

PRIZEMONEY: **€43.000**

Gallipoli (LE), Italy

20th October - 02nd November

Grand Hotel Costa Brada Luxury Resort 4*



















INVITATION

A competition held by FIDE

This is the official invitation to all FIDE National Chess Federations to participate. Organizers invite all senior Ladies and Gentlemen to participate at 33rd FIDE WSCC (50+ 65+), in Gallipoli (Lecce), from 20th Oct.(arrival day) to 02nd Nov.(departure day).

PARTICIPATION

In accordance with the FIDE tournament rules, there shall be the following categories:

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Women 50+

Senior 65+

Women 65+

open to all players who are 50 or older in 2025 open to all women who are 50 or older in 2025 open to all players who are 65 or older in 2025 open to all women who are 65 or older in 2025



- Each player, additional or invited, or accompanying person should pay the amount of €120,00 at the moment of their registration latest by 1st September 2025.
- The registration fee is compulsory and represents aconfirmation of participation. Penalty of €70,00 for each late registration will be charged to participants.
- Organizers reserve the right to refuse or decline late registrations. As per FIDE regulations, participants can choose a hotel besides the one offered by the organizer with at least a 3-week notice.
- Players staying in other than official hotel are fully responsible for their daily transfers to/from playing venue.
- Invited players will be granted of FREE full board accommodation in single or double room single occupacy (if not asked differently to share room with another player) at Ecoresort Le Sirenè or Joli Hotel from arrival to departure day.
- Distribution in the hotels is responsibility of organizers only.

INFORMATION ABOUT VISA

- VISAS request must be submitted latest by 20th August 2025.
- Organizers will provide VISA assistance according to national laws only after all pre-payments are made, in order to proceed with the visa application, each federation/player please follow instructions on official web site.
- Organizers are not responsible in case the Italian Consular authorities decline to issue visa due to public order and/or failing to meet all the requirements to obtain the Italian VISA.
- Italian Government official website for foreigners: www.esteri.it
- Visa application procedure for each federation/player as follows:
 - a. requests the registration form by e-mail from the organizing committee
 - b. fills it out and email it to the organizing committee via national federation along scan of participant passports, valid for more than six months
 - c. proceeds with the payment of the registration fee as communicated by the Organizing committee
 - d. proceeds to register on website, to effect reservation and payment of the hotel accommodation

ENTERTAINING EVENTS

- The Championship shall be played in 11 rounds of the Swiss System.
- National rankings will not be taken into account for pairings.
- The Time Control will be in accordance with the FIDE rules: 90 minutes for 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 at the start of all 11 rounds is 30 minutes.
- Tie break criteria according to FIDE rules for WSCC.
- FIDE over the board title norms are also possible for the other players based on their performance and their opponent's titles/ratings as per FIDE Handbook requirements.
- Direct titles available to winners subject to rating criteria.
- According to FIDE Anti Cheating measures and guidelines are in effect during the championship.
- Playing venue and all facilties at Grand Luxury Hotel Costa Brada**** is fully available for disabled players





- Sightseeing and excursions of Salento most stunning locations will be arranged in the mornings and on free day.
- Welcome music concert with Italian performer.
- Multiple analysis room will be arranged at Grand Hotel Costa Brada, Ecoresort Le Sirene' and Joli Park Hotel.
- Giant chess board available for players and guests.
- Masterclasses, training lectures, bughouse and hand & brain tournaments and other activities will be announced on official website.
- Blitz FIDE rated tournaments (2) will be organized according to the tournament calendar.
- Tennis and football friendly matches will be organized at Grand Hotel Luxury Costa Brada and Ecoresort Le Sirenè Hotel





October, 20th	3:00 pm -7:00 pm	Arrival day & Registration	
October, 21st	10:00 am 10:00 am 2:30 pm 3:00 pm	End of registration Technical Meeting Opening Ceremony Round 1	
October, 22nd	3:00 pm	Round 2	
October, 23rd	3:00 pm 9:30 pm	Round 3 Blitz Fide Rated	
October, 24th	3:00 pm	Round 4	
October, 25th	3:00 pm	Round 5	
October, 26th	3:00 pm 9:30 pm	Round 6 Blitz Fide Rated	
October, 27th	Rest day - Excursion	•	
October, 28th	3:00 pm	Round 7	
October, 29th	3:00 pm	Round 8	
October, 30th	3:00 pm	Round 9	
October, 31st	3:00 pm	Round 10	
November, 01st	2:00 pm 9:30 pm	Round 11 Closing Ceremony Price awards	
November, 02nd	Departures		

Open Senior 50+







€2500 + SILVER MEDAL



€2000 + BRONZE MEDAL



€1500











€800



€750













€500 €400

Open Senior 65+







€2500 + SILVER MEDAL



€2000 + BRONZE MEDAL





€1300





€850



€800



€750



€650









€600

€400

€300

Women 50+















Women 65+





€1200 + SILVER MEDAL



€1000 + BRONZE MEDAL



Special prizes (non-cumulative)

Open Senior 75+

Women Senior 75+













€400

SIGHTSEEING

In the mornings during event and on rest day will be planned multiple sightseeing with quide to visit and enjoy most beautiful sites of Salento



Gallipoli Old town (half day)

Polignano a mare, Alberobello and Ostuni white town (full day)





Otranto pearl of coast (half day)

