



WORLD FEDERATION FOR CHESS COMPOSITION

66th World Congress (WCCC), Jūrmala, Latvia

27 July – 3 August 2024

AGENDA

For the first session:

1. Opening address
2. Tributes
3. Verification of attendance and voting rights
4. Approval of the Minutes of the 65th Meeting (Batumi, 2023)
5. Membership of the standing committees, outline of business for the week from spokesmen, timetable for committee meetings
 - WCCT
 - WCCI
 - Solving
 - Album
 - Qualifications
 - Computer matters
 - Studies
 - Youth
 - Codex
6. Proposals and business carried forward
 1. Future of ECSC, WCCC & WCSC (discussion)
 2. FIDE supported projects: World Cup in Composing and else (report and discussion)
 3. UAE contributions to WFCC (report by Abdulla Ali Aal Barket)
 4. FIDE youth solving events 2024 (report by Dinu-Ioan Nicula)
 5. WFCC Composing Calendar (report by Kenneth Solja)
 6. Online Solving Challenge for Youth 2024 (report by Brian Cook)
 7. Announcement of the FIDE Album 2022-24

8. Proposal for updating FIDE Album points system (Neal Turner)
9. Announcement of the WCCI 2022-24
10. Solving Committee Agenda 2024 (Marek Kolčák)
11. Change of temporal rule regarding rated tournaments (proposal by Dinu-Ioan Nicula)
12. Olympic solving competitions (proposals by Panagiotis Konidaris)
13. WFCC social media and contributions of volunteers (Marjan Kovačević)
14. Proposals concerning the war between Israel and Hamas (Bjørn Enemark)
15. Ukrainian proposals concerning sanctions (Valery Kopyl)
16. Working paper for possible WFCC-fees (proposals by Torsten Linß)
17. Solvers' wildcards for WCSC & ECSC (proposal by Piotr Gorski)
18. 12th WCCT organizing matters (proposals by Georgy Evseev)
19. Offer to organize WCCC & WCSC 2024 (by Alexander Tkachev)

7. Miscellaneous:

1. Review of the year (with contributions from delegates)
2. Report on the International Solving Contest 2024 (Arvydas Mockus)
3. Report on the ECSC in Hagen 2024 (Axel Steinbrink)
4. Report on the World Solving Cup 2023-24 (Roland Ott)
5. WCSC 2024: introductory announcements (Ryszard Królikowski)

For subsequent sessions:

1. Election of Auditor and Reserve Auditor for the following year
2. Financial report, balance sheet, auditor's report, budget for the following year
3. Report by the spokesman of each committee on business covered
4. Discussion of proposals and business listed above
5. Report by the WCSC 2024 Director (Ryszard Królikowski)
6. Suggestions of the Qualifications committee re. new titles
7. Decisions regarding future meetings: WCCC, WCSC & ECSC
8. Any other business
9. Closing summary and vote of thanks

WCCC 2024 Commemoration List (Jūrmala, Latvia)

