



*“Bridge for Peace”*

To the  
Presidents of WBF NBOs

c/c WBF Executive Council Members  
Presidents of the WBF Zonal Conferences  
WBF Youth Committee Members  
WBF Kids Sub-committee Members  
Croatian Bridge Federation President  
WBF Operations Director  
WBF Communication & General Liaison  
WBF Secretariat

Lausanne 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019

## **1<sup>st</sup> Information Letter**

Dear Friends,

**6<sup>th</sup> WORLD YOUTH BRIDGE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**20<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> August 2019**  
**Opatija, Croatia**  
**Organised by the World Bridge Federation**  
**In cooperation with the Croatian Bridge Federation**

We are very pleased to confirm that the 6<sup>th</sup> World Youth Bridge Open Championship will be held at

**Milenij Grand Hotel 4 Opatijska Cvijeta**  
**Opatija, Croatia**

### **Format of the Championship**

The Championship consists of four events: World Pairs Championship – World Teams Swiss/KO Championship – BAM Teams - World Individual.

### **Right to enter**

The Championship is open to all players born on or after 1st January 1994 (Under 26 Men and Women) or born on or after 1st January 1999 (Under 21) or born on or after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2004 (Under 16) in good standing with their own NBOs. Teams and Pairs be made up of players from the same NBO or from the same Club.

NBOs and Clubs may send as many teams or pairs or players as they wish.



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To be eligible for participation in the 2019 World Youth Open Bridge Championship all participants must comply with the WBF Laws and Rules & Regulations and sign the WBF Commitment form.

### **Rules & Regulations – Systems Policy**

The Rules & Regulations, including the Disciplinary Code, will be published, together with the Systems Policy, on the WBF website.

### **Schedule**

- Pairs Registration Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August (starting at 10.00 hrs)
- Opening Ceremony Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August at 19.30
- Pairs Championship From Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August (Prize-giving at 18.30)
- Teams Swiss/KO Championship From Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August
- BAM Teams From Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August
- Grand Individual Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August
- Prize-giving & Closing Ceremony Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August at 19.30 hrs.

### **Registration of Pairs and Teams**

The entries to the Championship must be submitted electronically, via the WBF website (not by email) **and** should be made before **1<sup>st</sup> July 2019** wherever possible. Entries for pairs will be accepted later provided there is sufficient space at the venue. The website will be open for registration from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019.

Registration for teams composed of players who participated in the Youth Pairs World Championship and wish to enter the World Swiss/KO Youth Teams Championship, for teams eliminated from the Swiss/KO World Championship and wishing to enter the BAM Teams and for players wishing to enter in the World Grand Individual Championship may be made on site.

### **Entry Fees**

The entry fees are:

World Youth Pairs	200 € (Euros)
World Youth Swiss/KO Teams Championship	750 € (Euros)

Teams from Swiss/KO will drop into the BAM Teams. Entry is free of charge for the teams coming from the Swiss/KO, otherwise the entry fee is 200 € (Euros). Entry is free of charge to enter the Grand Individual.



The entry fees may be paid by Bank Transfer **on or before 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019** to

**Crédit Suisse SA, Rue du Lion d'Or 5-7 , P.O. Box 5722, 1002 Lausanne,  
Switzerland  
€ account  
IBAN CH58 0483 5154 6496 9200 0  
Account n° 0425-1546496-92  
SWIFT CRESCHZZ80A  
Clearing 4835  
To be indicated**

### **Hotel Accommodation**

The Local Organising Committee (LOC) agreed special preferential daily rates per person as per follows:

- Grand Hotel 4 Opatijska Cvijeta  
Single Room: 113 Euros  
Double Room 88 Euros  
Triple room 80 Euros
- Continental Heritage  
Single Room 108 Euros  
Double Room 82 Euros  
Triple Room 76 Euros
- Hostel Link Lovran  
Single Room 81 Euros  
Double Room 70 Euros  
Triple Room 60 Euros

Lunches and dinners for the persons accommodated at Hotel Link Lovran will be served at Grand Hotel 4 Opatijska Cvijeta, while the breakfast will be served at the Hotel Link.

The above mentioned rates are valid for the participants and their companions.

The Host will provide free bus tickets (at least 4 round trips each) from Opatija to Lovran and back for all the person accommodated at Hostel Link Lovran from 8.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. for the entire period of their stay and in any case guarantees their transportation from the Hostel Link Lovran to the Venue and back.

For any information related to the accommodation please contact

**Mrs. Iva Erceg**

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To avoid last minute problems, due to the number of rooms available, the participants are encouraged to make their reservations as soon as possible. In any case the booking is on a first come first served basis.

### **Further Information**

For further information about the Championship please contact Marina Madia (WBF Secretariat)

[secretariat@worldbridgefed.com](mailto:secretariat@worldbridgefed.com)

Being sure of your support and cooperation, we are confident that once again we will enjoy another great bridge event together.

Yours sincerely,

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President

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WBF Youth Committee Chairman