



6:00 DRAW CEREMONY WELCOME

11 FEBRUARY 2023



WELCOME TO THE DRAW CEREMONY FOR THE 2023 QATAR TOTAL ENERGIES OPEN.

JOINING US TONIGHT, PLEASE WELCOME TO THE STAGE:

- ▶ SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE QATAR TENNIS FEDERATION, AND GENERAL COORDINATOR OF THE QATAR TOTAL ENERGIES OPEN, **MR. TARIQ DARWISH ZAINAL.**
- ▶ DEPUTY VICE PRESIDENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, COMMUNICATION, AND CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY TOTAL ENERGIES QATAR – **MR. ABDULLA MOHSEN.**
- ▶ QATAR TOTAL ENERGIES OPEN TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR, **MR. SAAD AL MOHANNADI.**
- ▶ QATAR TENNIS FEDERATION BOARD MEMBER, **MR. KARIM ALAMI**
- ▶ AND HERE TO CONDUCT TONIGHT'S DRAW CEREMONY - SHE MADE HER QATAR TOTAL ENERGIES OPEN DEBUT 20-YEARS-AGO (IN 2003) -- WTA TOURNAMENT SUPERVISOR: **MARTINA LUTKOVA.**

PLAYER WELCOME



AND WE'RE ALSO GRATEFUL TO HAVE FOUR STARS OF THIS YEAR'S EVENT WITH US THIS EVENING - SEATED IN THE FRONT ROW.

**IPEK ÖZ (TUR)**

CURRENT RANKING: 196

- ▶ INCLUDING ONE OF OUR WILD CARDS -- WHO LAST YEAR, MADE HER WTA-1000 DEBUT RIGHT HERE IN DOHA. JUST A FEW WEEKS LATER IN BOGOTA, SHE WON HER FIRST CAREER MAIN-DRAW, WTA TOUR-LEVEL MATCH - THEN WENT ON TO CAPTURE HER 4TH ITF WOMEN'S CIRCUIT SINGLES TITLE - MADE HER GRAND SLAM QUALIFYING DEBUT AT ROLAND GARROS - AND CLIMBED TO A CAREER-HIGH RANKING OF WORLD #164. EXCITED HAVE BACK WITH US, TURKEY'S **IPEK ÖZ.**

**DANIELLE COLLINS (USA)**

CURRENT RANKING: 42

- ▶ AND FROM THE UNITED STATES - LAST YEAR, SHE LIT IT UP IN MELBOURNE, REACHING HER FIRST GRAND SLAM FINAL - DEFEATING IGA SWIATEK TO REACH THE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH. WEEKS LATER, SHE CRACKED THE WTA'S TOP-10, AND BY JULY - CLIMBED TO A CAREER-HIGH RANKING OF WORLD #7. MAKING HER DOHA DEBUT THIS WEEK, HAPPY TO HAVE WITH US -- **DANIELLE COLLINS.**

**EKATERINA ALEXANDROVA**

CURRENT RANKING: 17

- ▶ AND, ANOTHER TALENT WHO HAD A TREMENDOUS 2022...LAST YEAR, SHE CAPTURED 2 OF HER 3 CAREER SINGLES TITLES - AND REACHED HER FIRST WTA-1000 SEMIFINAL. -- THIS WEEK, SHE RETURNS TO DOHA WITH A CAREER-HIGH RANKING OF WORLD #17. HERE FOR HER 4TH QATAR TOTAL ENERGIES OPEN -- WELCOME BACK, **EKATERINA ALEXANDROVA.**

**PETRA KVITOVA (CZE)**

CURRENT RANKING: 13

- ▶ AND FINALLY, SHE...(DEEP BREATH)...IS A 2-TIME QATAR TOTAL ENERGIES OPEN CHAMPION - A 3-TIME FINALIST - OWNS A PAIR OF WIMBLEDON TITLES - IS AN OLYMPIC BRONZE MEDALIST - A 6-TIME BILLIE JEAN KING CUP CHAMPION - HAS BEEN RANKED AS HIGH AS WORLD #2 - OWNS 29 CAREER SINGLES TITLES IN ALL - AND 3 OF HER 40 CAREER FINALS HAVE HAPPENED RIGHT HERE IN DOHA. SHE...IS **PETRA KVITOVA.**



## SPONSOR GRATITUDE

↓ BEFORE WE BEGIN TONIGHT'S DRAW, WE'D LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE OUR PARTNERS AND SPONSORS WHO MAKE THIS TOURNAMENT POSSIBLE:

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▶ OOREDOO

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▶ Q-TERMINALS

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▶ QATAR AIRWAYS

▶ ALFARDAN PREMIER MOTORS

▶ AND ASPETAR

## DRAW CEREMONY BEGINS

AND NOW – THE OFFICIAL DRAW FOR THE 2023 QATAR TOTAL ENERGIES OPEN. MARTINA LUTKOVA, IT'S ALL YOURS...

\*\* MARATINA LUTKOVA CONDUCTS THE DRAW CEREMONY

## DRAW CEREMONY ENDS

↓ THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR TODAY'S DRAW CEREMONY.

▶ MAIN DRAW PLAY STARTS MONDAY AT 3:30 AT THE KHALIFA INTERNATIONAL TENNIS & SQUASH COMPLEX.

▶ THE 2ND-ROUND OF QUALIFYING GETS UNDERWAY TOMORROW STARTING AT 3:30. (FREE ADMISSION)

▶ IN JUST A MOMENT, WE'LL LET YOU SPEAK ONE-ON-ONE WITH THE PLAYERS AND DIGNITARIES. BUT FIRST, IF WE COULD HAVE ALL OF OUR DRAW CEREMONY PARTICIPANTS GATHER AT THE CENTER OF THE STAGE FOR SOME GROUP PHOTOS.

▶ THEY'VE CERTAINLY BEEN GENEROUS WITH THEIR TIME - WE NOW ENCOURAGE YOU TO SPEND A FEW MOMENTS INTERVIEWING OUR PLAYERS AND DIGNITARIES ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT.

▶ WE LOOK FORWARD TO A MEMORABLE 2023 QATAR TOTAL ENERGIES OPEN. THANKS AGAIN FOR YOUR COVERAGE, AND ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR EVENING.