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Mr. Zakaryan said.

The 7<sup>th</sup> Pan-Armenian Games were held from August 6 till 17, 2019.

The event gathered the delegations of 145 cities. Russia had a large delegation, with 368 athletes, followed by the United States with 308 and Artsakh with 298.

The delegation from the farthest country is the group from Australia with 86 athletes.

The smallest delegation is from Sweden with only one. Armenia's cities and regions were also represented with Yerevan boasting nearly 400 athletes followed by the Shirak Province with 177 athletes.

The competitions were mainly held in the Armenian capital Yerevan. But the Games were opened for the first time in Stepanakert, the capital of the Republic of Artsakh.



This is how you can earn travel expenses for the trip from USA to Artsakh.

REMARK: Form my point of view the issue is a local one and not a cinderella.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Republic\\_of\\_Artsakh](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Republic_of_Artsakh)

<http://www.artsakhpost.am/arm/posts.php?id=21>

<https://www.haypost.am/en/1421675595>

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pan-Armenian\\_Games](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pan-Armenian_Games)

### Cape Verde Islands

Correios de Cabo Verde (CCV) issued on June 13, 2019 a set of two stamps (also on a FDC) and a bloc to commemorate the 1<sup>st</sup> African Beach Games.

All have beach volleyball, beach soccer and mascot Kretxeu.



Printed are 2,000 pieces (Escudo's 40,00); 150,000 pieces (Escudo's 60,00) and 1,500 pieces for the bloc with a cinderella without value. The bloc has a face value of Kape Verde Escudo's (CVE) 150,00.

The designer is Domingos Luísa.



The stamp of 40,00 CVE is valid for covers/postcards till 20 gr within Cabo Verde.

The stamp of 60,00 CVE is valid for covers/postcards till 20 gr to all destinations outside Cabo Verde.

The games were held from June 14 - 23, 2019 on Santa Maria Beach on the island of Sal. Under the auspices of the African National Olympic Committee Association (ACNOA), the Beach Games comprised 11 sports, namely Athletics, Basketball 3×3, Beach handball, Beach soccer, Beach tennis, Beach volleyball, Costal Rowing, Freestyle Football, Karate Kata, Kitesurfing, and Swimming (open water) from 54 African countries.

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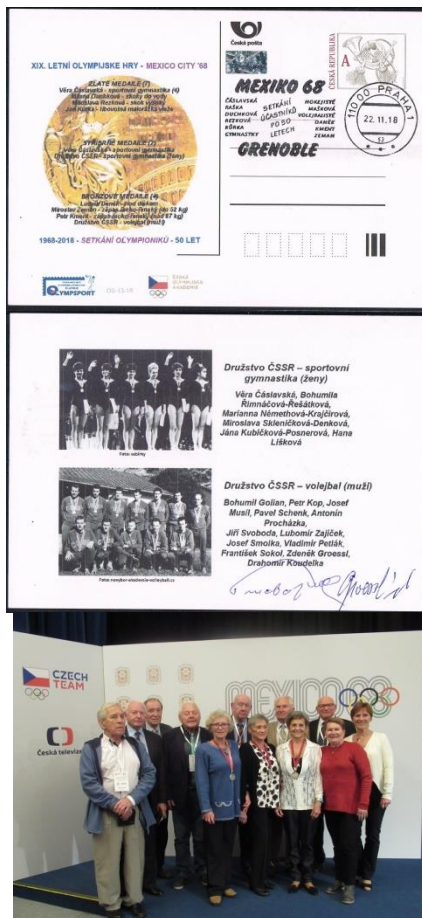


The program with beach volleyball was played with 18 men's and 17 women's teams.

<https://www.sal2019.com/>  
<https://results.sal2019.bornan.net/#/sal/discipline/VBV/schedule>  
<https://www.cavb.org/2019/06/18/sal-2019-1st-african-beach-games/>

## Czech Republic

On November 22, 2018 Olympsport organized in Prague a meeting to celebrate the medals won by ČSSR during the Olympics in Mexico and Grenoble fifty years earlier. Under the participants were also the bronze medal volleyball players: Zdeněk Groesl, Antonín Procházka, Pavel Schenk and Josef Smolka.



