



EUROPEAN YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

Under 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18

Mamaia, Romania, 04 – 15 September 2023

GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. Invitation

The European Chess Union (ECU), together with the Romanian Chess Federation and Universul Chess Club invite all National Chess Federations of ECU to participate at EUROPEAN YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP organized in Mamaia, Romania, between 04 (arrival) - 15 (departure) September 2023.

2. Participants & Registration

2.1. Each federation can register one (1) player in each category - under 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 18 (boys and girls), the maximum number of twelve (12) players (“invited players”).

2.2. The players placed 1-3 in the European Youth Chess Championship 2022 have the personal right to participate in the championship in the corresponding age-category or a higher age category if they fulfil the conditions that they have not reached the age of 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 or 18 years, respectively, by January 1, 2023.

2.3. The board and lodging expenses from the official day of arrival to the breakfast of the day of departure shall be covered by the organizing federation for (a) the invited player(s) designated by its federation (as per para. 2.1., max. 12 players,), (b) the player(s) with a personal right (as per para. 2.2.), and (c) the chief of the delegation (captain).

2.4. Each federation can register unlimited number of extra players.

2.5. In order to ensure proper championship standards, all invited players and extra players have to register through their national federations. The entry form should be filled in by the national federation on the official website of the championship. Registration must be done before **14th July, 2023** (registration deadline). After that date, federations will not be able to register invited players or to modify their registration. After the registration deadline, all the registrations must be confirmed by the organizer and the ECU.

2.6. According to the ECU Rules (Article B.14.5.1) for youth championships, all players and registered persons are accommodated in the official hotels.

2.7. Accreditations, badges and access to the venues and facilities, transfers and daily transportation to the round, will be allowed only to registered persons.

3. Venue, Dates & Schedule

3.1. The venue of the championship is Ceremony Hall Dorna.

3.2. Schedule of the championship:

Monday	4th September		Arrival day
Tuesday	5th September	09:30	Technical meeting
Tuesday	5th September	14:30	Opening ceremony
Tuesday	5th September	15:00	1st round
Wednesday	6th September	15:00	2nd round
Thursday	7th September	15:00	3rd round
Friday	8th September	15:00	4th round
Saturday	9th September	15:00	5th round
Sunday	10th September		Free day
Monday	11th September	15:00	6th round
Tuesday	12th September	15:00	7th round
Wednesday	13th September	15:00	8th round
Thursday	14th September	10:30	9 th round
Thursday	14th September	20:00	Closing ceremony
Friday	15th September		Departure date

3.3. Players from those federations which are not represented and confirmed as participants at the technical meeting, may not be paired.

3.4. There may be ECU and FIDE seminars for trainers and arbiters held during the championship. More information will be published on the official website in due time.

4. Fees

4.1. In accordance with the ECU regulations, the entry fee of 65 EUR is required for each invited player and player with a personal right; and 130 EUR for each extra player.

4.2. According to the ECU regulations, federations are obliged to make the payment of the ECU fee on the ECU bank account before the start of the championship. If the entry fee does not reach the ECU bank account by the end of the second round, these participants will not be paired in subsequent rounds. The ECU fees must be paid to the account of the European Chess Union:

Bank: Credit Suisse, Postfach 357, CH - 6301 Zug

Account number: 1835105-42

Holder: European Chess Union

National Bank Code: 4835

BIC: CRESCHZZXXX

IBAN Code: CH3604835183510542000

4.3. The organization fee of 100 EUR for all participants (invited players, players with personal rights, heads of delegations, extra players and accompanying persons) must be paid by **14th July** to the bank account of the organizer.

5. Travel conditions

5.1. The organizer will arrange the transfer from Constanta airport, Constanta railway and Constanta bus station to the official hotels. The transfer upon arrival day (4 September) and upon departure day (15 September) will be free of charge for all registered participants.

5.2. Transfer from and to Bucharest International Airport is 80E/person/two ways, on the arrival and departure official days. For other arrival and departure days, conditions for the transfers must be confirmed with the organizers.

6. System & Rate of Play

6.1. The championship is based on Swiss system in accordance with the ECU Championship Rules and FIDE Rules of Chess. The time rate will be 90 minutes with an increment of 30 seconds per move, starting from move one. Default time is 15 minutes after the start of each round.

7. Ranking & Tie-Break System

7.1. 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 equaled 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 Championship Rules shall be applied.

