#### **BRIDGE**

#### 1. GENERAL TERMS

The Bridge competitions shall be organised in accordance with the most recent technical rules of the World Bridge Federation (WBF) unless otherwise stated. In case of disagreement in the interpretation of these rules, the English text shall be regarded as authoritative.

The programme and duration of competitions are fixed by the FISU Executive Committee in agreement with the Organising Committee and the CTI. The competitions shall last four (4) days.

For each tournament, each country is authorised to present three (3) teams of six (6) persons.

Each country can register a delegation composed of a maximum of eighteen (18) competitors and five (5) officials.

The event shall be disputed by teams of four (4) players in a round robin competition.

The OC shall provide the necessary hardware ("Bridgemates") and software to broadcast the Championships online via "running scores" and BBO ("Bridge Base Online"). At least one (1) match per round shall be broadcast via BBO.

### 2. PRE-COMPETITION PROCEDURE

Three months before the Championship, the Organising Committee has the right to collect 25% of the total cost of stay per athlete and official from participating countries.

The draw is done by computer software to determine the schedule of the Championship. In case of an odd number of teams, at each round, one (1) team will receive a bye.

## 3. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

## 3.1 Nomination and costs

International referees shall be appointed jointly by WBF and FISU. The Organising Committee shall bear their costs of travel and board (from two (2) days before the opening ceremony to one (1) day after the closing ceremony).

The costs of the Tournament Director shall be borne by the World Bridge Federation.

Other costs are referenced in the FISU – WBF partnership agreement.

# 3.2 Number of technical officials needed and qualification

At least two (2) referees shall be appointed, depending on the number of registered participants.

One (1) software technician (approved by the FISU TD) will be appointed for Bridgemates and running scores software management, as well as the internet transmission on BBO.