Olympsport released two two-sided stationaries from the Summer and Winter Olympics and a 32-page book with philatelic documents from the 1968 Olympics. (Stationary price is 2.50 EUR and 4 EUR for the book plus postage). Please contact their treasurer: Ladislav Janoušek [ladajan55@seznam.cz](mailto:ladajan55@seznam.cz)

Team ČSSR - volleyball (men): Bohumil Golian, Petr Kop, Josef Musil, Pavel Schenk, Antonín Procházka, Jiří Svoboda, Lubomír Zajiček, Josef Smolka, Vladimír Petlák, František Sokol, Zdeněk Groesl, Drahomír Koudelka.

Photo with medalists from both Olympics – ice-hockey players on the left, and volleyball players behind gymnasts.



<https://www.olympic.org/mexico-1968/volleyball/volleyball-men>  
<https://www.olympic.cz/sportovec/1852--bohumil-golian>  
<https://www.olympic.cz/sportovec/1859--pavel-schenk>

For more stationaries from Olympsport:

<http://www.olymp-sport.cz/files/vydané/Razítka%20a%20CDV%202018.htm>

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## France

On May 20, 2019, La Poste issued a round bloc - 'Sport Color Passion' - with 6 stamps featuring a new series on sport for a period of 5 years, with a continent that will be represented each year. This means till the Olympic Games in 2024 in Paris.



Europe is being honored in 2019 with 6 sports: basketball, canoeing, football, field hockey, table tennis and volleyball and the map of Europe in the background. The choice of disciplines was made in relation to the various competitions that took place in Europe, but mainly in France, during 2019.

Wheelchair basketball with the "Jeux Nationaux de l'Avenir" from May 29 till June 1 in Valence.

<https://www.handisport.org/jeux-nationaux-de-lavenir-handisport/>

Canoe slalom with the Men's European Championship from May 31 till June 2 in Pau.

<https://www.canoeicf.com/canoe-slalom-continental-championships/pau-2019>

Football with the Women's World Cup from June 7 till July 7 in France.

<https://www.fifa.com/womensworldcup/>

Field hockey with the European Championships Men & Women from August 16 till 25 in Antwerp (Belgium). <http://www.belfiuseurohockey.com/en/>

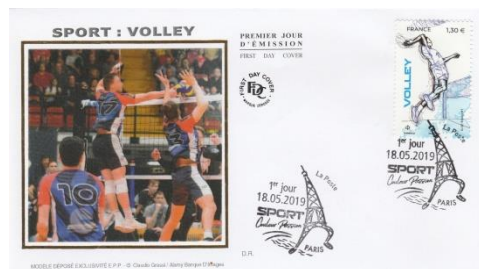
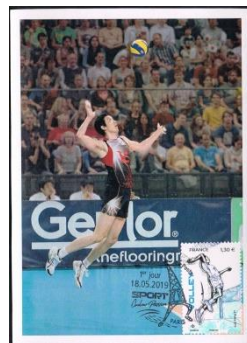
Volleyball with the Men's European Championships from September 12 till 29 in France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Slovenia. <https://eurovolley.cev.eu/nl/men/>

Table tennis with the European Championships Men & Women from September 3 till 8 in Nantes. <https://www.ittf.com/tournament/5067/2019/ittf-european-championships/>

Each stamp has a face value of € 1,30 being the rate for International Priority letters up to 20gr. Printed are 350,000 blocs incl. the bloc in a blister pack.

Designer is Mrs. Sandrine Chimbaud. The layout is made by Absinthe Agency from photos. Printing factory is unknown so far.

As always the stamps have a FDC also with the FD cancel from Paris.



A personal made postcard was used to make a "maximum card".

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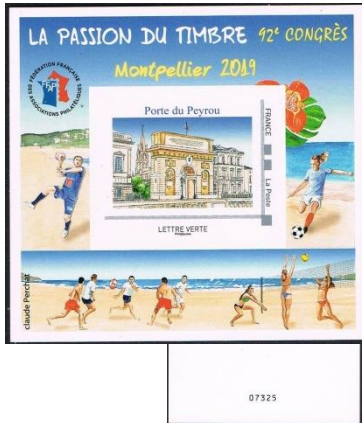
The Fédération Française des Associations Philatéliques (FFAP) - French Federation of Philatelic Associations - is an association governed by a law from 1901 or the law from 1908 for Alsace and the Moselle.

The FFAP federate nearly 600 philatelic associations gathered in 20 regional groups and a group of specialized philatelic associations, a total of about 25,000 members.

Every year an exhibition is organized and is called PHILA-FRANCE.

