



Venus Williams enters AEGON International at Eastbourne's Devonshire Park

Former world number one, Venus Williams, has entered the AEGON International this year.

The five-time Wimbledon women's singles champion is one of 13 of the world's top 20 players who have entered the tournament at Devonshire Park, Eastbourne.

Williams is joined by French Open champions Francesca Schiavone and Ana Ivanovic. This year's Australian Open finalist Na Li is also in the Main Draw alongside Victoria Azarenka.

Last year's French Open finalist, Sam Stosur, has also entered the AEGON International. The Australian competed last year and made the semi-finals before losing to eventual winner Russian Ekaterina Makarova.



She commented: "I am so excited to be returning to Eastbourne to compete at the AEGON International. I had a great run there last year and am hopeful of going even further this year."

Gavin Fletcher, AEGON International Tournament Director said: "We promised to deliver world class tennis to Eastbourne, so to attract thirteen of the world's top twenty, and five of the world's top ten, is a real coup for the tournament. I think it's fantastic that Venus has entered this year as it promises to be another thrilling week of high class women's tennis."

The AEGON International runs from June 11-18 2011 at Devonshire Park in Eastbourne.

The full list of players who have entered the Main Draw of the AEGON International as at May 5 2011 is:

	Name	World Ranking	Nationality
1	Vera Zvonereva	3	RUS
2	Francesca Schiavone	4	ITA
3	Victoria Azarenka	5	BLR
4	Li Na	6	CHN
5	Samantha Stosur	8	AUS
6	Agnieska Radwanska	11	POL
7	Marion Bartoli	12	FRA

8	Shahar Peer	13	ISR
9	Andrea Petkovic	15	GER
10	Venus Williams	16	USA
11	Ana Ivanovic	17	SRB
12	Petra Kvitova	18	CZE
13	Kaia Kanepi	19	EST
14	Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova	21	RUS
15	Nadia Petrova	23	RUS
16	Aravane Rezai	24	FRA
17	Alisa Kleybanova	25	RUS
18	Julia Goerges	27	GER
19	Shuai Peng	30	CHN
20	Jarmila Gajdosova	31	AUS
21	Lucie Safarova	32	CZE
22	Maria Jose Martinez Sanchez	33	ESP
23	Daniela Hantuchova	35	SVK
24	Tsvetana K Pironkova	36	BUL

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