



**ECU Senior Chess Championship  
50+ 65+  
25 May – 04 June 2023 – Acqui Terme AL Piedmont Italy**

**A competition held by ECU**

Organizer: FIDE International Organizer Cristina Pernici Rigo and Michele Cordara



## **1. Invitation**

This is the official invitation to all National Chess Federations of ECU to participate.

The organizer invites all senior Ladies and Gentlemen throughout the European Countries to participate at the ECU Senior Individual Chess Championship (50+ 65+), which is to be held in Acqui Terme AL – Piedmont, from **25.05 arrival day till 04.06 departure day**.

All players shall have reached their age of 50 and 65 (by December 31st of the year in which the tournament will commence). In accordance with the ECU tournament rules, the Championship will be played in four categories: **age 50+ and 65+ (Open and Women)**.

**The registration period ends  
on May 14, 2023**

Our target is to organize the ECU Senior Individual Chess Championship at best, spreading the tradition of hospitality and good living typical of Italy.

The players will certainly be interested in the programme, which will be lively and supplemented by several additional events, Blitz Tournament, and tastings of local products.

As usual you will find in the prospect, the hotels available, rules and application form. You will also find a small map for an easier arrival.

Tournament Director: International Arbiter and FIDE International Organizer Cristina Pernici Rigo

## 2. Playing Venue

The games will take place in the conference centre of Acqui Terme



## 3. Tournament Schedule

May, 25 <sup>th</sup>	15:00-19:00	Arrival day Registration
May, 26 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	<b>end of registration</b>
	10:00	Technical Meeting in Tournament Venue
	15:00	Round 1
May, 27 <sup>th</sup>	15:00	Round 2 <b>21:30 Blitz Fide Rated</b>
May, 28 <sup>th</sup>	15:00	Round 3
May, 29 <sup>th</sup>	15:00	Round 4
May, 30 <sup>th</sup>	15:00	Round 5 <b>21:30 Blitz Fide Rated</b>
May, 31 <sup>st</sup>	15:00	Round 6
June, 1 <sup>st</sup>	15:00	Round 7
June, 2 <sup>nd</sup>	15:00	Round 8
June, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	15:00	Round 9
June, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>21:30</b>	<b>Closing Ceremony Prize awards</b>
June, 4 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Departures</b>

After consultation with ECU and the organizers, the Chief Arbiter can make changes in the above tournament schedule. Such changes will be announced in due time.

## 4. Technical Regulations

The Championship shall be played in 9 rounds of the Swiss System. The time is 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 1.

**Default time at the start of all 9 rounds is 30 minutes.**

**Participation: player who is registered by his/her federation with FIDE ID.**

The Women Tournament will be played separately if there are more than 9 participants in total.

According to the ECU regulations if there are less than 9 women participants in one age group the tournament merges with the respective open category.

F.e if the ladies 65+ are less than 9 will play in open 65. The prizes remain for the women, but they can also play for the open prizes.

**The ECU Officials (Chief Arbiter, Deputy Arbiter, Appeals Committee and ECU Technical Delegate) will be appointed by ECU in due time.**

Arbiters team will cover the following languages:

**ITA, GER, ENG, ESP, POR, FRA, DEN, ISR, GRE.**

#### **Appeals procedure:**

Protests, including protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter or his assistants, or the Tournament Director, must be submitted in written form to the Chairman of the appeals committee within one hour after completion of the respective game. The protest must be accompanied with the sum of 200 EUR or the equivalent in local currency, as a deposit from the signatory. The deposit must be handed to the Chairman of the appeals committee. If the appeal is granted, the sum shall be returned immediately. If the appeal is refused, the deposit is forfeited to the European Chess Union. The decisions of the Appeals Committee are final.

#### **Awards:**

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

- (a) Results of direct encounters between the tied players - If all the tied players have met each other, the sum of points from these encounters is used. The player with the highest score is ranked number 1 and so on. If some but not all have played each other, the player with a score that could not be equalled by any other player (if all such games had been played) is ranked number 1 and so on.,
- (b) Buchholz Cut 1,
- (c) Buchholz,
- (d) The greater number of games played with black,
- (e) The greater number of wins.

In the case of unplayed games, for the calculation of tiebreak criteria the current FIDE Competition Rules shall be applied.

The winner of the European Senior Chess Championship 50+ receives the title "European Senior Chess Champion 2023 50+".

