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EUROPEAN SNOOKER CHAMPIONSHIPS U16, U18, U21, Men/Mixed, Championships 11th – 23rd March 2024, Sarajevo – Bosnia & Herzegovina

Dear Members,

On behalf of the EBSA Board of Directors, LAMBADA TRAVEL & DMC and the Bilijar I Snooker Savez (BIH), I have pleasure in inviting you to send players to take part in the U16, U18, U21, and Men Snooker Championships that will be held at the Hills Hotel in Sarajevo (Bosnia and Herzegovina), from the 11th to the 23rd March 2024.

PLAYERS:

From the Friday 15th December 2023 you will find on the EBSA website www.ebsa.tv the Entry Form and Travel/Accommodation Form which need to be filled in as instructed for a maximum entry of:

- Five (5) players for the Under 16's Championship (players must be U16 on 31st March 2024).
- Five (5) players for the Under 18's Championship (players must be U18 on 31st March 2024).
- Five (5) players to the Under 21's Championship (players must be U21 on 31st March 2024).
- Five (5) players to the Men Championship (players must be aged 12 at start of the event).

All Championships are Mixed Gender

Special information for the U16 and U18 Championships: Each member country will be able to receive two free entries that can be used in either the Under 16's or the Under 18's Championships.

Please use the username and password that you've received to fill in the forms 'Online'. All participants, including referees and supporters, must be on the Travel-Accommodation form.

CLOSING DATE FOR PLAYERS ENTRIES: Sunday 11th February 2024 (Midnight, GMT)

Very important: Players Entries must be paid to the EBSA account before the closing date and entries will not be confirmed if payment is not received by Sunday 11th February 2024 (Midnight, GMT) Please refer to the updated EBSA Championship Conditions for further information.

According to the EBSA/WPBSA agreement, the U21 and Men Champions will be nominated for the 2024/2026 Main Professional Tour.

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VERY IMPORTANT:

Online payment for the Entry must be done by (NGB) National Associations only. No payment will be accepted online from individual players. Please fill the online Entry Form on the www.ebsa.tv website. For further information, please feel free to contact the (EBSA Tournament Coordinator) maxime.cassis@gmail.com before the closing date.

REFEREES:

A maximum of 30 international referees will be invited by the BIH.

Referees' accommodation will be available starting from the 10th until the 23rd March 2024.

Any referees wishing to have single occupancy will be required to pay 50% of the full cost of a Twin room for the duration of their stay. Accommodation will be provided on a Bed & Breakfast basis, with 2 referees sharing a room. Two (2) additional meals per day will be provided by the BIH. Referees travelling to Sarajevo will receive from the EBSA an allowance of €300 to help them with their travel costs. Referees must be members of their National Association and will be confirmed by the EBSA Referees Committee. **Please remember to enter referee's information to the online Travel and Accommodation Form.**

CLOSING DATE FOR REFEREE NOMINATIONS: Sunday 14th January 2024

REFEREE SUPPLIES:

Any referees or members wishing to buy white gloves, rule books, EBSA ties, ball- markers, etc., are requested to place an order for any items by Sunday 11th February 2024. Items can then be paid for and collected during the Championships. Any order(s) should be sent to me in the first instance.

COACHING:

A Cue-Zone will be available at the Hills Hotel (Sarajevo) for coaching players and new EBSA/WPBSA Coaches. **The seminar for new coaches** will take place from the **15th to 17th March 2024** at the Hills Hotel Sarajevo. Please find attached a letter with application form issued by the EBSA Coaching Committee with more details. Requests with the completed form and photo must be sent from the National Association to the EBSA General Secretary simon.p.smith@northumbria.ac.uk and a copy to the EBSA Head of coaching pjcoach147@hotmail.com

The Bilijar I Snooker Savez (BIH), has asked me to assure you, that they will do everything to make your visit one to remember.