8. Qualifying & Prizes

8.1. The first three players in each group will be awarded medals and cups; the first six players in each group will be awarded diplomas.

9. Arbiters & Appeals Committee

9.1. The Chief and Deputy Arbiters and the Appeals committee members will be appointed by the European Chess Union.

10. Appeals Procedure

10.1. Protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter must be submitted in written form to the Chairman of the appeals committee within one hour after the end of the respective game. The protest must be accompanied with the sum of 200 €, as a deposit from the signatory. 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 appeal must be lodged by the player. The decisions of the Appeals Committee are final.

11. Lodging & Meals

11.1. Accommodation with full board will be provided from 04 to 15 September in the following official hotels:

I. COMPLEX AMIRAL**** – COMANDOR***** – ORFEU****, Euro/night/person

Hotel, no. rooms / hotel	Distance to playing hall	Place in single room	Place in double room	Place in triple room
Amiral 4*, 100 rooms	0,5 km	84	68	62
Comandor 4*, 110 rooms	0,5 km	84	68	62
Orfeu 3*, 80 rooms	0,5 km	76	59	54

II. RAMADA 4*+ HOTEL, Euro/night/person

Hotel	Distance to playing hall	Place in single room	Place in double room	Place in triple room
Ramada 4*+, 120 rooms	4 km	98	75	70

III. PHOENICIA COMPLEX – 3 km from the playing hall

- **PHOENICIA RESORT 4***, 1000 persons accommodation capacity

Rooms	Room Format	Price Euro/night/person
Junior Suite	65 sqm	98 E single/78 E double/74 E triple occupancy
Apartment 2 rooms	90 sqm	76 E triple/73 E four persons occupancy
Apartment 2 rooms	90 sqm, superior	80 E triple/77 E four persons occupancy
Apartment 3 rooms	125 sqm	78 E four/75 E five/72 E six pers. occupancy
Apartment 3 rooms	125 sqm, superior	76 E six/73 E seven/70 E eight pers. occupancy

- **PHOENICIA LUXURY 4*+ hotel, 150 rooms**

Price Euro/night/person: 98 Euro in single, 78 Euro in double

In case of need, more hotels of similar quality/price will be added.

11.2. The federations are served on the first come - first served basis. Transportation to and from playing hall will be provided from **RAMADA Hotel and PHOENICIA COMPLEX**.

11.3. All participants will be accommodated with full board buffet in single, double or triple rooms of “standard” category. Final registration form, organizing fee of 100 Euro/person and min. 50% of the accommodation must be sent to the organizer no later than **14th July, 2023**. The booking is considered to be assured when the respective amount is paid. All participants are accommodated in the official hotels. The rest of the payments must be finalized till **20 August, 2023**.

Players, coaches and accompanying persons who register after 14th July, 2023, pay extra charge of 100 EUR each and can register only upon availability and under the organizer’s confirmation.

11.4. All the above-mentioned payments are non-refundable if the booking is cancelled.

12. Bank account for accommodation and registration:

Payments for accommodation must be deposit at the following bank account:

Account beneficiary holder: ACS SAH CLUB UNIVERSUL

Account holder address: Snagov, Ilfov, Romania

IBAN account number: RO88BUCU1031304257075EUR (payments in Euro)

Bank name & address: Alpha Bank, Romania

BIC/SWIFT code: BUCUROBU

Sender should pay all bank commissions.

12.1. After online registration has been completed of the championship by the national federation, an invoice with all necessary bank details for payment will be sent. Organization fees, and min. 50% of the accommodation and transfer costs must be paid to the account of the organizer by **14th July**.

12.2. All bank commissions must be paid by the sender, if they are not paid, the organizer will provide an invoice which must be paid before the start of the championship.

13. Additional Regulations

13.1. Only the players and arbiters shall be allowed in the playing area, except with the express permission of the Chief Arbiter.

13.2. The European Anti-Cheating rules are valid for all the European Championships. (Article Q of the ECU Championship Rules).

13.3. During European Youth Championship, random Anti-Cheating inspections are made.

14. Health Protocol

14.1. During the championship there will be Medical Services according to the ECU and FIDE regulations. In case of pandemic, local legislation will be applicable.

15. Visas

13.1. Any federation members, players and accompanying persons who need a visa to enter Romania, are requested to contact the Organizer before the registration deadline of **14th July 2023**.

13.2. The organizer will provide invitations for visas only after the due payments are wired. Schengen visas are valid in Romania.

16. Contact information

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