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This year the exhibition – from June 7 till June 10 in Montpellier - included the French championship with around 180 collections and their 92<sup>nd</sup> Congress.



Since 2007, the FFAP issue souvenir blocs (called "FFAP blocs - The passion of the stamp") during their exhibitions and since 2013, they include a personalized stamp.

The FFAP sells the bloc at a preferential price of € 6.80 per piece to their associations, but the face value of the bloc this year is "lettre verte" being € 0,88. This information was received from FFAP Secretariat in Paris.

The bloc – number 16 - and issued on June 7, 2019, is printed on 120 gr (?) paper and has a number at the backside. Designer is Claude Perchat and pictured are the current popular sports of the city of Montpellier: handball, women's football, rugby and beach volleyball.

[https://www.ffap.net/Evenements/pagesdediees/philafrance\\_montpellier2019.php](https://www.ffap.net/Evenements/pagesdediees/philafrance_montpellier2019.php)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s7nVpaj441w&feature=youtu.be>

<https://www.asso-philatelique-montpellier.fr/629+introduction.html>

## Germany



On April 1, 2019 the private company Citipost OWL GmbH & Co. KG (Bielefeld) issued four booklets with ten self-adhesive stamps each to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the omni sports club VfB Schloß Holte.

Citipost is the largest private postal service provider in Ostwestfalen-Lippe, a region in the German province North Rhine-Westphalia.

But Citipost does not sell their products to collectors. For that activity a well-known stamp dealer is active but with a surcharge of 50%.

Citipost has five different rates for their deliveries.

Postcard (€ 0,45) – cover till 20 gr (€ 0,68) – cover till 50 gr (€ 0,80) – cover till 500 gr (€ 1,40) and cover till 1.000 gr (€ 2,50).

One of the four booklets has eight volleyball stamps.

This means that 40 (8x5) different stamps with volleyball exist.

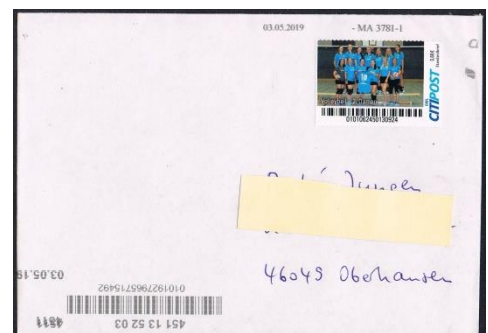
<https://www.vfbschlossholte.de/>

<http://www.citipost.de/Bielefeld/Unternehmen/Aktuelles/Sonde-rbriefmarken>



Produkte und Preise	
Produkt	Preis
Postkarte	0,45 €
Postkarte mit Briefmarken	0,68 €
Postkarte mit Briefmarken (50 gr)	0,80 €
Postkarte mit Briefmarken (500 gr)	1,40 €
Postkarte mit Briefmarken (1000 gr)	2,50 €

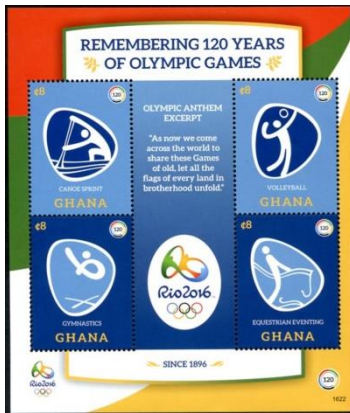
10 Briefmarken für Postkarte



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### Ghana

#### Update from 2016



On November 14, 2016 Ghana Post issued two mini sheets and a bloc to commemorate 120 years of Olympic Games with the logo and pictograms of Rio 2016.

Since 1957 the Inter-Governmental Philatelic Corporation (IGPC) is the agent for Ghana Post.

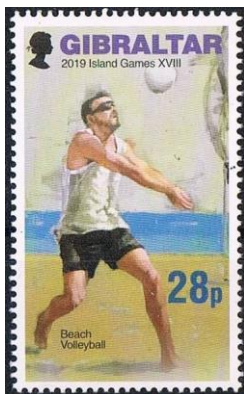
The issue is mentioned in Yvert & Tellier as well as in Michel catalogue, but if the issue was available in the GPO in Accra is doubtful.



The volleyball stamp is 3786 for Y&T, 4785 for Michel and 3792 (Y&T), 4791 (Michel) for the beach volleyball stamp. Other information could not be found.

