



25th Keres Memorial – ACP Open

Dedicated to Keres 100 Jubilee.



ORGANIZERS

Estonian Sports Association Kalev in cooperation with the Estonian Chess Federation and Association of Chess Professionals.

The Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Estonia, the Cultural Endowment of Estonia, the Council of the Gambling Tax, the City of Tallinn and sponsors support organizing the competition.

PURPOSE

January 7, 2016 will be the 100th birth anniversary of chess grandmaster Paul Keres who was elected the Estonian Sportsman of the 20th Century. The competition celebrates the birth anniversary of one of the greatest chess players of all time. Paul Keres was member of ESA Kalev and always represented sportsclub in all his matches. ESA Kalev is the oldest and biggest sports organization in Estonia, which was founded in 1901. ESA Kalev as main organizer is keeping the memory of Paul Keres alive through this tournament. The competition belongs to the ACP 2016 Tour.

TIME & VENUE

The competition will be held from January 7 to January 10, 2016 in Tallinn, at the conference halls of the Park Inn by Radisson Meriton Conference & Spa Hotel.

SCHEDULE

January 7, 2016

16:00 – 19:00 Arrival and registration of participants
20:00 Opening Ceremony

January 8, 2016

10:00 – 12:00 Registration of participants, Technical Meeting, pairing
14:00 – 15:15 1st round
15:30 – 16:45 2nd round
17:00 – 18:15 3rd round
18:30 – 20:00 4th round

January 9, 2016

11:00 – 12:15 5th round
12:30 – 13:45 6th round
15:00 – 16:15 7th round
16:30 – 17:45 8th round

January 10, 2016

11:00 – 12:15 9th – 11th round
12:30 – 13:45 9th – 11th round
14:00 – 15:15 9th – 11th round
16:00 Closing Ceremony

SYSTEM AND RATE OF PLAY

The competition will be organized in 11-round Swiss system, in accordance with the FIDE Laws of Chess. The rate of play will be 15 minutes for the entire game with an increment of 10 seconds starting from move one. No zero tolerance will be used. Organizers reserve the right to check the players in accordance with FIDE Anti-cheating guidelines.



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REGISTRATION

The competition is open to all players who have registered by December 20, 2015, at the latest, and have paid the participation fee to the bank account of Estonian Sports Society Kalev by that date.

SEB Pank; Account number EE641010022002657005, SWIFT code EEUHEE2X;
Swedbank; Account number EE252200221001173980, SWIFT code HABAE2X;
LHV Pank; Account number EE247700771000738096, SWIFT code LHVBE22.
Recipient Name: Eesti Spordiselts Kalev (Estonian Sports Association Kalev)
Explanation: Keres 2016 and the participant's name

The participation fee can also be paid earlier at the office of the Estonian Sports Association Kalev at the following address: Pärnu mnt.41, 2nd floor, room 14.

PARTICIPATION FEE

unrated players	– 50 euros;
rating less than 1799	– 40 euros;
1800 - 1999	– 30 euros;
2000 - 2199	– 25 euros;
2200 - 2399	– 20 euros;
2400 - 2549	– 10 euros;
GM/WGM	- free

There is a discount of 20% for women, seniors (born 1956 or earlier) and youth players (born 1998 or later). Estonian players have an additional discount of 10%. The discounts will apply if the players registering on time. The participation fee is based on the FIDE rapid rating (if a player does not have the rapid rating, FIDE standard rating will be used)

Late payments in cash before the start of the tournament will be at extra fee of 10 euros.

TIE-BREAKS

- 1) M-Buchholtz with the lowest scoring opponent's score discarded;
- 2) Buchholtz with the 2 lowest scoring opponents' scores discarded ;
- 3) Direct Encounter.

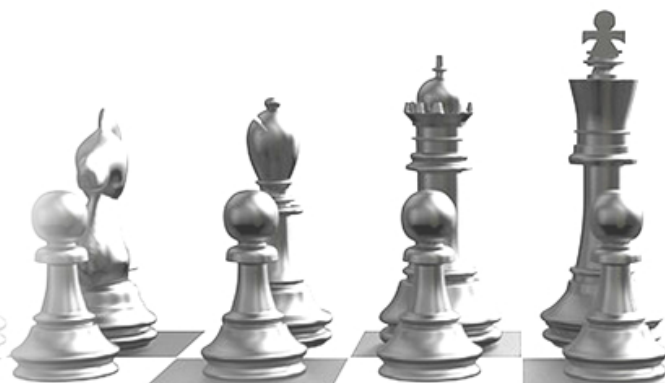
Prizes will be split according to the Hort system.

PRIZES

All players will compete for the general prize fund of 10 000 euros , additionally there will be a special prize fund of 5000 euros for the ACP Premium members. The total prize fund of the competition will be 15 000 euros.

General Prizes:

I place	- 2000 euros
II place	- 1500 euros
III place	- 1000 euros
IV place	- 800 euros
V place	- 650 euros
VI place	- 500 euros
7th-8th places	- 250 euros
9th -10th places	- 150 euros
11th-15th places	- 100 euros



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Special Prizes

Women:

I place – 400 euros; II place – 300 euros; III place – 200 euros;

Estonian Players:

I place – 200 euros; II place – 150 euros; III place – 100 euros;

Seniors (born 1956 or earlier):

I place – 150 euros; II place – 100 euros; III place – 50 euros;

Open (born 1998 or later)

I place – 125 euros; II place – 100 euros; III place – 75 euros;

Girls (born 1998 or later)

I place – 125 euros; II place – 100 euros; III place – 75 euros;

No player will be awarded more than one general prize. Award money may be subject to Estonian taxes, 10% of income tax for non-residents .

ACP Premium members prizes :

I place - 1500 euros
II place - 1000 euros
III place - 500 euros
IV place - 300 euros
V place - 200 euros
6th-10th places - 100 euros

Categories (not compatible with other ACP prizes)

Women:

I place – 250 euros; II place – 150 euros; III place – 100 euros;

Elo (classical) under 2650

I place – 250 euros; II place – 150 euros; III place – 100 euros;

The ACP prizes are net and compatible with the general prizes. Any titled player can issue his/her ACP Membership for the year 2016 up to the start of the tournament, in order to be eligible for the prizes. For more information, please visit <http://www.chessprofessionals.org/register>

SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR GRANDMASTERS

The official hotel of the competition will be the Park Inn by Radisson Meriton Conference & Spa Hotel Tallinn (<http://www.parkinn.com/hotel-meriton-tallinn>). There will be a limited number of a three-days accommodations provided free for Grandmasters according to their ratings, geographical diversity and registration time. ACP Members are advised to contact ACP President Emil Sutovsky (president@chessprofessionals.org), all others, please contact Aleksander Tammert (keres@eestikalev.ee)

ACCOMMODATION

The organizers offer all participants who have registered on time, accommodation at discount price at the official hotel of the competition - the Park Inn by Radisson Meriton Conference & Spa Hotel Tallinn.

It is a comfortable and modern 4**** hotel with a spa. In 2014, European Youth Rapid & Blitz Chess Championships were held at this hotel. Accommodation requests should be sent to keres@eestikalev.ee together with the registration.

The rates for accommodation ordered through the organizer will be 65 euros per night in a single room and 39 euros per person per night in a double room (breakfast included)

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