**UNIVERSAL TENNIS ANNOUNCES THE UTR PRO TENNIS TOUR EXPANDING TO THE NETHERLANDS**

*The Dutch events grow UTR PTT presence in Europe, further increasing development opportunities.*

October, 22, 2021 (Palo Alto, CA) - Universal Tennis ([UniversalTennis.com](http://www.universaltennis.com/)) and Sportskills Tennis Academy ([sportskills.nl](https://sportskills.nl)) announce the expansion of the Europe segment of the 2021 ​**UTR Pro Tennis Tour (PTT)** into the Netherlands.

The PTT continues to expand across the globe with a three-year, $20M global commitment from Universal Tennis to create 450 tournaments. Each tournament provides at least $25,000 USD of financial commitment and generates more opportunities for thousands of aspiring professional players with a UTR ranking of 200-2000.

*“We are proud to be hosting the first ever PTT tournament in The Netherlands and are very excited to offer talented players who are on their way to the top match experience at our high level.” ~* ***Ernst ter Meulen, Sportskills Tennis Academy***

The two main priorities for the PTT are providing prize money and playing opportunities for these players. The PTT has grown steadily since its official launch earlier this year and as of September 30, will have provided over $2,600,000 USD in prize money and over 6500 matches in 2021 globally.

The first Dutch PTT event is scheduled to begin on **November 1st, 2021** in Blaricum, Netherlands at the Blaricumse Lawn Tennis Club**.** For more information on the PTT events in Europe, please go to [https://myutr.com/ProTennisTour](https://app.myutr.com/clubs/12083).

“One of the many advantages of the PTT is the breadth of our venue partnerships. Together, we continue to bring more matches to pro players in their local regions.” said ​**Mark Leschly, Universal Tennis Chairman and CEO​**. “Whether it is a federation, NCAA location, club or academy, our structure allows the tour to continue to grow and we see this again in our expansion into the Netherlands.”

For more information on the UTR Pro Tennis Tour, calendar, prize money, event format, and to register for events, please visit [universaltennis.com/pro-tennis](https://www.universaltennis.com/pro-tennis)

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**About UTR Pro Tennis Tour (PTT)**

The UTR Pro Tennis Tour officially began on January 1, 2021, with a three-year commitment of over $20M to support tennis globally with prize money, venue support, technology, logistics, and competitive play opportunities. Universal Tennis is the owner and organizing body of the UTR Pro Tennis Tour (PTT), with responsibility for its Rules and Regulations, Code of Conduct, Tournament Format and related streaming and commercial rights.. The UTR Pro Tennis Tour was started to create a development tour. With fewer events and substantially reduced prize money, aspiring professional players were increasingly struggling in the pursuit of their dreams. Working with host venues and national Federations, Universal Tennis provides additive and complimentary opportunities to help emerging players and the broader tennis community.

**About Universal Tennis**

The mission of Universal Tennis is to connect and grow the sport of tennis through innovative events, a global digital marketplace and level-based play. This goal is anchored by the UTR Rating, the world’s most accurate tennis rating system. Universal Tennis provides the tools and solutions to make the UTR Rating relevant and valuable to players, coaches and organizers in their local tennis communities. Players from all over the world, in all stages of life, can find better matches and unlock a more fun and flexible tennis experience through Universal Tennis. Go to ​[universaltennis.com](http://www.universaltennis.com/) to sign up, activate your player profile and join the global tennis community. [Watch](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=maJS-0kOwSo&feature=emb_logo) our video and connect on social [@​UniversalTennis](http://www.instagram.com/universaltennis).​

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