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**14<sup>TH</sup> EUROPEAN INDIVIDUAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP IS UNDERWAY**



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The 14<sup>th</sup> European Individual Chess Championship is underway in Legnica, Poland. The tournament started on 4<sup>th</sup> of May and will end on 17<sup>th</sup> of May, 2013.

Leader in the ranking after Round 5 is GM David Shengelia (AUT, ELO-2546) with 4.5 points, followed by GM Moiseenko (UKR, ELO-2698) with 4.5 points and GM Zoltan Almasi (HUN, ELO-2695) with 4 points.

One hundred and fifty elite chess players from 38 countries are competing for the title. The total prize fund is 100 000 EUR.

**Ranking after Round 5 - first 20 positions**

Rk.	Title	Name	FED	Rtg	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3	TB4
1	GM	SHENGELIA David	AUT	2546	4.5	2679	14	15	4
2	GM	MOISEENKO Alexander	UKR	2698	4.5	2624	14	14	4
3	GM	ALMASI Zoltan	HUN	2695	4	2629	14	15	3
4	GM	KHALIFMAN Alexander	RUS	2614	4	2619	12	14	3
5	GM	ELJANOV Pavel	UKR	2702	4	2614	14	16	3
6	GM	ALEKSEEV Evgeny	RUS	2700	4	2609	13	16	3
7	GM	KHAIRULLIN Ildar	RUS	2657	4	2607	13	14	3
8	GM	KOROBOV Anton	UKR	2705	4	2606	13	14	3
9	GM	TKACHIEV Vladislav	FRA	2632	4	2603	13	15	3
10	GM	GRACHEV Boris	RUS	2687	4	2602	13	16	3
11	GM	SHIMANOV Aleksandr	RUS	2639	4	2599	13	16	3
12	GM	VALLEJO PONS Francisco	ESP	2695	4	2596	13	15	3
13	GM	ROMANOV Evgeny	RUS	2640	4	2591	14	17	3
14	GM	DREEV Aleksey	RUS	2654	4	2589	14	17	3
15	GM	SARGISSIAN Gabriel	ARM	2667	4	2589	14	16	3

16	GM	MAMEDOV Rauf	AZE	2649	4	2573	14	16	3
17	GM	BELIAVSKY Alexander G	SLO	2628	4	2554	12	14	3
18	GM	L'AMI Erwin	NED	2634	4	2534	12	14	3
19	GM	KOTRONIAS Vasilios	GRE	2580	4	2525	11	13	4
20	GM	LUPULESCU Constantin	ROU	2634	4	2524	12	13	3



The championship will be played in 11-round Swiss system in accordance with the ECU Tournament Rules will rate of play 90 minutes for 40 moves plus 30 minutes for the rest of the game with an increment of 30 seconds per move, starting from move one. Chief-Arbitrator is IA Tomasz Delega (POL).

Official website: [www.eicc2013.legnica.pl](http://www.eicc2013.legnica.pl)



## GM LEVON ARONIAN WINS ALEKHINE MEMORIAL



GM Levon Aronian won Alekhine Memorial with final result of 5.5 points from possible 9 and better tie-break than the second in the ranking GM Boris Gelfand. Third finished GM Viswanathan Anand with 5 points.

Alekhine Memorial was held from 20<sup>th</sup> of April to 1<sup>st</sup> of May, 2013 in Paris, France and Saint Petersburg, Russia.

The total prize fund of the tournament was 100 000 EUR.

The tournament was held in 9 rounds with time control of 100 minutes for 40 moves + 50 minutes for 20 moves + 15 minutes for the rest of the game + 30 seconds increment per move, starting from move one.



The final ranking is as follows: 1-2 Levon Aronian, Boris Gelfand - 5.5, 3 Viswanathan Anand - 5.0, 4-8 Nikita Vitiugov, Laurent Fressinet, Vladimir Kramnik, Michael Adams, Maxime Vachier Lagrave - 4.5, 9 Ding Liren - 3.5, 10 Peter Svidler - 3.0.

