European Senior Chess Championships  
*Categories 50+ and 65+*  
17th April – 27th April 2020  
JASTRZEBIA GORA, POLAND

1. Organizer  
Adolf Anderssen Foundation (Fundacja im. Adolfa Anderssena)  
under the auspices of the European Chess Union  
co-organizer: Polish Chess Federation

2. Date and Venue  
The European Senior Chess Championship will be held in Jastrzebia Gora, Poland  
from 17th April 2020 (day of arrival) to 27th April 2020 (day of departure).  
The tournament will be held in Hotel VIS (Krolewska Street 5, Jastrzebia Gora, Poland)  
[https://goo.gl/maps/AjG25ogfU2oZgRFK6](https://goo.gl/maps/AjG25ogfU2oZgRFK6)

3. Event Website:  
[www.senior-chess.eu](http://www.senior-chess.eu)

4. Tournament Schedule:  

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After consultation with ECU and the organizers, the Chief Arbiter can make changes in the above tournament schedule. Such changes will be announced in due time.
5. Participation
5.1 The European Senior Chess Championship is open to all players representing ECU Chess Federations who have been born in the year 1970 or earlier, regardless of their title or rating. There is also no limit in the number of participants per federation. Applications have to be sent by the National federations or to be approved by the National federations.
5.2 In accordance with the ECU tournament rule the Championship will be played in two categories: one for those who shall have reached the age of 50 (category SENIOR 50+), and one for those who shall have reached the age of 65 (category SENIOR 65+).
5.3 Players who have reached the age of 65 by the 31st December 2020 are allowed to participate in the category SENIOR 50+ if they request it. In each age category an Open and a Women’s competition is organized. There is also no limit of participants per federation.

6. System and rate of play
6.1 The championship is based on Swiss system in accordance with the ECU Tournament Rules and FIDE Rules of Chess. The playing time will be 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.
6.2 Women tournament will be played separately. If in total the women participants are less than nine they will play in the Open tournaments with separate prizes.
6.3 Default time at the start of all rounds will be 15 minutes.

7. Ranking & Tie-Break System
The order of players that finish with the same number of points shall be determined by application of the following tie-breaking procedures in sequence, proceeding from (a) to (b) to (c) to (d) to (e) the extent required: (a) Results of direct encounters between the tied players - If all the tied players have met each other, the sum of points from these encounters is used. The player with the highest score is ranked number 1 and so on. If some but not all have played each other, the player with a score that could not be equalled by any other player (if all such games had been played) is ranked number 1 and so on., (b) Buchholz Cut 1, (c) Buchholz, (d) The greater number of games played with black, (e) The greater number of wins. In the case of unplayed games, for the calculation of tiebreak criteria the current FIDE Competition Rules shall be applied.

8. Appeals
Protests, including protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter or his assistants, or the Tournament Director, must be submitted in written form to the Chairman of the appeals committee within one hour after completion of the respective game. The protest must be accompanied with the sum of 200 EUR or the equivalent in local currency, as a deposit from the signatory. The deposit must be handed to the Chairman of the appeals committee. If the appeal is granted, the sum shall be returned immediately. If the appeal is refused, the deposit is forfeited to the European Chess Union. The decisions of the Appeals Committee are final.

9. Prizes
The winner of the European Senior Chess Championship 50+ receives the title “European Senior Chess Champion 2020 50+“.
The winner of the European Senior Chess Championship 65+ receives the title “European Senior Chess Champion 2020 65+“.
The winner of the European Senior Women Chess Championship 50+ receives the title “European Senior Women Chess Champion 2020 50+“.
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Money prizes

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Total Prize fund: 8000 EUR

A player can get one prize only. According to the ECU Tournament Rules and regulations, the money prizes will be equally shared among the players with the same score. If one of the prize winners is absent during the closing ceremony, then: his/her money prize will be reduced by 20 % with a minimum of 100 €. Any other prize (medal, trophy) will not be awarded as long as a penalty of 100€ has not been paid. The money will be forfeited to ECU.

The first 3 places in each category will be awarded with cups and medals.

9. Qualifications to World Senior Championships

According to FIDE Handbook D.03.7, the top 3 players from each category of the European Senior Championship 2020 are qualified with personal rights (free board and lodging) to the World Senior Championship 2021.

Any change of regulations is a FIDE matter.

10. Accommodation packages in the official hotel

All packages include accommodation for 10 nights per person in HOTEL VIS, registration fee (60 EUR), ECU entry fee (20 EUR), daily full board with breakfast, lunch and dinner:

- 830 EUR total in a single room for 10 nights
- 630 EUR total per person in a two-persons room for 10 nights
- 530 EUR total per person in a three-persons room for 10 nights

11. Registration deadline

Applications must be sent by 3rd March 2020 by email to: office@senior-chess.eu

All entries shall be confirmed by the Tournament Director and rooms will be booked after a deposit payment of 200 EUR per person (free of bank charges) paid to:

ADOLF ANDERSSEN FOUNDATION
IBAN: PL41 1750 0012 0000 0000 3660 7165

The receipt of the deposit payment must also be sent via email to the Organisers.

The remaining balance shall be paid upon arrival and no later than the start of the 2nd round.

12. Flights / Transportation

The nearest airport is the Gdansk Lech Walesa Airport (GDN), ~60km from the Jastrzebia Gora
The organizers can provide bus transportation from Gdansk Lech Walesa Airport (GDN) to Jastrzebia Gora, for the dates 17th April(arrival) and 27th April (departure).

The costs are: 15 EUR in one way.

Such request must be submitted together with the registration of each participant.

Organizers can provide private transportation with taxi in any other date, with an additional cost.

13. Organisers Contacts

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