



29th World Senior Chess Championship Bucharest, Romania, 11-24 November 2019

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General Regulations

1. Invitation

The World Chess Federation (FIDE) and the Romanian Chess Federation have the honour to invite all senior women and men throughout the world to participate in the **29th World Senior Chess Championship** (50+ and 65+) organised in Bucharest, Romania, **11th November** (arrival) to **24th November** (departure) 2019.

2. Participation

The World Senior Chess Championship is open to all players, regardless of rating and title.

The player must have reached the required age during the year of Competition. and represent National Chess Federations which are members of FIDE. There is no limit in the number of participants per federation.

According to the FIDE tournament rules, the Championship will be played in four categories: age 50+ and 65+, Open and Women.

The top 3 players from the previous edition shall have personal rights to participate. In addition, the top 3 players from each Continental Senior Championship of the year preceding this edition are qualified with personal rights and their places cannot be substituted, and will be accepted with free board and hotel accommodation.

3. Entry fees and registration fees

FIDE entry fee: Each player has to pay to FIDE the amount of 70 EUR as FIDE entry fee.

Organizing fee: Each player has to pay **80 EUR** as registration fee for the event. It includes registration and accreditation and transfer from and to Bucharest Intl. Airport.

FIDE entry fee and registration fee together with the payment for booking must be paid simultaneously with the application. The payment must be made by bank transfer. Invited players or their federations will also pay the fees.

The registration period ends on 11th September 2019, after that the FIDE entry fee is 140 EUR and a Late Registration fee of 20 EUR may be applied.

4. Registration, bookings and payments

All players have to register before 11th September 2019 (registration deadline). The entry form should be filled out on the official website of the championship.

All players are obliged to be accommodated in the official hotel through the organizer.

Access to playing areas and venues will be allowed only to people accredited by the organizer.

In addition to the written application, a personal registration before the beginning of the tournament is necessary. This will be done on 11th November, in the playing venue, between 16.00 and 22.00 hrs. and on 12th November, between 08.00 and 10.00 hrs. Players who are not registered before the technical meeting (November 12th, 10.00 hrs.) cannot be included in the drawing of lots and entry fees will be forfeited.

At the time of registration, minimum the amount of 300 EUR (80 EUR registration fee + 70 EUR FIDE entry fee + 150 EUR part of hotel booking) must be transferred (free of bank charge) to the following bank account and the balance upon arrival.

Bank Account: ALPHA BANK S.A., ROMANIA BIC: BUCUROBU IBAN: RO66 BUCU 1032 2353 4075 8RON for payments in LEU EURO: RO56 BUCU 1031 2159 5330 8EUR for payments in EURO ACCOUNT HOLDER: ASOCIATIA CLUB SPORTIV MIND GAMES & EVENTS BENEFICIARY ADDRESS: STRADA SIRENELOR NR. 35, SECTOR 5, BUCURESTI, ROMANIA, POSTAL CODE 050855

Players with personal rights must pay only FIDE entry fee and registration fee (150 EUR together) if they register till September 11th 2019.

Accompanying people must pay only a part of hotel booking (150 EUR) till September 11th 2019.

Entry Fees for late registration, withdrawal or no show: late registration after the closing date two times of stipulated entry fee; withdrawal after submission of registration: two times of stipulated entry fee and one night hotel expenses; no show after registration: two times of stipulated entry fee and two nights hotel expenses; if a player/team registers late and withdraws or does not appear the federation will be charged the higher penalty. Registration fee will be reimbursed based on a prior medical letter/report received no later than 9 November.

5. Airport transfers

The organizer will arrange the transfer from the Bucharest Airport to the hotel and back for free for all players (it is including in the registration fee), on the arrival day and respectively on the departure day.

6. Accommodation and Playing Hall

Lodging and boarding will be provided with **full board** (breakfast, lunch, dinner included) at RIN GRAND Hotel****, as follows:

single room = 69 EUR / person and night

double room = 56 EUR /person and night.

Players with personal rights will be accommodated with full board in single rooms. Free lodging and boarding will be provided for them from 11th November (dinner) to 24th November (lunch). Any additional overnights will be charged according to prices mentioned above.