Almiro Zarur	Brazil	(07.06.1920 – 08.11.2021)
Charles Patrick King-Farlow	Great Britain	(31.03.1939 – 01.03.2023)
Herbert Kromath	Germany	(05.03.1934 – 24.06.2023)
Viktor Zheltukhov	Russia	(10.04.1940 – 15.09.2023)
Jean-Pierre Carrez	France	(10.10.1949 – 20.10.2023)
Christine Bays	Switzerland	(06.01.1952 – 21.10.2023)
Josef Maršálek	Czech Republic	(17.03.1935 – 26.10.2023)
Bernd Ellinghoven	Germany	(24.08.1953 – 13.11.2023)
Colin Sydenham	Great Britain	(13.12.1937 – 15.11.2023)
Bedrich Formánek	Slovakia	(06.06.1933 – 19.11.2023)
Gábor Koder	Hungary	(01.03.1948 – 20.11.2023)
Børge Hansen	Denmark	(19.08.1927 – 21.11.2023)
Nikolaï Belchikov	Belarus	(12.05.1947 – 15.12.2023)
Sergio Orce	France	(??? – 24.12.2023)
Aleksandar Popovski	North Macedonia	(28.04.1932 – 28.12.2023)
Gennady Kozyura	Ukraine	(12.11.1955 – 30.12.2023)
Yuri Markovych Gordian	Ukraine	(24.03.1937 – 08.01.2024)
Christian Caminade	France	(11.03.1936 – 09.01.2024)
Stanislav Juříček	Czech Republic	(28.02.1952 – 25.01.2024)
John Beasley	Great Britain	(15.02.1940 – 03.03.2024)
Antal Harl	Hungary	(24.12.1957 – 09.03.2024)
Vladimir Kozhakin	Russia	(17.07.1957 – 16.03.2024)
Jean-Luc Seret	France	(04.09.1951 – 19.03.2024)
Sarah (Siegfried) Hornecker	Germany	(19.03.1986 – 22.03.2024)
Yakov Rossomakho	Russia	(04.11.1935 – 02.04.2024)
Vagn Erik Hansen	Denmark	(01.08.1932 – 16.04.2024)
Guy Sobrecases	France	(31.10.1965 – 20.04.2024)
Ulrich Auhagen	Germany	(31.08.1934 – 24.04.2024)
Vladimir Katsnelson	Russia	(07.11.1937 – 16.05.2024)
Yuri Selyavkin	Ukraine	(19.04.1956 – 07.06.2024)
René J. Millour	France	(18.06.1943 – 18.06.2024)
Eugeniusz Iwanow	Poland	(03.02.1933 – 28.06.2024)
Werner Schmoll	Austria	(05.05.1949 – 06.07.2024)
Mario Guido García	Argentina	(22.06.1948 – 12.07.2024)
Miroslav Coufal	Czech Republic	(22.07.1934 – 18.07.2024)

ANNEXES

FIDE supported projects: World Cup in Composing and else

As you may know, the FIDE World Cup in Composing was initiated by Andrey Selivanov in agreement with the FIDE officers, and has been organized by his team since 2010. Since 2019, this FIDE Special Project was granted a yearly budget of 10,000 Euros, allocated to the winners (4,000) and the judges (4,000) of all eight sections, as well as to the director (1,000) and to the costs (1,000) of cups, medals, certificates and the final booklets. As stated in Regulations, the organizer was the FIDE, with the participation of the WFCC.

The previous 11 competitions have contributed to promotion of chess composition and the support to judges and composers came as a pleasant surprise, especially at the beginning. However, not all our members were happy about introducing the money prizes, and the project put in danger the much smaller FIDE yearly support to WFCC of 3,000 Euros. In fact, this WFCC budget was on the way to be cancelled, but luckily hasn't.

In 2023 the technical realization of the World Cup became complicated because of sanctions to Russia and not all the obligations (cups, medals, booklet) were fulfilled. This year, Andrey Selivanov reported he couldn't organize the World Cup the same way, suggesting the WFCC should form a commission to take it over, with him as the president. After consulting several delegates and members of Presidium, the remaining options were either to give up this part of the FIDE support and to risk not having it anymore, or to ask FIDE officers if WFCC may use the planned budget for other FIDE related special projects in 2024.

The FIDE executive officer Victor Bologan kindly supported the latter option and reallocated the same budget of 10,000 Euros to the three FIDE related projects in 2024: FIDE youth solving events, FIDE Album, and a booklet with 100 selected problems/endgames from each of the 100 years 1924-2023.

The delegates are expected to come with opinions and proposals about the FIDE supported projects from 2025 on, and particularly about the FIDE World Cup in Composing, while the final proposals and decisions will probably need an online Meeting before the end of 2024. The decision to continue the FIDE World Cup will have to include concrete decisions about its format, budget and – in the first place – about the WFCC organizing team.

Marjan Kovačević,

WFCC president

UAE contributions to WFCC

01 Yearly money support of 5000 Euro

02 WFCC bank account in UAE

 Current Account- Corporate WORLD FEDERATION FOR CHESS COM 0012286345001	Date of opening : 21.11.2023
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 مصرف الشارقة الإسلامي
SHARJAH ISLAMIC BANK

03 Social Media



ACCOUNT CREATED:
11th DEC 2022

Posts: 111
Followers: 794
Likes: 656



ACCOUNT CREATED:
11th DEC 2022

Posts: 111
Followers: 208



ACCOUNT CREATED:
11th DEC 2022

Tweets: 111
Followers: 156



ACCOUNT CREATED:
11th DEC 2022

Videos: 22
Subscribers : 97
Views : 2453




ACCOUNT CREATED:
11th DEC 2022

Posts : 111
Followers : 709

04 Support of WFCC technical matters (Meeting issues, Zoom, Registration links for upcoming FIDE & WFCC events, Updating Swiss-Manager results)

