



## EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE

Gianarrigo Rona  
*President*

Milan, 11 March 2008

Dear President and Friend,

<b>9<sup>th</sup> EUROPEAN YOUTH BRIDGE PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP</b>
--

<b>Organised by the European Bridge League In cooperation with the Polish Bridge Union</b>
--

I am very pleased to confirm that the 9<sup>th</sup> European Youth Bridge Pairs Championship will be held at

**GEM Hotel and Recreational Centre  
Wroclaw, Poland  
14<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> July 2008**

### **Format of the Championships**

There will be three series in the Championship: Under 26 Open pairs, Under 26 Girls Pairs and Under 21 Pairs. All three series are for National Pairs (i.e. both players must come from the same NBO; transnational pairs are not permitted).

In all three series the Qualification rounds will consist of 6 x 10 board sessions (2 boards per table, using a Mitchell movement)

At the end of the qualification rounds, in all series, the leading 50% of the field will qualify for Semi-final A and the other 50% for Semi-final B. Both semi-finals will consist of 6 x 10 board sessions (2 boards per table, using a Mitchell movement)

At the end of the semi-finals the highest-ranked pairs from semi-final A (25 in the Under 26 Open and 16 in the Under 26 Girls & Under 21) and the highest ranked pairs from the semi-final B (5 in the Under 26 Open and 4 in the Under 26 Girls & Under 21) will qualify for the A Final; the other pairs will play in the B Final.

In all series the A Final will be played using Barometer Scoring (58 boards – two per table - in Under 26 Open and 57 - three per table - in Under 26 Girls & Under 21); in the B Final 30 boards (3 x 10 board sessions) will be played using a Mitchell movement.

In the A Final screens will be used.



## EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE

### Programme

- Opening Ceremony 19.30 - Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July
- Qualification Sessions 10.00 - Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July
- Semi-final Sessions 10.00 - Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July
- Final Sessions 10.00 - Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July
- Closing Ceremony & Prize Giving 20.00 - Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July

### Schedule time

Qualification & Semi-final	10.00 – 11.20 - 1 <sup>st</sup> session
	11.30 – 12.50 - 2 <sup>nd</sup> session
	14.00 – 15.20 - 3 <sup>rd</sup> session
	15.30 – 16.50 - 4 <sup>th</sup> session
	17.00 – 18.20 - 5 <sup>th</sup> session
	18.30 – 19.50 - 6 <sup>th</sup> session
Final	10.00 – 13.00 - 1 <sup>st</sup> session
	14.30 – 19.00 - 2 <sup>nd</sup> session

### Right of entry

Bridge players (registered members of EBL NBOs), in good standing with their Federation and born on 1<sup>st</sup> January 1983 or later (Under 26 Open & Girls) and on 1<sup>st</sup> January 1988 or later (Under 21) are entitled to participate. There will be no restrictions on numbers of entries per NBO.

Each member NBO, being up to date with the payment of its dues (including the 2008 dues) to the EBL is authorized to enter pairs. 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 Championship.

In any case participants must be nominated by their NBO and all such nominations are subject to authorisation by the EBL Credentials Committee.

### Registration of Pairs

Registration of pairs for all the series, **which must be from the Federation**, should be sent, before 31<sup>st</sup> May 2008 and sent to:

**European Bridge League**  
**Gianarrigo Rona – President**  
**Via Ciro Menotti 11/C**  
**20129 Milano – Italy**  
**Fax +39 02 7000 1398**  
**E Mail: [ebi@federbridge.it](mailto:ebi@federbridge.it)**



EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE

### **Entry Fees**

The entry fees are € 150 per pair.

The entry fees must be paid by Bank Transfer **before or on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2008** 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)**

### **Hotel Accommodation**

In few days we will forward all the information about the Hotel Accommodation and the special package agreed for the event

I look forward to the participation of your Federation in the 9<sup>th</sup> European Youth Bridge Pairs Championship in Wroclaw.

Yours sincerely,

Gianarrigo Rona  
EBL President