



2016 AFRICAN SCHOOLS INDIVIDUAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

10th to 18th December 2016

Lusaka, Zambia

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The Championships will be held at the Golden Peacock Hotel in the Roma Area of Lusaka, the capital city of the Republic of Zambia, from **December 10, 2016** (arrival) to **December 18, 2016** (departure).

2. PARTICIPANTS

2.1 Age Groups

In accordance with FIDE regulations, the following age groups are invited:

- Under 7 – players born on or after January 1, 2009
- Under 9 – players born on or after January 1, 2007
- Under 11 – players born on or after January 1, 2005
- Under 13 – players born on or after January 1, 2003
- Under 15 – players born on or after January 1, 2001
- Under 17 – players born on or after January 1, 1999

2.2 Criteria

In accordance with FIDE regulations, the African Schools Individual Chess Championships are open to all players from Federations within the African Continent which are affiliated to the World Chess Federation (FIDE).

2.3 Official Players

Each African Federation is entitled to register one official player in each category, totalling a maximum of 12 official players.

2.4 Additional Players

Each African Federation will be allowed to enter up to four additional players in each category. These additional players will be responsible for payment of their board and lodging in addition to the prescribed Registration Fees and FIDE/ACC Fees.

Subject to agreement with the organisers, the Continental President may allow further additional players; subject to payment of their board and lodging as well as other prescribed fees such as Registration Fees and FIDE/ACC Fees.

3. REGISTRATION AND ENTRY FEES

- 3.1 The registration forms must be completed for all players, accompanying persons and the Head of the Delegation.
- 3.2 The registration forms must be filled and returned to the Organising Committee by each Federation no later than **November 26, 2016**. A copy of passport and an ID photo (in JPG/JPEG format) must also be sent to the organizers by the indicated date.
- 3.3 Duly completed registration forms must be e-mailed to the Chess Federation of Zambia Secretariat on e-mail cfz.secretariat@gmail.com with a copy to the Technical Director on e-mail chandaboydnsakanya@gmail.com.
- 3.4 A FIDE/ACC Entry Fee of **70 Euro** is required to be paid for each official player and **140 Euro** for each additional player.
- 3.5 A Registration Fee of **100 Euro** each must be paid by all players (official and additional), every accompanying person and all other members of delegations including the Head of the Delegation.
- 3.6 The Registration Fee includes provision for an Accreditation Badge and transportation from/to the airport from/to the official hotel on the official arrival date of **December 10, 2016** as well as on the official departure date of **December 18, 2016**.
- 3.7 Late entries after **November 26, 2016** will be subject to availability and at the discretion of the organizers. If accepted by the organizers, late entrants will have to pay a penalty fee of **50 Euro** per person.
- 3.8 Federations of the respective participants must arrange for the funds to be sent to the account of the Chess Federation of Zambia.
- 3.9 Players will not be paired until all payments have been settled.
- 3.10 All travel expenses to Lusaka, Zambia will be for the account of the participants or their Federations.
- 3.11 Players may not be paired if they do not arrive at the official venue before the scheduled start of the Technical Meeting.

4. VENUE AND ACCOMMODATION

- 4.1 The accommodation and playing venue will be at the Golden Peacock Hotel in Lusaka.
- 4.2 The Championships will be played in the New Conference Hall of the Golden Peacock Hotel.
- 4.3 Board and Lodging will be provided by the Organising Committee at the Golden Peacock Hotel.
- 4.4 All participants and all accompanying persons are obliged to lodge at the official accommodation venue. Bookings for the official accommodation for the event must be done through the Organising Committee.
- 4.5 All official players (one player per Federation in each category) are entitled to free full board and lodging for **8 nights**; checking in after 14.00 hrs on **December 10, 2016** and checking out before 12.00 hrs on **December 18, 2016** at the official hotel in shared twin rooms.
- 4.6 All officials, accompanying persons and additional players from participating federations will lodge at **55 Euro** per person per day shared (in a twin room) or **75 Euro** per person per day (single occupancy in a double room). These rates include full board (breakfast, lunch and dinner). The first meal provided by the organisers will be dinner on the evening of **December 10, 2016** whilst the last meal will be breakfast on the morning of **December 18, 2016**. Any additional meals will be charged separately.
- 4.7 All payments related to board and lodging must be paid before the **November 26, 2016**, which will be the deadline.
- 4.8 Scanned copies of documents confirming bank transfer of funds should be e-mailed to the Chess Federation of Zambia Secretariat on e-mail cfz.secretariat@gmail.com.
- 4.9 Players, officials and accompanying persons who arrive before **December 10, 2016** or depart after **December 18, 2016** will be expected to arrange their own accommodation or pay for the additional days.

