

Asia-Pacific Region to Join Q Tour Global

The World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association (WPBSA) and the Asia-Pacific Snooker and Billiards Federation (APSBF) are today delighted to announce the launch of the new Q Tour Asia-Pacific Series as part of the WPBSA Q Tour Global during the 2023/24 season.

The Asia-Pacific region becomes the first to join the [newly expanded WPBSA Q Tour Global](#), which will culminate in a 24-player playoff, with three places on the professional World Snooker Tour to be won from the start of the 2024/25 season.

As in previous seasons, the playoff will feature a minimum of 16 players from the UK/Europe rankings, who will now be joined by up to eight international qualifiers – including one from the Asia-Pacific region - from across the globe.

Asia-Pacific Series

To encompass three recognised tournaments across the region, the Asia-Pacific Series will operate its own ranking list with the top ranked player following the third event to qualify for this season's Q Tour Global Playoff next spring.

The qualifying events will be:

- New Zealand Open Snooker
- Bob Hawke AC Open Snooker (12-15 October 2023)
- Dr Clem Jones AC Open Snooker

Events will be open to players born in, or resident in the Asia Pacific region for a minimum of six months.

Event position	Asia Pacific Ranking Points
Winner	3000
Runner Up	1500
Semi Finalist	900
Quarter Finalist	600
Last 16	300

“Proven Track Record”

Jason Ferguson, WPBSA Chairman said: “I am excited to welcome the APSBF to the WPBSA Q Tour Global and to provide this additional opportunity for players in the Asia-Pacific region to qualify for the World Snooker Tour.

“Frank Dewens and his team have a proven track record of hosting high-quality tournaments, none more so than this year's WSF Championships in Sydney which were well-supported by players from the region and beyond.

“I look forward to welcoming the successful player to our new Global Playoff, where they will compete among the best amateur snooker players in the world to join our professional circuit.”

Frank Dewens, APSBF President said: “we are extremely excited and honoured to be included in the WPBSA Q Tour Global. This will provide opportunities for the players within the APSBF to qualify for the World Snooker Tour.

We thank the WPBSA and Jason Ferguson , WPBSA Chairman, for giving us this opportunity.

Entry for the Bob Hawke AC Open is open now via the [ABSC website](#) with a closing date of 29 September 2023.