



BASKETBALL
ARBITRAL TRIBUNAL

ARBITRAL AWARD

(BAT 1901/22)

by the

BASKETBALL ARBITRAL TRIBUNAL (BAT)

Mr. Rhodri Thomas

in the arbitration proceedings between

Mr. Sasa Ocokoljic

- Claimant -

represented by Mr. Ivan Todovoric, attorney at law,

vs.

Clubul Sportiv Orasenesc Voluntari 2005

Tudor Vladimirescu Street nr. 40, 77190 Voluntari, Romania

- Respondent -

represented by Mr. Laurentiu Murgeanu, Respondent's legal counsel,
and Mr. Sabin Liviu Gherdan and Mr. Cristian Florin Oana, attorneys at law,

AWARD

Upon providing both 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. Clubul Sportiv Orasenesc Voluntari 2005 shall pay EUR 32,000.00 net to Mr. Sasa Ocokoljic in respect of compensation, plus interest at a rate of 5% per annum on any outstanding balance (as may be the case from time to time) thereof from 21 November 2022 until payment in full.**
- 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 4,700.00, shall be borne by Clubul Sportiv Orasenesc Voluntari 2005 alone. Accordingly, Clubul Sportiv Orasenesc Voluntari 2005 shall pay EUR 4,700.00 to Mr. Sasa Ocokoljic. The balance of the Advance on Costs, in the amount of EUR 800.00, will be reimbursed to Mr. Sasa Ocokoljic by the BAT.**
- 3. Clubul Sportiv Orasenesc Voluntari 2005 shall pay EUR 6,000.00 to Mr. Sasa Ocokoljic as a contribution to his legal fees and expenses (including the non-reimbursable handling fee).**
- 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, 24 July 2023

Rhodri Thomas
(Arbitrator)

Notice about Request for Reasons

in accordance with Articles 16.2 and 16.3 of the BAT Rules (version of 1 January 2022):

“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/her 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 3,000.00**, 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.