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5th FIDE WORLD CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

LUBLIN (POLAND), 18 – 28 AUGUST 2023

INVITATION LETTER

1. Invitation

The Polish Chess Federation and FIDE invite FIDE member federations and organizations affiliated with the FIDE (IBCA, ICCD, IPCA) and eligible players to participate in the 5th World Chess Championships for People with Disabilities 2023. The championships will be held in Lublin (Poland). The dates are 18 of August (arrivals) to 28 of August (departures) 2023.

2. General Information

- Governing Body of the 5h World Chess Championship for People with Disabilities (hereinafter referred to as championship) is the International Chess Federation (FIDE).
- FIDE Players with Disabilities Commission (hereinafter referred to as DIS) is in charge for preparing Regulations and communicating these with the participants.
- The body responsible for adopting and changing these Regulations is the FIDE Council, upon recommendation by DIS.

- At any time, any circumstance or unforeseen situation not covered in these Regulations shall be referred to the FIDE President and the FIDE DIS Commission for the final decision.
- By registering for the tournament, all participants confirm to have read and accepted these regulations and terms and conditions of this championship.
- The organizer is Polish Chess Federation.

3. Schedule

Friday	August 18		Arrivals, registration
Saturday	August 19	10:30	Technical meeting
		12:00	Opening ceremony
		15:00	Round 1
Sunday	August 20	15:00	Round 2
Monday	August 21	15:00	Round 3
Tuesday	August 22	15:00	Round 4
Wednesday	August 23	15:00	Round 5
Thursday	August 24	15:00	Round 6
Friday	August 25	15:00	Round 7
Saturday	August 26	15:00	Round 8
Sunday	August 27	10:00	Round 9
		18:00	Closing ceremony
Monday	August 28		Departures

4. Participation

- Only players with:
 - communication (hearing) impairments,
 - visual impairments
 - physical disabilities

may participate in the Championship.

- All players participating must be registered at the FIDE list of Players with Disabilities.
- Any player must be approved by his/her national chess federation, or organization affiliated with the FIDE or by the FIDE DIS Commission.
- Every participant must provide an official document to certify his/her disability – a scan or photo of the document should be provided upon registration. Providing forged documents can result in exclusion from the tournament. Upon recommendation by the classification committee, the organizer or FIDE DIS decides based on the validity of the player's disability.
- Citizens of countries covered by sanctions (Russia, Belarus, etc.) are subject to special FIDE provisions and visa procedure required by Polish or European Union law.
- **In case of any special requirements, the player is obliged to inform the Organizing Committee of the championship by the registration deadline. FIDE DIS will consider each case.**
- The players are expected to co-operate with the media.

5. Registration

- The deadline for the registration is **July 1st 2023**.
- The **Registration fee** is 50 EUR for each player and each accompanying official/person. The registration fee is compulsory and represents a confirmation of participation. The Registration fee includes transportation from and to Lublin Central Railway Station, accreditation, identification, badges and organization costs etc.
- The payment deadline is **July 18th 2023**.
- In order to ensure proper tournament standards, **FIDE member federations must fully complete** the official registration, accommodation & travel form (see on the website) and send it back to the contact person before the registration deadline (**July 1st**)
- **Incomplete registrations** will not be accepted.
- After the registration deadline, organizers reserve the right to refuse or decline late registrations or if there is availability a penalty of **50 EUR** for each late registration will be charged to participants.
- Personal data of participants will be processed only for the purposes of proper conduct of the competition, reporting required by law and popularization of chess, in particular among people with disabilities.
- Sensitive personal data (in particular regarding the participant's current health condition) will be processed only to determine the competitor's right to participate in the competition and the reporting required by law.

6. Visa Information

- Citizens of countries that do not require EU visas, they will get free of charge stamp at the border control.

- Citizens of sanctioned countries are subject to a special invitation procedure required by Polish law.
- Citizens of the rest of the countries need European Union visas. Those who need invitation for visa can request the organizer providing:
 - Name,
 - Surname,
 - Nationality,
 - FIDE ID
 - passport number
 - date of passport validation.

7. Travel from Airports to the Hotel

- The organizer will provide transport services of all participants on August 18th as well as the departure transfer on August 28th.
- Transfers from **Lublin Domestic (LUZ) airport** to hotels is **20 EUR** for each person 2 ways
- Transfer price from **Warsaw Chopin (WAW) airport** or **Warsaw Modlin (WMI) airport** to hotel (app. 200 km) is **80 EUR** for each person 2 ways
- Players who make private transport arrangements and clearly indicate this in the registration form will be fully responsible for any problems they experience during arrival or departure.