1st WORLD CADET CHESS SOLVING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024 Montesilvano, Italy, 21 st NOV 2024  	1st WORLD YOUTH CHESS SOLVING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024 Florianópolis (SC), Brazil, 4 th NOV 2024  
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Tournament selection All tournaments	Sort according to Last upload descending
Federation: World Federation for Chess Composition (WFC)	
 www.chess-results.com	

Proposal for updating FIDE Album points system

The protocol from meeting of Permanent Commission of the FIDE for Chess Compositions (PCCC) in Leipzig in 1960 states that it was decided that when calculating points for Album problems '1 Studie = 1 2/3 Probleme'. No argumentation or additional information was registered in the protocol. It has now been in force for over 60 years and now seems a good time to review whether it's still appropriate in light of modern day developments.

Without dwelling on any ideological or personal considerations which may have been in play so many years ago, we address below some of the actual arguments that are put forward in support of the status quo and try demonstrate their shortcomings:

- *Studies were considered to be more valuable than other problems.* – Studies might have had some significance for endgame play and theory in the past. In the computer era of today exact theory and analysing powers well above human capacities are available, which decreases the role of endgame studies.
- *Studies were considered to be closer to the game of chess than other chess problems.*
 - Direct orthodox mates are similarly close to the game of chess and much closer than e.g. fairy chess problems, but in this case no difference in points has been introduced.
- *Studies were considered to be more difficult to get correct.* – This might have been the case in the past, which can be seen from the fact that in the leading endgame studies database one third of the studies are said to be / have been incorrect. The issue of getting a study correct is nowadays of smaller magnitude due to efficient computer checking possibilities.
- *Studies were considered to be more difficult to compose than other problems.* – The length of a study is normally 5-15 moves. It can have been seen to be more difficult to compose a study of such length than e.g. a short direct mate; this is also related to the issue of getting correct mentioned above. With the computer checking and solving programs of today all composing has less limitations and vast possibilities.
- *Studies were considered to be more beautiful and more interesting than other problems.* – Can be disregarded as subjective.

As we see no reason and no justification for continuing to have a bonus system for any type of problem genres, we propose the following: Starting from the Album period 2025-2027 all selected problems and studies are rewarded one point.

May 2024

Finnish Chess Problem Society

Solving committee agenda 2024

ISC 2024 irregularities

The Solving committee decided in Hagen that it confirms the results of the ISC 2024. The irregularities of the ISC were significant, but the Committee did not identify any notable impact on the results of the ISC.

Changes to the ISC rules will be specified at a meeting of Solving committee in Jurmala with the organizers of non-European ISC tournaments.

Change of Rule 6 of the Rules for the World Solving Cup (WSC)

current:

A season of the WSC is a period between the two WFCC congresses.

new:

The WSC season is generally the period between two WFCC congresses. Therefore, the new WSC season usually starts after the WFCC congress, but not later than 1 September.

Reason:

This rule change is intended to prevent us from having to propose exceptions when congresses are scheduled at a late date.

Rules for WCSC/ECSC

The proposal: add new sentence to point 8 a)

The virtual threat is not scored.

The proposal: add new sentence to point 8 b)

The virtual threat is not scored.

Reason: At the French championship this year, the judge scored a virtual threat because it was not explicitly forbidden in the rules.

This sentence from current Rules (in red) is clear enough for me, but in order to avoid any doubt, it proposed to add the sentence about virtual threat.

If there is no threat at all or an existing threat of full length is not written, all variations of full length are to be given.

8. The solutions are to be written in algebraic notation in the following way:

a) in direct mate problems: all moves in all variations of full length which defend against the threat, including the threat if it is of full length, except the last move of Black and the mating move (i.e. in twomovers only the key; in threemovers all three-move variations, including the full length threat, up to the second white move, etc.). If there is no threat at all or an existing threat of full length is not written, all variations of full length are to be given. In a moremove with a threat (at any point) Black may have a defence that leads to a variation with the same next move(s) as in that threat, but a different continuation for White before the mating move; this variation must be written. **The virtual threat is not scored.**

b) in selfmate problems: all moves except the mating move in all variations of full length which defend against the threat, including the threat if it is of full length. If there is no threat at all or an existing threat of full length is not written, all variations of full length are to be given. In a moreover with a threat (at any point) Black may have a defence that leads to a variation with the same next move(s) as in that threat, but a different continuation for White before Black's mating move; this variation must be written. **The virtual threat is not scored.**

