



# 7th EBL NBO Officers' Seminar

## University Bridge

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# Agenda

- FISU
- EUSA
- University bridge events FISU/EUSA
- University bridge events on internet
- Communication
- Denksportclub Universiteit Antwerpen
- Discussion:
  - Create a bridge club
  - Participation on physical events
  - Research program?
  - University bridge responsible in your NBO?

# FISU ([www.fisu.net](http://www.fisu.net))

- FISU: International University Sports Federation
- Organizes:
  - Summer universiades (8000 to 10000 athletes)
  - Winter universiades
  - World Championships in 40 sports
- Bridge recognized in 2002
- 6 World University Bridge Championships till now:  
Brugge, Istanbul, Tianjin, Lodz, Koasiung, Reims
- Competition between *national university bridge teams*

# EUSA ([www.eusa.eu](http://www.eusa.eu))

- EUSA: European Universities Sports Association
- Organizes:
  - EUSA games (2000 to 4000 athletes)
  - European Bridge Championships in 20 sports
- Bridge recognized in 2007
- 3 World University Bridge Championships till now:  
Opatija, Warchau, Kralevic
- Competition between *university bridge teams*

# Next FISU event

- FISU: 7<sup>th</sup> World University Championships
- Dates: 1/11/2014 till 7/11/2014
- Venue: Opatija, Croatia, 4 star hotel
- Costs:
  - for participation and full board accommodation is **65€/day/student**
  - small entry fee of +/- 50€/student for the whole event
- Official entry via the National University Sports Federation (NUSF)
  
- Major entry conditions:
  - being at a university or high school (or 1 year after or before studies)
  - being between 17 and 28 years old
  - having the nationality from the country you represent
- Remark: students of different universities can be combined!!
- The entry procedure is as follows:
  - The “general” FISU form (\*) should be entered by NUSF to the local OC **for 01/05/2013**
  - The “quantative” FISU form (\*) should be entered by NUSF to the local OC **for 01/08/2013**
  - The “individual” FISU entry form (\*) should be entered by NUSF to the local OC **for 1/10/2013**

# Next EUSA event

- EUSA: 4<sup>th</sup> European University Championships
- Dates: September 2015
- Venue: Warsaw, Poland
- Costs: to be determined
  
- Official entry via the National University Sports Federation (NUSF)
  
- Major entry conditions:
  - being at a university or high school (or 1 year after or before studies)
  - being between 17 and 28 years old

Remark: at least 2 students must be from the university they represent !!

# University bridge event on internet

- 2<sup>nd</sup> and the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 7PM (Paris time): University Pairs championships
    - For free
    - Open for everybody
    - 3 hours
  - University teams championships (groupe stage + knock –out)
    - For free
    - With registration procedure and security checks
    - Several month's (1 round per month)
  - 1<sup>st</sup> EUSA online team event in 2013 with 33 teams
  - 3 FISU online team events with 66 teams in the last
- Now: Launch of the 4<sup>th</sup> world FISU/WBF event

# Communication

- [www.unibridge.eu](http://www.unibridge.eu)
  - Dedicated for university bridge events
  - Results, entries, information, ...
- Facebook “Uni bridge”
  - 400 students connected today
  - Launch of all events



# Create a bridge club

- Own short lessons
- Own activities
- Own management
- Own environment
- support by federation is key for succes
  
- Example: Denksport Club Universitiet Antwerpen

# Participation on physical events

- How to increase participation?
- Participaton only on internet events is not enough!

# How to attract youth?

- Make a research study with a university?

# University bridge responsible

- Who is responsible?
- Make link with NUSF?

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# Questions??