



Austrian Chess Federation

European Chess Union

Vienna Chess Federation

EUROPEAN SENIOR TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP
12th – 20th July 2015 in Vienna
www.estcc2015.at

GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. ORGANIZER

Vienna Chess Federation & Austrian Chess Federation under the auspices of the European Chess Union.

2. VENUE

Hotel AIRO Wien, Kurbadstrasse 8, 1100 Vienna, Austria.

3. DATE, SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Time	Program
Saturday	11.07.2015		Arrival
Sunday	12.07.2015	10:00	Captains Meeting
Sunday	12.07.2015	14:00	Opening Ceremony
Sunday	12.07.2015	15:00	Round 1
Monday	13.07.2015	10:00	Round 2
Tuesday	14.07.2015	10:00	Round 3
Wednesday	15.07.2015	10:00	Round 4
Thursday	16.07.2015	10:00	Round 5
Friday	17.07.2015	10:00	Round 6
Saturday	18.07.2015	10:00	Round 7
Sunday	19.07.2015	10:00	Round 8
Monday	20.07.2015	10:00	Round 9
Monday	20.07.2015	15:00	Closing Ceremony

4. SYSTEM AND RATE OF PLAY

The European Senior Team Chess Championship is an open tournament which will be played in 9 rounds Swiss System.

Time controls are 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 at the start of all rounds is 30 minutes.

5. PARTICIPATION

Entitled to participate are men who have reached the age of 60 years and women who have reached the age of 50 years, by December 31st, 2015.

Teams from every member federation of the European Chess Union can participate. The teams may represent a national federation or any regional structure of a national federation. All players of a team must be member of the same federation.

If women teams participate, a special ranking will be organized.

Each team shall consist of four players in fixed order. Additionally one reserve player can be nominated who is only allowed to play on board 4.

A provisional nomination of the players and the reserve player has to be submitted together with the registration of the team. Changes in the team can be made until the captains meeting takes place. The start ranking list will be determined by the average rating (board 1-4) of every team.

6. AWARDS, TITLES & PRIZES

Prizes:

1 st place	1.200 € + gold medals	4 th place	500 €
2 nd place	1.000 € + silver medals	5 th place	400 €
3 rd place	600 € + bronze medals		

The team with the best improvement to the start ranking list obtains a special prize in the amount of 400 €.

Prizes for women teams:

1 st place	500 € + gold medals
2 nd place	300 € + silver medals
3 rd place	200 € + bronze medals

Material prizes for all participating players.

The winner of the European Senior Team Chess Championship will be awarded the title "European Senior Team Chess Champion 2015".

The best women team of the European Senior Team Chess Championship will be awarded the title "European Senior Women Team Chess Champion 2015".

7. RANKING

The ranking will be determined by the number of match points (win = 2 match points, draw = 1 match point, loss = 0 match points).

Tie-Break:

- a) match points of each opponent (cut 1) x game points scored against him
- b) game points
- c) sum of game points of all opponents
- d) sum of game points of all opponents defeated plus one half of the game points of all the opponents with which a tied result was achieved

Board prizes are awarded for the best performance rating of players (having at least played 7 games). In case of a tie it will be broken by (a) direct encounter, (b) higher number of games, (c) percentage score and (d) team rank.

8. ENTRY FEE

In accordance with the ECU regulations each team is obliged to pay the entry fee of 100 € per team before the competition starts directly to the account of the European Chess Union.

Beneficiary: European Chess Union
BIC: CRESCHZZXXX
IBAN: CH3604835183510542000

9. REGISTRATION FEE

The registration fee per player will be 40 € for nominations by March 31st 2015. That means a maximum of 200 € per team.

For later applications the registration fee will be 60 € per player. This means a maximum of 300 € per team.

Registrations come into effect only after confirmation by the tournament director.

10. ACCOMMODATION

Playing venue and accommodation will be in the **Hotel AIRO Wien** which has the optimal location and surroundings for this event.

The Vienna International Airport can be reached in 15 minutes by car and the motorway is a few-minute drive away. Free private parking is available for all participants. The distance to the city centre is 9 km and by public traffic you need about 25 minutes.



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258 rooms feature satellite TV and free WiFi and offer a great view of Vienna's southern outskirts.

Room prices (breakfast included) valid for registrations by March 31st, 2015:

Single room: 60 €/person/night

Double room: 40 €/person/night

30% of total accommodation costs must be transferred as deposit after the confirmed registration.

At lunchtime snacks (3 - 9 €) will be offered in the playing area. The restaurant Rotisserie serves Austrian and international cuisine and business dinner buffet is available for 18 €/person/evening.

Within walking distance of the Hotel AIRO Wien you can enjoy the spa gardens and **Therme Wien**, the biggest and ultramodern spa of Vienna.

In 2014 Therme Wien achieved again the 1st place of the "European HEALTH & SPA AWARD".

All chess players and accompanying persons have free entry to Therme Wien during the European Senior Team Chess Championship.



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11. SIDE EVENTS

You are welcome to get to know Vienna in all its variety and to enjoy its charming ambience.

An ambitious sightseeing program (Schönbrunn Palace, Spanish Riding School, Promenade in downtown Vienna ...) is intended.

12. TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

Tournament director: IO Johann Pöcksteiner

Chief arbiter: IA Gregor Neff

Appeals committee: will be elected during the technical meeting

13. REGISTRATION & BOOKINGS

If you want to register or if you have any questions please contact us:

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For registrations please provide the following details on the [entry form](#) (also available at our website www.estcc2015.at):

- ❖ Name of the team and captain (Email, telephone number, address)
- ❖ Team order with names, surnames, FIDE-ID, title and FIDE rating
- ❖ Number and duration of all players and accompanying persons

After confirmed registration please transfer the registration fee and 30% of total accommodation costs free of any bank charges to the following account:

Beneficiary: Vienna Chess Federation
BIC: BKAUATWW
IBAN: AT27 1200 0006 9736 4503

13. AIRPORT TRANSFER

Hotel AIRO Wien is quite near (18 km) to the Vienna International Airport.

The most comfortable way is by taxi (29 €).