

Call of Duty World League, Presented by PlayStation®4 Returns to Atlanta March 9-11

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Over 170 Teams from North America, Europe, and the Asia-Pacific Region Come to Atlanta as Part of CWL Record-Setting Season Totaling \$4.2 Million in Overall Prizing

SANTA MONICA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Mar. 9, 2018-- The 2018 Call of Duty® World League makes an epic return to Atlanta beginning today with the CWL Atlanta Open, Presented by PlayStation®4. Over 170 teams from around the world will compete in *Call of Duty: WWII* on PlayStation®4 at the Georgia World Congress Center from March 9-11. This weekend's competition is a key stop during the CWL season, which has a \$4.2 million overall prize purse up for grabs – the largest in Call of Duty esports history.

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"The city of Atlanta has become a critical staple in the Call of Duty World League event calendar, and we're thrilled to return," said Call of Duty Esports Director, Kevin Flynn. "Last season in Atlanta, we saw a team battle from the massive open bracket and win the event championship in one of the most memorable moments in CWL history. It's those moments that make our competition stand out, and we can't wait to see what our competitors can accomplish this weekend."

Over 170 teams in Atlanta will compete in the open competition for their chance to earn one of four coveted spots in the event pool. Those four remaining teams from the open bracket will then join sixteen pre-qualified teams to compete for their share of the \$200,000 event prize pool at stake this weekend in Atlanta. Matches from throughout the three-day event will be available to watch live on MLG.com/CallofDuty and Twitch.tv/CallofDuty as well as via the in-game Call of Duty®: WWII theater within Headquarters.

The sixteen pre-qualified teams earned their spots via the CWL Pro League Stage 1 – a multi-week LAN series, which takes place at the MLG Arena in Columbus, Ohio.

Coming into this weekend's competition, Team Kaliber has solidified themselves as the team to beat at CWL Atlanta after winning back-to-back events this season.

Teams currently qualified in the CWL Atlanta Open pool bracket are:

Team Kaliber	 Luminosity Gaming
OpTic Gaming	• eUnited
Rise Nation	• FaZe Clan
Echo Fox	• Team EnVyUs
eRa Eternity	Evil Geniuses
Red Reserve	Splyce
Vitality	• Unilad

Mindfreak
 Lightning Pandas* (substitute for Epsilon)

CWL Atlanta Open tickets are available in multiple varieties. General admission passes for the event are available for \$59.99 (plus applicable fees and taxes), while supplies last. A Premium Pass for the event is also available, while supplies last, for \$89.99 (plus applicable fees and taxes) and includes an event t-shirt and one month of MLG GameBattles Premium. VIP tickets for the event have sold out. For tickets, visit <u>MLG.com/CWLAtlanta</u>.

Visit <u>CallofDuty.com/esports</u> and follow the Call of Duty World League on <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u> for the latest CWL updates. For live broadcasts and Video on Demand, visit <u>MLG.com/CallofDuty</u>.

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