

The European Chess Federation (ECU)
The Czech Chess Federation
AVE-KONTAKT Pardubice agency

EUROPEAN SENIOR TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP Categories 50+ and 65+

Prague, the Czech Republic

29th August – 8th September 2021



GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. Invitation

AVE-KONTAKT Pardubice agency (the organizer of Czech Open Pardubice and Czech Tour Chess Festivals Series), the Czech Chess Federation and the European Chess Federation (ECU) have the honour to invite all senior women and men throughout the Europe to participate in the EUROPEAN SENIOR TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP (categories 50+ and 65+) organised in Prague (the Czech Republic) from 29th August (arrival) to 8th September 2021 (departure)

2. Participation

The European Senior Team Chess Championship is open to all players, regardless of rating and title, who reach their age of 50 and 65 by 31st December 2021 and represent National Chess Federations which are members of FIDE. Teams can register only through their national chess federations. There is no limit in the number of teams per federation (club teams, city teams, regional teams, national teams, etc. may start in the championship, there is no limitation). There is only one limitation – all team players must be members of the same European chess federation (for example CZE).

According to the FIDE tournament rules, **the European Championship will be played in four categories: age 50+ and 65+ (Open and women).** Women will play in the Open Section and will be awarded separately.

Due to anti-epidemic measures all teams are obliged to be accommodated in one of the official hotels through the organizer.

3. Entry fees and registration

ECU ENTRY FEE:

Each team has to pay the ECU fee in amount of 100 EUR by bank transfer to following account:

Bank: Credit Suisse, Postfach 357, CH – 6301 Zug

Account number: 1835105-42

Holder: European Chess Union

National Bank Code: 4835

BIC: CRESCHZZXXX

IBAN Code: CH3604835183510542000

ORGANIZATION FEE:

Each player has to pay starting (organization) fee 60 EUR, which has to be paid along with the application by bank transfer to following account:

Holder: AVE-KONTAKT, s.r.o.

Account number: 107-1452020277/0100

IBAN: CZ0801000001071452020277

SWIFT: KOMBCZPPXXX

The registration period ends on 15th August 2021 (application deadline), after that the starting fee for a player is 120 EUR.

In addition to the written application, a personal registration before the beginning of the tournament is necessary. This will be done on 29th August at the Don Giovanni hotel between 14.00 and 22.00 and on 30th August between 8.00 and 10.00. Players, who are not registered in this way, cannot be included in the drawing of lots and their entry fees will be forfeited.

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

4. Deposit on accommodation:

Each team who book accommodation through the organizer, have to pay deposit in the amount of 150 EUR per person together with the whole entry fees payment on the following account:

AVE-KONTAKT, s.r.o.

