

EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE

Yves Aubry *President*

To the

Presidents of the EBL NBOs

EBL Executive Committee Members

Their addresses

February 2011

Dear President and friend,

23rd EUROPEAN YOUTH BRIDGE TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP Organised by the European Bridge League In cooperation with the Bulgarian Bridge Federation

I am very pleased to confirm that the 23rd European Youth Bridge Teams Championship will be held at

Albena Resort - Bulgaria 13rd to 23rd July 2011

Format of the Championships

The Championships consist of 3 Series: Under 26 Open, Under 26 Girls, Under 21 Open

<u>All three Series</u> will be played as a complete round-robin with all teams playing each other. It is anticipated that matches will be of 20 boards.

Timetable

Opening Ceremony
 Wednesday 13th July – evening

Under 26 Open Teams Round Robin Thursday 14th – Saturday 23rd July

(Prize Giving on Saturday 23rd evening)

• Under 26 Girls Teams Round Robin Thursday 14th – Tuesday 19th July

(Prize Giving on Tuesday 19th evening)

Under 21 Open Teams Welcome
 Saturday 16th July – evening

Under 21 Open Teams Round Robin Sunday 17th – Saturday 23rd July

Closing Ceremony
 Saturday 23rd July

Headquarters: Maison du Sport International - 54 Av. de Rhodanie - 1007 Lausanne - Switzerland



Registration of Teams

The entries to the Championships must be submitted electronically, via the EBL website (not by email) at

http://www.eurobridge.org/competitions/11Albena/Information.htm

by April 15th 2011. It is very important that this deadline is respected. Note that the website will not be available until at least 15th March

Registration of Players' Names

Registration of players' and NBO Delegation members' names must be sent by 15th May 2011 via the EBL website (not by email) at

http://www.eurobridge.org/competitions/11Albena/Information.htm

Right to enter

Each member NBO, being up-to-date with the payment of its dues (including the 2011 dues) to the EBL is authorized to enter one team in the Under 26 Open Series, one team in the Under 26 Girls Series and one team in the Under 21 Open Series of the Championships. Countries must have paid the entry fee and be up-to-date with the payment of the dues to the EBL before they can participate in the Championships.

Each participating NBO must play against all the other NBOs. Entry and subsequent refusal to play will result in disqualification.

Every proposed player must, along with other criteria, satisfy the Credentials Committee that:

- a. he/she is nominated by the NBO of the country of his birth or the NBO of which such nominated player first became a member, and has not, during the current or immediately preceding calendar year, represented a different NBO in any WBF competition or any zonal or intra-zonal competition; or
- b. he/she is nominated by the NBO of the country of his citizenship or bona fide residence and has not, during the current or immediately preceding two calendar years, represented a different NBO in any WBF competition or any zonal or intrazonal competition; and
- c. to participate in the Under 26 series a player must have been born on or after 1st January 1986, to participate in the Under 21 series a player must have been born on or after 1st January 1991,



Entry Fees

The entry fees are € 1,000 for the Under 26 Open and € 800 both for the Under 26 Girls and the Under 21. A discount will be given to the countries who did not participate in the last three EBL Youth Team Championships held in Riccione 2005, Jesolo 2007and Brasov 2009, for these teams the entry fees are € 750 for the Under 26 Open and € 500 both for the Under 26 Girls and the Under 21.

The entry fees must be paid by Bank Transfer before or on 15th May 2011 to

BANQUE PARIBAS

2, Place de Hollande

CH-1211 Geneve 11 - Suisse

Account EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE Number 3097300

(IBAN) CH 46 0868 6309 7300 04978

(SWIFT) BPPBCHGG

(to be mentioned)

Rules & Regulations – Systems Policy

The Rules & Regulations, including the Disciplinary Code, will be published, together with the Systems Policy, on the EBL website.

Hotel Accommodation

We have been able to arrange full board accommodation at the following special rates:

FLAMINGO GRAND 5* HOTEL

Hotel	Rates from 01 st July 2011 until 25 th July 2011			
Studio Standard	110 EUR			
Studio Deluxe	120 EUR			
Studio Executive	130 EUR			
Panorama Superior Apartment	210 EUR			
Apartment Grand Superior	290 EUR			



HOTELS 4*, 3* & 2* CATEGORY

Hotel	Rates from 01 st July 2011 until 25 th July 2011			
	Double room single occupancy	Twin room	2-bed apartment	4-bed apartment
Hotel 4*				
Complex Laguna 4*, Slavuna, Mura, Malibu;	65 EUR	100 EUR	150 EUR	-
Hotels 3* luxe				
Ralitsa, Vita Park, Magnolia, Boriana, Nona, Elitsa, Orlov, Kom, Orchidea, Magnolia;	53 EUR	82 EUR	-	-
Hotels 3*				
Dobrudja, Kompass, Panorama, Amelia;	46 EUR	70 EUR	90 EUR	110 EUR
Hotels 2*				
Lora, Kamelia, Kardam	30 EUR	54 EUR	-	-

^{*} Prices are per room, per day and include insurance, community tax and VAT.

Supplement for All Inclusive basis (soft drinks and snacks during the day) for hotels 3* and hotel 2* 6 EUR per person per day

Hotel Reservations - Booking

All the hotel reservations must be made through:

Contact - Denitsa Ogneva

email address: youthteamschampionship@albena.bg
telephone number: +359 579 62421
fax number: +359 579 62090

www.albena.bg

Transfer

A bus transfer from Varna Airport to Albena and back will be provided by the Organizing Committee for the Federations who advise them in advance of their flight schedule and the number of players/officials arriving.

^{*} The hotels 4* and hotels 3* luxe offer accommodation on All Inclusive basis.



Dress Code

The EBL has a policy which seeks to encourage Federations to provide Teams participating in the European Championships to be dressed in appropriate uniforms which incorporate a badge or emblem identifying the country those players are representing. All players, captains and coaches of the participating teams are required to wear T-shirts, polo shirts, shirts or blouses that are of the same colour and contain the Federation's logo.

Everyone entering the playing rooms is obliged to wear the official identification badge provided by the organisation. In case of loss, the organisation will provide a duplicate badge at a cost of $\leq 5,00$.

Further Information

For any further information, please contact:

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I look forward to the participation of your Federation in the 23rd European Youth Bridge Teams Championship and look forward to seeing you and your Teams in Albena.

Yours sincerely,

EBL President

Yves Aubry