5. HOSTING FEDERATION ADDRESS

Please note that for record purposes the physical address of the hosting federations is:

Chess Federation of Zambia
C/o The National Sports Council of Zambia,
NASDEC, Stand No. 2374, Off Nangwenya Road,
Great East Road, Lusaka, Zambia

6. TOURNAMENT AND ACCOMMODATION VENUE ADDRESS

Further note that the physical address of the venue where the participants will be accommodated as well as where games will be played is:

Golden Peacock Hotel
Plot No 174, Kasangula Road
Roma Area, Lusaka, Zambia

7. BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

All payments should be remitted to the bank account of the Chess Federation of Zambia, which is indicated here below:

Account Name: **CHESSE FEDERATION OF ZAMBIA**

Bank: **INVESTTRUST ZAMBIA PLC**

Account Number: **181510236758018**

SWIFT Code: **VSTRZMLUXXX**

Bank Address: **LEVY BUSINESS PARK BRANCH - SHOPS F06 & F08, LEVY BUSINESS PARK MALL, PO BOX 32344, LUSAKA, ZAMBIA**

8. TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

8.1 Format and Time Control

It is intended that the Championships will be played in accordance with FIDE regulations as a 9 Round Swiss System tournament. The time control will be 90 minutes for the game for each player, with an increment of 30 seconds per move starting from move one (1).

The games will be played using standard tournament chess sets and DGT clocks; and pairing will be published on www.chess-results.com.

Swiss Manager will be used for the Championships, and players from the same Federation will not be paired together in the last round.

Should the number of participants in any section be 10 players or less (Minimum 8 Players), the affected section will be adjusted to a Round Robin tournament.

If need be, some age groups could be merged if there are very few participants.

8.2 Tie Break

In case of a tie for the overall winner or other places, the tie will be broken as follows:

- (a) By the results between the players involved in the tie;
- (b) Buchholz, the highest number wins;
- (c) Number of wins, the highest number wins; and
- (d) The highest rating.

In case of a Round Robin, the tie break will be broken as follows:

- (a) by the result of the players involved in the tie;
- (b) then the Sonneborn-Berger;
- (c) highest number of wins;
- (d) highest rating.

9. AWARDS

9.1 Medals

The players taking the first three places in each age group category will be awarded Gold, Silver and Bronze medals respectively.

9.2 Qualification

The winners of each age group category (both Open and Girls) will be awarded personal rights to participate in the 2017 World Schools Individual Chess Championships.

9.3 Titles

In the Under-13, Under-15 & Under-17 categories, players finishing first (after tiebreak) shall be awarded the **FM/WFM** title.

The Silver & Bronze Medal (after tiebreak) winners shall be awarded the **CM/WCM** title.

In the Under-07, Under-09 & Under-11 categories, players finishing first equal up to 3 players or Silver & Bronze Medal (after tiebreak) winners shall be awarded the **CM/WCM** title.

The order of the players in the ranking is determined according to the number of points obtained. If at the end of the tournament two or more players are tied for the first place or other places, then a tie break will come into effect.

Certificates of Participation shall also be given to players, FIDE accredited trainers, Managers, and the appointed Technical officials.

