



35th

24th

**European Club Cup
European Club Cup
for Women**

**Ulcinj
(Montenegro)**

09-17 November 2019

GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. INVITATION

This is the official invitation to all European Chess Federations affiliated to FIDE and ECU to participate in the 35th European Club Cup and the 24th European Club Cup for Women. The events will be held in Ulcinj, Montenegro. The dates are 9th November (arrival and opening) to 17th November 2019 (departure).

2. PARTICIPATION

The valid regulations to be followed for the European Club Cup (open & women) are the “ECU Tournament Rules” approved by the General Assembly of the European Chess Union. Each European federation is allowed to take part in this competition. According to the regulations, participation is open to:

- Mednyi Vsadnik St. Petersburg, Russia, the current cup holder in the open competition.
- Three (3) clubs per federation in which a national team championship is organized or two (2) Clubs per federation in which no national team championship is organized.
- A fourth club is allowed to that federation(s) in which a national team championship is organized, provided that at least 10 teams, 20 grandmasters and/or players with a FIDE rating over 2600 have participated in the most recent national team championship.
- One additional club (only in the open competition) for the European federations, which are ranked in the first five places of the Federation ranking list. These federations are: Azerbaijan, Czech Republic, Russia, Israel and FYROM.
- Any additional request for participation should be examined by the ECU Board
- In the Women competition all Clubs, members of ECU Federations, are allowed to participate. Clubs shall be registered only through the National Chess Federations.

3. ECU FEES

- 3.1. In accordance with ECU regulations each federation shall pay an entry fee of 300 euros per participating club of the open competition and 200 euros per participating club of the women competition to the ECU bank account.
- 3.2. According to the ECU regulations (article B.9.5.1), the ECU entry fee shall be paid by the federations to the ECU Bank account before the start of the competition. If by the end of the 2nd round the entry fee is not paid these teams will not be paired in the subsequent rounds.
- 3.3. If a participating club wants to include a player in the open competition who does not fulfil the requirements of the ECU Tournament Regulations, Article F.1.2, the club has to pay an amount to ECU according to the player's FIDE classical rating (rating list of July 2019):

▪ Rating 2600 and more 2500 EURO	▪ Rating 2300 – 2399 500 EURO
▪ Rating 2500 – 2599 1500 EURO	▪ Rating 2200 – 2299 250 EURO
▪ Rating 2400 – 2499 1000 EURO	▪ Rating 2199 and below free



For the European Club Cup for Women this fee is waived for all the ECU Chess Federations where a National Team women Championship is organized.

For clubs which play in an ECU Chess Federation, in which no national team championship is organized, the club has to pay an amount to ECU of 500 euros per foreign woman player over 2300 FIDE rating.

These fees must be paid to the ECU bank account before the start of the event.

See also article 12 – Additional Competition Rules.

3.4. THE ECU BANK ACCOUNT

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



4.APPLICATION, REGISTRATION

- 4.1. Every federation that intends to participate, with one or more clubs, must inform the Organizing Committee before 30th of July 2019 of its acceptance of the invitation, specifying also the exact number of the clubs participating. A copy should be sent to Tournament Director Mr. Petr Pisk, e- mail: petr.pisk@centrum.cz
- 4.2. Afterwards, the entry forms must be completed and returned to the Tournament office email: chesscup2019@gmail.com no later than 15th September 2019. The date of 15th September 2019 is the registration deadline. In the entry form, the basic team composition must be written.
- 4.3. The complete registration form must include surname/s, first name/s, ID number, FIDE rating and title, and passport number of each player. It must also include the name and telephone / e-mail / fax number of the Chief of Delegation and of the person in charge of the Club.
- 4.4. The clubs that will include in their basic team's composition players competing at the FIDE Grand Prix in Hamburg, Germany (4-18 of November) can declare up to 10 players, if at least 2 players competing at the FIDE GP. These clubs shall finalize the 8 players basic list during the Technical meeting at 9th of October at 21.00.
- 4.5. All entry forms have to be put forward by the respective federation: entries not supported by the federation will not be accepted.
- 4.6. A registration fee of 100 euros for each player, captain and accompanying person will be charged which includes accreditation, badges and transfer from Podgorica and Tivat airport to the official hotels & venue. Teams will not be paired until all their registration details and payments have been fulfilled. According to request transfer from Tirana airport can be organized for 25€ per person.



In order to avoid the problem of last-minute team changes, which are not in accordance with the ECU Club Cup Tournament Rules, each federation has to send a copy of the club list(s) as entered for the respective national team competition to the Tournament Director.

