

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE FAIR PLAY PANEL OF THE EUROPEAN AMATEUR ONLINE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

After the conclusion of fair play checks for the European Online Amateur Championship Group B, the Fair Play Panel has disqualified four (4) players from the final standings.

A number of factors were involved in this decision:

- Professor Regan's statistical analysis of the games
- Tornelo's statistical analysis of the games
- A review of the games by a number of Grandmasters
- Investigation into the accuracy and reliability of the ratings of the players
- A statistical analysis of other recently played games by the players, including games played online at almost an identical time control where these were available

This decision is by no means proof of cheating. It will have no consequences for the disqualified players in future tournaments online or over-the-board.

The European Chess Union reaffirms its commitment to fair play in online tournaments and would like to remind players of their obligations in this regard for the remainder of the event.

The Fair Play Panel
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