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**IBSF World Snooker Championship (Women, Men & Masters)
Damascuss – Syria
From 3rd December till 15th December 2010**

Date: Tuesday, 07 September 2010

Dear Members,

On behalf of the IBSF Board of Directors and the Syrian Arab Billiards Sports & Bowling Federation, I have the pleasure in inviting you to send your players to take part in the IBSF World Snooker Championship (Women, Men & Masters).

You are requested to enter your player's names & pictures to the IBSF web site using the password that will be emailed to you. Please note that the system will accept your entries when you complete all fields.

This system **will not accept entries after 5th November 2010** to enable the hosting country to prepare the tournament program.

Each country is allowed to send 2 female, 2 men and 2 Master (Over 40) players. An entry fee of US\$ 50.00 per player must be paid to the host Association on the first day of the championship.

The Referee and players meeting will be on 3rd December and the opening ceremony will be on 4th December at 11:00am and I am attaching the calendar of events.

Attached, please also find the travel and accommodation file which should be emailed to: syrsnooker@gmail.com and copy for myself for follow up.

I wish you a pleasant tournament and enjoyable stay in Syria.

Best regards,

Mohammed Kammah
IBSF General Secretary

Encl.: Visa Support Letter, Travel & accommodation file, Calendar of events

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Host Association: Syrian Arab Billiards Sports & Bowling Federation
Host City: Damascus - Syria
Dates: From 3rd December till 15th December 2010

HOST ASSOCIATION CONTACTS

President: Mr. Michael Alkhoury

Contact details:

Mobile phone: +963933470330

Email address: syrsnooker@gmail.com

ACCOMMODATION

Name of Championship hotel: EBLA CHAM PALACE, DAMASCUS
Address: Airport road, Damascus.

Tel. no.: + (963-11) 2241900

Fax. no.: + (963-11) 5427275

Email: chamebla@net.sy

Website: http://www.chamhotels.com/ebla_palace.html

13 km from airport

HOTEL RATES

NORMAL ROOM RATES IN EURO without breakfast including Taxes.

Single room € 150

Double room € 180

Triple room N/A

SPECIAL ROOM RATES in US\$ including breakfast & Taxes

Single room US\$ 90

Double room US\$ 100

Triple room N/A

INTERNATIONAL REFEREES:

23 International referees according to the following: Africa (3), Asia (7), Europe (10) and Oceania (3) will be invited according to the IBSF Referees regulations.

DAILY FOOD ALLOWANCE

Accommodation will be supplied on a twin share basis for all International Referees

Breakfast and one extra meal allowance to be offered to all International Invited Referees.

No allowances will be payable to any other officials, delegates or players.

VENUE INFORMATION

Venue: Damascus International Fairground

Venue Address

Fairgrounds-Airport Highway P.O.Box: 5377

Damascus, Syria

URL: <http://www.peife.gov.sy/index.php?id=&language=0>

1 km from hotel Free Shuttle bus will be available

Number of tables: 22 tables Number of practice tables: 6 at the hotel

Cloth: IBSF 6811 Tournament Select

Balls: Aramith Scoring system: Electronic

Air Conditioning: Yes Type of floor covering: CARPET

Seating / number of spectators: 500

TV COVERAGE AND PUBLICITY

TV coverage: NEGOTIATING

Number of hours: UNKNOWN

TV Network: Satellite:

TRAVEL

Name of nearest international airport: Damascus international airport

Bus service: Yes Travel time: 20 mins

Train service: no Average cost round trip: Free

DRESS CODE

Men's Dress Code

Evening dress or a dark suit shall be worn to all Opening and Closing ceremonies, and National dress or National costumes are also allowed. Only dark colour dress shoes are acceptable. No sport style shoes will be allowed.

Evening dress or dark suit together with waistcoat shall be worn to all match sessions. Long sleeve predominately plain coloured shirts buttoned at the wrist, waistcoats, bow ties and dark colour dress shoes must be worn for all matches. When the conditions are hot, the Championship Committee may waive certain dress requirements.

Women's Dress Code

For the Opening and Closing ceremonies, evening dress shall be worn, (which includes dress, skirt or costume) National dress or National costumes are allowed. Also colour dress shoes shall be worn.

Shoes can be open toe or closed.

Dark trousers or dark skirts, no shorter than kneecap, shall be worn to all match sessions. Predominately plain coloured shirts with sleeves below the elbow, and waistcoats must be worn for all matches. Dress ladies dark coloured shoes shall be worn to all sessions, and can be open or closed toe shoes. No sports style shoes, sandals, or boots will be allowed.

In all cases the IBSF Tournament Committee retains the right to refuse any player (male or female) who wears attire which could be considered inappropriate in any way, thereby disrupting the competition or portraying a damaging or conflicting image to the best standards and interests of the IBSF.

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Players will be allowed to wear a sponsor's logo only on the front of the waistcoat with a maximum size of 100 mm x 40 mm or 80 mm diameter.

The Host Association will inform players if their logos may be worn during any televised stages of the Championship and has the right to request during this stage of the Championship that players wear logos of the Host Association sponsor at no cost to themselves.

The Host Association will decide the dress code for any official functions. Failure to comply with the dress code may result in forfeiture of the match in which the player is involved.

The IBSF Condition of Entry is that players own sponsors must not conflict with the IBSF Sponsors.

VISAS

Visas are required by many countries so check with the Syrian embassy in your country. Countries that have no Syrian embassy or consulate you are requested to email copy of your passport ASAP to: syrsnooker@gmail.com. Visa will be available at the airport.

Weather conditions:

Syria in December is cold and you can have possible snow.

FOOD

A good meal can be between US\$ 10 to US\$ 15

CURRENCY

All major credit cards are accepted in most hotels, restaurants and shops. Currency rate: 1 US Dollar(s) = 46.728 Syrian Pound(s) according to www.gocurrency.com at 9th September 2010.

DRUGS POLICY

The policy and rules of the IOC to control the use of banned substances as adopted by the IBSF are contained in a separate WADA document to these conditions, which the IBSF fully recognises. The IBSF will be responsible for assisting the Host Association in the implementation of any Drug Testing. If a player uses a prohibited substance for medical reasons they should apply for a TUE through their National Federation.

IBSF General Secretary