



2016 Zone 4.3 Individual Chess Championships

INVITATION

23 April-2 May 2016

**Hotel RIU CREOLE,
Pointe Sud Ouest, Le Morne
Mauritius**



Dear Friends,

Under the auspices of the African Chess Confederation, the Mauritius Chess Federation has the honour of inviting Zone 4.3 Federations affiliated to the World Chess Federation (FIDE) to participate in the 2016 Zone 4.3 Individual Chess Championships.

1. 2016 Zone 4.3 Individual Chess Championships

The Mauritius Chess Federation has the honour of inviting all chess federations in Zone 4.3 that are affiliated to the World Chess Federation (FIDE) to participate in the 2016 Zone 4.3 Individual Chess Championships.

The event will comprise an Open Section and a Women's section.

The Championships will be held from April 23, 2016 (arrival) to May 2, 2016 (departure) at the Hotel Riu Creole in Le Morne, in Mauritius.

http://www.riu.com/en/Paises/mauritius-island/morne-brabant/hotel-riu-creole/oferta.jsp?utm_medium=textlink&utm_source=Tripadvisor&utm_campaign=Businesslisting&utm_content=p

2. Participants

- In accordance with FIDE regulations, the Zone 4.3 Individual Chess Championships are open to all players from federations within the Zone 4.3 region which are affiliated to FIDE.
- Federations will be allowed to enter a maximum of five (5) players in each category.
- The host federation reserves the right to field up to seven (7) players in each category and also hold a player in reserve; that can be registered if there are an odd number of participants.
- Subject to agreement with the organizers, the Continental President may allow additional participants for the tournament.



3. Tournament Regulations

- It is intended that the Championships will be played in accordance with FIDE regulations as a 9 Round Swiss System tournament.
- Time control will be 90 minutes for the first 40 moves, followed by 30 minutes for the rest of the game, with an increment of 30 seconds per move starting from move one (1)
- The games will be played using Digital Clocks; and pairings will be published on www.chess-results.com
- Swiss Manager will be used for the Championship, and players from the same Federation will not be paired together in the last round.
- Draw offers are not allowed before Black's 30th move.

4. 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 by black, the highest wins
- d) The highest rating

5. Title Awards

The winner in the Open Section will be awarded International Master (IM) title whilst the winner in the Women's Section will be awarded the Woman International Master (WIM) title.



Other titles will be awarded depending on performance in accordance with FIDE title requirements.

6. Prizes

Open Section

Winner: US\$ 1,000

Second Place: US\$ 800

Third Place: US\$ 600

Fourth Place: US\$ 400

Fifth Place: US\$ 200

Women's Section

Winner: US\$ 750

Second Place: US\$ 500

Third Place: US\$ 250

7. Qualification for 2017-2018 ACC Grand Prix

The 2016 Zone 4.3 Championship is a qualification event for the 2017-2018 ACC Grand Prix.

The winners in the Open Section will qualify for the 2017-2018 ACC Grand Prix.

8. Tournament Schedule

The tournament schedule is as follows but subject to some changes if need be. However any changes to the schedule will be communicated during the Technical Meeting before the start of 1st round.



Table 1: Schedule of Tournament

Dates	Time	Activities
23 April	18.00 hrs	Arrival Opening Ceremony
24 April	10:00 – 11:00 15:00 hrs	Technical Meeting 1 st Round
25 April	10:00 hrs 17.00 hrs	2 nd Round 3 rd Round
26 April	15.00 hrs	4 th Round
27 April	10:00hrs 17.00 hrs	5 th Round 6 th Round
28 April	ALL DAY	Free Day
29 April	15:00hrs	7 th Round
30 April	15:00hrs	8 th Round
1 May	10:00 hrs 18:00 hrs	9 th Round Award and Closing ceremony
2 May		Departure



9. Chief Arbiter & Appeals Committee

The Chief Arbiter for the 2016 Zone 4.3 Individual Chess Championships will be appointed by the ACC President.

The Appeals Committee will consist of 3 members and 2 reserves chosen from among the participating Federations.

Protests should be submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter within two hours (2 hours) after the end of the round in question, with a Euro 100 deposit. The deposit is refundable, if the appeal is successful.

