

Inspection of Tallinn, Estonia for the European Youth Rapid and Blitz Championship 2019.

Date of championship: 3rd – 7th July 2019

Tallinn is the capital and largest city of Estonia with more than 400,000 inhabitants. Tallinn is the major political, financial, cultural and educational center of Estonia. It is situated on the northern coast of the country, on the shore of the Gulf of Finland and was mentioned for first time in 1219. From the 13th century until 1918 (and briefly during the Nazi occupation of Estonia from 1941 to 1944), the city was known as Reval. Tallinn's Old Town is one of the best preserved medieval cities in Europe and is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Basis of the inspection was the official bid of the Estonian Chess Federation from 20th April 2017.

Tournament halls:

Park Inn by Radisson Meriton Conference & Spa Hotel Tallinn

The size of the playing halls exceed the 1000 m², the light condition is sufficient. There are also other conference rooms with the latest technical equipment and Free Wireless High-speed Internet, foyer, lobby which can be used for the event. There were already played European Rapid and Blitz Championship 2016, event on the same basis as competition in the bid.

https://www.parkinn.com/galleries/parkinn/PDF/TLLPM/TLLPM_Conference-Factsheet_090217-ENG.pdf

Quality of hotels:

Park Inn by Radisson Meriton Conference & Spa Hotel Tallinn

The hotel is located in the heart of the capital, near Old Town, the railway station and the airport. Hotel has 465 rooms that include tea and coffee provisions and air conditioning. There is free Wireless High-speed Internet, convenient outdoor and garage parking, extensive spa and sauna areas, and a Sports Club with personal trainers available.

Airport connections:

International airport in Tallinn is located 7km (around 15 minutes) out of the Park Inn by Radisson Meriton Conference & Spa Hotel Tallinn.

Conclusion:

The bid of the Estonian Chess Federation corresponds to the standard of a top class chess event. The hotel and playing hall have high standard. Taking into account that playing hall is a part of the hotel, it is obvious that Tallinn will be a very good venue for this championship with the notice that are not indicating the hotel rates for the participants.

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