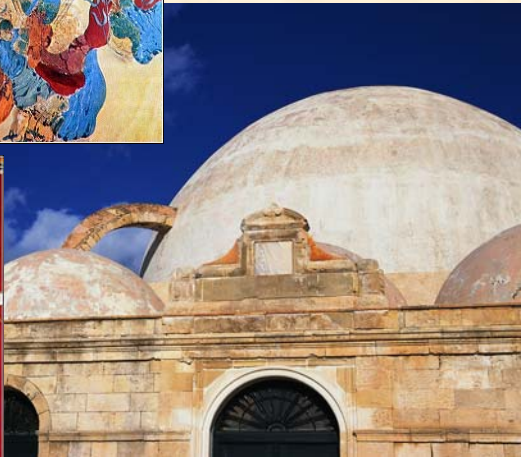


BRIDGE OVERSEAS CRETE CONGRESS

13th-18th October 2010



Sponsored by:



**Iberostar Creta Marine,
Rethymnon, Crete**



Bridge Overseas Crete Congress
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The 4* Iberostar Creta Marine, Rethymnon is the chosen venue for the 2010 Autumn Overseas Congress sponsored by Bridge Overseas. **Attendance at the congress is exclusive to delegates booking their package with Bridge Overseas.**

Please contact Bridge Overseas to book one of the standard packages set out below, to arrange a bespoke package, or to book accommodation only. The bridge fee is £115 for full congress and is payable to the EBU.

Peter Jordan

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**THE 4* IBEROSTAR CRETA MARINE,
 RETHYMNON, CRETE
 FLIGHTS DEPART 12 OCTOBER 2010**

Prices are based on twin room half board, return flights and transfers.

Congress Package

7 nights twin £639
 10 nights twin £779
 14 nights twin £889

Supplements

Upgrade to all inclusive £25 per night
 Single occupancy in twin room £9.99 per night
 Upgrades to bungalows and suites are available – prices on application

Airport	Gatwick	Manchester	Bristol
No. of Nights	7, 10 & 14	7, 10 & 14	7
Depart UK	08.40	11.00	15.50
Return UK	17.35	20.55	01.10

Flights are operated by Thomas Cook Airlines to Heraklion Airport. Transfers are included with the above flights and the transfer time is approximately 90 minutes.

10 night option only available from Gatwick or Manchester all flight times are provisional.

A deposit of £150 per person is required by Bridge Overseas to secure the booking.



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THE ENGLISH BRIDGE UNION BRIDGE OVERSEAS CRETE CONGRESS



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Programme

Tuesday 12th	8:15pm – 11:30pm	Pre-Congress Pairs
Wednesday 13th	2:30pm – 5:45pm	Swiss Pairs , session I (3 matches)
	8:15pm – 11:30pm	Swiss Pairs , session II (3 matches)
Thursday 14th	2:30pm – 6:30pm	Swiss Pairs , session III (4 matches)
	<i>Free evening</i>	
Friday 15th	2:30pm – 5:45pm	Open Pairs
	8:15pm – 11:45pm	Pivot Teams
Saturday 16th	<i>Free day</i>	
	8:15pm – 11:30pm	Men's, Ladies' and Mixed Pairs
Sunday 17th	2:30pm – 5:45pm	Swiss Teams , session I (3 matches)
	8:15pm – 11:30pm	Swiss Teams , session II (3 matches)
Monday 18th	2:00pm – 6:30pm	Swiss Teams , session III (4 matches)

***The two Swiss events are
Green Pointed***

Master Points

The Swiss Pairs Championship and Swiss Teams Championship are both fully Green Pointed. $\frac{1}{4}$ Green Point per match won or drawn, with bonus ranking points to the top quarter of the field (winners = 4). Local Points will be awarded in all other tournaments on the National Congress scale.

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IBEROSTAR CRETA MARINE



Situated in the Panormo area of Rethymnon, the Iberostar Creta Marine is set in extensive gardens enjoying beautiful ocean views and scenic pathways, which lead to the beach front and three delightful private coves belonging to the hotel.

The excellent Iberostar Hotel group, with whom we have worked very successfully in the past, have a reputation for quality and service and offer a high standard 4 star plus accommodation.



This exclusive and elegant complex offers a wide range of facilities including four swimming pools including an indoor pool, sun terraces, Dionyssos snack bar, hairdressers, mini market, bars and taverna.

