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EUROPEAN YOUTH TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP August 16 – August 24, 2017, Rymanów Zdrój, Poland

under the auspices of Wladyslaw Ortyl – Marshal of the Podkarpackie Voivodeship

Honorary Committee chaired by Ewa Leniart – Voivode of the Podkarpackie Voivodeship

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. ORGANIZER

PST "Stomil" Rymanów Zdrój

2. CO-ORGANIZER

Polish Chess Federation

3. VENUE, DATE, SCHEDULE

3.1 The Championship will be held from August 16th (day of arrival) until August 24th (day of departure), 2017 in Rymanów Zdrój, Poland.

3.2 The Captain's Meeting will take place on August 16th at 21.00 at the tournament hall at the PST "Stomil" Rymanów Zdrój, Świerkowa 1.

3.3 SCHEDULE Wednesday 16.08 Arrival of Participants Captain's Meeting 16.08 at 21.00 Opening Ceremony Thursday 17.08 at 14.30 17.08 at 15.00 - 20.00 1st round Friday 18.08 at 15.00 - 20.00 2nd round Saturday 19.08 at 15.00 - 20.00 3rd round Sunday 20.08 at 15.00 - 20.00 4th round Monday 21.08 at 15.00 - 20.00 5th round Tuesday 22.08 at 15.00 - 20.00 6th round Wednesday 23.08 at 11.00 - 16.00 7th round 23.08 at 19.00 Closing ceremony Departure of Participants Thursday 24.08

4. PARTICIPATION

Each national federation member of the European Chess Union (ECU) has the right to enter unlimited number of teams of four (4) players and one (1) reserve in the open competition and unlimited number of teams of two (2) female players and one (1) reserve in the girl's competition.

5. RECEPTION

The reception will be arranged in the PST "Stomil" in Rymanów Zdrój, Świerkowa 1. All Delegations should register there their participation between 12.00 and 20:00 and take part in the Captain's Meeting on August 16th at 21:00.

6. SYSTEM AND RATE OF PLAY

- 1. The European Youth Team Championship shall be held on the Swiss system in 7 rounds, with one open section and one section for the girl's teams, considered as separate competitions. According to ECU and FIDE rules, the time control will be 90 min for 40 moves + 30 min for the rest of the game + 30 sec increment for every move played starting from the first move.
- 2. Players may only agree to a draw after the 30th move has been made by black. Players violating this rule will be forfeited. If a player is offered a draw before the 30th move has been made by black, he should call an arbiter. His opponent shall be punished for distracting, according to the FIDE Laws of Chess.
- 3. Default time for all rounds is 15 minutes.

7. TIE-BREAK SYSTEM

The order of teams that finish with the same number of match points shall be determined by application of the following tie-breaking procedures in sequence, proceeding from A to B to C to D the extent required:

A - by the sum of Sonneborn-Berger points, which is calculated as follows: match points of each opponent, excluding the opponent who scored the lowest number of match points, multiplied by the number of board points scored against each opponent respectively. The highest number wins. In case of two or more opponents with this same number of match point the lowest results of multiplication should be excluded;

B - by the number of board points won, the highest number wins

C - by the sum of the board points of all team's opponents, the highest number wins

 \mathbf{D} - by the sum of the board points of all opponents defeated plus one half of the board points of all the opponents with which a tied result was achieved, the highest number wins.

8. ECU ENTRY FEE

8.1. In accordance with ECU regulations an entry fee of 100 Euro is required for each open national team and another 100 Euro for each girls national team.

8.2. According to the ECU regulations (Art. B.9.5.1), the entry fee shall be paid by the federations to ECU before or at the start of the competition. If the entry fee is not paid by the end of round 2 these teams will not be paired in subsequent rounds.

The ECU fees must be paid to the account of the European Chess Union. Bank: Credit Suisse, Postfach 357, CH - 6301 Zug Account number: 1835105-42 Holder: European Chess Union National Bank Code: 4835 BIC: CRESCHZZXXX IBAN Code: CH3604835183510542000

9. PRIZES

9.1. The first three teams in open and women's section as well will receive trophies. Each member of the winning team (players, reserves and captain) will receive a gold medal. The members of the second and third placed teams will each receive a silver and bronze medal respectively. Additionally, all medallist receives in-kind prizes.

9.2. For the best placed teams and for the individual results for the best board result, the organizer will provide medals, trophies and in-kind prizes to the value of 5.000 Euros.

9.3 All players, team captains are to take part in the opening and closing ceremony. If one (player, member or captain of a team) of the prize-winners is absent during the closing ceremony, medal, trophy, and in-kind prizes will not be awarded as long as a penalty of 100 Euro per player (or captain) has not been paid.

10. FREE ANIMATIONS

10.1. Special evenings for all participants, e.g. disco with professional DJ, bonfire with roasting sausages & music, guided tour of Rymanów Zdrój.

10.2. Several chess and sport activities will be organized during the festival, e.g. blitz tournament, soccer tournament.

11. APPLICATIONS, REGISTRATION

11.1 The national federations are kindly requested to fill in and return the enclosed Application Forms (in attachment) to the organizers as soon as possible but not later than June 15th, 2017. Applications have to be sent by the national federations, only.

