

12th International Chess Festival “Riga Technical University Open” 2023

REGULATIONS



International Exhibition Centre “Kipsala”, 8 Kipsalas Street, Riga, Latvia.

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Prize fund

The total prize fund is **28 600 EUR** throughout all tournaments.

Festival tournaments

No.	Tournament	Title	Dates	Prize fund
1.	A	<u>Grandmaster Open</u>	7 th – 13 th August	17 100 EUR
2.	B	<u>Amateur Open for players with ELO until 2299</u>	7 th – 13 th August	1 600 EUR
3.	Y	<u>Youth Open for players U14 with ELO until 1999</u>	7 th – 13 th August	3 000 EUR (valuable prizes)
4.	C	<u>Weekend Amateur Open for players with ELO until 2299</u>	10 th – 13 th August	1 300 EUR
5.	D	<u>Weekend Amateur Open for players with ELO until 1799</u>	11 th – 13 th August	1 000 EUR
6.	E	<u>Opening blitz tournament</u>	5 th August	1 000 EUR
7.	F	<u>Open rapid tournament</u>	6 th August	2 000 EUR
8.	Q-1	<u>Classification tournament for beginners</u>	6 th August	200 EUR (valuable prizes)

9.	Q-2	<u>Classification tournament for players with the 4th sports class title</u>	6 th August	200 EUR (valuable prizes)
10.	Q-3	<u>Classification tournament for players with the 3rd sports class title</u>	6 th August	200 EUR (valuable prizes)
11.	G	<u>Closing blitz tournament</u>	13 th August	1 000 EUR

Activities parallel to the festival

During the festival, several parallel activities will be organized for its participants and guests (simultaneous play sessions, excursions, seminars, master classes, etc.). Information concerning the program of parallel activities will be available closer to the beginning of the festival.

1. Tournament A – Grandmaster Open

ELO Tournament with GM, IM, WGM, and WIM norms

The tournament is planned to be part of the International Chess Federation (FIDE) tournament series (FIDE Circuit), the winner of which qualifies for the World Championship contenders tournament.

Regulations: Swiss system, 9 rounds, FIDE rules, ELO rated.

Time limit: 90 minutes per game per player + 30 seconds per move starting from the first move.

Schedule:

Monday	07.08.	14:00 – 16:00	Registration
		16:30	Opening ceremony
		17:00	1 st round
Tuesday	08.08.	11:00	2 nd round
		17:00	3 rd round
Wednesday	09.08.	15:00	4 th round
Thursday	10.08.	11:00	5 th round
		17:00	6 th round
Friday	11.08.	15:00	7 th round
Saturday	12.08.	15:00	8 th round
Sunday	13.08.	11:00	9 th round
		18:30	Closing ceremony

Entry fee

GMs, WGMs, IMs, and WIMs have free entry at the Tournament A	
ELO > 2299	60 EUR
ELO 2200 – 2299	70 EUR
ELO 2100 – 2199	80 EUR
ELO 2000 – 2099	90 EUR
ELO 1900 – 1999	110 EUR

ELO < 1900	160 EUR
Without ELO	200 EUR

Discounts

FMs, WFM, juniors up to 18 years of age (born 2005 and later), and seniors over 65 years of age (born 1958 and earlier) have a 25 % discount

Players representing the Latvian Chess Federation have a 35% discount.

FMs, WFM, juniors up to 18 years of age, and seniors over 65 years who represent the Latvian Chess Federation have a 50% discount.

Discounts do not add up. This discount does not refer to the additional charge for late registration.

Financial prizes

The prize fund of tournament A is **17 100 EUR** (guaranteed in case of at least 200 participants), and the first prize is guaranteed to be **2 500 EUR**. 25 general prizes and special prizes for the best women, junior (born 2005 and later), and senior players (born 1963 and earlier) as well as rating prizes in at least 4 groups. General prizes are shared using the Hort system, special prizes are not shared.

A player can receive only one prize.

2. Tournament B – Amateur Open

Amateur open for players with ELO until 2299

Regulations: Swiss system, 9 rounds, FIDE rules, ELO rated.