Account number: 107-1452020277/0100

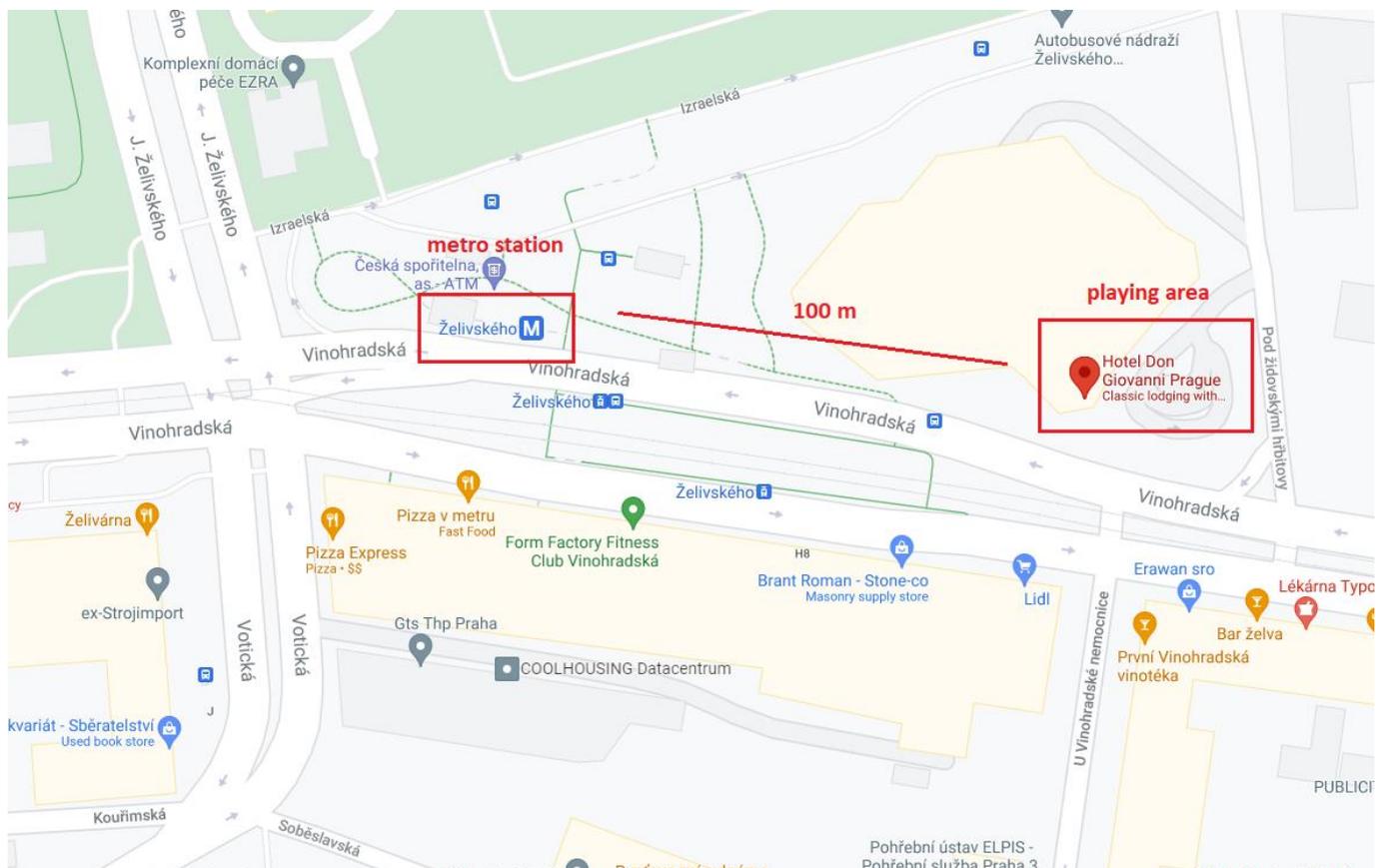
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The same amount has to be paid for each accompanying person which accommodation is ordered by the team.

5. Tournament halls

All tournament halls will be situated at the Don Giovanni hotel, Vinohradska 2733/157a, 13000 Praha 3.



The map showing the localtion of the "Želivského" metro station and the official hotel

6. Accommodation and boarding

Accommodation and boarding will be arranged at the Don Giovanni **+ hotel:**

Vinohradská 2733/157a, 13000 Praha 3

WiFi at hotel rooms and public areas

single room – 70 EUR / room and night with full board
double room – 50 EUR / person and night with full board
triple room – 45 EUR / person and night with full board

single room – 60 EUR / room and night with half board
double room – 40 EUR / person and night with half board
triple room – 35 EUR / person and night with half board