11.2 The completed application forms should be sent by official email to:

dme@eytcc2017.pl with cc: agnieszka.fornal@gmail.com

11.3 The complete registration form must include surname/s, first name/s, FIDE ID number, FIDE rating and title, passport number of each player/captain/head of delegation. It must also include the name and telephone/email of the person in charge of the Federation. All participants (players, captains, accompanying persons, etc.) must send the photos for badges by email to: <u>dme@eytcc2017.pl</u> with cc: <u>agnieszka.fornal@gmail.com</u> 11.4 Teams will not be registered until all their registration details have been fulfilled.

11.5 Not later than August 1st, each participating federation shall confirm the exact team lists with all names. The list must be sent to the Organizer and ECU Tournament Director. 11.6 Late Entries:

Applications received after June 15th, 2017, may be refused the entry, or may be subject to reimbursement of extra costs incurred by the organizers.

12. PLAYING HALL

The Championship will be held in the PST "Stomil". Coffee and tea buffet will be provided in the playing hall free of charge.

13. ACCOMMODATION AND BOARD

13.1 The Organizers offer accommodation in the "Stomil" Medical Centre in Rymanów Zdrój, Świerkowa 1 situated on a hill, with deciduous and coniferous forest, a view over recreation area and the Tabor River. "Stomil" offers over than 70 types of medical treatments and specializes in 10 medical profiles. Centre is suitable for individual guests, families and business groups. "Stomil" is proud to have over 40-year experience and highly qualified staff and perform over 289 000 treatment procedures per year for approximately 5200 customers, using modern therapeutic methods.

The Championship will be played in this venue.

Single room with full board 55 Euros per day/per person

Double room with full board 45 Euros per day/per person

Triple room with full board 40 Euros per day/per person (the number of rooms is limited).

Participants staying in this venue will have a free access to internet and swimming pool. Additionally, organizers offer for each participant discount up to 30% on medical treatments (e.g. biological regeneration, kinesiotherapy, relaxation, massage, inhalations).

13.2 The organizer can only guarantee accommodation for official hotel when the reservation and payment has been made on time. Regarding this we are asking all Federations to make all necessary reservations and payments on time.

13.3 After the registration deadline, organizers are not obliged to provide accommodation and board. Reservations made in the official hotel are valid only if the payments are made not later than June 15th, 2017.

13.4 Players and accompanying persons who choose another hotel than the official one will take the risk of their transportation to the playing venue, security, and all official tournament information.

14. LOCAL TRANSPORT

14.1 Players and accompanying persons who make private transport arrangements should clearly indicate this in writing at the time of registration. They will be fully responsible for any problems experienced during their arrival, departure, and each round transportation to the venue of the Championship.

14.2. The organizers will provide bus transportation for teams to the official hotel on August 16^{th} (arrival) and back on August 24^{th} (departure) from:

Cracow – Balice, Poland – International Airport	200 km	50 € /per person
Rzeszów – Jasionka Poland – International Airport	75 km	30 €/ per person

14.3. Transportation in other days is possible after personal requests.

15. PAYMENTS

15.1 At the time of registration all payments (hotel and registration fee) have to be done by bank transfer before June 15th, 2017 to the following bank account:

Holder: PRZEDSIEBIORSTWO SANATORYJNO-TURYSTYCZNE STOMIL Sp. z o.o., ul. Świerkowa 1, 38-481 Rymanów Zdrój
Account no: PL 84 8636 0005 2001 0000 0358 0004 (in EUR)
Bank: BANK SPOLDZIELCZY w RYMANOWIE, ul. Rynek 14, 38-480 Rymanów
SWIFT code: POLUPLPR

15.2 The foreign Bank commissions are to be paid by senders. If it is not paid, the organizers will charge the respective participants and the payment must be done in full during registration.

15.3. All payments paid are not refundable. However, *force majeure* might, in extreme cases, be considered in cases when organizer can retrieve the funds from the venue.

16. WEATHER CONDITIONS

We expect sunny weather with temperature about 20-25 Celsius. Occasional rain is possible.

17. ELECTRICITY

The standard voltage in Poland is 220 Volts with Euro plugs.

18. INSURANCE

All participants (players, captains, heads of delegations, accompanying persons, etc.) have to insure themselves for health and accident risk for the period of the championship.

19. MEDICAL CARE

During the Tournament there will be Medical Services.

20. VISAS

20.1 Poland is a member of the Schengen agreement.

20.2 Citizens of the following European countries are not required to be in possession of a visa when entering Poland for less than 90 days: Albania (only for holders of biometric passports), Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina (only for holders of biometric passports), Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Macedonia (only for holders of biometric passports), Malta, Monaco, Montenegro (only for holders of biometric passports), Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Serbia (only for holders of biometric passports), Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Vatican.

20.3 A person wishing to receive an invitation for a visa from the organisers have to stay in the official venue.

20.4 Persons who prefer to stay elsewhere need to take care of their visas on their own.

20.5 The organisers will not be responsible for issuing an invitation for visa purpose if necessary information (last name, first name, date of birth of each player, head of delegation, passport number, date of issue and validity) and scanned copy of the passport are submitted after May 15th, 2017 and payments are not done.

20.6 Members of national federation requiring visas are requested to contact Anna Grodecka at email: <u>dme@eytcc2017.pl</u> with cc: <u>agnieszka.fornal@gmail.com</u>

21. CHIEF ARBITER

Will be announced two months before the tournament.

22. INFORMATION

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The official tournament website: <u>http://www.eytcc2017.p</u>l

THE FINAL INTERPRETATION OF THE GENERAL INFORMATION BELONGS TO THE ORGANIZERS AND EUROPEAN CHESS UNION.

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