Cricket
- 1990 FFC becomes part of the re-named Fédération Française de Baseball, Softball & Cricket'
- 1993, 1996 & 1997 France wins European Cricket Federation Championship
- 1998 France Cricket becomes an Associate Member of the ICC



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### GERMANY

The modern era of German cricket began officially with the formation of the Deutscher Cricket Bund in 1988. From the 1960s, however, a number of teams had been playing 'friendlies' and groups of players had met in parks and even supermarket car parks to play impromptu games. These were largely ex-pat teams formed from Commonwealth immigrants who, coming from cricket-playing countries, wanted to continue playing cricket in their new homeland. In the 1980s a small number of Germans in schools and universities also took up the game and out of this mixture came the DCB.

There had been a history of cricket from the mid- nineteenth century and it was in Berlin that cricket first took root. The city remained the centre into the 1920s and 1930s. Cricket and football went hand-in-hand in those early days and the German Football and Cricket

Federation was founded in 1881. Later the sports split to have their own organisations. There were never any competitive leagues outside Berlin, though: these only came after 1988 with the modern DCB.

Today Germany has five cricket regions: North, the North German Cricket Association (NDCV); Berlin, the Berlin Cricket Committee (BCK); South, the Bavarian Cricket Association (BCV); West, the Hessen Cricket Association (HCV) and North West, the North Rhine Westphalia Cricket Union (NRWCU). These cricket regions support 50 clubs.

Internationally, the main exchanges were between the Netherlands, Denmark and the UK. There was no German national team, however, until the modern era when a side travelled to Denmark in 1990. The European Cricket Federation (ECF) (1989) brought a fuller international programme as did the European Cricket Council (ECC) which followed it in (1997). Germany became an ICC Affiliate in 1991 and an ICC Associate in 1999.

The DCB and its U19 team and management look forward to this tournament in Belgium, a country which has hosted very successfully a good number of tournaments, indoor and outdoor, in recent years. We wish all participants a great tournament.

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### GIBRALTAR

Cricket in Gibraltar has a long history, having initially been played by British servicemen as early as the 18th century, when the first ground was built on what is now the airport. With the decline of the services presence in the last few decades, the number of Gibraltarians taking part in clubs and games has increased enormously and the national side has been committed to ICC Cricket since 1982. Indeed, we have successfully taken part in all age group and senior competitions we have been invited to, a commitment level that we aspire to maintain. All the boys on this tour are products of the existing youth system and all participate in the Twenty20 League as a team and in adult cricket clubs as individuals.

The Gibraltar Cricket Association is halfway through a three-year partnership with NatWest Bank plc., which will concentrate on driving through our development projects for youth and community areas, including our new districts programme to bridge the gap between school and club cricket. This will allow around 200 of our best youngsters (both boys and girls) access to advanced training and a structured competitive programme each year. It is hoped that this system will produce a 'conveyor belt' of talented players into the adult game domestically, as well as to prepare them for international competitions such as this one, for years to come. These are very exciting times for Gibraltar cricket and we look forward to seeing progress through the next decade.



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### ISLE OF MAN

Organised cricket has been played on the Isle of Man since 1930. In July 2004 the Isle of Man Cricket Association took a giant step when it was elected the 90th member of the ICC and in 2005 competed in a European Championship for the first time when the side entered the European Affiliates Championships in Antwerp, finishing a creditable 8th with a very young, inexperienced side.

The Isle of Man's first win in an international came against Finland at Antwerp Indians CC on 17th August 2005.

Over the years the Isle of Man Cricket Club has hosted many teams from the UK and Ireland while later in the 1970s annual tours by the IOMCC would take place to the UK. Each year the MCC sends a touring side to the Island to play against King William's College and a fixture against the Island senior side is always included.

In 1990 the Isle of Man Cricket Club ventured abroad for the first time when a side sponsored by the Bank of Canada travelled to Victoria in British Columbia to play in the Visas International Sixes Competition. Against the odds the Isle of Man team brought home the trophy when Martin Webb's astonishing innings of 73 not out in a team total of 105 brought victory against Australian side Qantas.