Chief-Arbitrer of the tournament, organized by the Russian Chess Federation, was IA Boris Postovsky.

Official website: [www.alekhine-memorial.com](http://www.alekhine-memorial.com)



## FORTHCOMING TOURNAMENTS

### EUROPEAN YOUTH TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP

Maribor, Slovenia 5-13 July, 2013

#### GENERAL REGULATIONS

EUROPEAN YOUTH  
TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP  
2013

Maribor, Slovenia 5-13 July



**1. Invitation** ŠAHOHLAČNIK Maribor (the organizer of World Youth Championship 2012), the Slovenian Chess Federation and the European Chess Union have the honor to invite youth teams from each national chess federation, ECU affiliated, to participate in the EUROPEAN YOUTH TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIP, organized in

Maribor, Slovenia, from 5th July (Arrival) to 13th July (Departure) 2013.

## **2. Participation**

2.1. Each national federation may enter an unlimited number of teams.

2.2. The team players shall not have reached the age of 18 by January 1st 2013.

2.3. The tournament will be organized in 2 categories – Open and Girls. The teams in the Open section shall consist of four players, the teams in the Girls section shall consist of two female players. Each team is entitled to have one reserve player. Participation of girls in the boy's tournament is admissible.

2.4. Accommodation and travel expenses for teams will be covered by the national chess federations or teams themselves.

## **3. System and rate of play**

The ECU Tournament Rules will be followed.

Both Championships (Open and Girls) will be played according to the Swiss System in 7 rounds. The rate of play should be 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 1.

Players may only agree to a draw after the 40th move has been made by black. Players violating this rule will be forfeited. If a player is offered a draw before the 40<sup>th</sup> move has been made by black, he should call an arbiter.

Zero - tolerance rule will be applied for each round.

The order of teams that finish with the same number of match points shall be determined by application of the following tie-breaking procedures in sequence, proceeding from (a) to (b) to (c) to (d) the extent required:

(a) by the sum of Sonnenborn-Berger points, which is calculated as follows: match points of each opponent, excluding the opponent who scored the lowest number of match points, multiplied by the number of board points scored against each opponent respectively. The highest number wins;

(b) by the number of board points won, the highest number wins;

(c) by the sum of the board points of all team's opponents, the highest number wins;

(d) by the sum of the board points of all opponents defeated plus one half of the board points of all the opponents with which a tied result was achieved, the highest number wins.

In case of the low number of teams the organizing committee can decide that the tournament will be played by round robin system with different numbers of rounds.

Time schedule can be changed except the dates of the 1st and the last round.

#### **4. ECU fees**

4.1. In accordance with the ECU regulations, the entry fee of 100 EUR is required for each team.

4.2. The ECU entry fee must be paid before the end of the second round, alternatively directly to the ECU or to the Organizing Committee in Maribor.

4.3. The ECU bank account:

Bank: Credit Suisse, Postfach 357, CH-6301 Zug

Account Number: 1835105-42

Holder: European Chess Union

National Bank Code: 4835

BIC: CRESCHZZXXX

IBAN Code: CH3604835183510542000

#### **5. Accommodation - Playing hall**

5.1. Accommodation and board will be provided at the Dijaški dom Drava, Smetanova ulica 67, Maribor, Slovenija - <http://dddrava.si/>. Participants will get double rooms, the price for this accommodation with full board is 25 EUR per day per person, which means 200 EUR for the whole event (8 nights - July 5th dinner - July 13<sup>th</sup> lunch). Single rooms are available as well. The price is 40 EUR per day per person (320 EUR for the whole event). DD Drava is located in the city center, 100 m from the tournament hall.

