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European Small Nations Individual Championship 21-29 November 2026

1. ORGANIZERS

The Federation Monegasque des Echecs, under the auspices of the European Chess Union

2. DATE AND VENUE

The 7th European Small Nations Individual Championship and 3rd Women European Small Nations Individual Championship will be held from Saturday 21 November (arrival) to Sunday 29 November 2026 (departure) in Monaco

3. Playing Schedule and Activities

Date	Time	Event
21/11/2026	All day 20:00 21:30	Arrival Opening Ceremony, Diner Technical Meeting
22/11/2026	14:00	Round 1
23/11/2026	9:00 16:00	Round 2 Round 3
24/11/2026	10:00 14:00	Visit Casino de Monte-Carlo Round 4
25/11/2026	9:00 16:00	Round 5 Round 6
26/11/2026	14:00	Round 7
27/11/2026	14:00 21:00	Round 8 Blitz Championship
28/11/2026	14:00 21:00	Round 9 Closing ceremony and dinner
29/11/2026	All Day	Departure

4. Participants

Federations participating in the event:

ANDORRA	LIECHTENSTEIN
CYPRUS	LUXEMBOURG
FAROE ISLANDS	MALTA
GUERNSEY	MONACO
JERSEY	SAN MARINO

5. Players Registration.

The Federations should complete the registration form for their player and accompanying persons.

Deadline for registrations:

- Players and accompanying persons: 21 September 2026.
- Payment of the accommodation, if applicable (only for those participants with accompanying persons): 21 September 2026.

6. Accommodation.

Two players from each Federation, one for Open and one for women's championship, will be provided with lodging from dinner of Saturday 21 November 2026 to the breakfast of Sunday 29 November 2026.

Each player will receive €400 for meals, either in the form of a gift card (Hotel Hermitage) or credited to their room (Hotel Novotel)

The accommodation will be provided in single rooms with breakfast in the Hotel HERMITAGE, square Beaumarchais 98000 Monaco, or Hotel NOVOTEL 16 boulevard Princesse Charlotte 98000 Monaco.

Accompanying persons will be required to pay for their breakfast, which is priced at €25, and to settle these amounts with the Organizing Committee. The opening and closing dinners are priced at €60 each.

Additional rooms only Hôtel Novotel, single room with breakfast 190€, double room 215€ with breakfast per day.

7. TRANSFER

Transfers to and from Nice Airport will be provided.

TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

1. Playing Hall

The playing hall will be in the Hotel NOVOTEL.

2. Round Robin Tournament.

The championship will be played using the 9 Round-Robin system. Starting numbers will be drawn at the Opening Ceremony.

The championship will be officially registered with FIDE for rating purposes.

3. Time Control.

The time control will be 90 minutes for 40 moves + 30 minutes for the rest of the game + 30 seconds increment from move 1.

Tolerance of fifteen (15) minutes will be applied for each round to arrive at the board at the start of the round.

4. Tie-Break Systems

The final classification is decided by game points (1 point for a win; ½ for a draw; 0 for a loss).

Tie-Break: 1. Direct Encounter; 2. Sonneborn-Berger; 3. Number of wins.

5. Procedure of appeals

Protests to decisions of the Chief Arbiter or any of his assistants must be submitted in written form to the Chairman of the Appeals committee within 30 minutes after completion of the playing round.

The claim must be accompanied by the sum of €50 , as a deposit from the signatory. If it is accepted and the decision changed, the deposit will be returned to the claimant. Otherwise, money will be transferred to the Organizing Committee.

The Appeals Committee will be selected prior to the first round during the technical meeting and will be made up of three people selected by most of the players .

6. Additional Rules.

- Analysing is not allowed in the playing hall
- Players are not allowed to bring any electronic device (mobile phone, smartwatch...) into the playing hall, even if switched-off in a pocket. If a mobile phone rings or another electronic device is noticed, the player will be punished according to the Laws of chess by loss of the game.
- Any draw agreement made before black's 30th move , without a valid FIDE claim, shall be considered invalid.

7. Prizes

There will be prizes for the top three players for each tournament (€500/€300/€200) and cups.

8. TOURNAMENT OFFICE

Office phone : +33650576354 Tournament Director: Jean Michel Rapaire

E-mail: cemc@libello.com

All the information about the tournament will be available on the tournament website

www.monaco-echecs.mc

9. Payments

All payments will be made by wire transfer to :

Bank : BNP

SWIFT/BIC : BNPAMCM1

IBAN : MC58 3000 4091 70000032 70896 76

Beneficiary : CERCLE D ECHECS DE MONTE CARLO

Concept : ESNA 2026 + Country

All the Bank commissions are to be paid by senders