World (European) Senior Team Championship

The Women's and Junior Team World Championships are a distant idea, but the Senior Team World Chess Solving Championship are already real. In chess o.t.b., the World and European Championships of Senior Teams have been organized for many years. Many countries are able to put the senior team in competition (for example GBR, ISR, SRB, GER, FIN, FRA, SUI, UKR, NED, GRE, SVK, CZE, SLO, AZE). All rules will be maintained. For the competition to be fair, at least seven countries must participate. The teams consist of three (four at ECSC) solvers. Teams consisting of only two (two or three at ECSC) solvers are also permitted. The members of the teams simultaneously compete in the individual championship and/or team championship. We don't have to change anything but allow some countries that want to build a senior team to have one (for WCSC) or two (for ECSC) extra seniors participating. For those countries that have at least one senior (in WCSC) or two seniors (in ECSC) in the national team, extra seniors are not needed, as the other two can start as individuals and seniors.

The World (European) Championship of Senior Teams does not require any new competition, everything will take place within the WCSC (ECSC).

Marek Kolčák

Change of temporal rule regarding rated tournaments

Being rating officer of Romanian Chess Federation, I can inform you that the rule for FIDE monthly list is:

The tournaments finished in the last 2 days of the month are compulsory registered directly for the next month.

Only European and World Championships are making exception, but with special approval.

By comparison with these above, my proposal is (**for the Congress agenda**), that beginning from October solving list (in fact, starting with the period 28-30 September):

- **the solving tournaments „on place” held in the last day of the month will be compulsory registered for the next month;**
- **the solving „multilocation” tournaments held in the last 3 days of the month will be compulsory registered for the next month.**

Dinu-Ioan Nicula

Olympic solving competitions

In solving area we have WSCC and ESCC and national champs, along with national and international tournaments. So far so good. But one piece missing in the puzzle. **Olympiad competition!** I never understood the reason, I suppose it is a matter of relationship between us and FIDE or something similar, but it doesn't matter after all. Maybe now its time for a new start.

The main idea is to include in Chess Olympiad officially a solving competition (at one of the free days). The competition will determine the "3 Olympic winners" in solving chess with the respective medals. Very easy (and very cheap) for the Hosting Country of Chess Olympiad, which will welcome additional chess players/solvers in their venue.

The tournament can be arranged in only one day, like Open style. 12 problems it will be fine. It can be a regular open or even with different format (e.g. without #h or #s if we judge as preferable for some reason). And of course it will be open to every chess player.

What we can expect from this? What is the positive about?

- 1) It is an opportunity to tighten our relationships with FIDE
- 2) It will have additional promotion/coverage (eg tv)
- 3) Its an additional new competition every 2 (or even every 4) years, with different and interesting prestige.
- 4) In the Olympiad its almost sure that will attract many OTB players, even strong ones, from different countries. It will be an a(r)ttraction!
- 5) The organizing cost is minimal, we only need a good room/hall from the Host.
- 6) We have many people with the experience and willing to help.
- 7) It doesn't affect our calendar.
- 8) It presents composition to foreign countries, countries that ignore us so far.
- 9) It connects composition with its natural environment, chess as general activity.
- 10) We open new doors worldwide and help to the expansion of Composition World.
- 11) With some good contacts maybe this will attract also sponsors.
- 12) We can easily add Olympiad composing tourney.
- 13) The competition will be individual, so we don't need teams (and many persons)

What are the disadvantages? What are the difficulties?

- 1) Maybe Host Country don't want to accept/help us.

- 2) Maybe FIDE doesn't interest at all to give value and importance in our activity, so denies to put it under its umbrella, to be mild.
- 3) Maybe in a distant country we will have lower number of experienced solvers.
- 4) Maybe it's a competition that solver's world don't need it, we prefer our peaceful isolation (?)
- 5) Maybe the cost to the venue will be high.
- 6) Maybe this needs first some trial period (e.g. in the next Olympiad) to be evaluated properly.

Of course I may forgot some parameters, but I think this a good summary to start with. And this it not all, in my idea. Because I have in my sling an alternative proposition.

