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GAME SET MATCH: SYDNEY SECURES TENNIS ATP CUP FINALS

Sydney has secured the finals matches of a major new global event to launch the tennis season, the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) Cup, hailing a new era in men's tennis to commence from 2020.

Minister for Tourism and Major Events Adam Marshall said the NSW Government had won the hosting rights for the ATP Cup finals matches until 2022 and would also host group matches alongside other Australian cities.

"Our city offers excellent facilities, first class hospitality and has a proud track record of hosting major tennis events," Mr Marshall said.

"This is another coup for our State, not only for athletes and sporting fans but the wider NSW community who are set to win from the estimated \$36.5 million injection into our local economy.

"I'm proud of NSW's exceptional capability to host blockbuster events that are lucrative, entertaining and ensure we're the envy of our interstate rivals.

"We're building a world-class calendar of events to drive tourism across NSW and put more heads on hotel beds, diners in our restaurants and shoppers in our boutiques."

Following the recent announcement that Ken Rosewall Arena at the Olympic Tennis Centre will receive a \$50.5 million upgrade, Minister for Sport Stuart Ayres said the NSW Government is committed to working with Tennis Australia and Tennis NSW to deliver an outstanding event.

"The NSW Government has made a commitment to bid for 10 World Cups for the next decade and we're well on our way to reaching our goal only six months after embarking on our ambitious target," Mr Ayres said.

"Tennis continues to form the cornerstone of our country's sporting landscape, capturing the hearts and minds of sport fans each summer and attracting international spectators to our locally-hosted matches.

"I look forward to welcoming tennis greats to our State for the ATP Cup group and finals matches that will no doubt provide a sensational showcase of sport and opportunity for NSW to shine on the world stage."

Tennis Australia Chief Executive Officer Craig Tiley said, "With more than 100 players from 24 nations vying for \$22 million in prize money and 750 ATP ranking points, the ATP Cup will help us launch the global tennis season every January in Australia."