



CHESS CAMP

Madrid 30th June – 2nd July 2017

The first Chess Camp for awarding the ECU School Chess Teacher Certificate!

The Education Commission of European Chess Union launched its activities in a need of an organization representing the growing movement of using chess as a pedagogic tool to develop social and intellectual skills to children. The ECU introduced a Certificate for school chess teachers with requisite for recognizing the high standard of knowledge and skills required for teachers of Chess in Schools. The ECU Teacher Certificate courses are monitored and evaluated by the Academics, members of the ECU Advisory Board.

The ECU Chess Camp is a training course designed by leading chess educationists in Europe and it's validated by an international academic panel expert in disciplines from cognitive science and psychology to statistics and pedagogy. The certification was developed following the Declaration by the European Parliament on 15th March 2012 that Chess in Schools should be encouraged for educational purposes.

The Chess Camp course contains of three days of interactive presentations, group discussions and practical exercises. The course will be held primarily in English and, where necessary, in Spanish. Participants of the course will have a test to do after the end of the course, and on successful completion will receive the ECU School Chess Teacher Certificate. This new qualification is recognized by the European national chess federations as a standard of excellence. The course should qualify towards Continuing Professional Development.

Course Leaders

Jesper Hall, Chairman of the ECU Education Commission, Director of the Chess in Schools project in Sweden and FIDE Senior Trainer.

Luis Blasco de la Cruz, member of the ECU Education Commission, Director of Madrid Chess Academy, a distinguished chess trainer and a chess teacher of children with Special Needs.

Schedule:

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| Friday 30 June | 17.00 – 21.00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Chess Didactics○ Chess Concepts○ Chess in Schools in Europe |
| Saturday 1 July | 09.00 – 12.00 Excursion | |
| | 13.00 – 19.00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Chess Language○ Minigames and Puzzles○ Teaching Checkmate○ Organising Competitions |
| Sunday 2 July | 10.00 – 17.00 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Lesson Planning○ Behaviour Issues○ Teaching and Learning○ Digital Chess |

Registration and Fee

To reserve your place on the course, send an email to luis.blasco@madridchessacademy.com

giving the following information:

- Name
- Address
- School affiliation
- Chess experience
- Dietary requirements
- Disabilities
- Whether you want to stay in the Chess Camp Accommodation

The fee for the course is **150 EUR**. The closing date for registration is 29 June 2017

Please make the payment via electronic bank transfer to

[Account IBAN: **ES74 0081 1392 2800 0117 3122**]

Accommodation

The organizers may offer two nights in **Colegio Mayor Universitario** with full board for 60 Euros per night for a single room, or 45 Euros per night per person in a double room with full board.

Venue and Directions

The Chess Camp will be held at **Colegio Mayor Universitario EL FARO** in Plaza Cristo Rey nº 7, Madrid, near to Moncloa Metro and Bus Station. Attendees are requested to arrive from 09.30 in order to register. Refreshments will be provided throughout the day and a light lunch will be provided on the first day.

Information and Enquiries

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Organization and Collaborations