The winner of the European Senior Chess Championship 65+ receives the title "European Senior Chess Champion 2023 65+".

The winner of the European Senior Women Chess Championship 50+ receives the title "European Senior Women Chess Champion 2023 50+".

The winner of the European Senior Women Chess Championship 65+ receives the title "European Senior Women Chess Champion 2023 65+".

### **5. Prize Fund**

**10.000€**

#### **Open Senior 50+**

- 1° € 1.000,00.- trophy and Gold medal
- 2° € 700,00.- Silver medal
- 3° € 500,00.- Bronze medal
- 4° € 400,00.-
- 5° € 330,00.-
- 6° € 300,00.-
- 7° € 240,00.-
- 8° € 220,00.-
- 9° € 210,00.-
- 10° € 200,00.-

#### **Women 50+**

- 1° € 400,00.- trophy and Gold medal
- 2° € 300,00.- Silver medal
- 3° € 200,00.- Bronze medal

#### **Open Senior 65+**

- 1° € 1.000,00.- trophy and Gold medal
- 2° € 700,00.- Silver medal
- 3° € 500,00.- Bronze medal
- 4° € 400,00.-
- 5° € 330,00.-
- 6° € 300,00.-
- 7° € 240,00.-
- 8° € 220,00.-
- 9° € 210,00.-
- 10° € 200,00.-

#### **Women 65+**

- 1° € 400,00.- trophy and Gold medal
- 2° € 300,00.- Silver medal
- 3° € 200,00.- Bronze medal

**Other special prize: 1st, 2nd, 3rd Over 75 Special Cup**

A player can get one prize only. According to the ECU Tournament Rules and regulations, the money prizes will be equally shared among the players with the same score. If one of the prize winners is absent during the closing ceremony, then: his/her money prize will be reduced by 20 % with a minimum of 100 €. Any other prize (medal, trophy) will not be awarded as long as a penalty of 100€ has not been paid. The money will be forfeited to ECU.

## 6. Qualification to World Senior Championship

According to FIDE Handbook D.03.7, the top 3 players from each category of the European Senior Championship 2023 are qualified with personal rights (free board and lodging) to the World Senior Championship 2024. Any change of regulations is a FIDE matter

## 7. Accommodation packages

To be registered and booked only through the Organising Committee (accommodation price per person, daily, including water during meals).

**Available room also for disabled person. Pets are allowed**

**Available rooms, without carpet, for allergic person.**

**And upon request it will be special dishes for celiac, vegetarian, vegan, Muslim person.**

<b>HOTEL **** STARS</b> Hotel Acqui distance 1km  (Wellness centre included)	<b>Junior Suite Double</b> (Price per person per day/ pro Person/ a persona)	<b>Junior Suite using single</b> Price per day	<b>Superior double</b> Price per day	<b>Superior room using single</b> Price per day
Full Board / VP / pensione completa	€ 100,00	€ 120,00	€ 95,00	€ 115,00
<b>City Tax only x4 days/ Tassa soggiorno solo x 4 gg/ Kurtaxenur für 4 tage: 1,5 Euro</b>				
<b>HOTEL *** STARS superior</b> Hotel Ariston distance 1km	<b>Double room/ DZ / Doppia</b> (Price per person per day/ pro Person/ a persona)		<b>DUS double using single</b> Price per day	
Full Board / VP / pensione completa	€ 80,00		€ 105,00	
Half Board / HP / mezza pensione	€ 75,00		€ 100,00	
<b>City Tax only x4 days/ Tassa soggiorno solo x 4 gg/ Kurtaxenur für 4 tage: 1,5 Euro</b>				
<b>HOTEL *** STARS</b> Hotel Valentino distance 200mt Hotel Rondò distance 100mt	<b>Double room/ DZ / Doppia</b> (Price per person per day/ pro Person/ a persona)		<b>Single room EZ / Singola</b> Price per day	
Full Board / VP / pensione completa	€ 75,00		€ 95,00	
Half Board / HP / mezza pensione	€ 70,00		€ 90,00	
<b>City Tax only x4 days/ Tassa soggiorno solo x 4 gg/ Kurtaxenur für 4 tage: 1,5 Euro</b>				
<b>HOTEL *** STARS economy</b> Gianduja distance 400mt Meridiana distance 1km	<b>Double room/ DZ / Doppia</b> (Price per person per day/ pro Person/ a persona)		<b>Single room EZ / Singola</b> Price per day	
Full Board / VP / pensione completa	€ 72,00		€ 87,00	
Half Board / HP / mezza pensione	€ 67,00		€ 82,00	
<b>City Tax only x4 days/ Tassa soggiorno solo x 4 gg/ Kurtaxenur für 4 tage: 1,5 Euro</b>				
<b>HOTEL ** STARS</b> Belvedere distance 200mt	<b>Double room/ DZ / Doppia</b> (Price per person per day/ pro Person/ a persona)		<b>Single room EZ / Singola</b> Price per day	
Full Board / VP / pensione completa	€ 65,00		€ 77,00	
Half Board / HP / mezza pensione	€ 60,00		€ 72,00	
<b>City Tax only x4 days/ Tassa soggiorno solo x 4 gg/ Kurtaxenur für 4 tage: 1 Euro</b>				

