DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING		LEADS ADN SIGNALS						
OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; 1/2 Level; Reopening)	OPENING L	DPENING LEADS STYLE				CONVENTION CARD		
1st lvl: (4)5+suit (8)10-15HCP, transfer responses starting opp suit		Lead		in P	in Partner's suit			
2nd lvl: 5+ suit (10)11-17HCP, natural responses, jump shift=fit-bid	Suit	4th	n from Honor hold	lings; 1/3 from hor	/3 from honor sequences; C		BLUE	
	NT		2nd from smal	l cards; top from de	oubleton	Country:	LATVIA	
Reopening: agressive if short in opp suit	Subseq.		Sometimes a	attitude may be prei	ffered	Event:	56th European Team Championships	
suit = 4+ suit, 8+ HCP	Other:		any fron	n Hxx (usually sma	ll)	Players:	Uldis BETHERS - Jurijs BALASOVS	
1NT OVERCALL (2ND/4TH Live; Responses; Reopening)	LEADS						SYSTEM SUMMARY	
Direct: 15-17 w/ stopper	Lead		Vs. Su	iits same as Vs. NT		GENERAL APROACH AND STYLE		
Responses: Stayman, Transfers	Ace	A+; AK+; AKxxx				Precision Club		
Reopening: 1NT=(11)12-14 bal.	King	AK+; K	Q+; Kx; AKxx			Strong Club with natural responses (Except 1 and 1NT (swiched))		
JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)	Queen	QJ+; Qz	xx; Qx			1♦ Opening: 1st/2nd = 4+♦ unbalanced; 3rd/4th = 1+♦ no 5c M		
1-Suit: weak			AQJ+; Jxx; Jx			5-card Majors		
2-suit: Leaping Michels, 2NT - showing youngest available two suits	10	HH10+;	109+; 10x			2+=both majors; 2NT=both minors		
Vs. art. 1♣: same as vs. 1NT except: 2♣=nat.	9	HH9+;9	987+; 9x			jump shift responses to 1♥/♠ opening = natural with support (fit-jumps)		
Vs. nat. 1♣: 2♣ - Majors, weak or strong; 2♦ = ♣+♦ weak	Hi-x	xXx; Xx	x; HXx			1NT Opening: 1st/2nd = (12)13-15; 3rd/4th = 14-15		
Reopen: intermidiate	Lo-x	HxxX; H	HxxXx; HxX			2 OVER 1	OVER 1 Responses: Forcing 1 round	
DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopen)	SIGNALS II	N ORDE	R OF PRIORITY			SPECIAL	BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE	
(1M)-2M = 5 \pm +5m, strong or weak			Partners Lead	Declerers Lead	Discarding	1♣	16+ HCP	
(1M)-2NT = minors, below opening	Suit: 1st		Count	Count	Attitude	1♦	3rd/4th 11-15 no 5card Majors	
(1M)-3M =asks stopper, long solid minor	2nd		Attitude	Lavinthal	Count	1NT	1st/2nd (12)13-15; 3rd/4th = 14-15	
VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; Passed Hand)	3rd		Lavinthal		Lavinthal	2♦	Both Majors below opening	
vs. 1NT: DBL=Competitive points; 2♣=Majors; 2♦=One Major;	NT: 1st		Count	Smith	Lavinthal/Italian	2NT	Both minors below opening	
2 / = 5 / = 4 + minor; 2 NT = minors	2nd		Attitude	Count		3NT	Gambling w/o stopper	
	3rd		Lavinthal	Lavinthal		(1M)-2M:	50M&5m under opening or 16+ (Michaels)	
VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)	SIGNALS (I	Including	g trumps)			(2/3M) - 4	4m: 55+m&OM	
DBL: Take-out up to 4♥	Count:	L	Low/High = Even			[1M]-2NT	: both minors 55+ under opening or 16+	
Leaping Michels vs 2♥/♠ and 3♥/♠ openings	Attitude:	ude: Low/High = Enc				Transfers above oponent suit in competitive auction		
(2M)-2NT: 16-18	Smith:	Low from both hands $=$ enc. first lead			d			
(2M)-3M: asks stopper, usualy long minor	Lavinthal:	Small even = preference in younger suit			suit			
(2M)-3NT: Long solid minor with stopper in M	Italian:	1						
$(2 \bullet (Multi)): 4 \bullet = \bullet + minor, 4 \bullet = \bullet + minor$		igh-low in trumps shows ruffing potential or lavinthal						
