

ARBITRAL AWARD

(BAT 1538/20)

by the

BASKETBALL ARBITRAL TRIBUNAL (BAT)

Mr. Klaus Reichert SC

in the arbitration proceedings between

GPK Sports Management Ltd.

Mr. Haris Papadopoulos
7, Ayiou Demetriou 3090 Limassol, Cyprus

- Claimant 1 -

Edge Sports International, Inc.

- Claimant 2 -

represented by Ms. Ntimi Papadopoulou, attorney at law,
7, Ayiou Demetriou 3090 Limassol, Cyprus

vs.

Galatasaray Sports Club

Ali Sami Yen Spor Kompleksi Turk Telekom Arena
Huzur Mah. 34415 Istanbul, Turkey

- Respondent -

represented by Mr. Süleyman Özgüç, attorney at law

AWARD

Upon providing all parties with an opportunity to be heard, having examined his jurisdiction and considered the factual and legal arguments as well as the requests for relief submitted in this case, the Arbitrator decides as follows:

- 1. Galatasaray Sports Club is ordered to pay GPK Sports Management Ltd. and Edge Sports International, Inc. USD 18,000.00, net, by way of unpaid agency fees, together with interest at 5% per annum until payment in full on USD 9,000.00 from 31 October 2019 and on USD 9,000.00 from 31 December 2019.**
- 2. The costs of this arbitration until the present Award, which were determined by the President of the BAT to be in the amount of EUR 3,350.00, shall be borne by Galatasaray Sports Club alone. Accordingly, Galatasaray Sports Club shall pay EUR 3,350.00 to GPK Sports Management Ltd. and Edge Sports International, Inc.. The balance of the Advance on Costs, in the amount of EUR 1,650.00, will be reimbursed to GPK Sports Management Ltd. and Edge Sports International, Inc. by the BAT.**
- 3. Galatasaray Sports Club is ordered to pay GPK Sports Management Ltd. and Edge Sports International, Inc. EUR 6,000.00 as a contribution to their legal fees and expenses.**
- 4. Any arbitration costs associated with a Request for Reasons (see attached Notice) shall be advanced and borne by the requesting party**
- 5. Any other or further-reaching requests for relief are dismissed.**

Geneva, seat of the arbitration, 2 September 2020

Klaus Reichert
(Arbitrator)

Notice about Request for Reasons

in accordance with Articles 16.2 and 16.3 of the BAT Rules (version of 1 December 2019):

“16.2 By agreeing to submit their dispute to arbitration under these Rules, the parties agree that, subject to Article 16.3, the Arbitrator shall issue an award without reasons if the sum in dispute does not exceed EUR 50,000.

16.3 In cases falling under Article 16.2, the Arbitrator shall issue an award with reasons (which shall substitute in full for any previously-issued award without reasons) only if

- a) a party (i) files a request to that effect at any stage from when the Request for Arbitration is filed until no later than ten (10) days after the notification of the award without reasons, and (ii) pays, within the deadline set by the BAT Secretariat, an amount of EUR 3,000 into the bank account indicated in Article 17.1, failing which the request shall be deemed withdrawn; or*
- b) the BAT President determines in his sole discretion, before the award is issued, that it shall be rendered with reasons, taking into account the issues raised by the case as well as the public interest in a sufficient body of publicized awards with reasons.”*

Please note that the time limit for payment of the amount of EUR 3,000, in accordance with Article 16.3(a) of the BAT Rules, will be set by the BAT Secretariat upon receipt of the request for reasons, if any.