Playing hall is the sporting hall at the Srednja gradbena šola Maribor, Smetanova ulica 35, Maribor, Slovenija (<http://gradbena.si/>)

We can also offer accommodation and board at the various hotel \*\*\*/\*\*\*\*, 1 - 10 km from the Tournament venue. The price for this accommodation with full board is from 40 EUR per day per person in double room (55 EUR in single room) - 320 EUR (440 EUR) 3\*\*\* and/or from 45 EUR per day per person in double room (60 EUR in single room) - 360 EUR (480 EUR) 4\*\*\*\* for the whole event. The list of these official hotels will be published on the website (<http://eytc.sahohlacnik.com>) not later than on April 1st.

\* according to Slovenian law - all hotel guests should pay touristic tax, directly at the hotel reception. The hotel tax is 1,01 euro per person / per day (7 - 18 years = 0,51



euro per person/per day).

## **6. Registration and Travel conditions**

6.1 Entry forms must be filled in and sent to the Organizing Committee not later than June 10th 2013. If the registration form is not completed by the federation, a copy must be sent to the national federation. Late registrations can be accepted only if there are enough hotel rooms and playing facilities.

6.2. A complete registration form must include surname/s, first name/s, FIDE ID number, FIDE rating and title, passport number or identity card number of each player and each accompanying person. It also must include the name and telephone/e-mail/fax number of the delegation chief. Look - <http://eytc.sahohlacnik.com>.

6.3. Travel details. Maribor is fantastic place to find connection directly from all over the world and is app. 100 km from Ljubljana and Zagreb or 45 km from the Graz Airport. There are dozens of regular and charter flights per day from all important airports all over the Europe.

There are many ways of a very good and cheap railway connection to Maribor. The organizing committee can arrange the transfer from Graz airport (5.7. 2013) to Maribor and return to Graz (13.7. 2013) for any delegation with minimum 3 persons (30 euro per person). All other transportations or transportation on other days is possible upon personal requests.

6.4 At the time of registration (until 10th June 2013) the amount of 100% of the total accommodation cost + transportation costs (if required) must be transferred, free of bank charges, to the following bank account of the Organizing Committee for each participant or accompanying person.

Bank Account:  
SAHOHLACNIK d.o.o.  
Istrska ulica 60 g  
Maribor 2000, Slovenia, EU  
Nova kreditna banka Maribor  
IBAN: SI56 0451 5000 0634 791  
SWIFT: KBMASI2X

6.5. Once the bank transfer is validated, the Organizing Committee will confirm the assigned booking confirmation for all the rooms.

6.6. As exception, all payments can be realized in cash during the registration in Maribor. For the exceptions – contact organizers.

## **7. Playing schedule**

### **Friday July 5th**

20:00 – 22:00 Registration

### **Saturday July 6th**

9:00 – 12:00 Registration

15:00 Opening

15:30 Round 1

### **Sunday July 7th**

15:00 Round 2

### **Monday July 8th**

15:00 Round 3

### **Tuesday July 9th**

15:00 Round 4

### **Wednesday July 10th**

15:00 Round 5

### **Thursday July 11th**

15:00 Round 6

### **Friday July 12th**

14:00 Round 7

### **Thursday July 13th**

20:00 Closing

Departure of Participants

## **8. Prizes - Awards**

8.1. The winner of the Open competition receives the title “European Youth Team Champion 2013”. The winner of the Girls competition receives the title “European Youth Team Champion for Girls 2013”

8.2. Team-winners of the First, Second and Third places in both categories and the members of the teams will be awarded Gold, Silver and Bronze medals, Diplomas and Special Trophies.

Material prizes for all participants.

### **9. Chief Arbiter**

Chief arbiter: Marjan Drobne, FA, Slovenia

### **10. Information**

Before the tournament, information will be available on the Internet:

<http://eytc.sahohlacnik.com> or by e-mail: [eytc@sahohlacnik.com](mailto:eytc@sahohlacnik.com)

On the official website will be published all necessary information about accommodation, visas, transfers etc.

### **11. Information about VISA**

Organizer will give full support to assist participants to receive entry visas due to speed up procedure in Embassies and Consulates of Slovenia. Every registered player, who needs entry visa for Slovenia, has to send scanned passport, together with his registration form and in any case not later than May 1st. Visa's costs will depend on the valid laws at that moment. Please, contact the tournament office.