### Gibraltar

The Gibraltar Post Office (a department within the Government of Gibraltar) issued on April 25, 2019 a set of fourteen stamps to commemorate the 18<sup>th</sup> NatWest International Island Games. The games were held from July 6 till 12, 2019.



The set has seven horizontal and seven vertical stamps on two FDC's which depict each of the sporting disciplines. Each stamp is printed in a sheet of 12 (2x6) stamps and issued are 1,000 sheets of each value.

The set is illustrated by local artist Leslie Gaduzo and designed by graphics artist Stephen Perera. The printing factory is Cartor Security Printers.

The beach volleyball stamp has a face value of 28p (GIP 0,28) but there is not any postal service with a value of that amount.

Standard covers till 20 gr. within Gibraltar is £ 0,22; Spain is £ 0,40; UK is £ 0,64 and other EU members is £ 0,70.

The rest of the world is £ 0,98.

Once every two years, thousands of athletes from across the globe — from Scandinavia to the Mediterranean, the North Atlantic to the Caribbean — come together to compete in the NatWest International Island Games.

The games started in 1985, as part of the Year of Sport. The Isle of Man set in motion a plan to bring together athletes from small islands across the world to take part in a new sporting festival, the 'Inter-Island Games'. After a week of events in eight different sports the festival was deemed such a success it was agreed to continue it every other year, with the second Games to be held in Guernsey in 1987.

Over the years the Games travelled to the Faroe Islands, Åland, the Isle of Wight, Gibraltar, Jersey, Isle of Man, Guernsey, Shetlands, Rhodes, Åland, Isle of Wight, Bermuda, Jersey (see VBNewsletter 21) and Gotland.

The beach volleyball competition with 15 men's & 17 women's teams were held at the Nuffield Pool (Open Area), located in the South District of the Rock.



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<https://www.gibraltar2019.com/>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Npp2mM2Cvo>

## Italy

On May 19, 2019 Spazio Filatelia Genova issued a cancel to commemorate the 38<sup>th</sup> May Games 2019. (Giochi di maggio 38<sup>a</sup> edizione 22<sup>o</sup> Memorial Roberto Carmarino).



The ASD G.S. Amatori '82 and A.V.R. di Genova Rivarolo organized the 38<sup>th</sup> edition of the youth tournament "Games of May 2019", held on May 18 and 19 in "PalaDiamante" in Genoa. On May 18, women's teams U 12 (born in 2007-2008) played the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of the "Trofeo Valpolcevera" and on May 19 the boys and girls (born between 2007 and 2013) for the 22nd "Memorial Prof. Roberto Carmarino".

The first edition in 1982 involved 12 teams and it was the first mini volleyball tournament organized by a club in Genoa.

[https://www.giochidimaggio.net/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=5&Itemid=112](https://www.giochidimaggio.net/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=5&Itemid=112)

## Japan



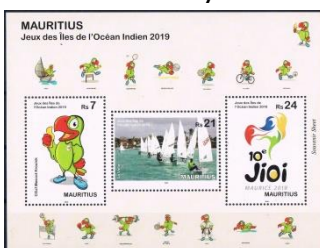
So far there is not any postal attention found commemorating the women's World Championship in Japan 2018. It is hardly to believe according to the past.



Only a cinderella from Srpska Krajina is a gentle reminder.

## Mauritius

Mauritius Post Ltd issued on July 19, 2019 a set of three stamps and a S/S with these stamps to commemorate Les Jeux des Îles de l'Océan Indien 2019 (IOIG 2019), which were held from July 19 till July 28 in Mauritius.



The sheet with a face value of Mauritian Rupee (MUR) 52,00 has pictograms from all sports which were practiced during the Games, incl. beach volleyball and indoor volleyball.

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The designs came from the Mauritius Post themselves and the printing factory is Cartor Security Printing. Unknown is how many sheets were printed.

These 10<sup>th</sup> Games comprised of more than 2000 athletes and 14 sport disciplines, namely athletics, badminton, basketball, beach volleyball, boxing, cycling, football, judo, rugby-7, swimming, table tennis, volleyball, yachting and weightlifting.

Moreover three sport disciplines: squash, golf and horse riding were a demonstration sport during the games.

Beach volleyball was played on the Mont Choisy Beach Volley Arena and volleyball in the Gymnase Pandit Sahadeo in Vacoas.

