

AGREEMENT

8th EUROPEAN OPEN BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

THIS AGREEMENT dated 30 January 2016

Between THE EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE ("the EBL"), represented by its President, Yves Aubry, and THE ITALIAN BRIDGE FEDERATION ("the Host" and/or "FIGB"), represented by its President, Gianni Medugno,

WITNESSETH

- 1. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, set forth both herein and within the Specification attached hereto, the EBL awards to the Host and the Host hereby agrees to host the 8th European Open Bridge Championship (together called "the Championship"). The Host shall give its support, name and goodwill to the success of the Championship, fulfilling its obligation under this Agreement.
- 2. The Championship will be held in the Congress Centre and Teatro Verdi in Montecatini (Italy), from Saturday 10th June to Saturday 24th June 2017. The schedule of the Championship shall be as decreed by the EBL
- 3. The main division of responsibility between the EBL and the Host is that:
 - the EBL maintains full executive control of all technical aspects of the Championship including being responsible for all decisions concerning the staffing, managing and running of the Championship;
 - b) the Host is responsible for the provision and cost of the technical aspects of the Championship including the cost of local (Italian) staff and the provision, staffing and cost of the venue and operational support, personnel, hospitality. The Host is responsible for the cost of the hotel B&B accommodation of the EBL Executive and Staff. The Host is also responsible for provision of appropriate security devices and insurance (to be approved by EBL) for the players, officers, staff and all the persons who attend the Championship.

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- 4. The EBL shall bear the cost of and be responsible for:
 - a) the compensation, travel expenses and per-diem of EBL staff to run the Tournament;
 - b) the provision of all material and documents as required by the Rules and Regulations governing the Championship;
 - c) counselling and otherwise generally assisting the Host in the planning and conduct of the Championship;
 - d) Awarding medals
 - e) awarding EBL Master Points for the Championship in accordance with the EBL Master Point Plan;
 - f) providing printed materials: the Official Programme and badges
- 5. The Host and the EBL will establish an Organizing Committee whose function and duty shall be to ensure the necessary arrangements.
- 6. The Host hereby warrants to the EBL that the Host Country will welcome all NBOs and all players who represent those NBOs who are members of the EBL in good standing (or WBF) and who are to participate in the Championship. The Host will do its best to ensure that ranking Government Officials of the Host Country will welcome the EBL and all its member NBOs and the participation by them in the Championship.
- 7. The Host shall bear the cost of and be responsible for:
 - a) providing the venue and in particular:
 Adequate playing space about 3 500 square meters
 All rooms for Offices
 Venue for Prize-giving & Closing Ceremonies
 - b) provision of local (Italian) Staff (paying their expenses, accommodation, compensation and per-diem): 20 suitable Italian staff will be provided to assist in the management of the Championship as decided by the EBL in consultation with the FIGB
 - providing Technical equipment and furniture as provision of Internet equipment;
 - 1 large colour photocopying machine (60 copies/min.) for the Main Office
 - 1 B/W photocopying machine (45 to 60 ppm) for the Registration Desk
 - 8 Sim cards for mobile phones for the EBL staff
 - d) providing appropriate entertainments, including at least:
 - a Staff Award Buffet for approximately 120 people
 - 4 short Prize-Giving Ceremonies with drinks for 50 people each
 - a Closing Ceremony and Buffet at the end of the Championships



- e) provision for making block bookings of rooms for EBL Officers: 16 persons during the first week (9 nights with one Junior Suite for the EBL President and 15 Deluxe rooms) and 6 persons during the second week (one Junior Suite for the EBL President and 5 Deluxe rooms);
- f) providing at the main hotel, with bed and breakfast accommodation free of charge, 20 single and 10 double standard rooms for the EBL Staff 40 persons in total. At least 5 rooms must be available from 3 days before the first day of play up to 1 day after the Closing Ceremony;
- g) provision of:
 - 1 briefcase (containing gifts, Championship dossier, 1 deck of Championship cards, map and information on Montecatini, etc.) for each player, Officers, staff operators and journalists,
 - · typically Italian gifts for the prize winners,
 - A First Aid Room continuously throughout the Championship with connection with a local doctor and hospital.
 - Podium, flag-raiser, and any other requirements for the Prize-giving Ceremonies
- h) Stationery supplies:
 - minimum of 25,000 sheets of paper (A4 & A3 formats)
 - small notebooks (with approx. 10 sheets each) for the playing tables as required by the Championship
- i) Refreshments should be provided as follows:
 - water for all Championship participants.
- 8 The EBL has control over Sponsorship:
 - a) the Main Sponsor, whose name may be given to the Championship, is an official sponsor of the EBL. The Host can provide, with the written approval of the EBL, the Main Sponsor,
 - b) the EBL has the right to appoint minor sponsors,
 - c) The Host is entitled to obtain official and private sponsorship other than for the Opening and Closing Ceremonies, providing always that this does not conflict with the main sponsorship. These sponsors, after written approval from the EBL, are entitled to use publicity space in the venue and in the Official Programme (maximum 1 page per sponsor) and to put their logo on the stationery. In the Daily Bulletin it will be possible to print only sponsors' logos.
- 9 For the avoidance of doubt it is hereby agreed as follows:
 - a) the EBL has total property of the logo and image of the Championship and nobody is authorised to modify or to print, publicise and develop it without the EBL express written authorisation;
 - b) the EBL has total property of the image, pictures, movie, data (etc.) of the Championship and nobody is authorised to print, publicise and develop it without the EBL express written authorisation;



- c) the EBL has total control of the format and contents of the Daily Bulletin and all press-releases, information and communications concerning Championship;
- d) the entry fees are the property of the EBL and the EBL has control over the fixing of and collection of the entry fees for the Championship which shall be paid direct to the EBL by the participants;
- e) in the event that the total entry fees net of any discounts or allowances exceed €500,000, the excess over €500,000 will be split between EBL and FIGB on a 50/50 basis.
- f) before the 1st of May 2016 the EBL and FIGB will agree as to the discount on entry fees that will be applied to the Youth (under 26) players.
- 10 The rights, duties and obligations of the Host and the EBL under the Agreement are subject to the following provisions:
 - a) neither party shall assign this Agreement without the other's written consent nor shall the Agreement be deemed assignable by operation of law without such consent:
 - b) the Parties agree that any controversy or claim arising out of or under this Agreement or any breach thereof shall in the first instance be dealt with by negotiation and thereafter shall be dealt with by reference to formal mediation:
 - c) this Agreement shall be construed under the laws of Switzerland;
 - d) this Agreement is intended for the sole benefit of the parties hereto and no third party shall have any rights whatsoever against any of the parties hereto by virtue of the provision hereof;
 - e) EBL and FIGB agree that this Agreement is subject to the Parties providing all relevant information and detail no later than 31st October 2015 and their written confirmation that this condition has been satisfied will fulfil that requirement;
 - f) the Host has the right to withdraw from this Agreement, without any penalty, up to 1st May 2016 (time being of the essence) by informing the EBL President by e-mail on or before 1st May 2016 and confirming the same by Registered Letter posted on or before 1st May 2016.

IN WITNESS whereof the parties have executed this Agreement on the date first above written

European Bridge League

Yves Aubry - President, AUSRY

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Italian Bridge Federation Gianni Medagno – President