



EUROPEAN SCHOOL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017

for School Chess Champions in categories

OPEN U7, U9, U11, U13, U15, U17 / GIRLS U7, U9, U11, U13, U15, U17

10 – 20 June 2017, Budva, MONTENEGRO



Budva is the metropolis of Montenegrin tourism thanks to the great number of beaches and hotels that make this a most desirable tourist destination. The Budva coast is 21 km long with 17 beaches. It is among the most beautiful coasts in the world and its beauty will not leave you indifferent. Budva is must visit place in Montenegro and the whole city is dedicated to provide best tourist offer.

GENERAL REGULATION

1. INVITATION

The European Chess Union (ECU) and the Montenegro Chess Federation have the honor of inviting all National Chess Federations members of the European Chess Union and eligible players to participate in the **European School Chess Championships 2017** organized in Budva, Montenegro from 10 June (arrival) to 20 June (departure).

2. PARTICIPATION – AGE LIMITS

2.1. Each National Federation may enter an unlimited number of players in each of the **12 age groups**. In case that one girl group is less than 10 participants then it will be merged with the same open age group category.

2.2. **Entitled to participate are players (Boys & Girls) who shall not have reached the age:**

Of 07, by 1st January 2017 (date of birth: 1 January 2010 and after) – Tournament Under 07;

Of 09, by 1st January 2017 (date of birth: 1 January 2008 and after) – Tournament Under 09;

Of 11, by 1st January 2017 (date of birth: 1 January 2006 and after) – Tournament Under 11;

Of 13, by 1st January 2017 (date of birth: 1 January 2004 and after) – Tournament Under 13;

Of 15, by 1st January 2017 (date of birth: 1 January 2002 and after) – Tournament Under 15;

Of 17, by 1st January 2017 (date of birth: 1 January 2000 and after) – Tournament Under 17.

Upon arrival, captains or players may be requested to present the passports of their players for verification of the age eligibility.

2.3. Accommodation and travel expenses will be covered from the participants, federations, schools and their sponsors. Delegations of players must be accompanied at least by one adult (chief, coach or parent), who will take care about the travel details.

3. ENTRY FEE

3.1. ECU entry fee: In accordance with the ECU regulations, the ECU entry fee of 20 Euros is required for each player. It shall be paid directly to the European Chess Union (Bank: Credit Suisse, IBAN: CH3604835183510542000, SWIFT/BIC: CRESCHZZXXX, Holder name: European Chess Union) before the start of the 2nd round.

3.2. The registration fee is 100 Euros per person and it includes transport from each Montenegrin Airport.

3.3. Registration fee includes a personal accreditation without which it will not be possible to enter the Playing Hall.

4. REGISTRATION AND TRAVEL CONDITIONS

4.1 Entries must be sent from the National Federations or the players and returned to the Organization Committee not later than **Tuesday, 18 April 2017**. If the Federation does not forward the registration form the copy must be sent to the National Federation for information and approval.

4.2 The complete registration of each delegation must include the surname/s, first name/s, FIDE ID number, FIDE rating, dates of arrival/departure and passport number (for visa only purpose) of each player and each accompanying person. It must also include the name and telephone/e-mail/fax number of the Chief of Delegation.

4.3 The cost of bus transportation from Podgorica (60 km) and Tivat (25km) International airport to the tournament hotels, including return on the departure day, is free of charge.

4.4 All entries shall be confirmed by the Organization Committee and rooms will be booked after a deposit payment of 150 Euros per person, within a week after the deadline of 18 April 2017, to the official Montenegro Chess Federation through the instructions available on the event website <http://www.euroschoools2017.me>

The receipt of the deposit payment must also be sent via email to the Organizing Committee. The remaining balance shall be paid upon arrival and no later than the start of the 2nd round.

4.5. Bank charges must be paid by the sender. If not, the respective amount will be charged and should be paid in full before the start of the 2nd round.

