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Team Europe Ease to a Historic 8th Consecutive Win & Retain the 2017 Mosconi Cup

The current MOSCONI CUP title holders, Europe, defended their crown in the USA's very own back yard as they thrashed their hosts 11-4 at the Mandalay Bay hotel in Las Vegas.



Team Europe was backed as strong favourites to win the Mosconi Cup for an eighth consecutive year. Europe went into the final day needing just one more win after taking a commanding 10-4 lead and it was Joshua Filler that ensured the Mosconi Cup headed back to Europe. Filler beat team USA's Dennis Hatch 5-3 in the day's first game after the American had thrown away a 3-2 lead.

The fans turned out in their droves to the Mandalay Bay Convention Centre to witness a glorious celebration as the European team revelled in their magnificent victory.

For European captain Marcus Chamat it was win No.3 after taking the helm in 2015 and he seems to have the magic touch.

"I am overwhelmed! The way we played, the way we came as a team and stood beside each other from the beginning," said an emotional Chamat.

"The American team tried hard and did good. It was a battle and things could have gone the other way in the middle of yesterday.

"In the end, hard work pays off – successful people work hard and that is what these guys did."

For Joshua Filler it was a dream end to a dream debut as his captain presented him with the Most Valuable Player Award.

Filler, who ran undefeated through the tournament, winning two doubles and two singles matches, was delighted; "It couldn't get better than this. This is the best team with the best team spirit. I am lucky I have this team, they are always supporting me and without these guys we wouldn't win the Mosconi Cup eight times in a row." Europe has not lost the Mosconi Cup since 2009.

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