Time limit: 90 minutes per game per player +30 seconds per move starting from the first move.

Schedule: The same as for tournament A.

Entry fee

ELO 2050 – 2299	40 EUR
ELO 1900 – 2049	50 EUR
ELO 1800 – 1899	60 EUR
ELO < 1800	70 EUR
Without ELO	80 EUR

Discounts

Juniors up to 18 years of age (born 2005 and later) and seniors over 65 years of age (born 1958 and earlier) have a 25% discount.

This discount does not refer to the additional charge for late registration.

Financial prizes

The prize fund of the tournament is **1 600 EUR** (guaranteed in case of at least 70 participants), the guaranteed first prize is **250 EUR**. 8 general prizes and special prizes for the best women, junior (born 2005 and later) and senior players (born 1963 and earlier).

Prizes are not shared and a player can receive only one prize.

3. Tournament Y – Youth Open

Youth open for players U14 with ELO until 1999

Regulations: Swiss system, 9 rounds, FIDE rules, ELO rated.

Time limit: 90 minutes per game per player +30 seconds per move starting from the first move.

Schedule: The same as for tournaments A & B.

Entry fee: 35 EUR

Prizes:

There are no financial prizes. The players will be awarded valuable prizes in total worth at least 3000 EUR. At least 15 different prizes are guaranteed.

4. Tournament C – Weekend Amateur open for players with ELO until 2299

Regulations: Swiss system, 7 rounds, FIDE rules, ELO rated.

Time limit: 60 minutes per game per player + 30 seconds per move starting from the first move.

Schedule:



Thursday	10.08.	16:00 – 18:00	Registration
		19:00	1 st round
Friday	11.08.	15:00	2 nd round
		19:00	3 rd round
Saturday	12.08.	11:00	4 th round
		15:00	5 th round
Sunday	13.08.	10:00	6 th round
		14:00	7 th round
		18:30	Closing ceremony

Entry fee

ELO 2050 – 2299	25 EUR
ELO 1900 – 2049	30 EUR
ELO 1600 – 1899	35 EUR
ELO < 1600	40 EUR
Without ELO	50 EUR

Discounts

Juniors up to 18 years of age (born 2005 and later) and seniors over 65 years of age (born 1958 and earlier) have a 25% discount.

This discount does not refer to the additional charge for late registration.

Financial prizes

The prize fund of the tournament is **1 300 EUR EUR** (guaranteed in case of at least 70 participants), guaranteed first prize is **190 EUR**. 8 general prizes and special prizes for the best women, junior (born 2005 and later), and senior players (born 1963 and earlier).

Prizes are not shared and a player can receive only one prize.

5. **Tournament D - Weekend Amateur open for players with ELO until 1799**

Weekend Amateur ELO Tournament for players with ELO until 1799

Regulations: Swiss system, 7 rounds, FIDE rules, ELO rated

Time limit: 30 minutes per game per player + 30 seconds per move starting from the first move.

Schedule:

Friday	11.08.	15:00 – 16:30	Registration
		17:00	1 st round
		20:00	2 nd round
Saturday	12.08.	11:00	3 rd round
		14:00	4 th round
		17:00	5 th round
Sunday	13.08.	11:00	6 th round
		14:00	7 th round
		18:30	Closing ceremony

Entry fee

With ELO	25 EUR
Without ELO	35 EUR

Discounts

Juniors up to 18 years of age (born 2005 and later) and seniors over 65 years of age (born 1958 and earlier) have a 25% discount.

This discount does not refer to the additional charge for late registration.

Financial prizes

The prize fund of the tournament is **1 000 EUR EUR** (guaranteed in case of at least 70 participants), guaranteed first prize is **170 EUR**. 8 general prizes and special prizes for the best women, junior (born 2005 and later), and senior players (born 1963 and earlier).

Prizes are not shared and a player can receive only one prize.

6. **Tournament E – Opening blitz tournament**

Opening blitz tournament

Regulations: Swiss system, 11 rounds, FIDE rules, ELO rated

Time limit: 3 minutes per game per player + 2 seconds per move starting from the first move.