(2♦ (Multi)): Double = take out as if opened 2♠	we like to fa	e like to falscard leads&signals when we feel it could be right or fun			right or fun			
VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS		DOUBLES				SPECIAL	FORCING PASS SEQUENCES	
Vs. 1♣: Dbl nat.; 1st lvl nat.; 1NT = minors; 2nd lvl. = same as vs. 1NT	TAKOUT D	TAKOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)				When we	have forced to game	
Vs. 1♦: same as vs. 1♣	12-15 HCP a	2-15 HCP at least 3 cards in other suits or 16+ HCP				After fit-bid		
Vs. 2♣: Dbl nat.; 2NT = any twosuiter		eopening can be lighter if trapping pass is expected				After free	ly bid VUL GAME vs non-vul	
Vs. 2NT: DBL=One suiter, 3x=x+y				HCP; opp suit = F				
OVER OPPONENTS TAKE OUT DBL	SPECIAL, A	SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DBL/RDBL					NT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSWHERE	
1♣-(DBL): 1♦=6-7HCP SYS ON	Neg DBL, th	Neg DBL, than new suit = F1					opening includes 5♣ and 4♦	
1♦-(DBL): RDBL 10+HCP, at least 3 cards in other suits, SYS ON	1 ♦- (1♥)-DBI	1♦-(1♥)-DBL: 4♠ 8+HCP				Transfers in competitive auction		
1M-(DBL): RDBL 10+HCP, 3+ cards in suits, trasnfers and fit-jumps	Lightner DB	ightner DBL				(1m)-DBL-(1M)-2M: Natural		
1NT-(DBL): $2 = nat. \text{ or } +M, 2 = nat. \text{ or } +A, 2 \neq nat.$	Balancing D	BL					Rare, occurs only if passed partner	
		lam Double (X=1trick, P=0 or two tricks)				Agresive overcals in favourable vulnarability		
	1 金 -(1 ♦♥)-DBL: 6-7 HCP							
	1♣-(DBL)-RDBL: 4-5 HCP							
	1 ♦ -(DBL)-p-(p)-RDBL: 19+							
	1 ♣ -p-1♦-(DBL)-RDBL: 19+							

pening	Art.?	Min.	Neg. dbl Thr.	Description	Responses	Subsequent Austion	passed hand bidding
F8					<u>1</u> ♦: 0-7p.; <u>1</u> ♥: 8+p., 5+♥; <u>1</u> ♦: 8+p., bal.; <u>1NT</u> : 8+p.	1 - 1 = 19 + p; $1NT = 16 - 18$ nat; $1 - 1 = 10 - 13$ any or $6 - 7$ bal.;	F
						$1NT=55+ any; 1 \ge -1 \ge :$ $1NT=reley, 2 \ge 4/4/9/= nat. min. or 3 suiter hand,$	
1♣	Yes	0	4♥	16+p. any distribution	$8+p.$, void in \P ; 3x: 4441x	2NT=16p. 4 MF; 1 1 1NT: 2 11+; 2 8-10 no 4c M; 2NT=8-10	1♣-1♠-1NT: 2♣=10-11(12)
					3^{+} p., vold in v, \underline{SX} .	5M; 3X=11+5M; 14-2X: +1=relay	
				$1 \text{ st/2nd} = (9)11-15, 4+ \bigstar$	1 ♥/♠: 6+p., 4+c.; 1NT: 8-11p.; 2♣: 10+p., 4+♣; 2♦:	$1 \bullet - 1 \forall : 1NT = 4 \bullet ; 2 \bullet = 5 \bullet ; 2 \bullet = max, 4 \bullet ; 2NT = max, 6 + \bullet , no 3 \forall ; 3 \bullet = max$	
					$F1, 4+\diamond; 2\Psi/\diamond: FG, 6+c.; 2NT: SO \u00ab or \u00e9 or GF w$	1 - 1 + 1 + 2 = -5 + 2 = -5 + 2 = -1 + 1 + 2 + 2 = -5 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 2 + 2 = -5 + 1 + 1 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 2 + 2	
1♦	No	4/1	4♥	4432; $3/4$ th = 11-15			responder bids=NF; 1♦-2M: weak
				· ·	$\forall + \underline{\diamond}; \underline{3 \underline{\diamond}:} \text{ inv. } \forall + \underline{\diamond}; \underline{3 \underline{\diamond}:} \text{ weak}; \underline{3 \underline{\vee} \underline{\diamond}:} \text{ short } \forall \underline{\diamond};$	6+♦,3♠; 1♦-2M: OM=relay w support;	
				no 5c Majors	<u>3NT:</u> solid minor 2227		
				<u>1.</u> $7+p., 4+4; 1NT: 8-11; 24: F1, nat or relay; 24:$	1♥-1♠: 1NT=11-13; 2♣=Gazilli (min, 6♥ or, any max w/o 5-5 and 6-4);	"Drury" (art. 2 bid, with support =	
