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EUROPEAN SNOOKER CHAMPIONSHIPS 6Reds, Snooker Open and Teams (Ladies, Masters & Men) Masters and Ladies Individual 31 May – 11 June 2016 Vilnius, LITHUANIA

Dear Members,

4th March 2016

On behalf of the European Billiards & Snooker Association (EBSA) Board of Directors and the Lithuanian Snooker Association, I have pleasure in inviting you to send players to take part in:

THE 2016 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS: Teams, 6Reds, Masters and Ladies

PLAYERS: You'll find on the www.ebsa.tv website **Entry and Travel-Accommodation forms that will be available for completion from 14th March 2016**, to be filled as instructed for a maximum entry of:

6Reds: Maximum of 5 players per country

Team championships: 2 Players per Team: Maximum of 2 Men, 2 Ladies and 2 Masters teams

Masters: Maximum of 4 players per country (must be over 40 on 31st December 2015)

Ladies: Maximum of 4 players per country

Closing date for Players Entries: Sunday 1st May 2016

REFEREES: A total of 32 international referees will be invited to the Championships. Referees arriving before 30th May will be required to pay for any accommodation. Referees will receive sharing accommodation on a bed and breakfast with one additional meal being provided through the day. Any referees wishing to have single occupancy will be required to pay 50% of the full cost of a single room for the duration of their stay. Referees travelling to (Vilnius/ Lithuania) will receive an allowance (€100) to help them with their travel costs, during the Championships themselves. Referees must be members of the EBSA and will be confirmed by the EBSA Board. Please remember to include referees travel information on the online Travel and Accommodation Form.

Closing date for Referee nominations is Friday 1st April 2016

Lithuania S.A. have asked me to assure you, that they will do everything to make your visit one to remember.

Yours in sport,

Simon Smith
General Secretary

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Calendar of events

31st May – 2nd June 6 Reds Championship – Start Tuesday 31st May at 09:30.

2nd & 3rd June, European Snooker Open - individual players

3rd June, Official Opening Ceremony, Vilnius City Hall at 19:00

4th June - start of the 3 Team Championships (ladies, masters, men) at 09:30

4th June - start of the individual Masters and Ladies championships at 16:00

8th June - EBSA Annual General Meeting at Panorama Hotel at 18:30

10th June - Finals of Individual Masters and ladies Championships at - 18:00

11th June - Finals of the Team Championships at - 16:00

Entry Fee

Please note the entry fees will be payable to EBSA, to be paid before the start of each event.

Each championship will require €60 per player (€120 per team). All entry fees will be paid as prize money in each championship, as per the EBSA Tournament Conditions.

No player will be allowed to take part if payment is not made

IF PLAYERS ARE WITHDRAWN AFTER THE CLOSING DATE, YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE TO PROVIDE A REPLACEMENT PLAYER. IF YOU CANNOT PROVIDE A REPLACEMENT PLAYER YOU WILL STILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY THE ENTRY FEE

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Panorama Hotel, Sodu Street 14,

3211 Vilnius, Lithuania

<http://panoramahotel.lt>

ROOM RATES

The room prices including breakfast are as follows:

Single €60

Twin €68

Triple €90

All hotel bookings must be made directly on the www.ebsa.tv website

Should you need any help then, please contact me at: simon.p.smith@northumbria.ac.uk

VENUE

Venue with 16 tables will be located at Compensa Arena, Lvovo Street 25, 09320, Vilnius. Transport will be provided free of charge every hour between the hotel and the venue.

Practice facilities

Practice facilities will be available at two local clubs in the City. Practice will be free of charge from 09:00-1400. After 14:00 practice will be chargeable. This information will be confirmed at the start of the Championships. The bus will stop at the practice venue whilst travelling between the venue and hotel.

TRANSPORT

Upon arriving at the airport, everyone will be met by a Lithuanian Association representative who will direct participants to the local train, to travel from the airport to the city every 30 minutes between 0600-21:30. The cost of a ticket is €0.72c. The Panorama Hotel is located opposite the station. Further information is available at <http://www.litrail.lt/en>

Alternatively, and outside of the times above, taxi transport will be available with the Lithuanian Association preferred taxi partner. This information will be provided by the Lithuanian Association representative on arrival at the airport. Prices by taxi vary, although the average cost €15.

VISAS

Visas are not required by most European countries but please check.

FOOD

A good meal can be secured for €10 to €12.

CURRENCY

The currency in Lithuania is Lithuanian Litas (LTL).

WEATHER

Weather can be changeable, please check with your TV weather programme.

Prize Money

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

Highest Break	100.00 € + Trophy
Last 16	Not less than Entry fee

The remainder of the Prize fund will be allocated as follows:

Winner	40% + Trophy
Runner-up	20% + Trophy
Semi-Finalists	10% x 2 = 20%
Quarter Finalists	5% x 4 = 20%

Please Note:
Closing date for entries is Sunday 1st May 2016