Yours in sport,

Simon Smith
General Secretary



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Monday 11th March Start of the U16s Matches @ 10:00
- Wednesday 13th March Semi-finals & Final of the U16 Championship
- Wednesday 13th March Start of the U18s Matches @ 12:00
- Friday 15th March Semi-finals & Final of the U18 Championship
- Friday 15th March Start of the U21 Matches @ 10:00
- Saturday 16th March EBSA Annual General Meeting - Hills Hotel @10:00
- Saturday 16th March Official Opening Ceremony - Hills Hotel @19:00
- Monday 18th March Semi-finals & Final of the U21s Championship
- Monday 18th March Start of the Men Championship at Hills Hotel @ 10:00
- Saturday 23rd March Semi-finals & Final of the Men Championship

ENTRY FEE

As agreed at the 2022 EBSA Annual General Meeting, Entry fee for the U16s or the 18s will be at €50 per player. Entry Fee for the Under 21s or the Men will be at €100 per player.

No player will be allowed to take part if payment is not transferred before Sunday 11th February 2024 (Midnight, GMT)

Payment of the Entry Fees should be made to the following EBSA Bank Account :

IBAN : GB57HBUK40127674272088

B/C Swift Code : HBUKGB4B

Please inform the name of your country on the bank transfer form

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION & VENUE

17 RASSON Steel-Block competition tables will be housed in the venue at:

Hotel Hills Sarajevo Congress & Termal spa Resort

R8G6+WVH, Butmirska cesta 18, Ilidža 71210,

Bosnia & Herzegovina

<https://hotelhills.ba/>

ROOM PRICES including Half-Board (Bed & Breakfast + Evening Meal):

Single room: €98 Euro/Room

Double/Twin room: €138 Euro/Room (€69 / person)

Triple room: €198 Euro/Room (€66 / person)

Extra Lunch could be purchased at €15 Euro / person (Open Buffet) Drinks are not included.

Guests staying at Hotel Hills Sarajevo will have complimentary access free of charge to the following facilities:

- Thermal indoor pools
- Fitness Center - Wellness SPA & Health Center
- Parking for individuals with cars
- Fast and stable Wi-Fi connection



Upon arrival, all guests are expected to pay to the hotel the full balance for the total number of nights/duration that have been booked. Whilst it may be possible to extend room bookings, it will be solely dependent on the hotel having room availability. Neither the hotel, EBSA or BIH can take any responsibility if rooms are not available to be extended for the remainder of the stay.

**CLOSING DATE FOR HOTEL BOOKINGS (EBSA TRAVEL & ACCOMMODATION FORM):
Sunday 11th February 2024 (midnight, GMT)**

All bookings including referees must be confirmed on the EBSA Travel-Accommodation Form

IMPORTANT CONDITION OF PARTICIPATION

ALL PLAYERS AND OFFICIALS MUST BE ACCOMMODATED AT THE HILLS HOTEL SARAJEVO & SPA RESORT. ANYONE BOOKED AT A DIFFERENT HOTEL WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PLAY.

TRANSPORT

Transfers Airport/Hotel/Airport are available as follows:

Participants will be met at Sarajevo airport by BIH representatives upon arrival subject to arrival information being forwarded in advance.

The return transfer costs (Airport/Hills Hotel/Airport) are @ €20 / Person to be paid upon arrival to the host Association BIH.

PRIZE MONEY

"Prize money for winners and finalists will be paid by bank transfer".

The Prize funds for each championship will be distributed as follows:

European U16/U18/U21 Snooker Championships

Highest Break €50.00 + Trophy

Last 16 Not less than Entry fee

European Men/Mixed Snooker Championships

Highest Break €100.00 + Trophy

Last 16 Not less than Entry fee

For all Championships Prize fund will be allocated as follows:

Winner 40% + Trophy + Gold Medal

Runner-up 20% + Silver Medal

Semi-Finalists 10% x 2 = 20% + Bronze Medals

Quarter Finalists 5% x 4 = 20%

Please note that the closing date for confirming the final names of players, payment of entry fees is SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2024 (midnight, GMT)