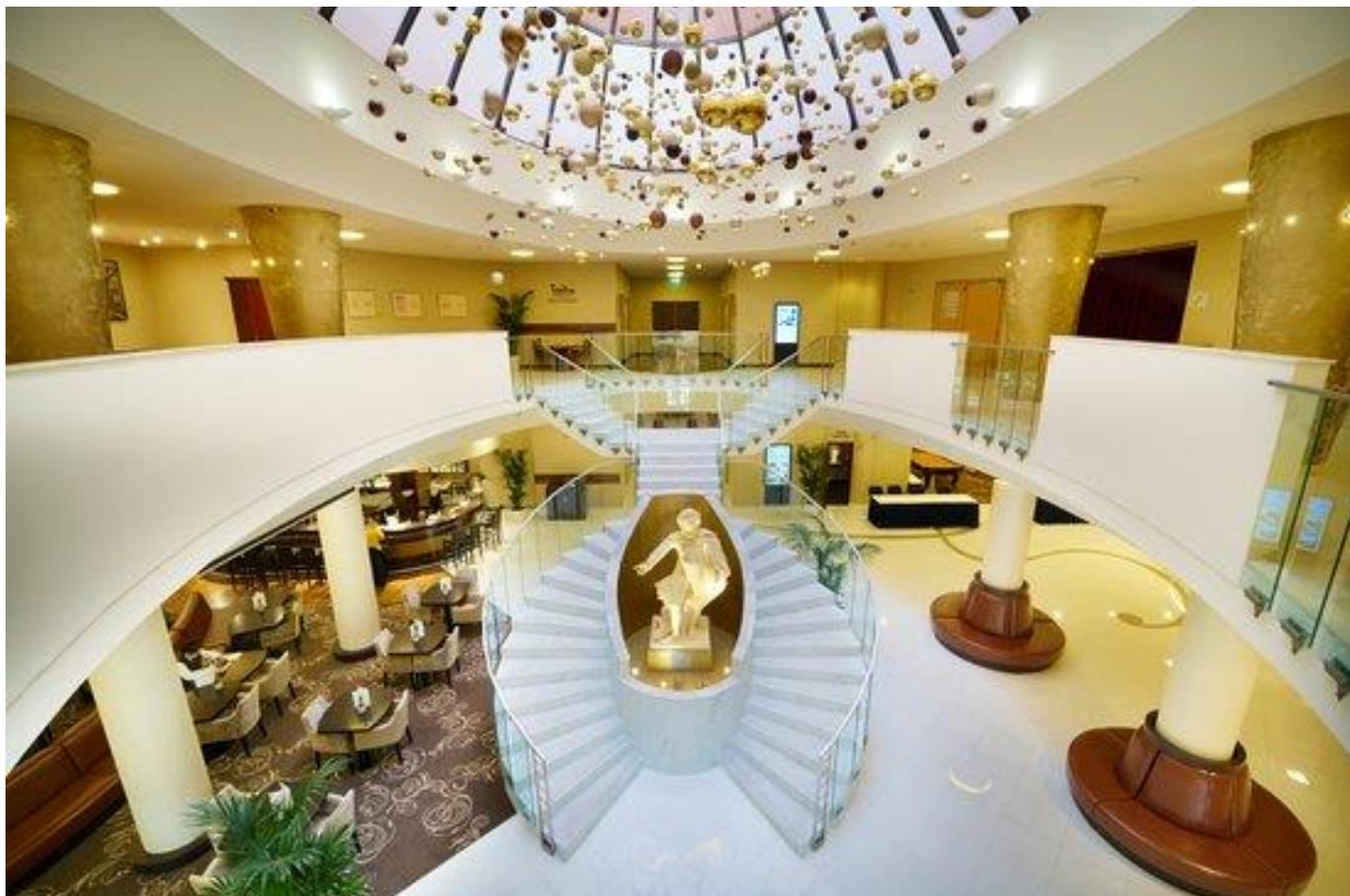
single room – 50 EUR / room and night with breakfast
double room – 30 EUR / person and night with breakfast
triple room – 25 EUR / person and night with breakfast

Municipal fee (city tax) 21 CZK (~0.8 EUR) is charged to each accommodated person, which will be paid on arrival at the reception.

Parking in the underground area of the Don Giovanni hotel for participants of European Championship for special price 250 CZK (10 EUR) /day



Don Giovanni hotel



Entrance hall of the Giovanni hotel



Playing hall of the Giovanni hotel

7. Tournament schedule

Sunday	29 th August	14:00 – 22:00	arrival teams registration
Monday	30 th August	8:00 - 10:00 11:00 15:00	teams registration technical meeting, opening ceremony 1 st round
Tuesday	31 st August	15:00	2 nd round
Wednesday	1 st September	15:00	3 rd round
Thursday	2 nd September	15:00	4 th round
Friday	3 rd September	15:00	5 th round
Saturday	4 th September	15:00	6 th round
Sunday	5 th September	15:00	7 th round
Monday	6 th September	15:00	8 th round
Tuesday	7 th September	13:00 20:00	9 th round closing ceremony
Wednesday	8 th September		departure

8. Rules and regulations

The FIDE Tournament Rules should be followed.

