

Media Advisory NYCFC to Host Second Annual Consulate Cup

Consulates from across the world to compete in yearly fundraising tournament to celebrate the global game and support community initiatives that provide soccer opportunities to underserved youth



New York City Football Club, alongside the Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City, Consulate General of Mexico in New York, Consulate General of Switzerland in New York, Consulate General of United Arab Emirates and the NYC African Advisory Council, is hosting its second annual Consulate Cup on **Saturday**, **October 14** at Citi Field and we're delighted to extend an invitation for you to cover the event.

The tournament at the Mets' stadium brings together New York City's diplomatic community to compete in the world's sport and raise money to support NYCFC's mission of making soccer more accessible to underserved youth across the five boroughs.

Who's playing

Countries representing their consulates in New York are competing in the tournament. It's an incredibly diverse event with the following countries' consulates confirmed to play so far:

Angola, Argentina, Australia, El Salvador, Gambia, Germany, Indonesia, Japan, Mexico, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Slovakia, South Africa, Switzerland, Türkiye, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and United States of America

Where and when

We're excited to host this year's tournament in the World's Borough of Queens. The tournament will take place at **Citi Field on Saturday, October 14 at 10:00am ET**.

The history of the tournament

The tournament is now entering its second year. 16 consulates competed in last year's inaugural competition, with Burkina Faso claiming the championship.

If you want to get a sense of the visuals from the tournament, here's a <u>video</u> featuring highlights from that day.

The greater cause

In addition to celebrating New York City's passionate love for the global game in the lead up to the 2026 FIFA World Cup, with New York being one of the host regions, the funds raised go directly to help grow the <u>New York City Soccer Initiative (NYCSI) Community Cup</u>. The Community Cup is a free, citywide soccer tournament that connects New York City's youth from all five boroughs to represent their respective neighborhoods.

Covering the event

If you'd like to attend the event and report on the Consulate Cup, we'd be pleased to host you. There will be opportunities to capture the soccer action and interview the players and organizers behind the tournament.

Please reach out to Andy and William - their contact information is below - to let them know in advance that you'd like to attend. They'll be sure to add you to the media list for the tournament.

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