

# **EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE**

Jan Kamras President

To The Presidents of the EBL NBOs

Cc EBL Executive Committee members

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018

1st EUROPEAN MIXED TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP
Organised by the European Bridge League
In cooperation with the Portuguese Bridge Federation

Dear Presidents, dear Friends,

I am very pleased to inform you that the 1<sup>st</sup> European Mixed Teams Championship will be held at

VIP Executive Entrecampos Hotel & Conference,

Avenida 5 de Outubro 295,

Lisbon, Portugal

22<sup>nd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019

### **Format of the Championships**

The Championship will be played over 7 days, preferably as a complete round robin. The format and number of boards played in each match will be determined and published when the number of participants is known. It is possible that there may be two stages: a two-group round robin followed by a second stage.

## **Timetable**

Mixed Teams registration
 Mixed Teams Captains meeting
 Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February 10:00 – 20:00
 Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 17:30

• Opening Ceremony Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February

• Teams Championship Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February

• Prize-Giving & Closing Ceremony Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February



### **Registration of Teams**

All entries must be submitted electronically (not by email), via the EBL website, available at the beginning of August at

http://db.eurobridge.org/repository/competitions/19Lisbon/microsite/participants.asp

- **Deadline is** 18<sup>th</sup> **January 2019**. It is very important to **respect this deadline**. Latest registrations will only be acceptable if technically convenient.

### Registration of Players' names

Registration of players' and NBO Delegation members' names **must be sent by 31**<sup>st</sup> **January 2019 via the EBL website (not by email) at** 

http://db.eurobridge.org/repository/competitions/19Lisbon/microsite/participants.asp

#### Right to enter

Each member NBO is authorized to enter one Mixed Team in the Championship. NBOs must have paid the entry fee and be up to date with the payment of annual dues (including 2018 dues) to the EBL before they can participate in the Championship.

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

### **Competitor's Commitment form**

Attention is drawn to Article 2.8 of the EBL GCoC. Players, Captains, Coaches and other Team Officials in Teams Championships, who have not already submitted one, are required to have signed the EBL Competitor's Commitment Form (see GCoC Appendix 2) before the start of the event.

## **Entry Fees**

The entry fee is € 2250 per team.

The entry fee must be paid by Bank Transfer before or on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019 to

**Credit Suisse AG** 

Rue de Lion d'Or 5-7 CH-1002 Lausanne-Switzerland

**Account: EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE** IBAN: CH88 0483 5135 2558 8200 0

SWIFT/BIC: CRESCHZZ80A

As a reference you should state the name of your country



### Rules & Regulations – Systems Policy

The Rules & Regulations, including the Anti-doping Regulation, the Eligibility Code, the Code of Discipline, and the Dress Code are published, together with the Systems Policy, on the EBL website.

## **Therapeutic Use Exemption**

TUE forms can be downloaded at

http://www.worldbridge.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/tueapplicationform/doc

Note: Any players requiring exemption certificates should ensure that the Therapeutic Use Exemptions (TUE) Application Form is fully completed, together with the necessary supporting documents (see what is required at <a href="https://www.wada-ama.org/en/science-medical">www.wada-ama.org/en/science-medical</a>) and return it to the address given on the document as soon as possible and no later than 30 days before the commencement of the competition in which you are participating. It is acceptable to scan and email the TUE form and documentation.

### **Systems Registration**

Competitors should make use of the Guide to Completion of WBF System Cards when completing their system cards.

http://www.worldbridge.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Guidetocompletion.pdf

System Cards have to be registered with the European Bridge League Systems Administrator **by 31**<sup>st</sup> **January 2019** at <u>anna@ecats.co.uk</u>. (EBL System cards instructions attached).

## **Hotel accommodation**

Thanks to the Portuguese Bridge Federation, we have arranged special rates with the hotels in Lisbon. To book your hotel, please contact:

A Loja Das Viagens Agency

Mr José de Souza at zedesouza@alojadasviagens.com or Tel: +351 919 466 034

Website: http://alojadasviagens.com/

#### **Further Information**

For any additional information please contact:

Catherine Vitry - EBL Secretariat secretariat@europeanbridge.org

I do very much hope your Federation will be able to attend the  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  Mixed Teams Championship and I look forward to seeing you and your team in Lisbon, where I am confident we will enjoy a great event.

Sincerely yours,

Jan Kamras