10. CHIEF ARBITER

The Chief Arbiter for the 2016 African Schools Individual Chess Championships will be nominated by the ACC President. The Deputy Chief Arbiter and Section Arbiters will be appointed in consultation with the Organising Committee.

11. APPEALS COMMITTEE

The Chairperson of the Appeals Committee for the 2016 African Schools Individual Chess Championships will be nominated by the ACC President.

The Appeals Committee will consist of 3 members.

The other two members and two reserves will be chosen from among officials from the participating Federations.

Protests should be submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter within two hours (2 hours) after the end of the round, with a **100 Euro** deposit.

If the appeal is successful the deposit will be refunded.

12. TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

The tournament schedule is as follows but subject to some changes if need be. However any change to the schedule will be communicated during the Technical Meeting before the start of the first round.

Table 1: Schedule

Dates	Time	Activities
Saturday, December 10, 2016	From 10h00	Official arrival
	18h00 – 19h00	Opening Ceremony
Sunday, December 11, 2016	11h30 – 12h30	Technical Meeting
	15h00 – 19h00	Round 1
Monday, December 12, 2016	10h00 – 14h00	Round 2
	17h00 – 21h00	Round 3
Tuesday, December 13, 2016	10h00 – 14h00	Round 4
	17h00 – 21h00	Round 5
Wednesday, December 14, 2016	Free day	
Thursday, December 15, 2016	15h00 – 19h00	Round 6
Friday, December 16, 2016	10h00 – 14h00	Round 7
	17h00- 21h00	Round 8
Saturday, December 17, 2016	10h00 – 14h00	Round 9
	17h00 – 19h00	Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony
Sunday, December 18, 2016	From 10h00	Official departure

13. TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

All traveling arrangements and cost to and from Lusaka's **Kenneth Kaunda International Airport** or Lusaka's **Inter-City Bus Terminus** are to be taken care of by respective Federations or respective players participating in the tournament.

Organizers will meet participants and accompanying persons at **Kenneth Kaunda International Airport** and the **Inter-City Bus Terminus** provided that full itinerary for each participant and their accompanying persons are communicated to the organizer in advance; not later than **December 3, 2016**.

14. VISAS

For delegations coming from countries requiring entry visas into Zambia, these can be obtained from the **Zambian Embassies** or **Consulate Offices** in the respective countries. The **Organising Committee** will supply an official invitation to delegations that require it in order to facilitate applications for those coming from countries that need special invitations.

Should there be any problems in obtaining entry visas; the intending traveller should urgently contact the host federation for assistance, either by phone or e-mail, in this regard.

It is advisable that travellers carry the invitation letter and visa documents during travelling.

15. ORGANISING COMMITTEE CONTACT DETAILS

- i.** Chess Federation of Zambia Secretariat
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E-mail: chandaboydnsakanya@gmail.com
- iv.** **Treasurer:** Stanley NGULUBE
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E-mail: justchess3@yahoo.com

16. COUNTRIES AFFILIATED TO THE AFRICAN CHESS CONFEDERATION

Algeria, Angola, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Comoros Islands, Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, Egypt, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe

