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INVITATION FIDE CONGRESS AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2025

Dear friends,

2025 has been a truly special year for FIDE – a Social Year filled with many events and initiatives across the chess world. Our Commissions have continued working for the benefit of chess community, and countless people within our family across the globe have contributed their time and energy to advancing chess in all its forms. The Congress this year will be both a wrap-up and reflection on our collective achievements, and a chance to plan the activities that will shape the year ahead.

In this spirit, it is my pleasure to invite Presidents and Delegates, Commission members, the FIDE Council and Zonal Council, as well as members of our Management and Advisory Boards, to take part in the relevant meetings of the FIDE Congress 2025, which will be held online from 24 November to 14 December 2025.

The General Assembly will give us the opportunity to exchange ideas, celebrate the progress made this year, and prepare together for an exciting 2026 – the year of the Chess Olympiad. Although we meet online, I am confident that our discussions will be dynamic and meaningful.

I value your presence, your voice, and your contribution, and I look forward to working side by side with all of you to continue building the future of our chess family.

Gens una sumus – We are one family.

Arkady Dvorkovich

FIDE President

Annex – FIDE Council decision



ANNEX

FIDE COUNCIL DECISION

The FIDE Council approved the decision to hold the FIDE General Assembly online, on Sunday, 14 December 2025.

In accordance with the FIDE Charter, the General Assembly, together with the meetings of the FIDE Zonal Council, the FIDE Council, and the FIDE Commissions, shall constitute the FIDE Congress, which is scheduled as follows:

FIDE Commissions meetings: 24–28 November 2025

FIDE Council meeting: 11 December 2025

FIDE Zonal Council meeting: 13 December 2025

FIDE General Assembly: 14 December 2025

It was further noted that, in line with the provisions of the FIDE Charter, National Federations and Affiliated Organizations wishing to propose an item for inclusion on the agenda of the General Assembly shall submit all relevant documents to the FIDE Office. Such proposals must reach the FIDE Office no later than 14 October 2025, i.e., two months prior to the opening date of the General Assembly.

Attention was also drawn to the provisions of Article 17.6 of the FIDE Charter, concerning the requirements for delegates.

With respect to the meetings of the FIDE Commissions, it was recalled that these may be convened at an earlier date than those indicated above, subject to the opinion of the respective Commission members.