The origin of the Games goes back to 1947 when Madagascar, Mauritius and Réunion started a regional competition in mainly football.

However in 1974, the Réunion Olympic Committee proposed a multi-sports competition among the islands of the Indian Ocean. The International Olympic Committee approved it in 1976 and the first games were held in Réunion in 1979. And since then eight other IOIG were organized on a rotation basis among Réunion, Madagascar, Mauritius and Seychelles.

Nowadays seven islands are participating: Comoros, Madagascar, Maldives, Mauritius, Mayotte, Réunion and Seychelles. Sri Lanka, also invited for the first meeting, did not participate ultimately.



<https://jeuxdesiles2019.com/>  
<https://jeuxdesiles2019.com/resultat-volleyball/>  
<https://jeuxdesiles2019.com/resultat-beach-volley/>

### Netherlands

In VBNewsletter nr. 25 from April 28, 2016 I wrote:

When a postal administration, a federation/organization or a club use stationaries to ask attention for their activities it is no problem but when a stamp dealer offers, more or less the same, the issue is doubtful. Dealers from China & Spain did the same in the past.

And when a stamp dealer in Amsterdam decides to let make personalized stamps and sell them at a high price, I think it has nothing to do with "real" personalized stamps.

Why, I think that personalized stamps should be "issued" with a special reason and NOT a commercial one. BUT, everybody should collect what he likes to collect.

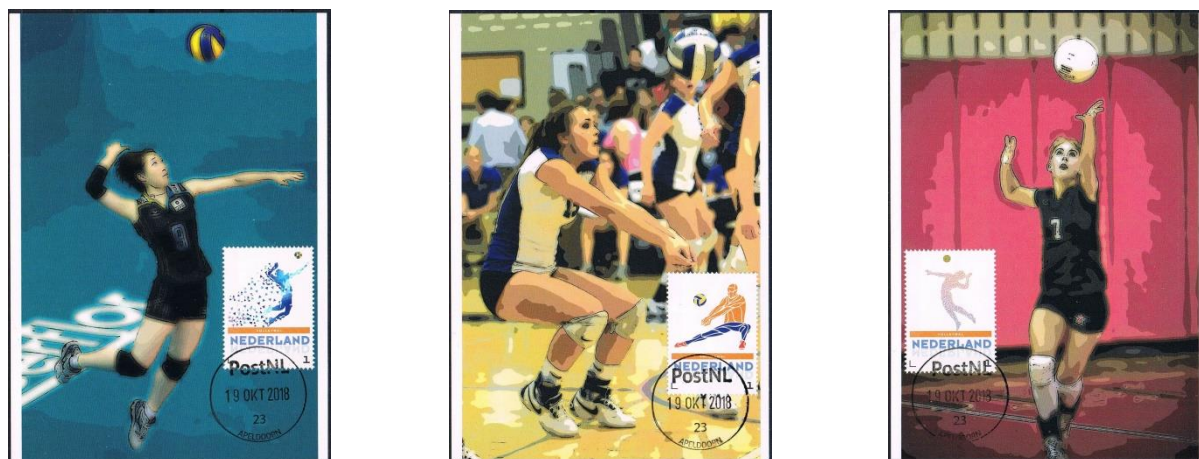
All three stamps are ordered at PostNL in 2018. He even suggests that more will come (2019-1) etc. In 2018 the price for a personalized sheet from PostNL was € 10,95 and a face value of € 0,83. In 2019 it is € 0,87.

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Cover to Germany uprated with Christmas stamps.

Three private made postcards using a photo program were used to make "maximum cards" from the mini sheet of October 19, 2018. The technical similarity is perfect.



### Poland

On November 16, 2019 the Minister of Infrastructure: Andrzej Adamczyk amended the decision (Number 35) on determining the annual plan for the issue of postage stamps for 2018. Added was issue 49 being:

- 1) "Gold Medalists of the FIVB Men's World Volleyball Championship Italy - Bulgaria 2018 on December 16, 2018".
- 2) Information placed before the explanations to the "Plan of issue of postage stamps for 2018" is replaced:  
"Total: 46 subjects, 108 postage stamps, including 103 independent stamps, 3 stamps in a block and 2 stamps with a tag".