1♥	No	5	4♥	(9)11-15, 5+♥	F1, $4+\diamond$; $\underline{2\diamond}$: $10+3+\forall$; $\underline{2NT}$: $5+\diamond$ $3+\forall$; $\underline{3\diamond/\diamond}$: fit-bid;	$2 \neq = 11 - 13 4 \neq ; 2 \neq = \min, 5 \neq 4 \neq ; 2 \in \mathbb{N}$ and $2 \neq = \max, 6 \neq ; 3 \neq or 4m; 3 \neq / \neq = \max$	2♦=11-12; 2♥=below opening; other
		_			<u>3V</u> : weak; <u>3C</u> : 12-14, void any suit; <u>3NT</u> : 12-14, 1 \bigstar ;	5+suit; <u>1M-2</u> . 2♦=min. 5332 or 6+M; 2M=4++; 2NT=max, any 6-4 or	semi natural, ask partner for help)
					<u>4♣/♦:</u> 12-14, 1♦/♥	$5332; 1 \lor -2 \Leftrightarrow :2 \lor : :2 \lor :: :::::::::::::::::::::$	seriii naturai, ask partier for help)
1♠	No		4♥	(9)11-15, 5+♠	<u>2♥:</u> F1 5+♥; <u>3NT:</u> void any suit	after 1 sopening	"Drury" (see above)
				1 st/2nd = (12)13-15;	2♣: staym.; 2♦/♥: 5+ ♥/♠; 2♠: inv.+, 6+♣ or bal.;	1NT-2♣-response:+2=ask distribution; 1NT-2♣-2♦: 2♥=NF w both	
1NT	No	1	4♥	3rd/4th = 14-15	$\frac{2 \times 2}{2 \text{NT: inv.}+, 6+\bullet; 3x: weak}$	majors, $3 \neq =$ GF 55+ majors, $3 \checkmark 4 =$ GF, 5-4 Majors	same
						$\underline{2 \bullet - 2 \bullet :} 2NT = \min, 6 + \bullet : 3 \bullet = \max, 6 + \bullet : 3 \bullet / \forall / \bullet = \max, 6 - 4 : 3NT = \max,$	
2♣	No	5	4♥	(9)11-15, 6+ ♣ or 5 ♣ 4M	$\frac{2 \vee 10^{+}}{FG} = 5^{+}, 3^{+} \vee 2^{+}, 3^{+} \vee$	solid suit; $2 \ge -2M$: p=2c supp; $3M=3c$ supp;	same
2♦	Yes	0		(3)6-10, both majors	<u>2NT:</u> inv+, reley; <u>3\bigstar/\bigstar:</u> F1, nat.; <u>3\checkmark/\bigstar:</u> NF;	<u>2♦-2NT:</u> 3♣=min; 3♦=max 5-5; 3M=max., 5M4OM	same
2♥	No	6		(3)7-11, 6♥	<u>2♠:</u> F1 nat, <u>2NT:</u> reley, <u>3x:</u> nat F1 <u>3♥:</u> weak	<u>2♥-2NT:</u> 3x shortnes; 3♥ no shortness; 3NT=2/3 top honors	same
						2 - 3x: $+1 = w/o$ fit and Ace, $+2 = ace$, w/o fit $+3 = fit$, w/o Ace, else =	
2♠	No	6		(3)7-11, 6♠	<u>2NT:</u> reley, <u>3x:</u> nat F1 <u>3\bigstar</u> : weak	$2\frac{2}{3}$ Ace fit and extra	same
2NT	Yes	0		(3)8-10(12), 55+ minors	3♥: FG, reley	$2NT-3\Psi: 3 \bigstar = 1 \Psi 2 \bigstar; 3NT = 2 \Psi 1 \bigstar; 4 \bigstar = 1 \Psi 1 \bigstar; 4 \bigstar = 0 \Psi 3 \bigstar;$	same
3 4	No	6		(3)6-10, 6+♣ 2/3 Top H	$3 \bullet$: FG, reley; $3 \lor / \bullet$: FG, 6+c.; $4 \bullet$: pre; $4 \bullet$: RKCB	3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 - 3 + 3 = 3 + 3 = 3 + 3 + 3 = 3 + 3 + 3 = 3 + 3 +	
3 ∞ 3♦	No	6					same
	No	7		(3)6-10, 6+♦ 2/3 Top H	<u>3♥/♠:</u> FG, 5+c.; <u>4♠</u> : S/S reley;	<u>3•-4</u> : 4•=1 €; 4♥/ €= short; 4NT good hand, nat; 5 €= void	same
3♥/♠				(3)6-10, 7+♥/♠	<u>4</u> ★: S/S relay		may have 6c opening
3NT	Yes	0		solid minor, no side A/K	$4 \pm : p/c; 4 \pm :$ relay	<u>3NT-4♦:</u> 4♥/♠=short; 4NT=no shortnes; 5♣/♦=nat, short om	may have side kontrol
4 ♣	No	/		7+♣, destructive			i have seen once 5332
4 ♦	No	7		7+♦, denies 2/3 Top H			
4♥	No	7		pre			
4♠	No	7		pre			
4NT	Yes	0		minors 65+			
	VEL BI						
	1st or 2						
					Q, than +1 aks for $K =>$ bids suit where he has K or 2		
					Q; 5 = 2A W/Q; if opp bids over our 4NT > p=1, Db	ol=0, 5♣=2A w/o Q, 5♦=2A w Q, SYS ON	
				out specific suit, usually wi			
					round control from both hands		
				uff on first trick)			
					ws 1 trick, and pass shows 0/2 tricks)		
ist train:	After s	skipped	cue bid, nex	t cuebid promise skipped c	ue-bid		