

FIDE Trainers' Commission (TRG)

The FIDE Annual Trainer Awards 2020

1. Introduction

FIDE together with the FIDE Trainers' Commission (TRG) is pleased to announce the 13th FIDE Trainer Awards for 2020, which will recognise and celebrate the outstanding achievements of the training industry. The FIDE Trainer Awards will be given in the following six categories, five for trainers and one for book authors.

2. The Awards

- 1) Mikhail Botvinnik Award to the best achievement by trainer(s) in Open Section competitions
- 2) Vakhtang Karseladze Award for the best achievement by trainer(s) in women's and/or girl's competitions
- 3) Mark Dvoretzky Award for the best achievement by trainer(s) in junior competitions
- 4) Yuri Razuvaev Award for best contribution to grassroots education
- 5) Yuri Averbakh/Isaac Boleslavsky Award for instructional material in a book
- 6) Tigran Petrosian Award for special achievement/trainer education

3. Trainer Nominations

- a) The awards must be for achievement in the year of the award 2019, but earlier achievements may be mentioned to strengthen a nomination.
- b) Achievements from before the licensed period initiated are not eligible.
- c) Nominations can be made by FIDE Presidential Board members, Continental and National Chess Federations, TRG Commission members, Principals of FIDE Endorsed Academies, FIDE Senior Trainers and past winners.
- d) No nominator can nominate the same nominee in more than one category.
- e) Special nominations forms for each award will be prepared to ensure all pertinent information is provided.
- f) All nominations must be sent to the TRG Secretary by 30th April. The Secretary will acknowledge receipt, compile and forward them to the TRG Awards Nomination Judges, as well as announce the list of nominations in May to ensure transparency.
- g) There will be a panel of seven judges to be appointed by TRG in consultation with the FIDE Executive Director.
- h) The Executive Director, the TRG Chairman and Secretary and the Judges are not be eligible to be nominated.
- i) At least two judges will be women and all four continents will be represented.
- j) The nomination and judging process will be subject to verification by a representative appointed by the FIDE Management Board.

4. Book Nominations

- 1) For the Yuri Averbakh/Isaac Boleslavsky Award, book publishers may make up to three nominations each.
- 2) National Federations can nominate one book by a licensed trainer.
- 3) TRG will invite leading publishers to nominate a maximum of three books. One nominee from each publisher can be exempt from the requirement of a FIDE training license. Other publishers are welcome to request a permission to submit and in most cases we will approve.
- 4) A copy of nominated books has to be sent to TRG according to instructions by a given date in April.
- 5) This Award will be separately judged by a panel comprising three experts selected by TRG in consultation with the FIDE Executive Director.
- 6) The judges have the right to reject a nomination.
- 7) The nominations will be announced after the 31st March deadline, a short list will be announced by the 1st of July and the winner on the 21st of July.