**Other facilities: garages, Thermae, Swimming pool, wellness.**

7.1. Additional nights are possible upon request and in proportional discount.

7.2. Every participant and all national delegations have to register through the Organising Committee with the above offers. Registrations, bookings, and visa invitations are made only through the Organising Committee.

## 8. Registration, Entry fees, Booking and payment

Entry form on website [www.scaccomattissimo.com](http://www.scaccomattissimo.com)

or email to [info@arcoworldchess.com](mailto:info@arcoworldchess.com)

All Entry form shall include:

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

First name \_\_\_\_\_

date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town \_\_\_\_\_

Country \_\_\_\_\_

Tel. \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

FIDE rating \_\_\_\_\_ title \_\_\_\_\_ FIDE ID \_\_\_\_\_

National Rating \_\_\_\_\_

Accompanying person \_\_\_\_\_

### Need transfer from Airport Malpensa

yes       no

Hotel reservation from \_\_\_\_\_ till \_\_\_\_\_

single room

twin room

FB

HB

Firma / Signature / Unterschrift \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration fee:** Each player has to pay **120 Euro** as registration fee for the event (is including ECU fee). It includes registration, accreditation, badge, ECU fee, free tour in Acqui, and one wine-tasting.

### The registration period ends on May 14, 2023, after this the entry fee is 170 Euro.

Each participant is advised to stay in one of the official hotels. Exceptions can be made for local players. Players who choose another hotel than the official ones will take the risk of their transportation to the playing venue, security, and all official tournament information.

**Deposit for accommodation is 300 Euro + registration 120 Euro = 420 Euro per person if player, 300 Euro if accompanying person.**

All entries shall be confirmed by the Tournament Director and rooms will be booked after a deposit payment, free of bank charges.

The receipt of the deposit payment must also be sent via email to the Organising Committee. The remaining balance shall be paid upon arrival and no later than the start of the 2nd round.

**Official and accompanying person must pay only the hotel booking and transfer if needed.**

**The amount of 420 euro must be transferred (free of bank charge) to the following Bank Account:**

Account Holder: Comitato ARCOWORLDCHESS - Pernici Rigo Cristina

Bank: Cassa Rurale Alto Garda Arco (TN) Italy

Bank Adress: viale Magnolie 1 Arco (TN) Italy

EU IBAN IT86 G080 1634 3100 0000 0383445

cod BIC/SWIFT CCRTIT2T04A (all fee loading to order)

The remaining balance shall be paid upon arrival and no later than the start of the 2nd round, directly in play venue organization desk, payment could be done in cash in Euro or with VISA/MASTERCARD. Players who are not registered cannot be included in the draw and entry fees will be forfeited.

## 9. Anti-cheating guidelines and Covid-19 rules

The ECU Anti-Cheating guidelines are valid for ECU Senior Individual Chess Championship 2023. The anti-covid protocol in force at the time of the event will be implemented.

## 10. Airport transfers

- From Malpensa Airport for arrival day May 25, and departure day June 04, 2023. the cost is 40 euro per way. Temporary Bus Schedule 16.00 - 21.00

**The definitive timetables will be communicated after the deadline of 04 May 2023.**

Airline passengers must inform the organizer in time (deadline May 04), sending the schedule by mail [info@arcoworldchess.com](mailto:info@arcoworldchess.com), with name, flight details, time of arrival and departure as soon as possible.

Organizers can provide private transportation with taxi in any other date and another airport, with an additional cost.

## How to reach us - Come arrivare- Wierreichen Sie uns



## 11. More information / Tournament Director

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