### **12. Currency**

The local currency is Euro.

### **13. Medical Care**

During the Tournament there will be Medical Services according to the FIDE Tournament Regulations.

### **14. Electricity**

The voltage is 220 (V).

### **15. Parallel & Culture Programme**

Chess lectures by famous Grandmasters

Chess party

Blitz tournament

Trips

More information - <http://eytc.sahohlacnik.com>

### **16. Special offer**

Participants and accompanying persons can enter Garry Kasparov European chess camp directly before the Championship (June 30th - July 5th) - more information:



<http://sahohlacnik.com> or/and various international tournaments during Festival Maribor - more information: <http://sahohlacnik.com>

## 15<sup>TH</sup> EUROPEAN SENIOR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

Dresden, Germany 20-28 July, 2013

15th EUROPEAN SENIOR  
TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP  
2013

Dresden, Germany, 20–28 July



**Organizer:** European Chess Union (ECU)

**Aligner:** ZMDI Schachfestival Dresden e.V.

**Tournament hall:** RAMADA Hotel  
Dresden, Wilhelm-Franke-Str. 90, 01219  
Dresden

### Schedule:

**Saturday, 2013-07-20**

10:00 a.m. captains' meeting

2:00 p.m. opening ceremony and round 1

**Sunday, 2013-07-21**

09:30 a.m. round 2

**Monday, 2013-07-22**

09:30 a.m. round 3

**Tuesday, 2013-07-23**

09:30 a.m. round 4

**Wednesday, 2013-07-24**

09:30 a.m. round 5

**Thursday, 2013-07-25**

09:30 a.m. round 6

**Friday, 2013-07-26**

09:30 a.m. round 7

**Saturday, 2013-07-27**

09:30 a.m. round 8

**Sunday, 2013-07-28**

09:00 a.m. round 9

Closing ceremony short time after the end of round 9

### Regulations

Swiss system in 9 rounds with teams of four. Time: 90 min/40 moves + 30 minutes for the rest of the game + 30 sec for each move from the first move.

The default time at the start of all rounds is 30 minutes.

## **Participation**

The tournament will be an Open one. If teams which consist of only women take part, we will organize for these teams (women teams) a special ranking.

Teams from all ECU federations have the right to participate. They may represent a national federation or any regional structure of a national federation. All players must come from the same federation, however this rule is waived if all the members of the team are unrated.

Each team shall consist of four players, and in addition one reserve player may be nominated. The substitute is only allowed to play board 4.

A provisional naming of the players and the substitute has to be submitted together with the registration of the team. Changes in the team can be made until the captains' meeting takes place.

Men who have reached the age of 60 and women who have reached the age of 50 by 31st December 2013 are entitled to participate.

## **Title**

The winning team obtains the title "European Senior Team Champion 2013". The best placed women team obtains the title "European Women Senior Team Champion 2013"

## **Prizes**

1. prize gold medals and 1200.- €
2. prize silver medals and 900.- €
3. prize bronze medals and 600.- €
4. prize diploma and 500.- €
5. prize diploma and 400.- €

The team with the best difference of performance obtains a special prize in the amount of about 200.- €. There will be additional prizes for the best players at each board (board 1 - 4 plus reserve player).

If women teams take part in the tournament, there will be the following additional prizes:

1. prize gold medals and 300 €
2. prize silver medals and 200 €

3. prize bronze medals and 100 €

### **Ranking**

The sum of scores of each game in a match is referred to as the board points. The team which scores more board points in a match than its opponents receives two match points, the opponents receives no match points. In the case a match ends in such a way that the sum of the board points is equal to that of its opponents, each team receives one match point. However, if both teams score 0 board points, both teams will receive zero match points.