Alternative solution:

If nothing works as we would like, then we can always organizing OUR Olympiad. That of course have some pros and cons. Generally some of the positives in the previous presentation apply here to. Some more thoughts:

- 1) We don't need them, we know how to do it by ourselves 😊
- 2) We can arrange it every 4 years to add suspense and value in the medals.
- 3) We can find new willing in organizing, its something new after all.
- 4) We can define/select different kind of competitions to enrich the Olympiad's program. An initial proposal: **a) Open style solving, b) Quick solving, c) Studies solving d) Fairy solving, e) Retro solving, f) Quick composing, g) Solving duel (1vs1), h) Baltic combined...**

We can put them in a program of 3 or 4 days and every competition will imitate a different "sport" like in real Olympiad. That will give the opportunity to different genres solvers to succeed. 3 first winners will be the medalists.

Panagiotis Konidaris

Proposals concerning the war between Israel and Hamas

We have for a long time considered Israel an ally and a country sharing most of our ideas (except for the settlements), and Israel had our sympathy when it was attacked. But the response from Israel is so far beyond a reasonable one that we as an organisation have to react.

I recognize that

- Hamas attacked Israel, killing and taking hostages
- Israel is a democracy
- Israel has the right to defend itself
- Israel has a moral right to a reasonable strike back

But Israel has done far more than a reasonable strike back

A large number of civilians in Gaza has been killed

A large number of civilians in Gaza has been driven from their homes

A large number of civilians in Gaza has had their homes destroyed

So I propose sanctions like the ones against Russia and Belarus

- No team competitions
- No participation in WCCT
- Solving tourneys in Israel excluded from the schedule
- Individuals may participate in composing and solving tourneys, but without flag and country name

Bjørn Enemark
Danish delegate

Ukrainian proposals concerning sanctions

Dear friends,

It's been two years and 6 months since the beginning of Russia's brutal large-scale invasion of Ukraine. I believe all of you are aware how horrible the situation is. People keep dying every single minute – both militaries as well as civilians. It is hard to imagine the scope of the atrocities committed by the invaders. One of the most recent examples: on July 8, Russian missiles destroyed a children's hospital and a maternity hospital in Kyiv, lots of adults and children were killed on that day. The world is slowly starting to see how awful this genocidal war is. Chess composers of the world are sort of a family. Or used to be. Unfortunately, we have representatives of the aggressor country among us. Does anyone here want to receive the next WCCT award and see the blood of Ukrainian children, women, elderly people, soldiers on its cover? Once again, I insist that Russia must be expelled from WFCC and that the WCCT Director must be replaced by someone else, who is not a representative of Russia or Belarus. Please wake up and realize that we must not be on the same page with murderers.

Thank you for your attention.

Valery Kopyl

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Balance Sheet

30.06.2024

Assets	Notes	30.06.2024	30.06.2023
Cash		€ 22,596.40	€ 2,979.48
- Bank	1	€ 22,596.40	€ 2,979.48
Debtors		€ 87.89	€ 0.00
- Prepaid expense	2	€ 87.89	€ 0.00
Total		€ 22,684.29	€ 2,979.48

Liabilities and Equity	Notes	30.06.2024	30.06.2023
<i>Retained earnings 01.07.2023</i>		€ 2,979.48	€ 4,479.55
<i>Profit (+) / Loss(-)</i>		€ 4,458.93	-€ 1,500.07
Total Equity		€ 7,438.41	€ 2,979.48
Creditors		€ 15,245.88	€ 0.00
- FIDE Spec.project prepaid income	3.1	€ 10,000.00	
- Fujairah Gov. projects prepaid income	3.2	€ 4,000.00	
- Other creditors(***)	3.3	€ 1,245.88	
Total		€ 22,684.29	€ 2,979.48

Notes:

1. Bank

The bank account for WFCC in UAE was opened on 01.11.2023, currency: AED.

The total cash received up to 30.06.2024 in EUR:

€	3,000.00	FIDE yearly support 2023
€	2,953.03	Transferred from WFCC old account, €2979.48-€26.45 banking commissions jul.23-nov.23
€	3,640.00	Fujairah Government support (€5000-€1360 loan from FCCC to expenses paid in Batumi, WCCC 2023)
€	13,000.00	FIDE yearly support 2024 (€3000) & FIDE Special project (€10000)
€	22,593.03	

Bank statement, 30.06.24

88835.5 AED

to EUR as of 30.06.24

€ **22,596.40** <https://tassidicambio.bancaditalia.it/terzevalute-wf-ui-web/converter>

temporary gain

€ 3.37

2. Debtors: prepaid expense

- Prepaid expense: wfcc.ch hosting 01.07.24-31.05.2025

3.1. Creditors: FIDE Special project prepaid income

€10000 were given by FIDE for special projects in 2024, 100 years of FIDE (replacement of FIDE Composing Cup in 2024):

€	4,000.00	Youth Solving competition 2024
€	3,000.00	Booklet / selection of 100 best endgames
€	3,000.00	Support for the next FIDE Album
€	<u>10,000.00</u>	

The income will be shown in the next financial period, together with the costs, when the projects in progress (the Budget).