5. TRAVEL DETAILS

- 5.1. Transfer from Podgorica (78 km) and Tivat (87 km) airport to the official hotel & venue, will be offered by the Organizing Committee.
- 5.2. In addition transfer from Tirana (Albania) Airport (135 km) will be offered for price of 25€ per person.
- 5.3. The official transport services will be available on 8th and 9th November (arrival) and on 17th November (departure). The Organizing Committee will accept group special requests from clubs regarding transfer dates.



6. LODGING AND MEALS

- 6.1. According the article B.14.5.1 of the ECU tournament regulations, the participating teams shall stay in the official hotel for the championship KARISMA HOTELS - ULCINJ: "Holiday Village Montenegro" (****). Registrations and bookings are possible only through the Organizing Committee
- 6.2. Accommodation and meals for all players and accompanying persons will be offered by the organizer with the following rates (all taxes included) per day and per person at the official hotel & venue, the 4-star KARISMA HOTELS:



a) in double room: 65 euros per person, all taxes and full board included (breakfast, lunch, dinner)

b) in single room: 89 euros per person, all taxes and full board included (breakfast, lunch, dinner).

The accommodation will be in All Inclusive concept which includes:

- breakfast, lunch and dinner in main restaurant Lastavica.



SWALLOW (Main Restaurant) Buffet and family style restaurant with, rustic & shabby chic decor plus ice cream corner.

Breakfast: 07:30 am — 10:30 am

Lunch: 12:30 pm — 03:00 pm

Dinner: 06:00 pm — 09:30 pm

All inclusive included in:

- Beach Bar Sabbia - 10 to 16pm
- Sunset pool bar - 10 to 17 pm
- Irish pub - 18 to 24 h
- Lobby bar Holiday Villages 10 to 8pm

- 6.3. Clubs from the European Small Nations (FIDE Zone 10.1) have a 10% discount of the above rates.



Room with balcony

7. PAYMENTS

- 7.1 By the deadline of registration (no later than 15th September 2019), the registration fee of 100 euros per person plus a non-refundable deposit of 30% for all costs of each club should be transferred to the following bank account to confirm registrations and bookings. The full amount of all costs must be paid before 01 November 2017:

PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

For SWIFT transfers in EUR

Please pay as per instructions given below:

Field 56A:

SOGEFRPP

(Intermediary) Societe Generale - Paris

Field 57A:

PDBPMEPG

(Account with Inst)

Podgoricka banka

Societe General Group AD Podgorica

Field 59:

PRISMA DOO

(Beneficiary)

ME25550005010000373040

PODGORICA

MONTENEGRO

Field 70:

obligatory

(Remittance Information)



List of correspondents for USD, CHF, GBP

of Podgoricka banka Societe Generale Group AD:

Currency Bank

USD

Societe Generale New York

SWIFT/BIC

SOGEU33

CHF

Credit Suisse AG Zurich CH

CRESCHZZ80A

GBP

Stopanska banka AD Skopje

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- 7.2. The foreign bank commissions must be paid by the sender. If not, the respective amount will be charged and should be paid in full before the end of the second round.



8.TROPHIES AND PRIZE FUND

- 8.1 The first 3 teams will receive trophies. Each team member of the winning club (players, reserves and captain) will receive a gold medal. The team members of the 2nd and 3rd placed clubs will each receive a silver and bronze medal respectively.
- 8.2 For the best placed clubs and for the individual results for the best board result in the open competition, prizes to the value of 26.000 euros will be provided. For the best placed clubs and for the individual results for the best board result in the women competition, prizes to the value of 14.000 euros will be provided. In addition, an individual prize of 400 euros will be given to the player with the best performance from a “small nations” club.
- 8.3 The total prize fund of 45.200 euros will be distributed as follows:
- 8.3.1. Money prizes:



	OPEN (26.000 EUR)	WOMEN (14.000 EUR)
1st place	11.000 EUR	6.000 EUR
2nd place	7.000 EUR	4.000 EUR
3rd place	3.500 EUR	2.500 EUR
4th place	2.000 EUR	1.500 EUR
5th place	1.500 EUR	
6th place	1.000 EUR	
INDIVIDUAL PRIZES	3200EUR	2000EUR
1st board	400 EUR	400 EUR
2nd board	400 EUR	400 EUR
3rd board	400 EUR	400 EUR
4th board	400 EUR	400 EUR
5th board	400 EUR	400 EUR
6th board	400 EUR	
7th board	400 EUR	
8th board	400 EUR	

- 8.3.2. Money prizes are distributed equally among teams with the same match points.
- 8.3.3 For the individual prizes the players performance score is calculated if the player takes part in at least 70% of the rounds (for basic players) or 50% of the rounds (for reserve players). The reserve players are competing in the 6th Board in Open and in the 4th Board in Women Club Cup.



