



AFRICAN CLUBS CHAMPIONS CUP

Cairo, EGYPT 2017

23rd July – 1st August 2017

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Under the auspices of the African Chess Confederation (ACC), The Egyptian Chess Federation (ECF) in Conjunction with Eastern Company Club has the honour of inviting all African Chess Federations affiliated to the World Chess Federation (FIDE) to participate in the 2017 African Clubs Champions Cup

The Championship will be held in Cairo, Egypt from 23rd July 2017 (official arrival date), to 1st August 2017 (official departure date).

PARTICIPATION CRITERIA AND ACCOMMODATION COSTS

- Each national chess federation has the right to send TWO teams.
- Each team shall comprise 4 players and 1 reserve. Plus 1 captain (or Trainer) and a delegate (Official head of delegation).
- The host federation may add a third team in case the participating teams are an odd number.
- All Officials, accompanying persons and players from participating federations are obliged to stay at the official 4 stars hotel. Rates of the hotel are: **US \$ 65** per person per day in a single room _ full board basis (3 meals daily) and **US \$ 50** per person per day in a twin bed room.
- Deadline: The last day for registration is **1st July 2017**

ENTRY AND REGISTRATION FEES

- Each participating team is not required to pay Entry fees.
- Team(s) registration must be done through their National Federations.

Registration Fees

- The Registration Fee is **100 US \$** for each participating player, official or accompanying persons. It must be paid to the Egyptian Chess Federation upon arrival.
- Players' fees remained unpaid at the start of the Technical Meeting will not be allowed to participate in the tournament.
- Registration Forms for entries are attached herein; Federation officials must fill them in and return them to the designated Egyptian Chess Federation officials on or before **1st July 2017** by e-mail to confirm entry.
- All registered players, officials and accompanying persons are entitled to:-
 - Free Transfer to and from Cairo Airport to the Hotel on the arrival and departure dates.
 - Free bottled water, coffee and tea during time of play for players are All-inclusive package.
 - Free Bulletins after each round for players and coaches.
 - Free CD including games and photos of the tournament.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

- The cost of traveling to Cairo, Egypt and returning home again shall be the responsibility of each federation or club.

TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS, TIE BREAK and PRIZES

- The Championship will be played in accordance with FIDE regulations.
- If the participating teams are 10 teams or less, the tournament will be adjusted to a Round Robin (all play all) event. But if the number of teams is 12 or more, then the tournament will be 9 Rounds Swiss System.
- Time control will be 90 minutes for each player, with an addition of 30 seconds per move starting from move one.
- When the Swiss System is used, the position of teams that finish with the same number of match points shall be determined by application of the following tiebreaking procedures, in sequence: ① By the game points; ② By the game scores of all the team's opponents; ③ By the result of the matches between teams in contention.
- When the round robin system is used, the following tie-breaking apply, in sequence: ① The game points; ② The match result between teams in question; ③ The Sonnenborn-Berger points for teams.
- The Organizing Committee shall also award Gold, Silver and Bronze medals to the 6 members of the teams taking the first three places plus cup to the winning team
- Individual Board medals - Players assigned to the same board number in their respective team lists shall be in competition with each other for an individual board medals. For the purpose of this award, the player's performance rating from their games shall be compared. Only the following shall be eligible for board medals: Board Numbers 1 to 4 who take part in at least 60% of the rounds; Board Number 5 who takes part in at least 50%.

LOCAL CURRENCY

- The local currency of Egypt is the Egyptian Pound (**Livre Egyptienne**)_ L.E., which currently stands at an exchange rate of L.E. 19.20 = €1 or L.E. 18 = US \$ 1.

VISAS

- Participants, who require entry visas into Egypt, may obtain them from the Egyptian Embassies or Consulates in their countries.
- The host Federation will arrange an official invitations to facilitate the applications for those countries that need special invitations.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Dates	Time	Activities
23 rd July	Arrivals	
24 th July	11:00 hrs 16:30 hrs 17:00 hrs	Technical Meeting Opening ceremony 1 st Round
25 th July	17:00 hrs	2 nd Round
26 th July	10:00 hrs 17:00 hrs	3 rd Round 4 th Round
27 th July	17:00 hrs	5 th Round
28 th July	17:00 hrs	6 th Round
29 th July	17:00 hrs	7 th Round
30 th July	17:00 hrs	8 th Round
31 st July	10:00 hrs 19:00 hrs	9 th Round Closing ceremony
1 st August	Departures	

CHIEF ARBITER

The Chief Arbiter of the Championship will be appointed by the ACC President.

APPEALS COMMITTEE

- The Appeals Committee will consist of 3 members and 2 reserves chosen from among the participating clubs.
- Appeals should be submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter within two hours (2 hours) after the end of the match in question, with a deposit of US\$ 100. The deposit is refundable, if the appeal is successful.
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Organizing Committee (OC):

1. **Dr. Hesham Elgendy** , President of ECF, , hesham14@gmail.com
2. **Mr. Ahmed Ismail**, Chairman of OC, egyptian.chess.fed@gmail.com
3. **Mr. Hassan Khaled** , Technical Manager, haskh@yahoo.com

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REGISTRATION FORM

Federation name	
Club Name	
Contact Person	
Email	
Telephone	

Players:

Surname	Name	FIDE ID	FIDE RATING	TITLE	Room
1-					
2-					
3-					
4-					
5-					

Accompanying Persons (Delegate, coach,)

Surname	Name	Designation	Room

Flight Details:

Flight No:	Date of Arrival	Time of Arrival
Flight No:	Date of Departure	Time of Departure

To be emailed to the Egyptian Chess Federation: egyptian.chess.fed@gmail.com

On or before 1st July 2017