7. Tournament schedule, November 2019

Monday	11.11.	Arrival day, registration $(16.00 - 22.00)$	
Tuesday	12.11.	08.00 – 10.00 Registration	
		10.00 Technical meeting	
		14.30 Opening ceremony	
		15.00 Round 1	
Wednesday	13.11.	15.00 Round 2	
		20.30 Wine tasting (free)	
Thursday	14.11.	10:00 – 12:00 city tour (free)	

		15:00 Round 3		
Friday	15.11.	10:00 – 12:00 visit at the Natural Park Vacaresti (free)		
		15.00 Round 4		
Saturday	16.11.	15.00 Round 5		
		20.30 Blitz tournament		
Sunday	17.11.	free day $9.00 - 13:00$, touristic visit in Bucharest (free)		
		19.00 – 22.00, Old city by night (free)		
Monday 1	8.11.	15.00 Round 6		
Tuesday 1	19.11.	15:00 Round 7		
Wednesday 20.11		09.00 -13.00 Excursion: Mogosoaia Palace (extra)		
		15.00 Round 8		
Thursday 21.11.		15.00 Round 9		
		20.30 Wine tasting (free)		
Friday 2	22.11.	15.00 Round 10		
Saturday 2	23.11.	14.00 Round 11		
		21.00 Closing ceremony		
Sunday 2	4.11.	Departure day		

8. Rules and regulations

The FIDE Tournament Rules should be followed.

The tournament will be played by a 11-rounds Swiss system. National ratings will not be taken into consideration for pairings. The time rate will be 90 minutes for the first 40 moves followed by 30 minutes for the rest of the game with an addition of 30 seconds per move starting from move one.

Default time for all 11 rounds is 30 minutes.

The women tournaments will be played separately if there are more than 10 participants in total from at least two continents. If there are less than 10 participants in one group, then there will be only one women tournament, with separate prizes. If the women participants are less than 10 in total or from less than 2 continents, they will play in the open tournaments with separate prizes.

9. Anti-Cheating guidelines

The FIDE Anti-Cheating guidelines are valid for WSCC. During WSCC random AC inspections are possible.

10. Appeals procedure

A protest against the decision of an Arbiter must be submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter, within 30 min after the end of the game. A protest fee of 200 Euro shall be payable to FIDE which is refundable if the protest is upheld. The Appeals Committee may also decide to refund the fee if it considers the appeal was not frivolous.

11. Scoring and tie-breaking system

11.1. The score in each game is 1 for a win, $\frac{1}{2}$ for a draw and 0 for a lost game.

11.2. Tie-breaking:

The order of players, that finish with the same number of points, shall be determined by application of the following tie-breaking procedures, beginning from (a) to (b) to (c) to (d) to (e) in sequence:

(a) Results of direct encounters between the tied players (it applies to the situation only if all tied players played with each other),

(b) Buchholz Cut 1,

(c) Buchholz,

(d) The greater number of games played with black,

(e) The greater number of wins.

12. Chess equipment

DGT clocks, electronic boards and other FIDE standard chess sets.

13. Tournament bulletin

The tournament bulletin will be available on the website for all interested persons free of charge.

14. Visa information

The federations, players and accompanying people needing visas are requested to contact the organizer by 11th September 2019 **on the email address**:

worldseniors2019@gmail.com

The organizer will provide invitations for visas only after the necessary payments. Schengen visas are valid in Romania.

15. Awards and titles

The winner of the World Senior Chess Championship +50 receives the title "2019 World Senior Chess Champion +50".

The winner of the World Senior Chess Championship +65 receives the title "2019 World Senior Chess Champion +65".

The winner of the World Senior Women Chess Championship +50 receives the title "2019 World Senior Woman Chess Champion +50".

The winner of the World Senior Women Chess Championship +65 receives the title "2019 World Senior Woman Chess Champion +65".

The title of "International Grandmaster (GM)" will be awarded to the two winners of the 2019 FIDE World Senior Chess Championships 50+ and 65+ who will also receive trophies and gold medals. The player finished second will receive a silver medal and "International Master (IM)" title, while the third place will be awarded a bronze medal and also "International Master (IM)" title. The same applies to the Women championships, respective the awarding FIDE titles for women (WGM, WIM).

OPEN	GM	IM
World >65; >50 Individual	Gold – title; 1st equal – norm	Silver & Bronze - title
WOMEN	WGM	WIM
World >65; >50 Individual	Gold – title; 1st equal – norm	Silver & Bronze - title

*0.62 for a direct title to be awarded immediately an applicant has to have achieved at some time or other a minimum rating as follows:

GM 2300 WGM 2100 IM 2200 WIM 2000

16. Prizes

(NEW! recent FIDE decision to increase prizes for the individual world championships for seniors by 30,000 Euro in total, all together 46.000 EUR)

All participants will receive diplomas. Special certificates for the places 1-5.

Rank	COpen 50-	Open 65+	Woman 50-	+ Woman 65+
1	4.000	4.000	2.000	2.000
2	3.200	3.200	1.600	1.600
3	2.400	2.400	1.200	1.200
4	1.800	1.800	900	900
5	1.400	1.400	700	700
6	1.100	1.100		
7	900	900		
8	800	800		
9	600	600		
10	400	400		

17. Currency

The local currency is the Leu (RON), 1EURO approx. 4.75 Leu

18. Tournament office

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