



Media release

The Match for Africa 3

Federer and Murray play benefit match for Roger Federer Foundation Sandra Studer and Pedro Pinto to present Exhibition Night Matthias Stach and Michael Lammer commentators for TV24

Zurich, 15 March 2017 – Tennis superstars in major contest on Swiss territory on 10 April: Andy Murray, current world number one, and Roger Federer, 18-time Grand Slam winner, will play each other in The Match for Africa 3 for the Roger Federer Foundation to a sold-out audience in the Hallenstadion, Zurich. The Exhibition Night will be broadcast live from 8 p.m. on TV24, La Télé and Tele Ticino. TV24 has a pre-match show lined up starting at 7.30 p.m. Sandra Studer and Pedro Pinto will be the moderators for the Exhibition Night. Commentators for the match are the German voice of tennis Matthias Stach and Michael Lammer.

Roger Federer thrilled his fans in the sold-out Hallenstadion two years ago with The Match for Africa and is now looking forward to a rerun with Andy Murray, the current world number one: "Andy has a big heart, especially when it comes to kids. I'm extremely grateful that he's coming to Zurich for the Roger Federer Foundation. I hope that he'll receive a warm welcome. He certainly deserves it." At the end of the year, Roger Federer will travel to Glasgow to take up Murray's invitation for a rematch. The Swiss player will play against the Scotsman in the Andy Murray Live exhibition match.

Live transmission throughout the country

The Match for Africa 3 will be broadcast live from the Hallenstadion, Zurich from 8 p.m. on Monday, 10 April 2017, on TV24. The Swiss tv channel will have an entertaining pre-match show starting at 7.30 p.m. Together with the organizer, the official TV-partner has been able to get on board two TV stations from French- and Italian-speaking Switzerland. In Western Switzerland, the match will be shown on La Télé starting at 8 p.m. In Ticino, tennis fans will be able to enjoy the extravaganza on Tele Ticino, also at 8 p.m. blick.ch take over the TV signal from TV24 and carry The Match for Africa 3 online starting at 8 p.m.

Sandra Studer and Pedro Pinto will present the Exhibition Night. Sandra Studer, the popular entertainer, is well known as the presenter of various television programs and as a singer in a number of musicals. "I am a big admirer of Roger Federer. And not just because of his incredible career. His classy, down-to-earth character sets a good example. It's a great honor for me to support him and his foundation in the Match for Africa." Pedro Pinto, who currently works as Managing Director of Communications at UEFA, spent nearly 15 years with CNN as a presenter and interviewed a multitude of sports personalities, including tennis stars such as Federer and Murray. "It is a pleasure and a privilege for me to take part in this special evening which I hope will contribute greatly to the Roger Federer Foundation and all of its projects in Africa. I have known Roger for several years and have always respected him immensely as an athlete and as a person."

The German tennis expert Matthias Stach, along with Michael Lammer, will provide the commentary on the match between Roger Federer and Andy Murray. Matthias Stach is Germany's voice of tennis and has received numerous awards as best tennis commentator. Michael Lammer played in a total of 13 Swiss Davis Cup Team matches in his career. Today the former professional tennis player is the head of young talents for U14 for Swiss Tennis.

Africa meets Zurich

Artists from the Zip Zap Circus will bring an African flavor to the Exhibition Night – a fund-raiser for the Roger Federer Foundation. The Zip Zap Circus was set up in Cape Town in 1992 and aims to inspire young people from various walks of life and create a new culture of peaceful coexistence in South Africa. The organization focuses on fostering team spirit and common values, as well as promoting the self-confidence and talent of its students. Zip Zap programs are free of charge for all participants, enabling them to make their dreams come true in safe surroundings.

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The second show act at the The Match for Africa 3 is Jesse Ritch. The 25-year-old Berne resident with African roots thrills young audiences with a blend of pop, R'n'B and soul. He will debut his new single "Good Side of Life" at the The Match for Africa 3. The African feeling will return to the stadium with all the artists singing Waka Waka in a grand finale.

Donate and win!

For over 13 years, the Roger Federer Foundation has been supporting education programs for children affected by poverty in Africa and in Switzerland. The Foundation works solely with local organizations in long-term partnerships. It takes effective action and follows the principle that those in need are capable of solving their own problems. Until today, 16 programs to benefit more than 650'000 children were implemented in Botswana, Malawi, Namibia, Zambia, Zimbabwe, South Africa and Switzerland for a total of 6.3 million Swiss francs. The Roger Federer Foundation aims to reach one million children by 2018.

The partners and the media partners AZ Medien | tv & radio and the Blick Group will support the Roger Federer Foundation from 3 to 10 April 2017 with a fundraising week. Online donations can already be made at the websitematch-for-africa.com. A donation hotline will also be set up as part of the fundraising week. Fantastic prizes will be raffled among all the donors.

Program of The Match for Africa 3	
Date	Monday, 10 April 2017
Place	Hallenstadion Zurich
TV broadcast	Live from 8 p.m. on TV24, La Télé, Tele Ticino and blick.ch TV24 will have a pre-match show starting at 7:30 p.m.
Players	Roger Federer , 18-time Grand Slam title winner and winner of all four Grand Slam tournaments, winner of 89 singles tournament titles. Andy Murray , current number one of the ATP World Tour, triple Grand Slam title winner and double Olympia gold medallist (London 2012 and Rio 2016), winner of 45 singles tournament titles
Program	6 p.m. Doors open at the Hallenstadion (foyer) 7.30 p.m. Start of pre-match show in the Hallenstadion and on TV24 8 p.m. Start of entertainment and live broadcast of The Match for Africa 3 on TV24, La Télé, Tele Ticino and blick.ch approx. 10.30 p.m. End of the event
Event moderators	Sandra Studer and Pedro Pinto
TV commentators	Matthias Stach (tennis expert) and Michael Lammer (former tennis pro and Davis Cup player)
Entertainment	Zip Zap Circus (zip-zap.co.za) and Jesse Ritch (jesseritch.ch)
Tickets	at Ticketcorner ticketcorner.ch (currently no tickets available)
Hospitality	via event website match-for-africa.com and Ticketcorner PRIME. (prime.ticketcorner.ch)
Donate and win	via website match-for-africa.com

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