

EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE

To Presidents of all EBL NBOs
EBL Executive Committee Members
NBOs Liaison Committee

18th October 2011

6th EBL NBO Officers' Seminar

Thursday 2nd February to Sunday 5th February 2012 Budapest - Hungary

Dear Presidents and Officers,

As per our earlier information, the NBO Officers Seminar will be held in Budapest the 2nd through 5th February 2012.

The EBL will pay lodging and food for two delegates per NBO, but a third delegate will be accepted on request and subject to space. It is of course up to each NBO to decide which officers to send, but if more than one it may be useful to have one "political" appointee (President, VP or similar) and one working officer (General Secretary, Manager, Youth responsible or similar).

We have received several proposals from you as to subjects for discussion, and they will all be included in the schedule. In order for the discussions to be fruitful we would like the delegates to come prepared with certain basic information relating to their NBO concerning some of the topics for discussion.

Those topics, and the info we would like you to prepare, are:

- ✓ IMSA/Poker/Bridge: Does your country have legal/regulatory issues affecting your situation? Any contact between Bridge and Poker organisations?
- ✓ TD Courses: Do you have existing local or regional courses? Have you sent TDs to any EBL courses?
- ✓ Technological Developments: Does your NBO or some clubs use computerized systems for scoring and/or other functions?
- ✓ Handicap Tournaments: If you organize them please bring details of how it works.
- ✓ Organizing a championship: Are there any potential private, corporate or municipal sponsors in your country?
- ✓ Promotion and Development: What activities, if any, does your NBO engage in to promote bridge in general? Approx. what percentage of your budget goes to this?
- ✓ Organizing an NBO: Who are members, clubs or individuals? How the dues are collected (yearly fee, at each tournament, etc.)? Is membership compulsory? Control functions?



- √ Youth promotion/activities: What is the average age of your membership? Percentage
 youth (say under 26)? What activities, if any, do you presently engage in to promote bridge
 to youth? Any particular target groups or locations? What percentage of your NBO budget
 is spent on this?
- ✓ Internet and Social Media: How is your NBO presently using the internet (homepage, communication with members/clubs, playing, etc.)? Is your NBO present in media like Facebook, Twitter or similar?

Towards the end of the year, we will provide you with the detailed programme, dead-line to register delegates, etc.

In the meantime, we wish those of you participating in the World Team Championships in Veldhoven the best of luck!

Yours sincerely

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