8. Hotel, Meals & Venue

- All players and guests are invited to stay in 4 **** **Hotel ARCHE in Lublin** with next prices:
- The playing venue is **HOTEL ARCHE** conference hall.
- Full board accomodation (breakfast, lunch and dinner) per person per day:

in double room	.70 EUR
single room	100 EUR

- The reservation will be done on the **“First Come, First Served”** basis.
- Hotel reservation deadline is **July 1st 2023**.
- For Security and organizational reasons and in accordance with FIDE tournament regulations all national delegations are obliged to use the official hotel designated by the Organizing Committee. Bookings must be done only through the organizer of the World Championships.
- In some cases, the organizer may make special arrangements and discounts.

9. Payments

- After the Registration, accommodation & travel form has been filled in, sent to the organizer and approved by the organizer, the national federations will receive invoices for bank payments. The invoices will contain all the necessary details for the bank payment.

- The payment deadline for registrations and accommodations is **July 18th, 2023**
- All bank commissions must be paid by sender.
- When payments are confirmed, the Organizing Committee will provide the confirmation of the hotel reservations.

10. Technical Regulations

- The Championships will be held according to FIDE tournament Rules and Laws of Chess for People with Disabilities.
- The FIDE Anti-Cheating rules and guidelines are valid for the championships.
- Upon arrival or any time during the event, players may be required to present passports and documents of disability eligibility.
- The tournament will be played using the Swiss System with 9 rounds. The national rankings will not be taken into account for pairings. Time control is 90 minutes/40 moves+ 30 min for each player plus 30 seconds per move starting from move 1. Default time is 15 minutes.
- The final ranking order of the players is determined by the number of points scored. In case of tie, the next tie break criteria are established:
 - 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

11. Appeals Procedure

1. FIDE DIS will appoint the Chairman, the two other members and the two substitutes of the Appeals Committee, all from different Federations.
2. Any member of the Appeals Committee cannot sit in judgment in a dispute involving one player from their Federation. In such case the Chairman will appoint the necessary substitutes. In case the Chairman must be replaced, the eldest member will act as the Chairman.
3. Any decision of the Chief Arbiter can be appealed, except fair-play decisions.
4. In case the appeal is rejected the complainant, Federation will be charged an amount of 50€.
5. All appeals and protests must be submitted in written form to the Appeals Committee no later than 30 minutes after the end of the relevant round.
6. The Appeals Committee endeavors to make a decision as soon as possible. In case it finds it necessary, the Appeals Committee may summon the complainant and/or any other people. Refusal to participate to the session of the Appeals Committee is considered for the final decision.

7. The written decision of the Appeals Committee arising from any dispute in respect of these Regulations is final.

12. Titles & Prizes

- The winner obtains the title: “World Chess Champion of People with Disabilities 2023”
- For the first 3 individual winners: gold, silver and bronze medals. The medalists are obliged to attend the Closing Ceremony.
- For all participants: Diplomas of participation.
- Financial prizes:

I	1 500 EUR
II	1 000 EUR
III	800 EUR
IV	600 EUR
V	500 EUR
VI	300 EUR
Special prize for best woman	300 EUR

13. Covid and Health Protocol

- Covid Entry rules for foreign citizens travelling to Poland are quite simple: <https://www.strazgraniczna.pl/pl/cudzoziemcy/covid-epidemia-koronawi/8578,Outbreak-of-coronavirus-rules-of-entry-and-stay-on-the-territory-of-the-Republic.html>
- The organizers and the participants should follow the official FIDE Health Measures and Polish Officials Measure.
- The organizers do not bear any responsibility for the health of participants and their ability to participate in the competition.
- All participants insure themselves at their own expense or at the expense of the delegating organization.

14. Electricity

- The standard voltage in Poland is AC 230 V.

15. Summer Season in August

- The average temperature is between **22°C** (72°F) and **27°C** (81°F) but some days may reach **31°C** (87°F).

16. Contact Information

- Director of the Championships – **Pawel Zaskalski**
- Official e-mail – wccpd2023@fide.com
- Website – <https://wccpd2023.fide.com>

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