Chess is at home in Hungary!
Besides the historical heritage, Hungary is in the top league of chess in the world.
Past and present legends
The Genius Polgar Sisters
Our Olympic success

**MEN**
- 8 gold
- 12 silver
- 12 bronze

**WOMEN**
- 9 gold
- 9 silver
- 10 bronze
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The development of sport is a priority for the Hungarian Government, including chess. Learning and practising chess is beneficial for all children. We are proud to be one of the most successful chess nations and we welcome the international chess family in Budapest.

Tünde Szabó, Olympic silver medallist in Fencing, State Secretary for Sport
Budapest is the city of culture, sport, traditions, and games. Chess symbolises all of these: a traditional game and sport with culture-forming potential. This makes Budapest equal to chess! Please, bring the Chess Olympiad to Budapest!

Gergely Karácsony,
Mayor of Budapest
Chess is an important tool in the education of the youth. With chess they learn that, just like in life, every move has its consequences.

Pál Schmitt, former President of Hungary, Member of the International Olympic Committee, Athlete of the Nation
Chess demands strategic thinking and concentration from players. Taking the responsibility for preparing and making a decision is of utmost importance in every Olympic sport. The Hungarian Olympic Committee respects the exceptional place chess holds in both the national and the international sport scene, thus understands the importance of this event. We wholeheartedly support the organisation of the Chess Olympiad in Hungary.

(The International Olympic Committee recognised chess as a sport in 1999, which would give this event further significance. In 2024 chess celebrates the 25th anniversary of this decision, that is surely a special fiesta for all members the world chess family.)

Krisztián Kulcsár, Olympic silver medallist in Fencing, President of the Hungarian Olympic Committee
It is not surprising that Hungarians have always been successful at chess. The ability to play, compete, and plan ahead is in our blood. Besides, outsmarting our enemies was the key to our survival a couple of times in history. Hosting the 2024 Chess Olympiad would be a huge honour, as it would allow us to prove not only these abilities, but also the uniqueness of Hungarian hospitality!

Mária Schmidt, Professor of History, Director-General of the House of Terror Museum
I always had great respect towards good chess players. I saw them as representatives of a higher intellectual sphere. For instance, my Piarist schoolmates, who played chess in their minds while walking in the forest with the class. But in general, I see that Hungarians respect chess players, let them be legendary champions, the world famous Polgar sisters, or masters playing in the street at the Eastern Railway Station or in the pools of the Széchenyi Spa. Both as science and passion, chess is at home in Budapest.

György Szöllősi, President of the Hungarian Sport Journalists’ Association, Editor-in-Chief of Nemzeti Sport
As a player I participated in ten Chess Olympiads, winning five gold, two silver, and one bronze medal. Chess is not just a sport; therefore, a Chess Olympiad is not just a mere sport event. It is a celebration of the diversity of chess: its connections to art, science, and education. And it is Budapest, my hometown, and one of the most beautiful cities in the world, that could host the 2024 Olympiad.

Judit Polgár, two-time Chess Olympic Champion, strongest female chess player of all time
If I am not mistaken, I participated in twenty Chess Olympiads. I would be very happy if Budapest could host the 2024 event, and I may still be there as a guest of honour.

Lajos Portisch, Chess Olympic Champion, Athlete of the Nation
During the 2012 Chess Olympiad in Istanbul I had the opportunity to participate in five matches and won three games as a member of the International Chess Team of the Deaf. I wish my disabled peers had the chance to get this feeling. I hope FIDE will allow the host country to enter a team with disabilities, making this dream come true.

Ferenc Frink, Chess Deaflympiad bronze medallist
Hungary has an exceptionally successful chess history. Hosting an Olympiad could make us proud not only of our past but of our future as well. Such an event does not only promote chess, but also gives extra motivation to the younger generation, including me. The possibility that I could represent Hungary on home turf would truly fill me with pride.

Kata Karácsonyi, world No. 1 among U14 girls
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# 46th World Chess Olympiad 2024 Schedule

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Innovations of the 2024 Chess Olympiad
Innovations on the 46th Chess Olympiad

State-of-the-art Technologies

- 5G high speed wireless network
- Real time visual broadcast
- Special tools and technologies (e.g. holograms, newly invented “sensitive” chess boards for the visually impaired etc.)
Innovations on the 46th Chess Olympiad

A Green Olympiad: Care for Your Environment!

- Possible transfers between the venues and the hotels with bicycles and electric vehicles
- „No paper no plastic” policy
- Every data and information available digitally
Innovations on the 46th Chess Olympiad

Balanced Numbers Between Ladies and Gentlemen

With close cooperation with FIDE, we strive to bring the number of women’s teams closer to those of men.
The Benefits of the Budapest Bid

- The full support of the Hungarian government, and a government guarantee for the whole budget
- Total Event Budget of EUR 16,647,000
- Flight connections with the whole world
- 3-4 hotels for the participants, not further than 4 kms from the Venue
Side Events in Connection with the Chess Olympiad

- Cultural programs
- Scientific events
- Programs for children
CHESS - MORE COLOURFUL THAN YOU'D THINK
Thank you for your attention!
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