Baroc of Lecce downtown (half day)



PAYMENT INFO

- When registering (latest by 01st Sep.2025), the entry fee of €120,00 + deposit for accommodation € 400,00 shall be paid through the organizer bank account.
- All entries shall be confirmed by the Tournament Director and rooms will be booked after payment effected.
- Full balance shall be paid upon arrival and no later than the start of the 2nd round.
- Registration fees for late registration, withdrawal or no show shall be charged as follow as per FIDE regulations.
- Withdrawal after submission of registration:
 - 30 to 60 days before the start of the competition 75% refund of the person's total fees paid.
 - 15 to 30 days before the start of the competition 50% refund of the person's total fees paid.
 - 1 to 15 days before the start of the competition 25% refund of the person's total fees paid.
 - after the pairings for round 1 are published no refund
- After registrations are done by players on official website organizers will send to players confirmation of their booking with all detail.
- Players officially registered will appear on the official website and ChessResults.
- Players will not be paired until all payments and fees are confirmed

PAYMENT DETAIL

ARCO WORLD CHESS

Comitato Organizzatore Manifestazioni Scacchistiche Pernici Rigo Cristina

Bank: Cassa Rurale Altogarda

Bank Address: via Magnolie 1, Arco (TN).

IBAN: IT7400801634310000000300235 (after nr4 there is a letter O follows all zero)

BIC: CCRTIT2T04A

TRAVEL

Gallipoli (LE), ITALY

 Organizers will provide FREE transfer on arrival and departure days from Brindisi Salento Airport (80km from Gallipoli) and Lecce railway station (30km from Gallipoli) to Gallipoli for all players and accompanying persons.

Transfers from Bari "Karol Wojtyla"

International Airport (180km far from Gallipoli) to Gallipoli will be arranged according to volume requests and charged.





- Single transfers can be arranged on customized hour and charged, average cost would be approx from €50,00 (multiple person transfer) to €200,00 (single person transfer) each, according to volume of people on shuttle, sites and hours.
- Information regarding of travel arrangements available on official website and help line available by whatsapp to assist partecipants for best way traveling to Gallipoli and their return.

All players who request a shuttle transfer and will arrive at Brindisi and Bari airports or at Lecce railway station, are required to send in advance their detailed travel program to organizers

GENERAL INFO ABOUT ACCOMODATION

- The official hotels of the event and rates are with full board including water open buffet, 3 meals/day, breakfast, lunch, dinner. Price is per person per day.
- All hotels are fully available to host disabled players. Mentioned prices are per person/per day and valid since two days before to two days after the end of event. Special requests to anticipate or extend stay at official hotels are possibile if submitted in advance.
- All payments for own accomodation must be finalized to the hotel upon arrival.
- All transfers from and to hotels will be coordinated by organizers.
 Please don't contact your hotel, please contact organizers in advance by e-mail and by phone for emergency only.

Gallipoli is an Italian town of 18 961 inhabitants in the province of Lecce in Apulia.

The city, an Episcopal seat since the 6th century, is located along the western coast of Salento, jutting out into the Ionian Sea. It is divided into two distinct areas: the old town, which stands on a limestone island and has a circuit of about 1.5 km, and the new town, connected to the island by a masonry bridge dating back to the 17th century, after which the new town was gradually formed and now covers an area larger than the entire island. To the west of Gallipoli are the isle of Campo, the islet called 'Li picciuni' and the island of Sant'Andrea, which is completely flat and covers about 50 hectares.





GRAND HOTEL COSTA BRADA HOTEL 4*

Adress: Lit. Gallipoli- Santa Maria di Leuca, 73014 Gallipoli Position: Gallipoli (Lecce), Italy Website: www.grandhotelcostabrada.it



Grand Hotel Costa Brada 4*	
Single room standard (double room, single occupacy)	€144,00
Single room suite (suite double room)	€ 195,00
Double room standard	€ 124,00
Double room suite	€ 170,00
Deluxe Room with an Angular Sea View Balcony / Partial Sea View Balcony - Twin / Double Room	€145,00







ECORESORT LE SIRENÈ 3*S

Adress: Strada Litoranea Gallipoli/S.M. di Leuca km 4,5 Riserva Naturalistica Torre del Pizzo, 73014 Gallipoli LE, Italy Position: 100 mt far from tournament venue Website: www.carolihotels.com



Ecoresort Le Sirenè 3*S	
Single room standard (double room, single occupacy)	€ 110,00
Single room suite (suite double room, single occupacy)	€ 130,00
Double room standard	€ 95,00
Double room suite	€ 115,00
Triple and four room standard occupacy *20% discount on third and fourth person	20% discount*







JOLI PARK HOTEL 3*

Adress: Via Lecce, 2, 73014 Gallipoli LE, Italy
Position: city center of Gallipoli town, 7km far from tournament venue
Website: www.carolihotels.com



Joli Park Hotels 3*				
Single room standard (double room, single occupacy)	€ 100,00			
Single room suite (suite double room, single occupacy)	€ 120,00			
Double room standard	€ 85,00			
Double room suite	€ 110,00			
Triple and four room standard occupacy *20% discount on third and fourth person	20% discount*			







Organizers



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www.worldseniorchampionship2025.com



FACEBOOK EVENT PAGE

Official event Facebook account



WHATS'APP

Helpline by whatsapp to assist with information about travel arrangement and visa