



press release

Italy Wins the European Softball Championship 2019

Two homeruns were hit by team Italy during the Championship game against the Netherlands on July 6, 2019, in Ostrava, the Czech Republic.

The first - solo home run - was hit by Marta Gasparotto in the top of the 2nd inning which tied the score to 1:1.

The second - two-run home run - was hit by Laura Vigna in the 5th to make the score 3:1.

Virginie Anneveld made the game more dramatic again when her solo home run in the 6th changed the score to 3:2, but that was it.

Greta Cecchetti closed her 7th Championship in her career with a strikeout and together with her team seized the 11th Women's European Championship title for her country.

The Netherlands took silver, Great Britain repeated their success from the last Championship in 2017 and took bronze.





WOMEN'S SOFTBALL EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2019

1.	ITALY	9.	ISRAEL	17.	CROATIA
2.	NETHERLANDS	10.	GERMANY	18.	UKRAINE
3.	GREAT BRITAIN	11.	RUSSIA	19.	SLOVAKIA
4.	CZECH REPUBLIC	12.	POLAND	20.	DENMARK
5.	SPAIN	13.	AUSTRIA	21.	LITHUANIA
6.	FRANCE	14.	BELGIUM	22.	HUNGARY
7.	GREECE	15.	SWEDEN	23.	TURKEY
8.	IRELAND	16.	SWITZERLAND		

Final standings, game results, and all stats are [HERE](#).

Six national teams from the Championship advanced to the Olympic Qualifier (July 23-27, 2019, Utrecht Netherlands). The six teams are: **Czech Republic, France, Great Britain, Italy, Netherlands, Spain.**

This European Championship consisted of the highest-ever number of teams (23).

Some countries recorded their best-ever result such as Ireland (8th), Israel (9th).

Two more European Championships are planned for the 2019 season.

[Coed Slowpitch European Championship](#) will take place in Budapest, Hungary, July 15 - 20.

[U-16 Women's European Championship](#) will take place in Zagreb, Croatia, July 29 - August 3.