

2023 ETCC
European Team Chess Championship
MONTENEGRO

BUDVA
10 - 21. November





GENERAL REGULATION

1. Invitation & Participation

1.1 **Montenegro Chess Federation (MCF)** in cooperation with **European Chess Union (ECU)** have the honor to invite all National Chess Federations members of the European Chess Union to the **EUROPEAN TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2023** organized in Budva, Montenegro from 10th November (arrival) to 21st November (departure).

1.2 Each national federation member of the ECU has the right to enter with one team of four players and one reserve in the Open competition and one team of four female players and one reserve in the Women's competition.



2. Registration & Payment

2.1 **Registration will take place from 20th June to 15th September 2023.**

2.2 The national federations are kindly requested to fill the registration forms which can be found on the official website <http://etcc23.me/>

2.3 Please notice that the registration form must be submitted by the national federations only. The application form shall be filled in at the official website of the championship. Teams will not be registered until all their registration details have been adequately submitted.

2.4 Late registrations: applications received after **15th September 2023** may be refused and will be subject to an additional entry fee in amount of **300 EUR**.

2.5 At the latest by the **15th September 2023** the complete amount of fees + 50% of the total accommodation cost must be transferred to the bank account of the Technical Organizer: **Lalatovic Travel D.O.O. Budva**. Full payment for the hotel accommodation must be completed no later than **15th October 2023**.

2.6 The foreign bank commissions must be paid by the sender. If not, the respective amount will be charged and should be paid upon arrival.

2.7 Payment Instructions



Incoming Payment Instruction

Field 56 - Intermediary bank:

Swift Address	DEUTDEFF
Name	Deutsche Bank AG Frankfurt

Field 57 - Account with Institution:

Party Identifier	100 9363045 0000
Swift Address	CKBCMEPG
Name	CRNOGORSKA KOMERCIJALNA BANKA AD PODGORICA

Field 59 - Beneficiary Customer:

IBAN	ME2551000000002650953
Name & Address	LALATOVIC TRAVEL D.O.O. BUDVA ZRTAVA FASIZMA BR.50 85310, Budva, MONTENEGRO

3. ECU Fee



In accordance with ECU regulations, an entry fee of **260 Euro** is required for each open national team and another **260 Euro** for each women's national team.

According to ECU regulations, the entry fee shall be paid by the respective federations to the ECU bank account before or at the start of the competition.

The ECU entry fee must be paid to the account of the ECU:

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

4. Entry Fee



Every national federation will pay a **registration fee of 100 EUR** per participant, coach, accompanying person to the organizer.

This fee is obligatory for all and includes registration and accreditation badges as well as transportation from the airports (Podgorica and Tivat).

The fee should be paid not later than 15th September 2023 (registration deadline).

5. Venue - Playing Hall

The Championships will be held in the Conference Hall of Hotel Splendid

During the game, coffee, water, tea and snacks will be free of charge for all players and accredited persons.

Transfer Shuttle will be provided by the organizers from Hotel Montenegro to Playing Hall every day, every 5 minutes, 40 minutes prior to game start.

Walking distance from Hotel Montenegro to Hotel Splendid is 6 min.



6. Accommodation

Accommodation and board will be provided at the Hotel "Splendid" 5* and Hotel "Montenegro" 4*

Hotel "Splendid" 5*

website: <https://montenegrostars.com/home-splendid>

HOTEL SPLENDID	Price per day per person (€)		Available units
	SINGLE	DOUBLE	
Room Type			
Superior room 42 sqm	139	104	170
Superior room 42 sqm (sea view)	149	114	90
Wellness apartments 84 sqm	500 per day (max 3 person)		8
Junior Apartments 54 sqm	350 per day (max 3 person)		2

