

**59th World Congress of Chess Composition
40th World Chess Solving Championship
July 30 - August 6, 2016 in Belgrade**



INVITATION



On behalf of the Serbian Chess Problem Society and the Organizing Committee of the WCCC 2016, we are honoured to invite all delegates, national teams, individual chess solvers and composers and all those interested in problem chess, to attend the 59th World Congress of Chess Composition (WCCC) and 40th World Chess Solving Championship (WCSC).

The whole Congress is under patronage of the City Assembly of Belgrade.

We also proudly announce that, for the first time in the history of WCCC, separate competitions for juniors up to 18 years will be organized, both in composing and solving chess problems.

DATES

From July 30th (Saturday) to August 6th (Saturday) 2016. On Saturday, July 30th, Mayor of Belgrade, **Siniša Mali**, will welcome all participants and guests at the Opening ceremony in the Assembly of the City of Belgrade. **The Open solving** will be on August 1st, directed by **Axel Steinbrink** (Germany). The director of **40th WCSC** (August 2nd and 3rd) will be **Brian Stephenson** (Great Britain).

VENUE

The congress will be held in the 5-star [Metropol Palace Hotel](#), purposively designed for global conferences, and reopened in 2012, as a part of the "Starwood Hotels" group. The hotel has a long history of hosting important chess events, from the match USSR - Rest of the World (1970), to the European Individual Women's Chess Championship (2013). It is situated nearby governmental palaces and the leafy Tašmajdan park, with a splendid view of St. Mark's church.

The following services are included:

- The use of wireless Internet in the rooms and other hotel premises
- The use of hotel swimming pool (25 m)
- The use of fitness and aerobics centre

ACCOMMODATION

Hotel A: [Metropol Palace Hotel ***](#)** The hotel is located next to the grand Tašmajdan park from where you can easily stroll down the streets of Belgrade and explore theaters, museums, restaurants, and other interesting places. Address: Bulevar Kralja Aleksandra 69, 11000 Belgrade.

Hotel B: [Park Hotel Belgrade *](#)** - Situated five minutes away from the Slavija Square, 10 minutes by foot to Metropol Palace Hotel, and 15 minutes walk from the well-known pedestrian and shopping zone, Knez Mihailova street. Address: Njegoševa 2, 11000 Belgrade.

	single room per day - Half board	double room per person/day - Half board	triple room per person/day - Half board
Metropol Palace Hotel	110 €	75 €	65 €
Park Hotel	65 €	55 €	

For those registering till April 30th we guarantee free parking places in both hotels and the discounts for kids in parents' rooms in Metropol Palace: no charge for children up to 7, and 30% discount for children up to 12 years.

Participants who want to share a twin or triple room and do not have a roommate are kindly asked to let us know. We will add the request on the participant list.

The participation fee for those not staying in the official hotels is 100 EUR for registration, opening ceremony, congress material and participation in solving competitions, plus 20 EUR for excursion and 20 EUR for the final banquet.

PAYMENT

Payments are accepted by cash at the Congress office in the Metropol Palace Hotel.

INVOICE

Participants wishing to obtain an invoice are kindly requested to send all the necessary information in advance to 2016wccc@gmail.com

TRANSPORT

Metropol Palace Hotel is less than 20 km away from the Nikola Tesla Airport. Right by the Airport exit you may take a voucher for taxi to Metropol Palace Hotel or Park Hotel (15 EUR) and take the first cab in the line, right outside the exit.

As the cheapest transfer to official hotels, we may recommend taking the Bus A1 (in front of entrance) to its last station, the Slavija square (2.5 EUR). There, you may take a **tram (Nos. 2, 3)** to Metropol Palace (1 km away). Park Hotel is 500 m away from the Slavija square and you may reach it by taxi, or by foot (5 minutes walk).

If you come by train, the central train station is 2-3 km away from the official hotels. You can use **tram (Nos. 2, 3, 7 and 12)** or taxi (see all four maps <http://wccc2016.matplus.net/inv.php>).

Upon the wish of participants, we may also organize a direct transfer to both hotels.

ACTIVITIES

Explore Belgrade

Belgrade has many things to offer, both in its central part, and by its two rivers, Danube and Sava. We chose only a few activities from plenty, but our team will be happy to assist if you have any special wishes. Here are some daily activities we are planning for participants' family members, companions and friends:

- [Belgrade by Sightseeing Bus](#)
- [Belgrade by bike](#)
- Tesla's Days
- [Kalemegdan Fortress](#)
- [Lagumi - Underground Belgrade](#) tour

Excursion

A one-day trip will be organized outside of Belgrade. It is planned to visit the second largest city in Serbia - Novi Sad, that is well-known for one of the most visited music festival in the region - EXIT, held on Petrovaradin fortress. The Fruška Gora hill is situated just across Novi Sad and is rich in natural and cultural resources, there are 16 Serbian orthodox monasteries concentrated on a single hill. For wine & honey lovers, we have also reserved a visit to Sremski Karlovci, a place with "two suns" and a spectacular view of the Danube River.

REGISTRATION

We kindly ask you to register before June 30th. Please, fill in the Registration Form on the official website <http://wccc2016.matplus.net> and our team will contact you as soon as possible. Please, note that we can't guarantee the hotel reservation after June 30th.

The list of participants will be published on the official website: <http://wccc2016.matplus.net>

Participation of any person presented on the list is thereby confirmed.

VISA INFORMATION

Participants needing visa are kindly asked to contact organizers as soon as possible. Please note that we can issue a "letter of invitation", but we are not able to confirm any cost coverage.

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