

# 4<sup>th</sup> EUROPEAN OPEN BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

**PALAFIORI  
SANREMO – ITALY  
12<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2009**

## RIGHT OF ENTRY

Bridge players from all WBF zones are entitled to participate, provided they are a) members of and b) in good standing with their Federation. All events will be TRANSNATIONAL and there will be no restrictions on the number of entries per NBO.

## REGISTRATION

All entries to the Championships tournaments must be submitted electronically, (not by e-mail) starting from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2008 at

<http://www.eurobridge.org/competitions/09Sanremo/Information.htm>

through the EBL Web-site by **20 April 2009**. All entries will be automatically forwarded to the NBO of the applicant, and are subject to their approval. Applications submitted after the deadline of 20 April 2009 will be accepted only if technically convenient. Withdrawals of accepted entries must be acknowledged by e-mail to the EBL ([ebf@federbridge.it](mailto:ebf@federbridge.it)) by the same deadline, to avoid payment of the entry fee.

## HOW TO REACH SANREMO

By plane: Nice (France) International Airport (shuttle to Sanremo)  
By car: From Italy: Motorway A 7 – Motorway A 26 exit Arma di Taggia – Sanremo  
From France: Autoroute du Soleil – Motorway A 26 exit Sanremo  
By train: Sanremo Railway Station

## HOTEL ACCOMMODATION - BOOKING

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## HOTEL RATES PER NIGHT

	Double B&B	Dus B&B	H.B. (+)
Hotel Royal (5 Stars De Luxe)	161	255	60
	Junior suite		
	307		
	Suite		
	375		
Other Hotels			
- 4 Stars Superior	78	120	25
- 4 Stars Standard	67	94	24
- 3 Stars Superior	67	94	24
- 3 Stars Standard	54	79	20
- 2 Stars	41	64	18
- 1 Star (only bed)	30	33 (single)	==

The prices are in Euro and have to be intended per person per day for people staying at least 5 nights. For a shorter stay a 5% supplement will be added.  
Additional 3<sup>rd</sup> bed: up to 35%

### **ENTRY FEES**

To be paid in cash (Euros and US Dollars) or by Credit Card at the Tournament Reception and Registration Desk at the venue:

Mixed Teams	€ 800
Mixed Pairs	€ 270
Open, Women & Senior Teams	€ 950
Open, Women & Senior Pairs	€ 400

The entries are calculated on the basis of approximately 20 Euro per person per qualifying session (and semi-final in pairs). There is no extra cost for players reaching the Pairs Finals or the KO phase of the Team events. Players from the finals of the Teams can drop into the Final of the Pairs event of the same category free of charge.

A 25% reduction on the entry fees will be recognized to all the players entering the four events. A personalized identification badge will certify this agreement.

### **AWARDS**

European Bridge League Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals will be awarded. The winners in each category will receive the title of European Open Champions. Honour prizes will be presented to the best ranking pairs and teams in each category. WBF, EBL and ACBL Master Points will also be awarded.

### **CHAMPIONS' PRIZES**

The Teams and Pairs winning the European title in Sanremo will be hosted by the EBL at the 5th European Open Championship to be held in 2011 for one week (the winners of the Mixed events will be invited to the Mixed playing week, the winners of the Open / Women's and Seniors events will be invited to the O/W/S playing week) with free entry and B&B Hotel accommodation in a double room.

### **CASH PRIZES**

	OPEN	WOMEN	SENIOR
1st	4000	2500	2500
2nd	2000	1500	1500
3rd	1250	1000	1000
4th	1000	750	750
5th	750	500	500
6th to 10th	500	6th to 10th 400	6th to 10th 400
11th to 15th	400		

### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	- 12.00/20.00	- Mixed Teams Registration
	- 20.30	- Opening Ceremony
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>	- 10.30	- Mixed Teams Qualification
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	- 10.30	- Mixed Teams Qualification
	- 12.00/24.00	- Mixed Pairs Registration
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	- 08.30/10.00	- Mixed Pairs Registration
	- 10.00	- Mixed Teams (16 <sup>^</sup> Final - 8 <sup>^</sup> Final)
	- 10.30	- Mixed Pairs Qualifying Session
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	- 10.30	- Mixed Teams (4 <sup>^</sup> Final - Semi-final)
	- 10.30	- Mixed Pairs Qualifying Session
Wednes. 17 <sup>th</sup>	- 10.30	- Mixed Teams Final
	- 10.30	- Mixed Pairs Semi-Final
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	- 10.30	- Mixed Pairs Final
	- 12.00/20.00	- O/W/S Teams Registration
	- 20.30	- O/W/S Welcome & Mixed Prize-giving
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	- 10.00/13.00	- O/ W/ S Teams Registration
	- 14.00	- Open, Women & Senior Teams Qualification
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup>	- 10.30	- Open, Women & Senior Teams Qualification
	- 12.00/20.00	- O/ W/ S Pairs Registration
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	- 08.30/10.00	- O/ W/ S Pairs Registration
	- 10.00	- Open Teams (16 <sup>^</sup> Final - 8 <sup>^</sup> Final)
	- 10.30	- O/ W/ S Pairs Qualification
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	- 10.30	- O/ W/ S Teams (4 <sup>^</sup> Final - Semi-final)
	- 10.30	- O/ W/ S Pairs Qualification
Wednes. 24 <sup>th</sup>	- 10.30	- O/ W/ S Teams Final
	- 10.30	- O/ W/ S Pairs Semi-Final
	- 20.30	- O/ W/ S Teams Prize-giving
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	- 10.30	- O/ W/ S Pairs Semi-Final
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	- 10.30	- O/ W/ S Pairs Final
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup>	- 10.30	- O/ W/ S Pairs Final
	- 20.30	- O/ W/ S Pairs Prize-Giving & Closing