3.2. Creditors: Fujairah Government conditional support, prepaid income

From the Financial Report 2022-23:

Conditional yearly support by Fujairah government means the support of concrete WFCC projects. The projects of each year should be agreed in the budget, with the obligation of WFCC to have Fujairah Government logo for each supported project (banner, website, booklet etc.)

€	5,000.00	The support received in 2023
€	<u>(1,000.00)</u>	The expense in 2023-24 - support of WCCC Batumi
€	4,000.00	Prepaid income for projects supported by Fujairah Government

The income will be shown in the next financial period, together with the costs, when the projects in progress (the Budget).

3.3. Creditors: Other Creditors

€	1,000.00	David Gurgendidze for WCCC Batumi, by Fujairah Gov., €1000;
€	150.00	Swiss manager program - lifetime license paid by FCCC
€	95.88	Invoice for hosting wfcc.ch paid by FCCC
€	<u>1,245.88</u>	

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Income Statement 30.06.2024	ACTUAL 30.06.2024	Budget 30.06.2023	ACTUAL 30.06.2023
	2023-24	2023-24	2022-23
Income	€ 7,000.00	€ 8,000.00	€ 0.00
- FIDE (2023 & 2024)	€ 6,000.00	€ 3,000.00	€ 0.00
- Fujairah Government (conditional), Batumi WCCC2023(*)	€ 1,000.00	€ 5,000.00	
Expenses	€ 2,541.07	€ 2,250.00	€ 1,500.07
- ISC 2023	€ 150.00	€ 150.00	€ 150.00
- WCSC 2023	€ 500.00	€ 500.00	€ 500.00
- WCCT 2020-2023	€ 0.00		€ 100.00
- WSC 2022-23	€ 300.00	€ 300.00	€ 300.00
- YCCC 2023	€ 0.00	€ 100.00	€ 0.00
- Batumi WCCC 2023(*)	€ 1,000.00		
- ECSC 2023 (**)		€ 500.00	€ 0.00
- IT (websites)	€ 417.99	€ 500.00	€ 389.52
- Swiss manager program - lifetime license	€ 150.00		
- Banking	€ 23.08	€ 100.00	€ 60.55
- Other expenses	€ 0.00	€ 100.00	€ 0.00
Income (+) / Loss (-)	€ 4,458.93	€ 5,750.00	-€ 1,500.07

(*) Conditional yearly support by Fujairah government means the support of concrete WFCC projects. The projects of each year should be agreed in the budget, with the obligation of WFCC to have Fujairah Government logo for each supported project (banner, website, booklet etc.)

See the note 3.2 to the Balance sheet:

€	5,000.00	The support received in 2023
€	(1,000.00)	The income&expense in 2023-24 - support of WCCC Batumi
€	4,000.00	Prepaid income for projects supported by Fujairah Government

The income will be shown in the next financial period, together with the associated costs.

(**) As WFCC got the support from FIDE for 2023, the organizers of ECSC 2023 may apply for the support of €500.

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The Budget 2024-2025	Budget	Budget
	2024-25	2023-24
Income	€ 11,000.00	€ 8,000.00
- FIDE yearly support	€ 3,000.00	€ 3,000.00
- FIDE Special Project	€ 7,000.00	€ 0.00
- Fujairah Government (conditional)	€ 1,000.00	€ 5,000.00
Expenses	€ 11,150.00	€ 2,250.00
- ISC 2024	€ 150.00	€ 150.00
- WCSC 2024	€ 500.00	€ 500.00
- WSC 2023-24	€ 300.00	€ 300.00
- YCCC 2024	€ 0.00	€ 100.00
- ECSC 2024 (if the organizers apply for it)	€ 500.00	€ 500.00
- Jurmala WCCC 2024	€ 1,000.00	
- Jurmala WCCC 2024(Fujairah gov.support)	€ 1,000.00	
- IT (websites)	€ 500.00	€ 500.00
- FIDE Youth Solving	€ 4,000.00	
- FIDE Booklet 100 best endgames	€ 3,000.00	
- Banking	€ 100.00	€ 100.00
- Other expenses	€ 100.00	€ 100.00
Income (+) / Loss (-)	-€ 150.00	€ 5,750.00

