



FEDERATION AUTRICHIENNE DES ECHECS . AUSTRIAN CHESS FEDERATION

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16th EUROPEAN UNION YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 8 - 14

Mureck, July 31 - August 9, 2018

General regulations

1. Invitation

The Austrian Chess Federation has the honour of inviting your Chess Federation to participate in the European Union Youth Chess Championship 2017 at Mureck.

2. Participation

Each Federation can enter one player, boy or girl in any of the categories of under 8, 10, 12 and 14 as of January 1st, 2018.

Boys and girls will play in the same tournament, but with two separate scores. So we will have two European Union Youth Champions, one for the girls and one for the boys. Additional (extra) players can also be registered.

Only **citizens** of a **member state of the European Union** or of **Schengen state** are allowed to participate.

We don't support Visa applications.

All participants including parents, coaches, observers and relatives are obliged to stay in official hotels or guesthouses and will not be allowed to book directly their accommodation or food.

All bookings must be made through the organizers, otherwise players have to pay an extra organizing fee of **Euros 50,-** in advance or in cash on arrival at Mureck.

3. Registration - Conditions of participation

Entry forms must be sent back not later than

June 28th, 2018 by telefax or email.

Registration must mention the surname/s, first name/s, FIDE ID number and FIDE rating of each player. We also need the telephone, email/fax number of the delegation chief and of the person in charge of the federation. Please use the registration form enclosed. All travel expenses must be paid by the participants or their National Federation. Each player (invited or extra) and the invited coach has to pay the amount of **Euros 90,-** to the Organizing Committee when registering or on arrival at Mureck. Transport from Graz airport and back will be free of charge.

4. Accommodation and meals

Board and lodging will be provided at Mureck or in its close surroundings. The Organizing Committee can accommodate invited participants and a coach in double or triple rooms or in apartments. Free board and lodging is offered to players as well as to

one coach per federation from Tuesday 31 July (dinner) to Thursday 9 August (lunch).
Payments (Euros only) for all extra players and accompanying persons must be made in **advance**.

The cost of lodging for additional (extra) players and accompanying persons for full board per day is the following:

in double and triple rooms: 51 Euros per person
in single rooms: 61 Euros per person

Bank Account:

Bank: Steiermärkische Bank & Sparkassen AG
IBAN: AT792081507500187997
BIC/SWIFT: STSPAT2G
BANK ADDRESS: 8480 Mureck, Hauptplatz 2
ACCOUNT HOLDER: Österreichischer Schachbund, Landesverband Steiermark

5. Tournament hall and meeting point on arrival

A-8480 Mureck, Kulturzentrum,
59 km south of Graz on the Austrian-Slovenian boarder

Schedule

Tuesday	31 July	afternoon	arrival of delegations
Wednesday	01 August	14:30	opening ceremony
		15:00	1 st round
Thursday	02 August	15:00	2 nd round
Friday	03 August	15:00	3 rd round
Saturday	04 August	15:00	4 th round
Sunday	05 August	15:00	5 th round
Monday	06 August	15:00	6 th round
Tuesday	07 August	15:00	7 th round
Wednesday	08 August	15:00	8 th round
Thursday	09 August	08:30	9 th round
			13:45 closing ceremony, departure

6. Rules and regulations

The tournament will be played according to the Swiss System in 9 rounds. National ratings will not be taken into consideration for the pairings.

The playing time will be 90 minutes for the whole game plus 30 seconds increment per move, starting from move one.

The tiebreak will be (1) Buchholz, (2) Buchholz cut -1, (3) Sonneborn-Berger

Default time is 10 minutes for each round.

The players cannot draw a game by agreement before black's 30th move. A claim for a draw before black's 30th move is permitted only through the arbiters in the cases of perpetual check or threefold repetition.

7. Arbiters

IA Manfred MUSSNIG
IA Wolfgang HORVATH

8. Organizing Committee

Chairman

Prof. Kurt JUNGWIRTH
Honorary Vice President of FIDE
Honorary President of the Austrian Chess Federation

Tournament director

FM Erich GIGERL

9. Prizes

The first three players of each group will be awarded trophies + appropriate awards.
The best girls will be awarded trophies separately.