10. Board and Lodging

- All additional players, officials and accompanying persons from participating federations will lodge at **Euros 85** per person per day (sharing) or **Euros 130** per person per day (single room). This cost includes **an All-Inclusive package of 3 meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner) + selected drinks/Mini-bar**.
- All payments related to board and lodging must be effected before the **DEADLINE DATE**, which will be the **March 31, 2016**.
- Players, officials and accompanying persons who arrive before the **official arrival date** or depart after **official departure date** will be expected to arrange their own accommodation for the extra days or pay for the additional days at the tournament lodging venue the Hotel Riu Creole.
- Participating Federations will receive free board and lodging for one player in each category on **an All-Inclusive package**
- Important note: all payments must be made to the account of the Mauritius Chess Federation as indicated in item 11. Bank Details or upon arrival subject to a specific request to the Organizers. If payments are not received before the start of the competition, players will not be allowed to participate in the tournament



11. FIDE Fees

In accordance with FIDE regulations both official players and additional players shall be required to pay FIDE fees of **€70** per player.

One player in the Women Category and one in the Open category from each federation will be recognized as official player while all others will be additional players.

Fees must be paid into Mauritius Chess Federation Account by the deadline date of **March 31, 2016**.

12. Accreditation

Each federation should send names together with Passport size photos for all their Players, Officials and Accompanying persons by March 15, 2016.

13. Registration Fees:

- The Registration Fee for each participating player is **100 Euros** and must be paid into the Mauritius Chess Federation account before **March 31, 2016**.
- Payments may be made also upon arrival; provided a request is made to the Organizers. Players whose Fees remain unpaid at the start of the Technical Meeting will not be allowed to participate to the tournament.
- Only Federations can register players.
- The Registration Fee for each official and each accompanying person will be **100 Euros**.
- No refunds will be made for any player, official or accompanying person who fails to make it to the Tournament after paying Registration or FIDE fees.



- Registration Forms for entries are attached herein; Federation officials must fill them in and return them to the designated Mauritius Chess Federation officials on or before **March 15, 2016** by e-mail to confirm entry.
- All registered players, officials and accompanying persons are entitled to:-
 - Free Transfer to and from **Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport** on the arrival and departure dates.
 - Shuttle to various places in the city depending on the *Shuttle schedule*.
 - For players, free bottled water, coffee or tea and snacks during time of play (Included in your All-Inclusive package)
 - Free Bulletins after each round for players and coaches.

14. Bank Details

Bank: MAURITIUS COMMERCIAL BANK LTD

Branch: SIR WILLIAM NEWTON ST, PORT-LOUIS, MAURITIUS

Account Name: MAURITIUS CHESS FEDERATION

Account number: MU26MCBL0901000001597372000MUR

Account type: CURRENT ACCOUNT

Swift Code: MCBLMUMU



15. Local Currency

- The Local Currency is the Mauritian Rupee (MUR).
35.00 Mauritian Rupee (MUR) is equivalent to 1 (One) United States Dollar (US\$) and 38.00 MUR to 1 EUR as at 1st January 2016.

16. Travel Arrangements

- All travelling arrangements and costs to and from **Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport** are to be taken care of by respective Federations or respective players participating in the tournament.
- Organizers will meet participants and accompanying persons at **Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport** provided that full itinerary for each participant and their accompanying persons are communicated to the organizer by **March 15, 2016**.

17. Visas

17.1 Players, Officials and Accompanying persons from the following countries will need entry visas into Mauritius:

Please check link below

[Passport & Immigration Office, Mauritius](#)

17.2 For delegations coming from countries requiring entry visas into Mauritius, these can be obtained from Mauritian Embassies or consulate offices in your country.

The Mauritius Chess Federation will issue an official invitation for delegations requiring the same for Visa processing. In some cases Visas may be obtained at the border of entry into Mauritius but participants or accompanying persons will still need invitation letters.



For any additional information please contact the Organisers on the following contact details:

Mauritius Chess Federation

Email: krish75@intnet.mu

President H Bhowany or to

Vice-President P Li Ying

Email: patliying@intnet.mu

18. Deadline

- Entry forms must be filled by the respective Federation and returned to the host federation not later than **15 March 2016**. This date is the registration deadline.
- Late registration attracts a penalty charge of **50 Euros**. The host Federation will thereafter reserve the rights to accept or reject any player.

19. Organizers Contacts

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Zone 4.3 Countries

- Angola
- Botswana
- Comoros Islands
- Democratic Republic of Congo
- Lesotho
- Madagascar
- Malawi
- Mauritius
- Mozambique
- Namibia
- South Africa
- Swaziland
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe

Welcome to our beautiful island!!

Yours Sincerely,

Hurrinarain Bhowany

PRESIDENT

MAURITIUS CHESS FEDERATION



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Registration Form

Federation name	
Contact Person	
Email	
Telephone	

Open section :

Surname	Name	FIDE ID	FIDE RATING	TITLE

Women section

Surname	Name	FIDE ID	FIDE RATING	TITLE

Accompanying persons

Surname	Name	Designation