Entry fee: 10 EUR; GM, IM, WGM, WIM - free

Schedule:

Saturday	05.08.	13:00 – 14:30	Registration
		15:00 – 20:00	1 st – 11 th round
		20:15	Closing ceremony

Financial prizes

The prize fund of the tournament is **1 000 EUR EUR** (guaranteed in case of at least 80 participants), guaranteed first prize is **170 EUR**. 8 general prizes and special prizes for the best women, junior (born 2005 and later), and senior players (born 1963 and earlier), as well as rating prizes.

Prizes are not shared and a player can receive only one prize.

7. Tournament F – Open rapid tournament

Open rapid tournament

Regulations: Swiss system, 9 rounds, FIDE rules, ELO rated

Time limit: 15 minutes per game per player + 5 seconds per move starting from the move first move.

Entry fee: 15 EUR; GM, IM, WGM, WIM - free

Schedule:

Sunday	06.08.	09:45 – 10:45	Registration
		11:00 – 14:00	1 st – 4 th round
		14:00 – 15:00	Lunch break
		15:00 – 20:00	5 th – 9 th round
		20:15	Closing ceremony

Financial prizes

The prize fund of the tournament is **2 000 EUR EUR** (guaranteed in case of at least 80 participants), guaranteed first prize is **360 EUR**. 8 general prizes and special prizes for the best women, junior (born 2005 and later), and senior players (born 1963 and earlier), as well as rating prizes.

Prizes are not shared and a player can receive only one prize.

8. Tournament Q-1 – Classification tournament for beginners

Classification tournament for beginners

Regulations: Swiss system, 8 rounds, FIDE rules

Time limit: No time limit

Entry fee: 15 EUR

Schedule:

Sunday	06.08.	09:45 – 10:45	Registration
		11:00 – 14:00	1 st – 4 th round
		14:00 – 15:00	Lunch break
		15:00 – 18:00	5 th – 8 th round
		18:30	Closing ceremony

Prizes

There are no financial prizes. The players will be awarded valuable prizes in total worth at least **200 EUR**. At least 12 different prizes are guaranteed.

9. Tournament Q-2 – Classification tournament for players with the 4th sports class title

Classification tournament for players with the 4th sports class title

Regulations: Swiss system, 8 rounds, FIDE rules

Time limit: No time limit

Entry fee: 15 EUR

Schedule

Sunday	06.08.	09:45 – 10:45	Registration
		11:00 – 14:00	1 st – 4 th round
		14:00 – 15:00	Lunch break
		15:00 – 18:00	5 th – 8 th round
		18:30	Closing ceremony

Prizes

There are no financial prizes. The players will be awarded valuable prizes in total worth at least **200 EUR**. At least 12 different prizes are guaranteed

10. Tournament Q-3 – Classification tournament for players with the 3rd sports class title

Classification tournament for players with the 3rd sports class title

Regulations: Swiss system, 8 rounds, FIDE rules

Time limit: No time limit

Entry fee: 15 EUR

Schedule

Sunday	06.08.	09:45 – 10:45	Registration
		11:00 – 14:00	1 st – 4 th round
		14:00 – 15:00	Lunch break
		15:00 – 18:00	5 th – 8 th round
		18:30	Closing ceremony

Prizes

There are no financial prizes. The players will be awarded valuable prizes in total worth at least **200 EUR**. At least 12 different prizes are guaranteed

11. Tournament G – Closing blitz tournament

Closing blitz tournament

Regulations: Swiss system, 11 rounds, FIDE rules, ELO rated

Time limit: 3 minutes per game per player + 2 seconds per move starting from the first move.

Entry fee: 10 EUR; GM, IM, WGM, WIM - free

Schedule

Sunday	13.08.	18:30 – 19:15 Starting from 19:30	Registration 1 st – 11 th round. Closing ceremony
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Financial prizes

The prize fund of the tournament is **1 000 EUR EUR** (guaranteed in case of at least 80 participants), guaranteed first prize is **170 EUR**. 8 general prizes and special prizes for the best women, junior (born 2005 and later), and senior players (born 1963 and earlier), as well as rating prizes.

