

Election to the Executive Committee of the European Bridge League Antalya – June 2007

## Candidate: Michael Gromoeller (Germany)

Michael Gromoeller started playing bridge at the age of 14 and has since won 19 German Championships as well as the European Champions Cup 2006.

He was captain of the German Junior Teams that won a silver medal in Paris 1992 and a



gold medal in the Wold-Team-Junior-Championships 1993 in Aarhus.

He has been a member of the German junior committee since 1986, also the chief organizer of the German junior camp since 1986.

Michael Gromoeller works as a bridge teacher who also runs bridge holidays for his students.

As a player, he attends many championships run by EBL and WBF.

## If elected, Mr. Gromoeller intends to focus on the following points:

1. Representing the European top players and their needs in the EBL regarding the organisation of European Championships.

Here especially he wants to discuss the following ideas:

a) Splitting the European Open event which nowadays lasts two weeks into 2 different events: the Mixed and the Open + Women, each to last one week. The schedule should be such that people travelling with a tour operator can attend those events easily. Thus also people with less money could attend the championships.

b) Admitting only members of the EBL. If there are transnational events, they should be transnational within the EBL.

c) Taking care that any EBL meetings should not be scheduled during the playing times of European Championships. Since the smaller federations may not be able to afford sending a representative to these events in addition to their players, they are practically excluded from these meetings.

## 2. Supporting the efforts of the EBL regarding junior bridge