The spa centre offers sauna, Jacuzzi, fitness room, thalassotherapy and massage treatments. Dias main buffet restaurant with its spacious pergola terrace offers an international menu and Cretan specialities and has a reputation for superb and varied cuisine.

Rooms are tastefully furnished and equipped with telephone, air conditioning, satellite TV, refrigerator, safe, hairdryer, en-suite bathroom and balcony or terrace. All rooms have sea view.



The optional all inclusive package includes snacks, afternoon tea and unlimited hot, soft and alcoholic drinks and sports include mini-golf, French bowls, use of tennis courts, volleyball and keep-fit.

The Creta Marine is situated close to the village of Panormo only 18km from the cosmopolitan town of Rethymnon with its strong cultural heritage and Venetian harbour and is easily accessed by local bus from outside the hotel.

We have put together an excursion programme to compliment the bridge programme.

Crete

The most southern of the Greek Islands, Crete has traditionally good, sunny weather in October with an average temperature of 24 C degrees. This beautiful island with its spectacular scenery and historic Minoan past, charming harbours and sandy beaches is an ideal venue for the October 2010 Overseas Congress.



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The largest of the Greek Islands, Crete, with its 4,000 years of civilisation has a legacy of world-class archaeological sites and offers so much more besides beaches. Visit the museum and excavation sites of the palace of Knossos or the spectacular Samaria Gorge which is the longest in Europe. Take a boat trip to Spinalonga, a former leper colony and tiny island of Elounda or sail over to the volcanic island of Santorini.

Rethymnon is dominated by its Venetian fortress and sleepy fishing harbour. It also offers great shopping and numerous restaurants bars and tavernas. The nearest tavernas to the resort are in Panorma, a peaceful fishing

village backed by rugged mountains and olive groves and a pretty little harbour (3km, taxis are available).



Excursions

Knossos Palace and Museum *Full day £32*



During this tour you will be taken back 4000 years to the time of the oldest civilisation in Europe. The Palace of Knossos, centre of the Minoan Civilisation, will leave you breathless as you wonder over the technology and facilities of that period. The Minoan palace is the main site of interest at Knossos and according to tradition it was the seat of the wise king Minos and is connected with thrilling legends, such as the myth of the Labyrinth, with the Minotaur, and the story of Daedalus and Icarus.

After Knossos, return to Heraklion town where you will have some free time to explore (and eat lunch) and then visit the Historical Museum of Heraklion. It houses the largest collection of Minoan artifacts from Crete and important examples of early Christian artifacts, stonework and decorative objects of Roman, Arab, Byzantine, Venetian and Turkish origin. The cost includes the entrance to Knossos Palace and to the museum with an English speaking guide, lunch is not included.

Chania *Half day £23*

This city of exceptional beauty, full of colourful aromatic flowers and rich cultural heritage has a remarkable natural charm and lies 60km west of Rethymnon. It is built on the ruins of ancient Kydonia and it has seen and survived many invaders, but has also tasted civilisations that left their mark's on building faces, castles, walls, antiquities, monasteries and churches. The sightseeing tour by coach visits monuments of ancient and modern ages, the Venetian Harbour and the municipal market hall. On foot you have the chance to see the old centre with its picturesque neighbourhoods and day to day life.



A traditional cretan village including meze lunch in a local taverna *Half day £36*

This trip leads you through beautiful landscapes and villages in the heart of Crete with an English speaking guide and gives you an impression of the wild nature and majestic views of this region and the tradition and culture of the people. Finish the trip with a traditional Cretan meze lunch.

ENTRY FORM:
BRIDGE OVERSEAS
CRETE CONGRESS

Iberostar Creta Marine – 13th-18th October 2010

Please complete this form and return it to: Competitions Department,
English Bridge Union, Broadfields, Bicester Road, Aylesbury, Bucks,
HP19 8AZ. Tel: 01296 317203/219. Fax: 01296 317220

Player 1 _____
(first name) (surname) (title)

Address _____

e-mail address:* _____ Post code _____

Tel: (daytime) _____ (evening) _____

EBU No:

Player 2 _____
(first name) (surname) (title)

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Player 3 _____
(first name) (surname) (title)

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Player 4 _____
(first name) (surname) (title)

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In the interests of security we would advise that all credit card payments are made over the telephone.

* Please tick box if you would like confirmation of entry e-mailed to you

Bridge Fees: £115.00 per player

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