



The Mitropa Cup is the annual team chess tournament for national teams from Central Europe. The word Mitropa is a derivative of German Mittel Europa (Central Europe): MITtel euROPA. The idea of the Mitropa Cup came from Gertrude Wagner who wanted to create a chess team tournament after the example of respective football competition. Together with her husband Karl and the president of the Austrian Chess Federation Kurt Jungwirth were the founders and organizers of the tournament. The event commenced in 1976: Gertrude will organize the next twenty edition.

The traditional team event this year brings together 10 nations competing against each other in an Open and a Women section on 4 boards each. Austria, Croatia, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Slovakia, Slovenia, Switzerland.. The event commenced in 1976 in Innsbruck.

Many strong players took part, like David Navara, Aleksander Beliavsky, Ivan Saric, Richard Rapport, Markus Ragger, Luka Lenic, but the biggest name was World championship challenger Fabiano Caruana!

Open

no.	host city		year	1st	2nd	3rd
38.	Radenci		2019	HUN	CZE	AUT
37.	Isola di Capo Rizzuto		2018	ITA	HUN	GER
36.	Balatonszárszó		2017	CRO	CZE	FRA
35.	Prague		2016	CZE	GER	ITA

34.	Mayrhofen		2015	AUT	SVK	GER
33.	Ružomberok		2014	HUN	GER	SVK
32.	Meissen		2013	CRO	GER	CZE
31.	Šibenik		2012	HUN	SLO	CRO
30.	Merlimont		2011	GER	ITA	AUT
29.	Chur		2010	ITA	HUN	SUI
28.	Rogaška Slatina		2009	CRO	ITA	HUN
27.	Olbia		2008	CRO	HUN	CZE
26.	Szeged		2007	FRA	ITA	GER
25.	Brno		2006	HUN	CZE	CRO
24.	Steinbrunn		2005	SLO	CRO	SVK
23.	Zemplínska Šírava		2004	CRO	SVK	SLO
22.	Pula		2003	GER	CZE	SLO
21.	Leipzig		2002	SLO	GER	HUN
20.	Charleville-Mézières		2000	FRA	HUN	CRO
19.	Baden		1999	HUN	SUI	CRO
18.	Portorož		1998	CRO	CZE	SLO
17.	Montecatini Terme		1997	SLO	CRO	HUN
16.	Bük		1995	HUN	NED	SLO
15.	Bad Wörishofen		1993	HUN	GER	SUI
14.	Brno		1991	YUG	CSR	GER
13.	Leibnitz		1990	GER	HUN	ITA
12.	Aosta		1988	YUG	GER	SUI
11.	Mürren		1987	GER	FRA	YUG
10.	Arandelovac		1985	YUG	SUI	AUT
9.	Bad Lauterberg		1984	GER	YUG	AUT
8.	Lienz		1983	YUG	GER	SUI
7.	Bourgoin-Jallieu		1982	FRA	YUG	AUT
6.	Luxembourg		1981	YUG	ITA	SUI
5.	Rovinj		1980	GER	YUG	FRA
4.	Bern		1979	YUG	SUI	GER
3.	Ciocco		1978	YUG	ITA	GER
2.	Bad Kohlgrub		1977	AUT	SUI	FRA
1.	Innsbruck		1976	GER	SUI	YUG2
-	Vienna		1953	BELG	WIEN	ZURI

Women

no.	host city		year	1st	2nd	3rd
16.	Radenci		2019	CRO	FRA	HUN
15.	Isola di Capo Rizzuto		2018	GER	AUT	ITA
14.	Balatonszárszó		2017	HUN	FRA	CRO
13.	Prague		2016	GER	ITA	HUN
12.	Mayrhofen		2015	HUN	ITA	SVK
11.	Ružomberok		2014	ITA	GER	AUT
10.	Meissen		2013	SVK	GER	ITA
9.	Šibenik		2012	GER	SLO	ITA
8.	Merlimont		2011	ITA	GER	HUN
7.	Chur		2010	ITA	SLO	HUN
6.	Rogaška Slatina		2009	SLO	SLO2	ITA
5.	Olbia		2008	ITA	GER	HUN
4.	Szeged		2007	HUN	SLO	SVK
3.	Brno		2006	SLO	GER	CRO
2.	Steinbrunn		2005	SLO	CZE	SVK
1.	Saint Vincent		2002	SLO	FRA	GER

The idea of the women's Mitropa Cup was inspired by the traditional men's competition started back in 1976. The premier edition took place in 2002 in Italy, headed by Mr. Agostino Sclafi. This one was not played at the same time and in the same place as the men's event. Starting from 2005 the men's and women's tournaments have been played simultaneously.





Fabiano Caruana (first on the left) in Italian team



Markus Ragger