

EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE

Gianarrigo Rona President

> To the Presidents of the EBL NBOs **EBL Executive Committee Members**

their addresses

Milan, 2nd February 2009

Dear President and friend,

22nd EUROPEAN YOUTH BRIDGE TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP

Organised by the European Bridge League In cooperation with the Romanian Bridge Federation and the Brasov Townhall

I am very pleased to confirm that the 22nd European Youth Bridge Teams Championship will be held at

> **Piatra Mare Hotel** Poiana Brasov, Romania 8th to 18th July 2009

Format of the Championships

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

All the three Series 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

• Under 26 Open Teams Round Robin

• Under 26 Girls Teams Round Robin

• Under 21 Open Teams Round Robin

Closing Ceremony

Wednesday 8th July Wednesday 8th – Saturday 18th July Wednesday 8th – Monday 13th July Monday 13th – Saturday 18th July

Saturday 18th July



Pre-Registration of Teams

In order to allow us to arrange the schedule and programme and to provide the technical setting and logistical organization of the event, I would be very grateful if your Federation provides a.s.a.p. to a pre-registration of your participating teams (it means to send an information about if and in which series your Federation intends to participate) submitted electronically, via the EBL website (not by email) at

http://www.eurobridge.org/competitions/09Brasov/Information.htm

Registration of Teams

To confirm the pre-registration, the entries to the Championships must be submitted electronically, via the EBL website (not by email) at

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by 1st May 2009. It is very important that this deadline is respected.

Registration of Players' Names

Registration of players' and NBO Delegation members' names **must be sent by 15th May 2009 via the EBL website (not by email) at**

http://www.eurobridge.org/competitions/09Brasov/Information.htm

Right to enter

Each member NBO, being up-to-date with the payment of its dues (including the 2009 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 <u>from the 1st January 1984 on</u>, to participate in the Under 21 series a player must have been born from the 1st January 1989 on,

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 Prague 2004, Riccione 2005 and Jesolo 2007; 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 2009 to

BANQUE PARIBAS (Suisse)
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

Thanks to the Romanian Bridge Federation, we have been able to arrange full board accommodation at the following special rates:

<u>Piatra Mare Hotel</u> (**** Stars Hotel - Venue):

Single Room €90

Double Room € 60 per day per person Triple Room € 50 per day per person

<u>Caraiman Hotel</u> (Walking Distance to the venue) Olympic Hotel (Walking Distance to the venue)

Single Room €50

Double Room €35 per day per person Triple Room €30 per day per person



Hotel Reservations - Booking

All the hotel reservations have to be done through:

Marius Georgescu Romanian Bridge Federation

e-mail: office@frbridge.ro

Tel.: +40 21 317 4001 / +40 740 243 326 Fax: +40 21 317 4001

Transfer

A bus transfer from Bucarest Airport to Poiana Brasov and back will be provided by the Organizing Committee for the delegation of the Federations which will inform about the flight-schedule and the number of people.

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 22nd European Youth Bridge Teams Championship and look forward to seeing you and your Teams in Poiana Brasov.

Yours sincerely,

Gianarrigo Rona EBL President