



## WORLD BRIDGE FEDERATION

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### Message from the President of the World Bridge Federation, Mr Gianarrigo Rona

On behalf of the WBF and personally I am very pleased to welcome all the participants at the 6<sup>th</sup> Women's Online Bridge Festival, a great initiative of the Women's Committee born by an idea of its dynamic Chairman Anna Maria Torlontano.

This event is now a classic within the WBF Calendar and shows the development and the importance of the Women's bridge inside the whole movement of our marvelous discipline. Not only that, but there is now to be a second such Festival each year, held in the Autumn.

I am confident that also this new edition of the Festival players from everywhere in the world will participate and it will achieve a great success, gratifying not only the participants, who have the occasion to find again old friends and to meet the new ones, but also the organizers who worked and are working with enthusiasm, passion and dedication.

The WBF is proud to promote this event, which truly confirms that bridge is hobby, sport and culture and unifies the bridge players all over the world, and I am sure that the Zones and the NBOs will help Anna Maria and her colleagues on the Committee in releasing at the best the initiative to their own members, giving them the chance not to lose a great opportunity.

Un abbraccio

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