*All listed prices are based on the **full board and include all taxes.**

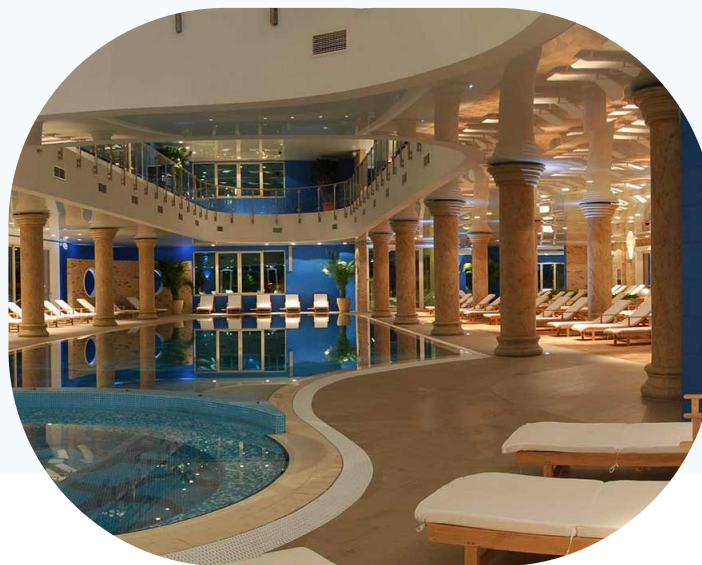
** Splendid **SPA center is free of charge:** <https://splendidspa-montenegro.com/>



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Hotel "Splendid" 5*

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Hotel "Montenegro" 4*

website: <https://montenegrostars.com/hotel-montenegro>

HOTEL MONTENEGRO	Price per day per person (€)		Available units
	SINGLE	DOUBLE	
Standard room 22 sqm	98	75	170
Superior room 27 sqm	112	89	90
Studio Apartment (42-57sqm)	250 per day (max 3 person)		9

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** Splendid **SPA center is free of charge** for guests from Montenegro hotel.

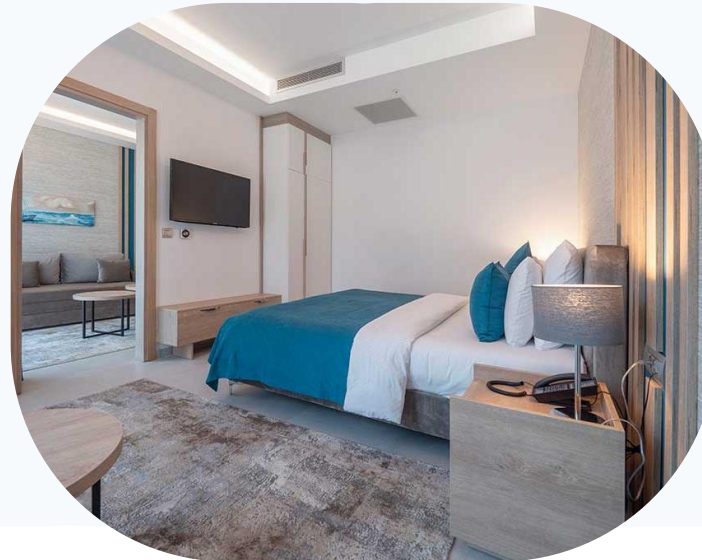
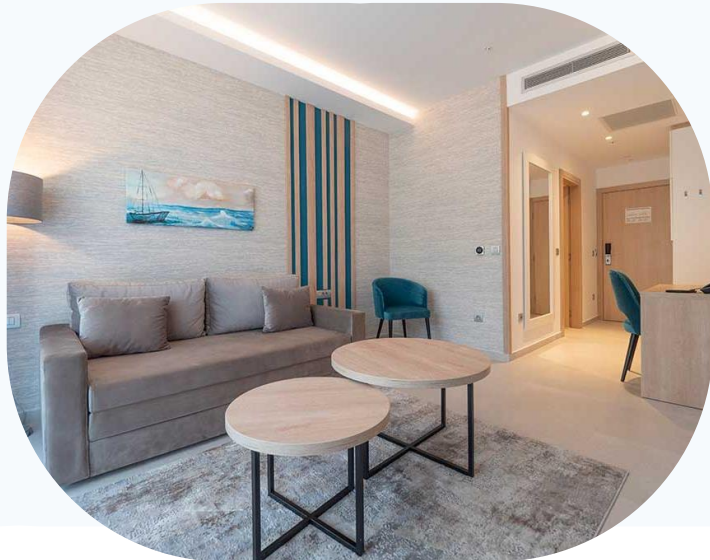
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7. Schedule

The championship will be held from 10th November to 21st November 2023 in Hotel “Splendid” in Budva: <https://montenegrostars.com/conference>