9.TOURNAMENT HALL

The event will be held in the KARISMA HOTELS HALL. Accredited spectators will be allowed in the tournament hall to watch the games.

10. SCHEDULE

Date	Hours	Activity
Saturday, 9th November		Arrivals
Saturday, 9th November	20:00	Opening ceremony
Saturday, 9th November	22:00	Technical meeting
Sunday, 10th November	15:00	1st round
Monday, 11th November	15:00	2nd round
Tuesday, 12th November	15:00	3rd round
Wednesday, 13th November	15:00	4th round
Thursday, 14th November	15:00	5th round
Friday,15th November	15:00	6th round
Saturday,16th November	15:00	7th round
Saturday,16th November	22:00	Closing ceremony
Sunday,17th November		Departures



Teams that are not represented at the technical meeting will not be paired, in accordance with the decisions of the ECU Board.





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11. BASIC COMPETITION RULES

11.1 The championships will be held in 7 rounds, played in the Swiss system in accordance with the ECU Tournament Rules.

If there are eight teams or less in a competition, the competition will be played as a Round Robin tournament. In such case the drawing of lots will take place at the Captain's Meeting.

If there are 9-12 teams in a competition, the competition will be played by a combined system according to the ECU Regulations.

11.2 According to FIDE and ECU rules, the time control will be 90 minutes for 40 moves plus 30 minutes for the rest of the game with an increment of 30 seconds per move, starting from move one.

11.3. 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/her opponent shall be punished for distracting, according to the FIDE Laws of Chess.

12. ADDITIONAL COMPETITION RULES

- The default time is 15 minutes
- Analysis is not allowed in the playing hall
- During the game the players are not allowed to go to the analysis room or to the press center
- Flash photography may be used only in the first ten (10) minutes of the playing session
- Only the players, captains and arbiters shall be allowed in the actual playing area, except with the express permission of the Chief Arbiter.
- Players are not allowed to enter the closed area of the top boards if they don't play there themselves.
- As long as the game is in progress, a player may talk only to an arbiter or with his opponent, as permitted by the Laws of Chess.

- Regarding foreigners, ECU Tournament Regulations F.1.2 will be followed strictly:
The teams shall be composed of six (6) players and two (2) reserves all of whom must be members of the club and were entitled to play for the club in the national team championship of the federation which was organized within one year before the start of the current European Club Cup. However, players who are foreigners to the federation in which the national team championship is organized, must have played at least two games in this championship. Foreigners are defined as those which are either belonging to another federation in the FIDE Rating List valid at the start of the national team championship or have a permanent residence outside the federation in which this national team championship is organized.

If a participating club wants to include a player who does not fulfil the requirements of article F.1.2 the club has to pay an amount to ECU according to the player's FIDE classical rating on the July 2019 rating list (see article 3 – ECU Fees). These players have to be announced to the Tournament Director before the deadline for nomination of teams, and the extra fee has to be paid to ECU bank account before the start of the competition

Players who are considered as foreigners according to F.1.2, and who have been playing at least three times for the same club in previous European Club Cup competitions, are exempted from the obligation to play at least two games in the championship of the federation for this club. For the women competition the teams shall be composed for four (4) players and one (1) reserve.

- Attention is drawn to the fact that this competition is offering the possibility to achieve GM - or IM - norms based on 7 games.
- No teams of federations that are in financial arrears with respect to the European Chess Union will be allowed to enter the competition
- The ECU Rules for dress code is valid for all the European Championships
- The European Anti-Cheating rules are valid for all the European Championships. (Article Q of the ECU Tournament Rules).
- It is assumed that all players have read the Tournament Regulations and accept to conform to them.
- The English text of these Tournament Regulations is the authentic version.



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13. TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR, ARBITERS AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

General Director of the European Club Cup 2019 is IO Mr. Jovan Milovic (MNE) and Tournament Director of the European Club Cup 2019 is Petr Pisk (CZE).

The Chairman and 2 members of the Appeals Committee, the Chief Arbiter and Deputy Arbiters of the competition will be announced no later than 1st November 2019. Two reserve members of the Appeals Committee will be elected in the captains meeting by the team captains.

14. ENTRY VISA TO MONTENEGRO

Teams or players needing visas are requested to contact the Organizing Committee before 9th September 2019 and apply on time to the Montenegro Authorities. The Organizing Committee will provide invitations for visas only after the necessary payments. The Organizing Committee has no responsibility for late or not complete applications.





15. CONTACT / INFORMATION

The official website of the European Club Cup 2019 is

<http://www.sahcg.me/euclubcup>

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