



EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE

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To: EBL NBO Presidents
EBL EC Members
EBL Honorary Presidents

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European National Teams Championships 2021

Dear Presidents and friends,

I hope you have all enjoyed a pleasant holiday season, even though for most of us it has been quite extraordinary, often in the absence of family and friends. I am pleased to bring you some good news to start off the new year.

The EBL, in co-operation with the Portuguese Bridge Federation, intends that the European National Teams and Women/Seniors National Pairs Championships WILL take place as scheduled in Funchal/Madeira June 12-22.

We will arrange the Championships in the safest possible environment. Dependent on the situation with the pandemic in the period immediately prior to the event, we may have to insist on:

- proof of a completed vaccination regimen or
- consecutive negative Covid tests or
- positive antibody tests or
- compulsory wearing of face masks.

Such requirements will apply to all participants, staff, officers and visitors. Since it is you, the NBOs, that nominate your participants, we will rely upon your assistance in ensuring compliance with any such regulations.

What we of course can neither control, nor predict, are any restrictions imposed by the local government concerning entry and/or gatherings such as ours at the time. Although the present situation looks very uncertain the roll-out of the many vaccines makes me feel optimistic for the summer.

In relation to the Youth Pairs Championships, we are still awaiting confirmation from the intended host federation that it can stage the event. We hope to have more definitive news by the end of January.

On behalf also of my colleagues on the EBL Executive Committee I wish you all a healthy and successful continuation of 2021!

Best regards

Jan Kamras