The championship will be played by a 9-rounds Swiss system.

It will be played on 4 chessboards with 1 allowed reserve player (teams can consist of 4 or 5 members).

The time rate is 2x 1,5 h/40 + 30 min + 30 s / move.

Default time for all 9 rounds is 30 minutes.

9. Anti-Cheating guidelines

The FIDE Anti-Cheating guidelines are also valid for the European Senior Team Chess Championship. During the championship 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 minutes after the end of the game. A protest fee of 200 Euro has to be paid to FIDE and it 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 system and criteria used for ranking

1. number of match points (win = 2 points, draw 1 point, lost game 0 points)
2. the sum of Sonneborn-Berger points, which is calculated as follows: match points of each opponent, excluding the opponent who scored the lowest number of match points, multiplied by the number of board points scored against each opponent respectively. The highest number wins. In case of two or more opponents with this same number of match point the lowest results of multiplication should be excluded
3. the number of board points won, the highest number wins
4. the sum of the board points of all team's opponents, the highest number wins
5. the sum of the board points of all opponents defeated plus one half of the board points of all the opponents with which a tied result was achieved, the highest number wins

The team with a free lot will obtain 2 match points and 50% of points to the score. If the opponent default the match, the team will obtain 2 match points and 100% of points to the score.

Prizes for teams, which get the same number of match points and game points, are distributed according to the Hort system (among such number of teams which corresponds to the number of advertised prizes).

12. Arbiters and Appeals committee

The names of the Chief Arbiter and the Chairman of Appeals committee will be published till 31st July 2021. Names of other arbiters and members of the Appeals committee will be announced during the technical meeting.

13. Chess equipment

DGT 3000 and DGT XL clocks, DGT electronic boards and STAUNTON standard chess sets.

14. Tournament games

All tournament games will be available on the championship websites estcc2021.net free of charge.

15. Awards and titles

The winning team of the European Senior Team Chess Championship in +50 category receives the title "European Senior Team Champion 2021 in the category +50"

The winning team of the European Senior Team Chess Championship in +65 category receives the title "European Senior Team Champion 2021 in the category +65"

The winning women team of the European Senior Team Chess Championship in the women category +50 receives the title "European Senior Team Champion 2021 in the women category +50"

The winning women team of the European Senior Team Chess Championship in the women category +65 receives the title "European Senior Team Champion 2021 in the women category +65"



Winners of the women category above 50 years old at the World Championship in Prague 2020

16. Prizes (in EUR)

Prize fund	ESTCC Open	ESTCC Open	ESTCC - women	ESTCC - women
Rank	category 50+	category 65+	category W50+	category W65+
1	1 000	1 000	500	500
2	700	700		
3	500	500		

4	300	300		
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Valuable material prizes will be prepared for best players on individual chessboards.
Criteria will be specified during the technical meeting.

17. Accompanying activities

Rapid and blitz tournaments
Guided tour of the Prague historical centre
Excursion to the Staropramen brewery

18. Airport transfer

The organizer arranges the transfer from the Vaclav Havel airport in Prague to the Don Giovanni hotel on the arrival day (29th August) and on the departure day (8th September) for 10 EUR/ 1 way for participants and accompanying persons.

19. Communication

Communication is possible in following languages: ENG, GER, RUS, POL, SVK, CZE.

20. Covid19 measures:

Upon arrival to the tournament, all participants, referees and staff (including Czech citizens) **must present to the Organising Committee** a certificate of full vaccination or a 72h negative PCR test for Covid19.

Players will be obliged to wear respirators in the playing area, which will be able to put off during the game.
The valid restrictions of the Ministry of health, National sports agency and ECU will be observed throughout the championship.

21. Applications and information

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