Prizes are not shared and a player can receive only one prize.

Late registration

Players whose application to tournaments A-D and Y will be registered after the **28th of July** will pay an additional charge of 10 EUR.

Late arrival

If a participant is late for a round for more than 30 minutes in the A-D and Y tournaments, then the opponent is awarded a victory without a match.

Tie-breaks

In case of an equal number of points, the following tie-break criteria are used:

- a) Buchholz Cut 1;
- b) Buchholz;
- c) Rating Performance.

Entries

Early registrations (by specifying your Name, ELO, Date of Birth, Country, and accommodation if necessary) for the tournaments A – D and Y should be sent before the **28th of July** either by e-mail: chess@rtu.lv or by filling out the [APPLICATION FORM](#).

The onsite registration according to the schedule of the corresponding tournament is mandatory also for online pre-registered participants, including participants that have free entry.

The organizers reserve the right to exclude players that have missed the onsite registration deadline from the tournament.

Players from the Russian Federation or the Republic of Belarus cannot participate in the festival, regardless of their status, including the so-called neutral athlete.

Prize giving

All players must be present at the closing ceremony to receive financial prizes. The organizers reserve the right not to pay out prizes if the participant fails to arrive.

Accommodation

Festival participants and guests are offered special prices in the official hotels of the festival. The number of rooms is limited, so reservations will be made on a first-come, first-served basis. The indicated prices are guaranteed until the numbers reserved by the organizers have run out, but no later than the **28th of July**. To book accommodation, please use the [APPLICATION FORM](#) or write to chess@rtu.lv.

RTU Service Hotel ** 6 Āzēnes Street (600 m from the game hall)**

Room	WC & Shower	Breakfast	WiFi	Price per night/week
Double room in a three-room apartment	In the apartment	No	Internet is only available via cord	2 people only 35/190 EUR
Apartments	In the apartments	No	Internet is only available via cord	1 pers. 50/300 EUR 2 pers. 55/360 EUR

RTU Service Hotel pictures: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/rtu-lv/albums/72157709379122612>

Riga Islande Hotel ** Superior 2 Ķīpsalas Street (600 m from the game hall)**

Rooms	WC & Shower	Breakfast	WiFi	Price
Standard Single	In the room	Yes	Yes	60 EUR /room/night
Standard Double/Twin	In the room	Yes	Yes	70 EUR /room/night
Double Superior	In the room	Yes	Yes	90 EUR /room/night

Free parking. Webpage of the hotel: <https://www.islandehotel.lv/>

Information about hotel availability is updated during registration. The most up-to-date information is available on the festival's website: <http://rtuopen.com/>.

GMs with ELO > 2500 are eligible for a limited number of free accommodations.

A limited number of GMs with ELO > 2600 are eligible for inscription fees. Please, contact organizers as soon as possible, if you are interested.

Organizers

The festival is organized by Riga Technical University in cooperation with the Latvian Chess Federation. The general sponsor of the festival is Riga Technical University. The festival is supported by the Latvian Chess Federation, the International Chess Federation, the international exhibition center "Ķīpsala", the Ministry of Education and Science, and the Council of Latvian Sports Federations.

The director of the festival is Egons Lavendekus, and the head of the festival's organizing committee is Toms Kalniņš. The chief arbiter of the festival is International Arbiter Alberts Cimiņš. The main arbiter of the grandmasters or "A" tournament is International Arbiter Andra Cimiņa.

Additional information

We would like to inform you that this festival is a public event, and its progress may be reflected in the media by recording your participation in this event. Photography and filming may be done during the event to inform the public per Article 6, paragraph 1, subparagraph e) of the General Data Protection Regulation.

The health condition of the participants in the competition is the responsibility of the participants themselves or their commanding organizations.

The organizers reserve the right not to admit players to the tournament without giving a reason. In such a case, the organizers are obliged to inform the participant about such a decision as soon as possible after receiving the player's application.

The organizers reserve the right to change the regulations if necessary if it does not unreasonably affect the interests of the participants.

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