



# FIDE World Youth & Cadets Chess Championships

24 October - 6 November 2015

Porto Carras, Halkidiki GREECE



## 1. INVITATION

This is the official invitation to all national chess federations of FIDE to participate in the World Youth and Cadets Chess Championships 2015. The championships will be held in Porto Carras, Halkidiki on the northern coast of the Aegean Sea. The dates are 24 October (arrivals, technical meeting) to 6 November 2015 (departures).

## 2. PARTICIPATION

2.1. Every National Federation can register one official player in each category (under 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18 years old, open and girls). This total of twelve (12) Official Players plus one accompanying official (captain/trainer with a valid FIDE Trainer license) belonging to the national federation are invited by the Organizers. A player must not have reached his 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, 16th, or 18th birthday, respectively, before January 1st of the year 2015.

2.2. The players placed 1-3 in the previous World Youth Championships, and the respective Champions of the 2014 Continental Youth Championships, shall have the personal right to participate in the World Youth Championships of the corresponding age-category or a higher age-category if the age stipulation of Art. 2.1 above is met. Such players shall also be classified as Official Players and have to be registered by the national federation.

2.4. Other than Official Players, players shall be classified as Additional Players. All persons, besides the players or the Accompanying Official, shall be classified as Accompanying Persons. A Federation may register any number of Additional Players and Accompanying Persons but only upon confirmation of availability by the Organising Committee. The National Federation shall be responsible for the costs of their Additional Players and Accompanying Persons.

2.5. In order to provide appropriate tournament conditions, the Federations must complete carefully the official online registration form and submit to the Organizing Committee by 24 August 2015. After this deadline further participations may not be accepted or an additional fee will be requested according to FIDE regulations.

2.6. For Security and organizational reasons and in accordance with FIDE tournament regulations all national delegations shall use the official hotel(s) designed by the Organising Committee

### **3. FIDE ENTRANCE FEES**

3.1. In accordance with FIDE regulations, an entry FIDE fee of 70 Euros for each Official Player and 140 € Euros for each Additional player should be paid before the start of the tournament.

The National Federations must send this amount directly to the FIDE Bank account below or FIDE will charge the National Federation account card:

Account Name:	Federation International des Echecs (FIDE)
Bank:	UBS
Address:	Case Postale, 1002 Lausanne, Switzerland
Bank SWIFT Code:	UBSWCHZH80A
IBAN Account Number:	CH540024324334208763Y

### **4. REGISTRATION AND TRAVEL**

4.1 Each player (official, qualified or additional) and each accompanying official/person must pay to the Organizing Committee the amount of 100 € (Euros) at the moment of their registration (before 24 August 2015). This registration fee is compulsory and represents a confirmation of participation, otherwise a registration will be invalid and will not be accepted. This payment includes transportation from and to Thessaloniki International airport, accreditation, identification badges and organization costs.

4.2. The deadline for registration is 24 August 2015. After this date, organizers reserve the right to refuse or decline late registrations or if there is availability a penalty of 80 € (Euros) for each late registration will be charged to participants.

4.3. Federations should register online through the website <http://wycc2015.org> for official players by the above deadline of 24 August. After this date no official players will be accepted and their application will be treated as if they were an additional player. Online registration password, if needed, will be provided to national federations.

4.4. Every registration must include the Federation, FIDE ID, surname, first name, accommodation type, dates of arrival/departure and the passport number of every player and every accompanying person which requires an invitation. It must also include the name, details and phone number/ address/ fax/ email of the head of each delegation. Incomplete registrations will not be accepted.

4.5. All the travel expenses must be paid by the participants or their Federation. Only member Federations of FIDE are entitled to submit registration forms. Individual applications will not be accepted.

4.6. A FIDE chess Academy can send its trainees (maximum one player per category) to World Youth Chess Championships as Additional Players.

4.7. Travel details: The venue is in Porto Carras, Halkidiki, 100 km south of Thessaloniki International airport.

4.8. A player registered in a lower category of age due to a mistake in specifying his / her birthday will have his / her registration suspended until rectification.