Isle of Man sides competed again in 1992 and 1994 but were unable to repeat the success. However, after a 15 year gap the Isle Of Man again tasted success in an International Sixes when St John's Cricket Club won the 2005 Menorca International Sixes.



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### ISRAEL

Israel is known as a land of miracles, and the survival of cricket in the Holy Land must surely rate as one of those miracles. The odds have always been heavily stacked against the game, yet cricket has endured and even flourished despite lacking adequate playing surfaces, equipment and financial backing.

Naturally enough cricket was introduced to the Middle East by the British. The first all Israeli match took place in 1956 in Tel-Hashomer, between teams representing Tel Aviv and the Negev desert town Be'er Sheva. By the mid sixties the game was in danger of disappearing altogether, but an influx of cricket playing Jewish immigrants from countries such as Britain, South Africa, Australia, India and Pakistan revived its fortunes. Clubs sprung up wherever the immigrants settled and in 1966 the first national league was established, with ten clubs from as far apart as the Galilee, Haifa, Be'er Sheva and Ashdod. This league eventually led to the foundation of the Israel Cricket Association (ICA) in 1968.

The first touring side to Israel was the Bournemouth CC in 1968 and in 1972 the Maccabi Games featured the first international cricket tournament to be held in Israel. In 1974 Israel was accepted as an Associate Member of the ICC, and in May 1979 Israel was one of the 15 participants in the inaugural ICC Associate Members' trophy held in Birmingham. In 1996, Israel became a founder member of the European Cricket Council.

In September 2000 the ICA officially launched a youth development programme. Since its inception, the programme has had tremendous success with youth teams recording excellent results in European tournaments.

The first full international match was played in Israel in November 2007 when Croatia visited for a European play-off. Israel lost by six runs, being relegated to European Division 3.

As part of the 60th anniversary celebrations of the State, a star-studded India A team visited for a three-match tour against an Israel Invitational X1, including Jonty Rhodes and Adam Bacher. This year is a particularly busy one for Israel cricket, with both senior and youth teams participating in the 18th Maccabiah, and Senior, U19 and U15 teams travelling to European tournaments.

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### ITALY

The game of cricket in Italy dates back to 1793 when Admiral Horatio Nelson organised the first ever recorded game in Naples. Exactly 100 years later Sir James Edward Spensley founded the Genoa Cricket & Football Club to be followed shortly by similar entities in Milan and Turin. The advent of Fascism, however, saw the disappearance of the game, which only resurfaced after World War II.

The transformation from expatriate to integrated activity started in 1980 with the foundation of the Associazione Italiana Cricket. Recognised by the ICC in 1984 as the first Affiliate member, the Associazione acquired Associate status in 1995 and, following government recognition, on 1st March 1997 became the Federazione Cricket Italiana.

The history of international cricket in Italy hinges around one precise date: 25 July 1998. On that date Italy beat the ECB XI at the European Championships in The Hague gaining promotion to Division 1 of that competition. Joe Scuderi, the star of that win, subsequently became the first Italian player to play county cricket, being signed by Lancashire. Italy has now stabilised itself in the top 30 in the global rankings following its permanent entry in the World Cricket League and in Europe's Division 1.

There are two main domestic competitions in Italy - The Championship and the Italian Cup. The Championship has rapidly expanded to three divisions over the last few years while the Italian Cup is played in Twenty20 knockout format. It is open to teams from all 3 divisions and has no restriction on players on the field.

Around 4000 people are involved in cricket in Italy and of these approximately 3000 are juniors involved in the main feature of the Federazione's Development Program – the Progetto Promozione e Sviluppo (Promotion and Development Program). This is a 32-hour scheme that is delivered to schools in the Kwik Cricket format. The idea is not only to involve the kids but also the physical education teachers. In this respect, coach education has been a feature of the last years in Italy.

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