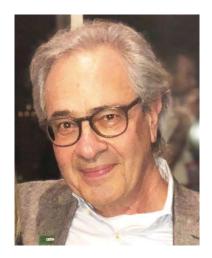


# Youth Matters

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## **Youth Matters**

- Youth Coach Seminar & Coaching Diplomas
- Special Category: Woman
- Special Category: U31
- Combination of WBF & EBL Events ("salsomaggiore")
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## **Youth Coach Seminar**





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✓ 17-18 July 2015 – Tromsø: 22 participants, 13 countries
 ✓ 18-20 July 2016 – Liepaja: 19 Participants, 10 countries
 ✓ 16-18 July 2018 – <u>Opatija</u>: 30 Participants, 18 countries!
 ✓ 07.2021 – National youth event



## **3rd Bridge Coach Seminar**

Main topic: NBO's Youth Projects

#### Monday July 16

10:00-10:30 Welcome and introduction 10:30-11:00 The EBL Youth Plan 2018-2022 11:00-11:30 2<sup>nd</sup> coach seminar (Liepaja, Latvia) 11:30-12:30 Yoga & Bridge 13:00-14:30 Lunch 14:30-16:30 Analyzing NBO's youth projects 16:30-18:00 Lecture for the Camp - Group 1, 2 and 3 18:30-19:30 Evaluation of the day and summary 19:30-20:30 Dinner

#### Tuesday July 17

10:00-13:00 Preparing Bridge Lectures (Groups) 13:00-14:30 Lunch 14:30-16:30 Analyzing NBO's youth projects 16:30-18:00 Lecture for the Camp - Group 4, 5 and 6 18:30-19:30 Evaluation of the day and summary 19:30-20:30 Dinner

#### Wednesday July 18

10:00-13:00 Preparing Bridge Lectures (Groups) 13:00-14:30 Lunch 14:30-16:00 Analyzing NBO's youth projects 16:00-16:30 What can the EBL do for you? 16:30-17:00 What to do when getting back home? 17:00-18:30 Lectures for the Camp - Group 7, 8 and 9\* 18:30-19:00 Prize Giving and Closing of the camp 19:00-20:00 Evaluation of the day and the Seminar 20:00-21:30 Closing dinner V ...



#### Facts in the shorter format

- The seminar is free of charge. Participants only pay their travel.
- Arrival the 15th and departure the 19th are expected. EBL books and pays for the accommodation for this period.
- Maximum two participants per NBO.
- All volunteers / professionals working actively with youth or aiming to do so are welcome.
- All participants will be working and holding lectures during EBL Youth Bridge Camp
- Questions and registration to Catherine Vitry by e-mail from the NBO's to <u>secretariat@europeanbridge.org</u> latest June 20, 2018.



**European Bridge League** 

## **CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION**

Is hereby granted to

Catherine Vitry

France

Youth Bridge Coach Seminar Opatija, Croatia – 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Jan Kamras **EBL** President

**Gilad Ofir** Gilad of. **EBL Youth Committee** Chairman



## **Special Category - Women**



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EUROPEAN WOMEN U26 TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS WINNERS

#### AnnaClaudia Rona Trophy – POLAND

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Zofia BALDYSZ, Joanna KOKOT, Dominika OCYLOK, Monika SUCHODOLSKA, Joanna ZALEWSKA, Anna ZAREBA Rafal MARKS (npc), Zuzanna MOSZCZYNSKA (coach)



EUROPEAN U21 TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS WINNERS:

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# **Special Category - Women**

- ✓ The Goal Increasing the level.
- Transnational tournaments Combined?
- National Tournament Combined?



## Special Category – U31



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# What are our goals?

- $\checkmark$  Keep the players in the life circle of bridge.
- ✓ Giving them a clear target Tournament.
- ✓ Social environment.



## **Current Situation**

- Up to U26 Playing Youth events and quit.
- Big gap up to 60+.
- WBF/EBL/NBO's Responsibly
  - □ NBO's "Create" and recruited new players.
  - ALL Keep the players that already inside, Giving them place to play.



## **Current Situation**

- ✓ Huge drop after U26 last tournaments.
- ✓ Lack of competitive tournaments.
- $\checkmark$  Lack of resources (time) to compete for the open team.
- Lack of chances to be selected to the open team.
- ✓ Feeling lonely and... Quit!



## **Formal Decisions**

- EBL Youth Committee recommendation (U31/U35)  $\checkmark$
- WBF Executive Committee.
- 18<sup>th</sup> WBF Youth team championship.



# U31 Category – Why Youth?

- What are the reason that people are playing bridge?
  - ❑ Adults: Social ⇔Medals.
  - $\ \ \, \square \quad \ \ \, \text{Youth: Social} \Leftrightarrow \mathsf{Medals.}$
- ✓ U31
  - A lot of them were U26 Players
  - Friendship with the current players
  - Were/Are Coaches/NPC's/Teachers of the players



# **U31 – Funding: The logic**

- The NBO's choice (Mixed, WomanU26, U16)
- Above 25 Working People.
- ✓ Great incentives to arrive:
  - **G** Social.
  - □ International event.
  - Represent their country: National pride.
  - The alternative: STOP playing.



# Youth Categories – Some Data

- ✓ U26 1<sup>st</sup> 1989, Nottingham, England
- U31 European already confirmed (5): France, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Poland.
- Other teams (8): Australia, China, India, Indonesia,
  Japan, New Zealand, USA 1, USA 2.
- <u>74 Teams, 433 Players, 77 Countries</u> 36 European!
  There is a potential.



### **EBL Events**





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