

2018 EUROPEAN WOMEN'S AMATEUR GOLF RANKING

Congratulations to the top-three ranked players of the 2018 European Women's Amateur Golf Ranking, who receive formal recognition for their achievements in the form of a medal. The final rankings, which are taken one day before the start of European Tour Qualifying School (10 September), were:



ALBANE VALENZUELA (SUI) had an impressive 2017 season, achieving runner-up finishes in the European and US Amateur Championships, as well as finishing second in the European Women's Amateur Golf Ranking. The Swiss player, who represented her country at the 2016 Olympic Games, was also the top performer in the European side at the 2017 Vagliano Trophy, scoring 3½ points in her four matches. Valenzuela now has five major championship starts to her name and made the cut in both of her major appearances this year, finishing 59th in the ANA Inspiration and 24th in the US Women's Open.

FRIDA KINHULT (SWE) will receive the silver medal. The Swedish player won the Spanish Ladies' Amateur Championship for the second consecutive time earlier this year. The European number-two impressed at the European Ladies' Team Championship in July, topping the individual stroke play ranking with a two-round total of 14-under-par and winning all five of her matches to help Sweden to victory. The 2018 European Patsy Hankins Trophy player has also achieved top-10 finishes in both of the last two European Ladies' Amateur Championships.

AINHOA OLARRA (ESP) will be awarded the bronze medal. The University of South Carolina player's best results this year was a win in the SEC Championship. The Spanish player has six other top-five finishes in US collegiate events over the last two years and was selected for the 2018 European Arnold Palmer Cup Team. Olarra also finished as runner-up in last year's Ladies' British Open Amateur Championship.

EAGR Conditions and full results for 2018 can be viewed at:

<http://www.ega-golf.ch/content/about>
<http://www.ega-golf.ch/rankings/Women>

The first three ranked players will receive formal recognition for their achievement by being awarded EGA medal prizes.

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