The ranking will be made according to match points, the team obtaining the highest number of match points being declared the winner of the competition. In case of equality, B.6.3.2 shall be applied. The order of teams that finish with the same number of match points shall be determined by application of the following tie-breaking procedures in sequence, proceeding from (a) to (b) to (c) to (d) the extent required:

(a) by the sum of Sonneborn-Berger points, which is calculated as follows: match points of each opponent, excluding the opponent who scored the lowest number of match points, multiplied by the number of board points scored against each opponent respectively. The highest number wins;

(b) by the number of board points won, the highest number wins;

(c) by the sum of the board points of all team's opponents, the highest number wins;

(d) by the sum of the board points of all opponents defeated plus one half of the board points of all the opponents with which a tied result was achieved, the highest number wins.

### **Individual prizes in team competitions**

The players who achieved the best performance rating on their respective boards shall receive gold medals. Silver and bronze medals shall be awarded to the second and third place winners. For this purpose the players performance score is calculated if the player takes part in at least 70% of the rounds (for basic players) or 50% of the rounds (for reserve players).

The highest performance rating wins. In case of a tie it shall be broken by:

(a) mutual results (if all played each other);

(b) number of games, the highest number wins;

(c) percentage score, the highest number wins;

(d) final ranking of a team, the player in the highest ranked team wins.

For calculating of performance rating the maximum rating difference of two players shall be 400 points. In the case of unplayed games for all calculations the current FIDE Tournament Rules shall be applied.

**Entry fee:**

The entry fee is 40.-€ per named player.

This means a maximum of 200.- € per team. The entry fee shall be paid together with the registration to the following account:

Ostsächsische Sparkasse Dresden, acc. number: 312 007 0105, bank code: 850 503 00,  
IBAN: DE 91 8505 0300 3120 070 105, BIC: OSDDDE81

In accordance with the ECU regulations, each team is obliged to make the payment of 100 € for the fee. According to the ECU regulations (Art. B.9.5.1), the entry fee shall be paid by the federations to the ECU before or at the start of the competition. If the entry fee is not paid until the end of round 2, these teams will not be paired in subsequent rounds.

**Registration**

You can register by informal letter or fax to ZMDI Schachfestival Dresden e. V., Oskar-Mai-Straße 6, D-01159 Dresden, Fax: +49 (0)351/4161639, or e-mail to [guntram.ledfuss@schachfestival.de](mailto:guntram.ledfuss@schachfestival.de). The following details must be included: team order with names, surnames, ELO-rating and national rating, address, telephone number and e-mail address of the team captain, number and duration of accommodation needed.

**End of registration 2013-06-20**

The organizers would be glad if you could show your interest earlier (by 2013-03-31).

**Accommodation**

You get the booked accommodations in RAMADA-HOTEL Dresden (4-star hotel in a good location) for a special chess fare:

double room 8 and more nights B / B 39.- € per person/per day

single room 8 and more nights B / B 59.- €

Additionally, you can book half-board for 16 € per day.

At lunchtime we offer a chess-snack (3 € - 8 €) in the playing area.

The superior-rooms, renovated at the beginning of 2012, are equipped with adjustable air-conditioning, mini-bar, coffee and tea station as well as the gratis

utilization of underground car park (if available).

Superior-rooms and studios can be booked only at arrival (in case of availability).  
Extra charges superior-room 10.- € per day,  
superior-studio as double-room 20.- € per day.

The bill is to be paid on the day of departure at the reception of the hotel.

### **Social program**

The aligner organizes touristic events and events in chess. On your request they can arrange sightseeing tours of the town and surroundings and visits of cultural events too (for accompanying persons, too).

### **Information**

ZMD Schachfestival Dresden e. V., Oskar-Mai-Straße 6, D-01159 Dresden, fon +49 (0)351 416 16 29, fax: +49 (0)351 416 16 39, e-mail: [dirk.jordan@schachfestival.de](mailto:dirk.jordan@schachfestival.de)

### **Transfer:**

- (a) Airport Dresden – hotel/tournament hall (15km, Taxi/Bus, 20€)
- (b) Main station Dresden – hotel/tournament hall (5km, Taxi/Bus, 10€)
- (c) A bus shuttle by the organizer is possible