

2017 ITTF African Junior and Cadet Championships – Day Three Quotes

ELHAKEM KARIM (EGY) after beating Tunisia in the Junior Boys' Team

“Last year we defeated Nigeria 3-1 in the final and I did not really play very well in the match. This year, we played very well from the start but in the third game, my teammate lost for them to win a match. But at the end, we were able to retain the title this year. We are happy and hope that we can win more titles in singles and doubles.”

HAMDOUN NATHAEL (TUN) after losing to Egypt in the Junior Boys' Team

“Generally we played very well in this competition. But in the final against Egypt, I could not find solution to the service of Youssef Abdel-Aziz. This made the match difficult for me. Also I made some mistakes particularly in the last set of one match when I missed topspin. I think they deserve the victory because they played better than us. We hope we can do well in other events of the championship.”