Friday	10.11.2023.	Arrival of participants	
		Opening ceremony	19:00
		Technical meeting	21:00
Saturday	11.11.2023.	Round 1	15:00
Sunday	12.11.2023.	Round 2	15:00
Monday	13.11.2023.	Round 3	15:00
Tuesday	14.11.2023.	Round 4	15:00
Wednesday	15.11.2023.	Round 5	15:00
Thursday	16.11.2023.	Rest day, excursion	
Friday	17.11.2023.	Round 6	15:00
Saturday	18.11.2023.	Round 7	15:00
Sunday	19.11.2023.	Round 8	15:00
Monday	20.11.2023.	Round 9	15:00
		Closing ceremony	21:00
Tuesday	21.11.2023.	Departure	



8. Prizes

8.1 The first three teams in the Open and Women's sections will each receive cups. Each member of the winning team (players, reserves and captain) shall receive gold medals and diplomas. Members of the second and third-placed teams shall each receive silver and bronze medals and diplomas respectively.

8.2 The best – performing players in the Open and Women's sections on each board (10 players in total) will receive gold medals. Performance shall be calculated as per ECU tournament rules. Second and third placed players in both sections will receive silver and bronze medals.

8.3 All players and team captains must take part in the opening and closing ceremonies.



9. Tournament System

9.1 The European Team Championship shall be played according to the Swiss System in 9 rounds, with one Open section and one section for the Women's teams, each considered as separate competitions.

9.2 According to ECU and FIDE rules, the time control will be 90 minutes for 40 moves + 30 minutes for the rest of the game, with 30 seconds increment for every move played starting from move one.



10. Ranking & Tie-breaking Criteria

The order of teams that finish with the same number of points shall be determined by applying tie-breaking criteria according to the ECU Scoring and tie-breaking system:

<https://www.europechess.org/regulations/tournament-regulations/general-tournament-regulations/b-6-%20scoring-and-tie-breaking-system>

- a) By the sum of Sonneborn–Berger points, which is calculated as follows: match points of each match, 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 the same total of match points the lowest results of multiplication shall be excluded.
- b) By the number of board points won; the highest score wins;
- c) By the sum of the board points of all team's opponents, the highest score wins;
- d) By the sum of the board points of all opponents defeated plus one half of the board points of all the opponents against which a tied result was achieved, the highest score wins.



11. Arbiters and Appeals procedure

Chief and Deputy Arbiters and Appeals Committee will be appointed by European Chess Union.

Protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter must be submitted in written form to the Chairman of the appeals committee not later than 1 hour after the end of the match. The protest must be accompanied by the sum of **200 EUR** as a deposit from the signatory. If the appeal is granted, the sum will be returned immediately. If the appeal is refused, the deposit is forfeited to the ECU. The appeal must be lodged by the player. Decisions of the Appeals Committee are final.



12. Special

12.1 Players may only agree to draw after 30 moves has been made by black. Players violating this rule will be forfeited.

12.2 Any player who has not arrived at the board 15 minutes after the start of the session shall lose the game.

12.3 All team captains must be Fide licensed trainers.

12.4 The [ECU Dress Code](#) is obligatory as in detail described in the ECU regulations, (shorts, caps, slippers, sun glasses, hats-except for religious reasons, etc. are not allowed).

12.5 The [ECU anti-cheating guidelines](#), the FIDE Code of Ethics and the [ECU Fair Play Code](#) are valid for all the European Championships and all players, arbiters, organizers & participants shall follow these regulations.

12.6 In the playing area only players, arbiters and tournament officials are allowed. The access of accredited persons will be specified by the Chief Arbiter. Flashes may be used only in the first 10 minutes after the start of the round.

12.7 During the tournament, medical service will be provided according to FIDE and ECU rules.



13. COVID 19 Measures

Health protection measures will be applied according to instructions from Montenegro institutions and will be valid during the tournament duration.



14. Visa Information

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



15. Transport

The organizer will arrange transfers between the airports (Podgorica or Tivat) and the hotel.

Transfer is free for all players and accredited persons on the **first day (10th November)** and **the last day (21st November)**.

On other days transfer can be ordered for 30 EUR per person one-way.



16. Contact & Organizing Committee

Organizing Committee contact: **+382 67 237 360**

Tournament Director: **Milovic Jovan, IO**

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Official website: www.etcc23.me





We're looking forward to seeing you in Budva soon!