

COLLABORATION AGREEMENT

Between the undersigned:

The World Bridge Federation (WBF)
Represented by Mr. José Damiani, President

Hereinafter called WBF

On the one hand and

The International University Sport Federation (FISU)
Represented by Mr. George E. Killian, President

Hereinafter called FISU

On the other hand

It has been agreed as follows:

Article 1 – Principles of collaboration

- 1.1 The FISU recognizes the interest in the sport and invites the National University Sport Federations (FNSU), the Organizing Committees of the World University Championships and the Universiads to consider Bridge as mirroring the development of the FISU and the interest of the university sport movement.
- 1.2 This agreement should enable the development of a true cooperation between the two federations, the FISU and the WBF in the interests of each of the parties.
- 1.3 The FISU and the WBF mutually recognize their specific tasks:
 - The FISU establishes the programme of its competitions, contributes to the promotion of its sporting disciplines.
 - The WBF works in the interest of its members and licensed players in developing and organizing the practice of bridge.
- 1.4 The FISU and the FSI decide to take action aiming to:
 - foster the development of the sporting practice of all the students (male and female)
 - foster the development of the sporting practice for female university students
 - put in place true complementarity between the two federations in the field

- harmonize the objectives of the WBF and those of the FISU.
- put into place an educative action so as to protect the sport against the dangers of doping and violence.
- put into place a training and evaluation group for the arbitrators and judges.
- the FISU proposes to the WBF that the university competitions could be used to test new rules as well as testing new material.

Article 2 – Working Principles

- 2.1 The FISU will name a President of the Technical Commission for Bridge for a period of 4 years. This person will be at the financial charge of the FISU and the Organizing Committee during the competitions and/or their preparation.
- 2.2 The WBF will name its representative to the World University Championships and to the Universiads concerned. This person will be at the financial charge of the Organizing Committee (travel costs and stay).
- 2.3 The FISU will collaborate with the WBF in the organization of seminars and training for coaches, trainers, arbitrators, etc during the FISU competitions.
- 2.4 The WBF could invite the President of the FISU or his representative to any event that it might organize to deal with the sporting policy of bridge.
- 2.5 By means of this agreement, the FISU will become an Associate international Federation of the WBF and could from now on attend the WBF Congress with a maximum of two delegates. The WBF could also participate in the General Assemble of the FISU as an observer.

Article 3 – Disciplinary Rules

- 3.1 Any sanction leading to suspension, regularly announced by one of the two federations against a members who is also a member of the other federation, will be immediately notified to this latter who, in return, will notify of the given follow-up.
Each federation will refuse to admit an administrator or a player who has been suspended or struck off by the other federation.

Article 4 – Competitions

- 4.1 The FISU organizes the following international competitions:
 - The FISU World University Championships and the Universiads alternately every two years.
- 4.2 The FISU bestows the title of World University Champion at the World University Championships or Universiad Champion at the Universiads.

- 4.3 The FISU and the WBF agree to:
- Mutually agree to fix the dates of the competitions so that these can be harmoniously interested in the international calendar of the WBF
 - Mutually agree on the competitions programme
Include the Championships and the Universiads as tournament of world standing.
 - Settle all the disputes or complaints raised by the positioning of their respective competitions in the calendar.

Article 5 – Promotion

- 5.1 The FISU undertakes to:
- Promote the understanding and practice of bridge in the university environment with its member federations.
- The WBF undertakes to:
- Make available the necessary means to promote bridge in the university environment with its member federations.
- 5.2 The FISU and the WBF undertake to:
- make known their collaboration through the mediums which they have available, including through their respective internet sites.
 - make mention of their collaboration in their respective magazines and by other means.

Article 6 – Training

- 6.1 The FISU and the WBF will look for:
- The improvement of the quality of the practice of the discipline and a collaboration in the technical and pedagogical domains through training programmes.
 - The setting up of an arbitrators training course in the university environment.

Article 7 – Duration

- 7.1 The WBF and the FISU undertake to make their respective members federations apply the provisions of the present agreement.
- 7.2 The present agreement is signed for a period of 4 years and is renewably by tacit agreement.

Article 8 – Cancellation

8.1 The present agreement can be cancelled every 4 years by one or other of the parties and in particular in case on non respect of the provisions stipulated herein.
The cancellation shall be made by simple letter, with 3 months' notice.

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FISU President

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