### **5. INFORMATION ABOUT VISAS**

5.1. Those who need visas must submit their data the latest on 24th August 2014.

5.2. The Organizers will issue invitations only after all the pre-payments are made.

## **6. PAYMENTS**

6.1. Entries must be submitted online by 24 August 2015 through the website <http://wycc2015.org>

6.2. When registering (by 24 August 2015), the registration fee of 100 euros and a 20% prepayment of the cost for board and lodging shall be paid, net of any bank charges, through the online payment section of the website <http://wycc2015.org>

The deadline for registration and receipt of the above payments is 24 August 2015.

6.3. Each National Federation will be invoiced by the official travel agency "AT Holidays". When payments are confirmed, the Organizing Committee will send to the participating Federation the confirmation of the hotel reservations. All confirmed registrations would be declared on the official web site, where Federations may check their participants' status on a daily basis.

6.4. All payments must be finalized upon arrival. Players will not be paired until all payments and fees are affected to the Organizing Committee.

## **7. HOTEL - BOARD & LODGING**

7.1 The official hotel and venue of the event is the 5-star Porto Carras Grand Resort.

7.2. If there is increased demand or late registrations accepted, the Organizing Committee will offer additional 4-star or 5-star official hotels of similar quality.

7.3. Official players and head of delegation from each Federation are offered full board accommodation from 24 October (arrival, lunch) to 6 November (breakfast, departure).

7.4. If a participating Federation does not send a player in any age category, they cannot substitute this for another age category.

7.5. Hotel Rates for additional extra players and accompanying persons:

a) in quadruple family rooms: 57 euros per person per day, full board included.

b) in triple rooms: 59 euros per person per day, full board included.

c) in double rooms: 66 euros per person per day, full board included.

d) in single rooms: 89 euros per person per day, full board included.

7.6. Each delegation shall distribute their delegation in an equal proportion of double and triple rooms. One quadruple family room of four persons shall also be used for each single room requested.

7.7. If needed, the final distribution of hotel rooms is decided by the Organizing Committee.

## **8. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS**

8.1. The tournament will be played using the Swiss System with 11 rounds. The national rankings will not be taken into account for pairings. The rate of play will be in accordance with the FIDE rules: 90 minutes for the first 40 moves followed by 30 minutes for the rest of the game with an addition of 30 seconds per move starting from move one. Default time is 15 minutes

8.2. Tie break criteria: a) the games between the tied players (only if all tied have played each other), b) buchholz cut 1, c) buchholz, d) the greater number of games with black (unplayed games count as played with white), e) the greater number of wins.

8.3. Chief Arbiter and FIDE Technical officials will be announced by 15 September 2015.

## 9. TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Saturday	24 October		Arrival of Delegations
		21.00	Technical Meeting
Sunday	25 October	14.30	Opening Ceremony
		15.00	Round 1
Monday	26 October	15.00	Round 2
Tuesday	27 October	15.00	Round 3
Wednesday	28 October	15.00	Round 4
Thursday	29 October	15.00	Round 5
Friday	30 October	15.00	Free day
Saturday	31 October	15.00	Round 6
Sunday	1 November	15.00	Round 7
Monday	2 November	15.00	Round 8
Tuesday	3 November	15.00	Round 9
Wednesday	4 November	15.00	Round 10
Thursday	5 November	10.00	Round 11
		20.30	Closing Ceremony
Friday	6 November		Departure of Delegations

## 10. SECURITY

All delegations should abide by specific security regulations. The National federation shall be responsible for their delegations including damages to property.

## 11. TOURNAMENT BULLETIN

Daily there will be free e-bulletins with important information.

## 12. ELECTRICITY

The standard voltage 220 Volts. Primary Socket Type: Europlug, Schuko

## 13. PRIZES

13.1. Three best Federations, by ranking of medals collected in all categories, will receive a trophy. For first place the number of gold medals will be taken under consideration, if there is a tie, then the number of silver medals, if there is still a tie, then the number of bronze medals. If finally this is still equal, then the total points of medalists will be taken for tiebreak.

13.2. Top three places in each tournament will be awarded with cups and medals. Places 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> with medals. All the winners will be awarded with chess gifts.

13.3. All players and arbiters will be given certificates of participation.

13.4. Prize Giving Ceremony will be the celebration, open to all with accreditation.

## 14. CONTACT INFORMATION

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