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Table Tennis: National players Zhou Jingyi and Ser Lin Qian secured a second victory for Singapore at the WTT Youth Star Contender held in Vila Nova de Gaia, Portugal from November 15 to 19, 2023.

In a thrilling display of skill and determination, the dynamic duo of Zhou Jingyi (周靖祎), 18 years old and Ser Lin Qian ((舒麟茜), 17 years old from Singapore secured victory in the U19 Girls' Doubles category at the WTT Youth Star Contender held in Vila Nova de Gaiam.

Zhou Jingyi and Ser Lin Qian faced formidable opponents throughout the tournament. The quarterfinal match pitted them against Natalia Bogdanowicz from Poland and Veronika Matiunina from Ukraine. Zhou Jingyi and Ser Lin Qian showcased their prowess on the table, emerging victorious with a 3-1 triumph.

The semifinal encounter was an intense battle against the French pairing of Clea De Stoppelaire and Charlotte Lutz. The Singaporean duo displayed resilience and strategic brilliance, ultimately clinching a hard-fought victory with a 3-2 scoreline, securing their place in the final.

The final match proved to be a test of skill and endurance as Zhou Jingyi and Ser Lin Qian faced off against the formidable duo of Annett Kaufmann from Germany and Enisa Sadikovic from Luxembourg. In a closely contested match, the Singaporean pair emerged triumphant with a 3-2 victory, cementing their status as champions of the U19 Girls' Doubles category at the WTT Youth Star Contender.

Zhou Jingyi's success extended beyond the doubles category, as she and her partner Izaac Quek triumphed in the Mixed Doubles event at the same tournament a day before her U19 Girls' Doubles victory.

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