

EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE

Gianarrigo Rona President

To the Presidents of all EBL NBOs EBL Executive Committee Members

15th November 2008

Dear President and friend,

5th EBL NBO Officers' Seminar 29th January to 1st February 2009 Centro Giulio Onesti – Acqua Acetosa Rome, Italy

I am very pleased to inform you that the EBL will be holding the above-mentioned Seminar for the National Federation Presidents and Officers from 29th January to 1st February 2009 at Centro Giulio Onesti, in Rome, Via dei Campi Sportivi (Acqua Acetosa).

During this Seminar we will examine and discuss together:

- The EBL membership policy
- The EBL championship policy
- The Small States policy
- The EBL future events
- The position of the European NBOs towards the restructuring of the WBF
- The development of bridge
- The Youth bridge programme (University & School)
- The EBL teaching bridge programme
- The organisation of the National Bridge Federations
- The relationship with the Olympic Committee
- The new technology supporting bridge
- The relations with the Media

For this reason it is important that the Seminar is attended by:

- The NBO President or his Delegate
- The NBO General Secretary or the Officer responsible for the development
- The NBO Officer responsible for the Youth activities



As in the past we will have general sections for all the participants, which will be subsequently divided in specific working groups. As soon as possible, I will send the detailed programme together with all the useful information.

The seminar will start on Thursday the 29th January at 16.30 and will end on Sunday 1st February with a closing lunch, as per the attached programme-schedule:

I am convinced that you will welcome again this initiative, which will repeat and improve the experience gained in Viserbella May 2000, in Telecittà October 2002 and February 2005, and in Rome February 2007.

I am also pleased to inform you that the EBL offers to each NBO **one double room and one single room with full board accommodation free of charge** <u>to 3 officers</u>, starting with the dinner on Thursday and ending with the lunch on Sunday.

Depending on the limited number of rooms available the following policy will be applied:

If an NBO participates with only two officers, only one double room is offered. If the request is for two single rooms, <u>depending on the availability</u>, the NBO will be charged €50 per day.

If an NBO wishes to have three single rooms, instead of one double and one single, it will be charged, **<u>depending on the availability</u>**, €50 per day.

If an NBO wishes to send a fourth officer or accompanying guest to share the single room, it will be charged €60 per day.

The cost of any additional room (apart from the double and single ones above mentioned), **<u>depending on the availability</u>**, is \in 120 for a double room (double occupancy) and \in 90 for a single room.

For the above mentioned reasons, and to enable us to organise the accommodation efficiently, please send your confirmation of attendance by faxing or e-mailing the form sent herewith not later than **20th December 2008** to:

Marina Madia - EBL Secretariat Fax: +39 02 70001398 - Email: <u>ebl@federbridge.it</u>

Considering the great importance of this initiative I trust that all the NBOs will participate and I look forward to seeing you in Rome.

Yours sincerely, Gianarrigo Rona

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