5. VENUE – ACCOMMODATION

5.1 Accommodation and board will be provided at the Slovenska Plaza Hotel.

5.2 Every participant is obliged to lodge at the official hotel. Every accompanying person that requests a visa from the Organizing Committee is obliged to lodge at the official hotel. Bookings are made only through the Organizing Committee (through the registration and booking form).

5.3 Hotel payments must be paid in Euros (EUR). No future payments of hotel bills will be accepted. Cancellations are not possible after Tuesday, 18 April 2017.

5.4 Lodging for players, coaches and accompanying persons to be registered and booked only through the Organizing Committee (includes accommodation, daily full board with breakfast, lunch and dinner, free use of the hotel pools, accreditation):

The prices in Hotel Slovenska Plaza are shown below:

Slovenska Plaza	Room	Price per person/day
3+ *	1/3	47 €
	1/2	52 €
	1/1	64 €
4 *	1/3	50 €
	1/2	55 €
	1/1	67 €

- Children 0-3 years old are free of charge in their parents' room.

6. RULES AND REGULATIONS

The tournament will be played under the ECU Tournament Regulations and FIDE Rules and will be FIDE rated. The tournament will be played according to the Swiss System in 9 rounds. National ratings will not be taken into consideration for the pairings. Rate of play will be according to FIDE regulations 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 1. Default time is 15 minutes for each round.

7. PLAYING SCHEDULE

Saturday	10 June	Arrival of Delegations
Saturday	10 June	Captain meeting 21:00
Sunday	11 June	1 Round at 16:00
Monday	12 June	2 Round at 16:00
Tuesday	13 June	3 Round at 16:00
Wednesday	14 June	4 Round at 9:30
Wednesday	14 June	5 Round at 16:00
Thursday	15 June	Free day
Friday	16 June	6 Round at 16:00
Saturday	17 June	7 Round at 16:00
Sunday	18 June	8 Round at 16:00
Monday	19 June	9 Round at 9:30
Tuesday	19 June	Closing ceremony 18:00
Wednesday	20 June	Departure

8. PRIZES – TITLES

8.1 The first European winner in each open age category is the European School Champion for 2017 and the first European girl in each girl age category is the European Girl School Champion for 2017. They will be awarded with trophies and special diplomas.

8.2 **Qualifications:**

The 6 first winners (U7, U9, U11, U13, U15, and U17) and the 6 Girl winners (U7, U9, U11, U13, U15, and U17) according to FIDE regulations will play as invited players in the World School Chess Championships 2018 in Durres, Albania.

8.3. GENERAL STANDING PRIZES

6 Open Champions (U7, U9, U11, U13, U15, U17)	Invited participants World School 2018 Special Gifts	Trophies
6 Girl Champions (U7, U9, U11, U13, U15, U17)	Invited participants World School 2018 Special Gifts	Trophies
Position 2 - 3 Each category	Special Gifts	Trophies
Position 4 - 7 Each category	Special Gifts	Medals

8.4. SPECIAL PRIZES

1st player born 2009 (U9) 1st girl player born 2009 (GU9)	Special Gifts	Medals
1st player born 2007 (U11) 1st girl player born 2007 (GU11)	Special Gifts	Medals
1st player born 2005 (U13) 1st girl player born 2005 (GU13)	Special Gifts	Medals
1st player born 2003 (U15) 1st girl player born 2003 (GU15)	Special Gifts	Medals
1st player born 2001 (U17) 1st girl player born 2001 (GU17)	Special Gifts	Medals

9. SIDE EVENTS

- Excursions Program
- Solving Competition
- Seminars
- Sport activities

10. VISA INFORMATION

Teams or players needing visas are requested to contact the Organizing Committee before **Tuesday, 18 April 2017** and apply on time to Montenegrin Authorities. The Organizing Committee will provide invitations for visas only after the necessary payments. The O Organizing Committee has no responsibility for late or incomplete applications.

11. CONTACT THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE

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