(PR1) Proposal for a WFCC Special Award

In our current times, we have a number of outstanding individuals who have contributed to our community, not just by their compositions, but also by their selfless work in developing and maintaining software tools, databases and websites.

Therefore it is appropriate that the WFCC recognise and appreciate these individuals by presenting a special award to them. This is similar to the "Lifetime achievement award" given by other organisations, usually to recipients who are nearing the end of their careers. We should not wait so long!

My suggested list of recipients, including Harry's recommendation is:

1. Christian Poisson - for the software WinChloe and its associated database.

2. Thomas Maeder - for the software Popeye.

3. Václav Kotěšovec - for his website <u>http://www.kotesovec.cz/</u> and his publications.

4. Dmitri Turevski - for the software Olive, Py2Web and his online database <u>https://www.yacpdb.org/</u>.

5. Miodrag Mladenović - for the software Solving Tournament Manager (STM).

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(PR2) Proposal to award a special distinction.

We propose, on behalf of the studies commission and Ukrainian chess composers, to consider at the 67th Congress WCCC and make a decision to award a special distinction of the WFCC to Harold van der Heijden - creator of famous study database with 93,839 endgame studies, and Peter Boll - webmaster of the <u>https://www.arves.org</u> famous studies website (since 2004) - for their long-term volunteer contribution to the popularization of chess study in the world.

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