

# **EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE**

Yves Aubry President

To: The Presidents of the EBL NBOs

Cc: EBL Executive Committee EBL Youth Committee

5<sup>th</sup> February 2013

24<sup>th</sup> EUROPEAN YOUTH BRIDGE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS Organised by the European Bridge League In cooperation with the Polish Bridge Union

Dear President and Friend,

I am very pleased to inform you that the 24<sup>th</sup> European Youth Bridge Team Championships will be held at

Hotel GEM & Recreational Centre Wroclaw, Poland 11<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> July 2013

### Format of the Championships

The Championships consist of 3 Series: Junior Open, Junior Girls and Youngsters. All 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 with 3 matches per day. In case of a high number of registered teams, the matches could be reduced to 16 boards and eventually 4 matches per day.

These championships will take place according to the following programme:

Opening Ceremony
 Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July - 19:30 -

Junior Open Teams Round Robin
 Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July to Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July
 Junior Girls & Youngsters Teams
 Sunday 14th July to Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July

Round Robin

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July - 19:00 -

Closing Ceremony & Prize Giving



## **Registration of teams**

The entries to the Championships must be submitted electronically, via the EBL Website (not by email) from <u>25<sup>th</sup> February</u> until <u>1<sup>st</sup> May 2013</u> the latest. It is very important that this deadline is respected.

#### Right to enter

Each member NBO, being up-to-date with the payment of its dues (including the 2013 dues) to the EBL is authorized to enter one team in the Junior Series, one team in the Girls Series and one team in the Youngsters 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/her 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/her 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 Junior & Girls series a player must not have achieved his 25<sup>th</sup> birthday by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2012 (born **on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January 1988),** to participate in the Youngsters series a player must not have achieved his 20<sup>th</sup> birthday by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2012 (born **on or after 1st January 1993).**

### **Entry fees**

The entry fees are € 1,000 for the Junior and € 800both for the Girls and the Youngsters.

A discount will be given to the countries who did not participate in the last three EBL Youth Team Championships held in Jesolo 2007, Brasov 2009 and Albena 2011: for these teams the entry fees are € 750 for the Junior and € 500 both for the Girls and the Youngsters.

The entry fees must be paid by Bank Transfer before or on 15th May 2013 to

#### **HSBC Bank**

31 Chequer Street St Albans AL1 3YN – UK -

Account: EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE IBAN: GB82MIDL 4005 1571 2825 45

SWIFT/BIC: MIDLGB22 (to be mentioned)



### **Hotel accommodation**

The Polish Bridge Union has arranged Full Board accommodation with the hotel GEM at the following special rates (per person, per night)

Single room : € 100
Double room : € 65
Triple room : € 60

You can also book at the Students hotels (one km from the hotel GEM) with prices given F.B., per person/per night as \*:

> JUBILATKA hotel

Single room : € 70Double room : € 50

➢ BLIZNIAK hotel

Single room : € 60Double room € 40

\* The players would have their meals (Lunch & Dinner) at the hotel GEM (included in the price)

To book your rooms, please contact:

Stanislaw Golebiowski – Tel +48 601 795 136 Piotr Zatorski – Tel +48 693 456 780 Maciej Bielawski – Tel +48 691 596 032

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### Rules & Regulations – Systems Policy

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

#### **Further Information**

For any additional information, please contact:

EBL Secretariat – Catherine Vitry

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I look forward to the participation of your Federation in the 24<sup>th</sup> Youth Bridge Team Championships.

Sincerely yours,

Yves Aubry