



Media Information

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**BMW International Open 2019: Victorious Ryder Cup captain Thomas Bjørn and team member Alex Noren in action. Lee Westwood to tee off at GC München Eichenried for first time since 2006.**

- **Thomas Bjørn (DEN) and Alex Noren (SWE) from the winning 2018 Ryder Cup team confirm they will be playing at the 2019 BMW International Open (19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> June, Golfclub München Eichenried).**
- **Lee Westwood (ENG), 2003 BMW International Open winner, returns to the iconic German tournament.**
- **Rafa Cabrera Bello (ESP), Matthew Fitzpatrick (ENG) and Bernd Wiesberger (AUT) will also tee off.**
- **Tournament organiser BMW nominates the top two German golfers in the amateur world rankings, Michael Hirmer and Marc Hammer.**
- **Tickets available at: [www.bmw-golfsport.com/tickets\\_en](http://www.bmw-golfsport.com/tickets_en)**

**Munich. The quality of the field at the BMW International Open just keeps on improving. Visitors to Germany's most famous professional golf event can look forward to more big names. Martin Kaymer (GER) will be joined by another two former winners in Thomas Bjørn and Lee Westwood. Alex Noren joins fellow 2018 Ryder Cup heroes Sergio García (ESP) and Thorbjørn Olesen (DEN) in Munich. Matt Wallace (ENG) will also have to contend with top players like Rafa Cabrera Bello, Matthew Fitzpatrick and Bernd Wiesberger when he bids to defend the title he won last year.**

"The first BMW International Open was held at Golfclub München Eichenried exactly 30 years ago, and BMW is proud, as the organiser, to guide the history of this tournament into its fourth decade," said Florian Baumeister, Head of Events, Exhibitions and Sports Marketing at BMW Germany, at today's press conference ahead of the BMW International Open. "We have once again managed to assemble another top-class field with an exciting mix of players for the spectators this year."

Former world number one Westwood won the BMW International Open in 2003 and now returns to the tournament after a 13-year absence. As vice-captain, he was also involved in the victorious European team in last year's Ryder Cup, having previously



made ten appearances in the intercontinental showdown as a player. Captain Bjørn won the BMW International Open twice, in 2000 and 2002. Noren (ten European Tour victories), Fitzpatrick (five), Wiesberger (four) and Cabrera Bello (three) have also been among the top European players for many years.

Day tickets cost 15 Euros (Thursday or Friday), at the weekend tickets are 30 Euros per day. A tournament ticket for every day of the tournament is available for 75 Euros. VIP tickets for the Fairway Club are available for 275 Euros (Thursday or Friday), 375 Euros (Saturday or Sunday) and 1,040 Euros (tournament ticket Thursday to Sunday). All ticket categories are available to order online:

[www.bmw-golfsport.com/tickets\\_en](http://www.bmw-golfsport.com/tickets_en)

The entry price includes a free shuttle service between Ismaning train station and Golfclub München Eichenried (Thursday to Sunday) and – weather permitting – free parking at the tournament site.

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