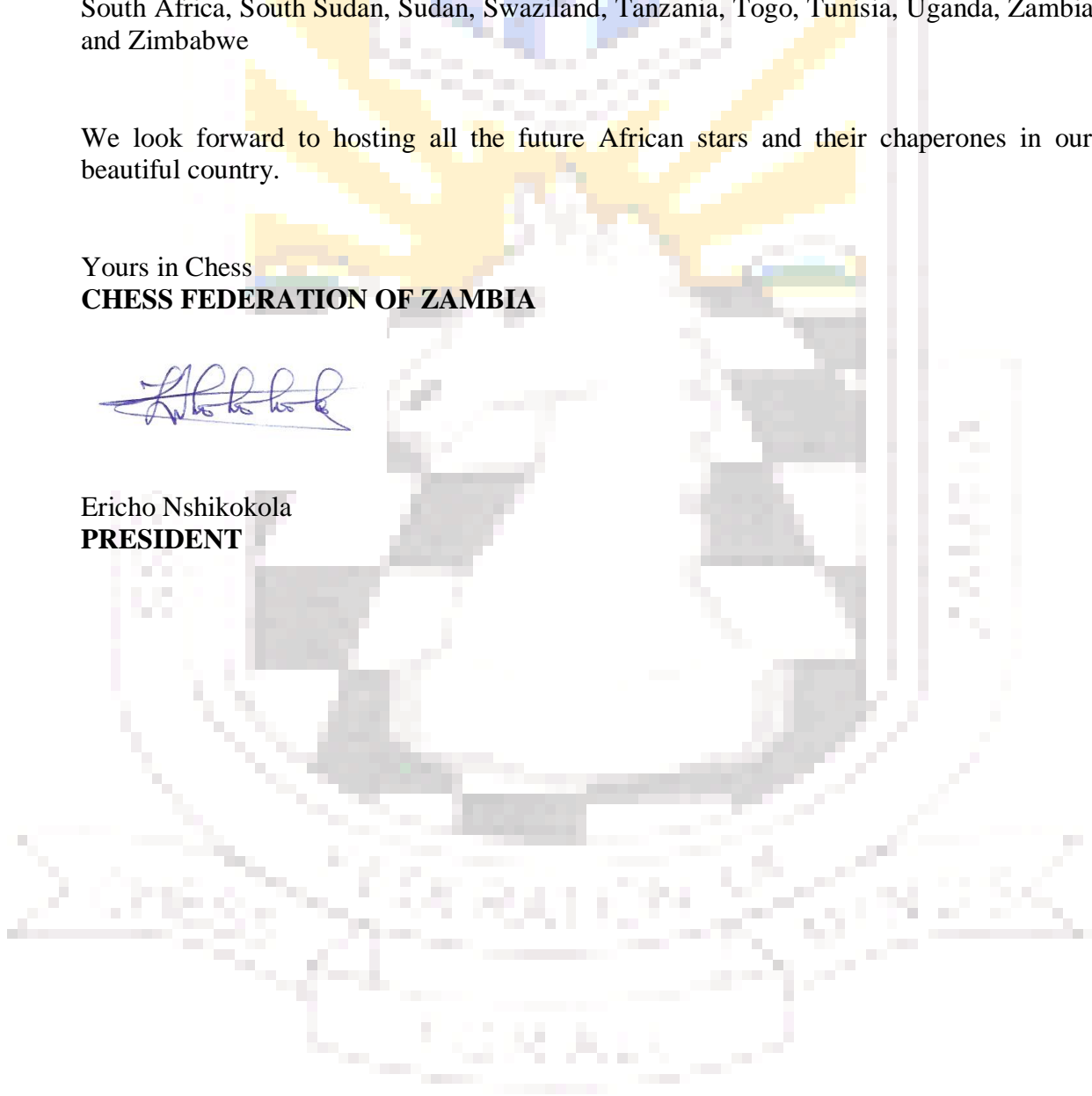
We look forward to hosting all the future African stars and their chaperones in our beautiful country.

Yours in Chess

CHESS FEDERATION OF ZAMBIA



Ericho Nshikokola
PRESIDENT



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PLAYER REGISTRATION FORM - OPEN SECTION

NATIONAL FEDERATION:

	FAX:	E-MAIL:

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

FIRST NAME	FAMILY NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	PASSPORT NUMBER	DATE OF ISSUE	DATE OF EXPIRY	PLACE OF BIRTH	FIDE ID NUMBER	TITLE

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PLAYER REGISTRATION FORM - GIRLS SECTION

NATIONAL FEDERATION:

	FAX:	E-MAIL:
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OFFICIALS/ACCOMPANYING PERSONS REGISTRATION FORM

NATIONAL FEDERATION:

FAX:

E-MAIL:

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