On December 28, 2018 Poczta Polska issued a sheet with sixteen stamps and four labels (on four FDC's) to commemorate Złoci Medaliści FIVB Mistrzostw Świata w Piłce Siatkowej Mężczyzn Włochy - Bułgaria 2018 (Men's Volleyball World Cup Gold Medals Italy - Bulgaria 2018).

The face value of each stamp is PLN 1,00 and printed are 120,000 sheets.

The designer is Jarosław Ochendzan.

On October 18, 2014 Poczta Polska did the same – but 240,000 sheets - when the men's team became World Champion in Katowice (Poland) for the second time.

[http://katalogznaczkow.net/index.php?pokaz=znaczki/znaczki2&seria=2014\\_14](http://katalogznaczkow.net/index.php?pokaz=znaczki/znaczki2&seria=2014_14)

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But there are some differences:

The assistant coach (Michal Gogol from Poland) did not get a stamp this time.

The trophy got a stamp now.

The names of the players are printed in gold.

The shirt numbers are printed on the stamp.

The second stamp (Dawid Konarski) of the sheet has a "printing" error sometimes.



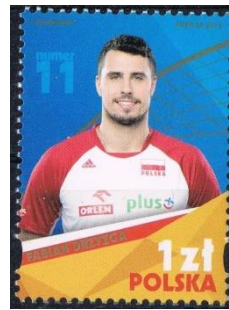
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Piotr Nowakowski  
Middle blocker



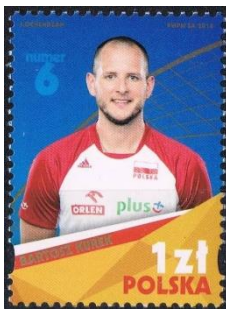
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Fabian Drzyzga  
Setter



Vital Heynen  
Head coach



Bartosz Kurek  
Opposite spiker



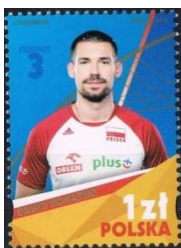
Artur Szalpak  
Wing spiker



Mateusz Bieniek  
Middle blocker



Pawel Zatorski  
Libero



Dawid Konarski replaced Fabian Drzyzga during all three sets.

Grzegorz Łomacz replaced Bartosz Kurek during the second and third set.

Jakub Kochanowski replaced Mateusz Bieniek during the second and the whole third set.

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Damian Schulz, Damian Wojtaszek, Aleksander Śliwka and Bartosz Kwolek did not play in the final.

Piotr Nowakowski, Dawid Konarski, Fabian Drzyzga, Michal Kubiak (C) and Pawel Zatorski got their second gold medal and consequently their second stamp.



Nine months after the date of issue not any commercial cover was found with one of these stamps. It seems that the Polish people got used to it.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MS6RYITAuIQ>

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2018\\_FIVB\\_Volleyball\\_Men%27s\\_World\\_Championship](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2018_FIVB_Volleyball_Men%27s_World_Championship)

### Slovenia



Pošta Slovenije issued on July 8, 2019 a volleyball stamp to commemorate the 31<sup>st</sup> European Championship for men in Belgium, France, the Netherlands and Slovenia.

The stamp is printed in a sheet of six stamps and three labels. The FDC has a very nice FD cancel from 1101 Ljubljana with the text: evropsko prvenstvo v odbojki za moške (European Volleyball Championship for men).

The stamp has a face value of € 1,17 (C) being the rate - from June 17, 2019 on - for standard postcards/letters till 20gr. outside Slovenia.

Standard postcards/letters with priority and the same weight/destinations have a rate of € 1,75.

The designer is Edi Berk and the sheets are printed by Agencija Za Komercijalnu Djelatnost in Zagreb (Croatia). Printed were 40,000 stamps.



<https://www.cev.eu/News.aspx?NewsID=29377&ID=1>

<https://www.cev.eu/News.aspx?NewsID=29398&ID=5>



Odbojkarska zveza Slovenije



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One of the labels has the new logo of CEV but they have decided not to let make a new meter cancel because of the costs. The new logo is the fourth in their history.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=62&v=a\\_P0S9HA7rs](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=62&v=a_P0S9HA7rs)



MY THANKS GO TO: Mrs. Annemiek Chambon (Luxembourg); André Jungen (Germany); Chan Keikan (Hong Kong); Branko Maček (Slovenia); Mauro Gilardi (Italy) and Václav Diviš (Czech Republic).

Where the next women's World Championship in 2022 will be held.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OEJyr0bnhRQ>

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