



VARNA INTERNATIONAL OPEN CHESS FESTIVAL



**EIGHTH INTERNATIONAL
OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT "VARNA"
19 – 27 JUNE 2014**

Resort Complex "Sts. Constantine and Elena"

The Chess Club "Veselin Topalov" and the Municipality of Varna have the honour to invite Grandmasters, Masters and amateur chess players to take part in the **EIGHTH INTERNATIONAL OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT „VARNA”** as well as in the **FIRST INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT "The Fans of Chess"**, which will take place in Grand Hotel "Varna" – "Sts. Constantine and Elena" resort

At the same time, there will also be held the 11th International Festival of the School Champions - "The Hopefuls of the World"- 23 June - 3 July 2014.

PROGRAMME of the TOURNAMENTS

19 June, Thursday	14:00	Arrival, accommodation, registration
15:00		Technical conference
16:00		Official opening of the Tournament
		Beginning of the First round
20 June, Friday	15,30	Second round
21 June, Saturday	15,30	Third round
22 June, Sunday	15,30	Fourth round
23 June, Monday	15,30	Fifth round
24 June, Tuesday	15,30	Sixth round
25 June, Wednesday	15,30	Seventh round
26 June, Thursday	15,30	Eighth round
27 June, Friday	9:00	Ninth round
	18:00	Awarding ceremony and closing of the tournament

1. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1.1. The tournaments shall be held on the Swiss system in 9 rounds.

1.2. The time control for a game is 90 minutes per player for the entire chess game + 30 sec. per move, calculated as of the first move.

1.3. The tournaments are registered with FIDE and are valid for gaining national and international ratings and ranks.

2. PARTICIPATION

- 2.1. Right to participate in the tournaments shall have all the chess players, who have submitted an application for participation and have paid the respective tournament fee, as well as the total amount for accommodation and catering no later than 20 May 2014.
- 2.2. Players, who have declared their willingness to participate in OPEN VARNA by 20 May 2014 shall pay a tournament fee of 50 euro.
- 2.3. Students (under 18) shall pay a tournament fee of 50 euro.
- 2.4. Players, who have declared their willingness to participate in the “FANS” tournament by 20 May 2014 shall pay a tournament fee of 50 euro.
- 2.5. Students (under 18) shall pay – 40 euro.
- 2.6. Players, accommodated in a place different to the tournament hotels shall pay a tournament fee with a 60% surcharge for the respective group.

3. The organizers shall focus their efforts to involve a greater number of more qualified chess players in view of preserving the good name of the tournaments. According to the best judgment, there will be no chess players or other persons allowed, who have previously or during any tournaments provoked tension or breached the main principle of the global chess movement: **GENS UNA SUMUS !**

4. THE VENUE FOR THE CHESS GAMES

The chess games will be played in the conference hall of “Coral” hotel.

The hotel is situated 300 m away from „Grand Hotel Varna“.

The games on the first 10 boards will be broadcasted LIVE on www.chessvarna.com

5. PRIZES - OPEN “VARNA”

The prizes shall be in BGN (Bulgarian levs) (total 21 000 BGN).

		Women	Seniors - (over 65)
1.	3 000	9. 800	1. 400
2.	2 500	10. 700	2. 350
3.	2 250	11. 600	3. 300
4.	2 000	12. 500	3. 300
5.	1 800	13. 400	
6.	1 500	14. 300	
7.	1 200	15. 250	
8.	1 000		

Total 21,000 BGN

5.1. The prizes are guaranteed if there will be at least 40 participants.

6. PRIZES – Tournament “The Fans of Chess”

		Women	Seniors - (over 65)
1.	2 000	9. 300	
2.	1 500	10. 250	1.200
3.	1,250	11-15 – 5 x 200	2.150
4.	1,000	16-20 – 5 x150	3.100
5.	800		Players under 16
6.	600		Players under 14
7.	500		1.100
8.	400		2. 80
			3. 60
		Players under 12	Players under 10
		1.100	1.100
		2. 80	2. 80
		3. 60	3. 60

Total: 12,210 BGN

- 6.1. The prizes are guaranteed if there will be at least 80 participants.
 6.2. If the score gives right to two prizes, the higher shall be awarded.

7. RANKING:

- 7.1. Ranking shall be according to the obtained score.
 7.2. In case of tie-breaking, the following additional indicators shall be used:
1. Buchholts - 1
 2. Buchholts
 3. Number of wins
 4. Cumulative
 5. Sonneborn-Berger

Chief referee: Eng. Zdravko Nedev – FIDE international referee.

5. ACCOMMODATION AND CATERING

- 5.1. The accommodation and catering for the participants and the accompanying persons shall be in the official tournament hotels from the complex “Grand Hotel Varna” or “Coral”.
 5.2. The participants in Varna OPEN shall benefit from preferential prices.
 5.3. Bookings shall be done only through the Representatives of the Organizing Committee

6. Preferential prices for the participants and the accompanying persons:

“Grand hotel Varna”*****	
Single room	48 euro
Double room	76 euro
Adult + 1 child (from 4 and younger than 16)	68 euro
Adult + 2 children (from 4 and younger than 16)	98 euro
2 Adults + 2 children (from 4 and younger than 16)	105 euro
Children younger than 4 are accepted free	

A four-star hotel within complex Varna	
Single room	46 euro
Double room 2 adults	74 euro
Adult + 1 child (from 4 and younger than 16)	60 euro
Adult + 2 children (from 4 and younger than 16)	80 euro
2 Adults + 1 children (from 4 and younger than 16)	92 euro
Children younger than 4 are accepted free	
The stated prices are for accommodation and catering All inclusive Classic, using an outdoor and an indoor swimming pool, Jacuzzi and tourism fee.	

“Koral”****	Accommodation + full board - FB
Single room	44 euro
Double room -2 adults	72 euro
Adult + 1 child (from 4 and younger than 16)	66 euro
2 Adults + 1 children (from 4 and younger than 16)	100 euro
2 Adults + 2 children (from 4 and younger than 16)	106 euro

The transportation costs (if such is needed) from Varna Airport, the railway station or the central bus station in Varna to the hotel on the arrival and departure dates shall be 15 euro per player and 20 euro for a trainer or another accompanying person. Participants, coaches and other accompanying persons, having applied for participation in the Festival till March 31 2014 get 5% discount from the cost of accommodation and catering. Bank charges are on the sender.

The total amount for the accommodation, catering, participation fee and transportation (**with the bank charges, included**) should be paid no later than 30 April 2014 into the following bank account:

Bank: Municipal Bank PLC branch Varna

Bank Address: 61 Preslav Str. Varna BG

Swift: SOMBBGSF

Account No

IBAN:BG 65 SOMB 9130 1416 0597 01

Account Holder NCCF “Morsko konche”

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