



## EUROPEAN BRIDGE LEAGUE

To the attention of  
the Presidents of the EBL NBOs

Lausanne, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023



The World Bridge Federation has been invited to participate in the Olympic Esports Week ("OEW") in Singapore, June 19-25, organized by the International Olympic Committee.

The WBF, together with the platform providers BBO and Funbridge, will have a pavilion at the Free-To-Play Zone ("FTPZ") the IOC is providing, June 22-25, for a limited number (10-15) of its recognised "International Federations" during the OEW.

The FTPZ will be a large exposition at the Suntec Convention Centre, and tens of thousands of visitors are expected. It is an important opportunity for all of us, NBOs as well as the WBF, to showcase Bridge as a modern sport - adopting the latest technology, including Artificial Intelligence.

At our pavilion we will live-stream tournaments on both platforms with both local and international competitors, provide "Minibridge" demonstrations, show play on Lovebridge tablets on site and various other promotional activities. Many activities can be followed online on YouTube, and possibly Twitch.

Leading up to the tournaments in Singapore we are arranging qualification events on both BBO and Funbridge and would appreciate it if your Federation would promote these through all your channels of communication including social media, NBO bulletins and website, event flyers and direct mailings.

The income from these events will be shared as follows: 25% to the platform providers, 25% to the WBF and

**50% to you, the NBOs**, pro-rated to the participation from your NBO.

Below you will find the detailed format of these qualifying events. The overall winner on each platform will be invited (travel and accommodation) to the Transnational week (August 28 - September 2) during the World Championships in Marrakech, and there will be a ranking by country with prizes in the form of the platforms' "currencies".

We thank you for your cooperation in this effort, which we believe can bring substantial benefits to the whole bridge community. However, nothing will be gained if we don't actively make use of all these promotional tools at all levels.



## Programme for Online Bridge Olympic Esports Week, June 19/25

### Qualification Phase

#### June 19-21

Tournaments of 6 boards each, with 100 tournaments available. Entry fees: 0.50 Babydollars BB\$ on BBO and 25 diamonds on Funbridge, per tournament.

The best five tournament results count and a minimum of 55 % over those five tournaments is required to qualify for the Finals.

### Final

#### June 23-25

8 Tournaments of 6 boards each. The average of the best 5 results counts for the final ranking.

Players should register on the sites and may play on either one or both. They should follow the online instructions, stating which NBO they belong to.

Registration implies complete acceptance of the BBO, Funbridge and WBF rules.

### More Information and Registration

Additional information and registration to this event will be available on the BBO and Funbridge websites:

<https://www.bridgebase.com/> <https://www.funbridge.com/>

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