



12:00 DRAW CEREMONY WELCOME

17 FEBRUARY 2024

↓ WELCOME TO THE DRAW CEREMONY FOR THE 2024 QATAR EXXONMOBIL OPEN.

JOINING US THIS AFTERNOON, PLEASE WELCOME TO THE STAGE...

- ▶ SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE QATAR TENNIS FEDERATION AND GENERAL COORDINATOR OF THE QATAR EXXONMOBIL OPEN, **TARIQ ZAINAL**
- ▶ VICE PRESIDENT FOR STRATEGIC RELATIONS - AND MANAGER OF PUBLIC & GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS - EXXONMOBIL QATAR, **MR RASHID AL KA-YAR-REEN**
- ▶ QATAR EXXONMOBIL OPEN TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR, **KARIM ALAMI**
- ▶ QATAR TENNIS FEDERATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, **SAAD AL MOHANNADI**
- ▶ AND HERE TO CONDUCT THE DRAW, ATP SUPERVISOR, **ROLAND HERFEL**

PLAYER WELCOME

↓ WE'RE ALSO HAPPY TO HAVE SEVERAL OF THIS YEAR'S TALENTS WITH US TODAY...

[WC] ABDULLAH SHELBAYE (JOR)

CURRENT RANKING: 187

- ▶ INCLUDING A JORDANIAN SENSATION - WHO LAST YEAR - MADE HIS ATP TOUR DEBUT RIGHT HERE IN DOHA - WHERE HE TOOK KWON SOONWOO TO A DECIDING SET IN THE OPENING ROUND, CAPTIVATING FANS ON CENTER COURT. HE WENT ON TO PLAY NINE TOUR LEVEL EVENTS IN 2023, CAPTURED HIS FIRST ATP CHALLENGER TOUR SINGLES TITLE, AND EARNED A WILD CARD INTO THE NEXTGEN ATP FINALS IN JEDDAH. WELCOME BACK, **ABEDALLA SHALBAYH**.

ROBERTO BAUTISTA AGUT (ESP)

CURRENT RANKING: 100

- ▶ AND HE...ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL TALENTS IN TOURNAMENT HISTORY - IN 2019, HE LIFTED DOHA'S FALCON DURING WEEK-1 OF THE SEASON - DEFEATING WORLD #1 NOVAK DJOKOVIC IN THE SEMIFINALS - THEN TOMAS BERDYCH IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH. NOW, 5-YEARS-LATER - HE RETURNS TO DOHA AS A 2-TIME DOHA CHAMPION AND 3-TIME FINALIST - FROM SPAIN, **ROBERTO BAUTISTA AGUT**.

ZHANG ZHINZEN (CHN)

CURRENT RANKING: 47

- ▶ AND FINALLY - HE WAS A QUALIFIER HERE LAST YEAR - AND RETURNS TO DOHA WITH A CAREER-HIGH RANKING OF WORLD #47. LAST SEASON, HE UPSET WORLD #5 CASPER RUUD AT THE US OPEN. THIS YEAR, HE JUST REACHED THE DOUBLES SEMIFINALS AT THE AUSTRALIAN OPEN - AND CAPTURED HIS FIRST ATP DOUBLES TITLE SUNDAY IN MARSEILLE. THE MOST SUCCESSFUL CHINESE TALENT IN ATP HISTORY - ASIAN GAMES GOLD MEDALIST (TRIPLE-Z) - **ZHINZEN ZHANG**.



SPONSOR GRATITUDE

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

▶ EXXONMOBIL QATAR	▶ EXPO QATAR 2023
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▶ QATAR DUTY FREE	▶ NIKE
▶ QATAR AIRWAYS	▶

DRAW CEREMONY BEGINS

AND NOW – THE OFFICIAL DRAW FOR THE 2024 QATAR EXXONMOBIL OPEN. ROLAND, IT'S ALL YOURS...

** ROLAND HERFEL CONDUCTS THE DRAW CEREMONY

DRAW CEREMONY ENDS

- ↓ THANK YOU FOR JOINING US FOR TODAY'S DRAW CEREMONY.
- ▶ QUALIFYING IS ALREADY UNDERWAY HERE AT THE KHALIFA INTERNATIONAL TENNIS AND SQUASH COMPLEX. MAIN DRAW PLAY WILL START MONDAY AT 2:30.
- ▶ 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.
- ▶ NOW, THEY'VE CERTAINLY BEEN GENEROUS WITH THEIR TIME - WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO SPEND A FEW MOMENTS WITH OUR PLAYERS AND DIGNITARIES FOR ONE-ON-ONE INTERVIEWS.
- ▶ WE LOOK FORWARD TO A MEMORABLE 2024 QATAR EXXONMOBIL OPEN. HAVE A GREAT AFTERNOON.