Proposal for Additional Wild Cards in Solving Championships (WCSC, ECSC)

Proposal:

To grant additional wild cards for participation in the World and European Chess Solving Championships to countries whose representatives won an individual medal in the previous edition of the respective championship. These additional wild cards will be beyond the standard participation limit for representatives of each country as per existing regulations.

Required changes in rules:

→ I propose to add point 4.6 in Rules of WCSC/ECSC stating the following:

4.6. Countries whose representatives won an individual medal in the previous edition of the respective championship are entitled to nominate one additional solver for the individual championship for each individual medal.

→ I propose to update point 5.1:

*5.1. A country and individuals mentioned in **points 4.5 and 4.6** must notify the organiser of their intention to participate not later than three months before the tournament; unless in the organiser's announcement a later date is given.*

Rationale

I don't see any possible downsides of this decision, but it might help development of chess composition especially in countries where becoming eligible for solving in the world or European championship is very difficult.

Piotr Gorski

12 WCCT Invitation to delegates

Dear delegates,

1. Please inform WCCT Committee, if your country is ready to assign a Director for the 12th WCCT. The Director will be included in the WCCT Committee until the end of tournament and will receive all the necessary support (description of duties, standard procedures, necessary Excel formulas, etc.). WCCT Committee will also provide necessary information for the potential Directors to help them make the decision. Tentative deadline is November 1st, 2024. If no proposals are received, the Committee will try to obtain the candidate writing directly to some countries and persons. We hope to appoint Director until January 1st, 2025.
2. Please propose the themes that may be useful for any section of 12th WCCT (#2, #3, #n, studies, h#, s#, fairy, retro). Your proposals should be sent by November 1st to any member of WCCT Committee. In principle, you may also send themes after this tentative deadline (or even at any moment altogether). The themes will be stored and may be used
3. Please inform WCCT Committee, in which sections of 12th WCCT (#2, #3, #n, studies, h#, s#, fairy, retro) you wish your country to be considered as a potential judge. Please, try to ensure that we have enough judges in all sections. You should also indicate the name(s) of at least one expert in the relevant field. The selection of the judging countries will be done by WCCT committee. It is planned that you will be informed of selection before the tournament is announced. Your answer should be sent by November 15th to any member of WCCT Committee. Please also add a copy to the President of WFCC Marjan Kovacevic at <kovacevic.marjan@gmail.com>.

Any comments, opinions and proposals are also welcome until the November 15th. WCCT Committee intends to start the event in March-May 2025.

Proposal on WCCT status for countries under sanctions

1. Countries under sanctions are not invited to judge any WCCT section.
2. Countries under sanctions are allowed to register for the next WCCT.
3. Decision on participation of countries under sanctions in WCCT is made on the next WFCC Meeting.
4. WFCC Presidium, if he sees the reasons for it, may ask to review this decision on extraordinary meeting or through online voting no later than three months before deadline for sending compositions.

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Attn.: WFCC President Marjan Kovacevic

Re: 67th World Congress of Chess Composition

Dear Mr. President,

The Chess Federation of Russia presents its compliments to the World Federation for Chess Composition and wishes to let you know that the CFR will be happy to organize the 67th World Congress of Chess Composition and 48th World Chess Solving Championship in Moscow, Russia, within 16-25 August 2025. The dates can be subject to review in case they are not convenient for participating countries.

Russia has successfully organized the Congress in Moscow in 2003, and we are pleased to invite all WFCC and FIDE member countries to Moscow again.

The CFR will ensure that accommodation prices per person/per day will not exceed EUR 80 for a single room and EUR 60 for a double room. The cost will include buffet breakfast, an excursion, registration fees, free WIFI, a farewell banquet, and etc.

The CFR is also happy to provide a visa support.

Currently there may be no direct flights to Moscow from certain European countries, however there are many options for connecting flights via Belgrade, Erevan, Baku, several airports in Turkey and many Asian airports.

Best regards,



Alexander Tkachev
CFR Executive Director