



EUROPEAN POKER TOUR RETURNS TO MALTA THIS WEEK

Wide Range of New Poker Variants on Offer in Bumper 76-Event Schedule, Multiple Activities Away From The Poker Table

ONCHAN, Isle of Man – October 19, 2015 – The European Poker Tour (EPT), an Amaya Inc. (Nasdaq: AYA; TSX: AYA) brand, returns to Malta with a [76-event schedule](#) from October 20-31. The 12-day EPT Malta Poker Festival will once again take place at the Portomaso Casino and partner with the Italian Poker Tour (IPT), which is celebrating its 50th event.

The festival, held in conjunction with Pagano Events, begins on October 21 with the €1,100 IPT Main Event, with the EPT €5,300 NL Hold'em Main Event to follow from October 25-31. The EPTLive webcast will broadcast much of the action with Main Event coverage beginning on Day 2 and continuing throughout, including a the cards-up final table.

Many poker formats, including 10-Game Mix, HORSE Dealer's Choice, Quintuple Stud/Draw, Pot Limit Sextuple Omaha and Limit Splitsville Dealer's Choice, are making their EPT debut, having never been played at a PokerStars event before.

SPIN & GO LIVE

Also making a first appearance at a PokerStars festival is a live version of PokerStars Spin & Go tournaments – hyper-turbo Sit & Go's that feature a lottery-style prize pool multiplier. Each three-handed super-turbo tournament will feature a €50 buy-in and offer up to 20x the buy-in with a €1,000 top prize. In addition, live Flipout events, popularised on Full Tilt, are also on the schedule. Both variants are extremely popular online and aim to bring a new experience to the live poker arena.

There will be plenty of No-Limit Hold'em on offer with two Main Events, three High Rollers, numerous €1,000 and €2,000 buy-in tourneys, and the popular €300 Malta Poker Cup. A cash game festival will also take place during EPT Malta with 45 tables running 24 hours a day. A wide range of games will be offered including No Limit Hold'em, Pot Limit Omaha, Stud, Draw and Open-Face Chinese Poker.

Edgar Stuchly, PokerStars Director of Live Events, said: "We're thrilled to be heading back to Malta for the second time this year. The debut EPT here in March was a big success and our players relished the opportunity to experience high quality poker in a great tourist location. We have a great tournament schedule planned, as well as a fantastic cash game offering, so it's truly appealing for

every kind of player.”

Luca Pagano, IPT Service CEO, said: “I’m proud to have witnessed how the Italian Poker Tour has evolved during all these years and the strong impact it has had on player and media perception about poker in Italy. With the IPT celebrating its 50th in Malta, this is going to be one memorable stop! Malta is so geographically and culturally close to Italy that it feels like home. I’m looking forward to seeing the IPT thrive in Malta, confirming once again that the IPT is one of the best poker tours in the world.”

HALLOWEEN THEMED FUN

On October 22 (IPT Main Event Day 1B) all EPT & IPT Malta Main Event qualifiers will have the opportunity to act out a ‘Midevil’ battle! Four teams of 7-8 players will lock horns in a Midevil-theme adventure day, with members of the winning team each receiving online tournament tickets. Further information about player activities can be found [here](#).

EPTLive kicks off from October 27 with coverage from Day 2 of the EPT Main Event. Viewers can expect even more competitions in Malta with a Halloween twist. Hartigan and Stapes will get involved in the PokerStars Live Spin & Go fun, with prizes for grabs, while daily freerolls and the one Buck Bounty Bonanza are back and available to view in PokerStars client.

POKERSTARS CAREERS

There are currently 103 vacant roles at The Rational Group across all areas of the company and in offices including the Isle of Man, Malta, Dublin, London and Costa Rica. At EPT Malta HR representatives will be available onsite from October 22-23rd and available to discuss current and future opportunities within the company. Further information on the opportunities available can be found online: <http://psta.rs/LIJobs>.

At the debut EPT Malta in March, Frenchman Jean Montury won the €5,300 Main Event for €687,400 after beating an 895-strong field. This was also the stop where Poland’s Dzmitry Urbanovich won a record four side events, helping him secure the EPT11 Player of the Year title.

The full EPT Malta schedule is available [here](#).

About the European Poker Tour

The European Poker Tour (EPT) is the world’s richest and most popular poker tour. Since 2004, the EPT has paid out over €770 million in tournament prize pools and hosted successful festivals across Europe. The EPT also incorporates the PokerStars Caribbean Adventure (PCA), which takes place every January in The Bahamas, and is one of the biggest poker festivals in the world.

Season 12 of the EPT builds on the success of more than a decade of world-class live poker events, with major poker festivals in Barcelona, Malta, Prague, and Dublin. The PokerStars and Monte-Carlo® Casino EPT Grand Final will be held in Monaco.

The EPT is owned by Amaya Inc. (Nasdaq: AYA; TSX: AYA). Further information on the EPT is available online at <http://www.ept.com/>.