



PRISHTINA OPEN 2024
BALKAN OPEN
CHAMPIONSHIP 2024

REGULATIONS

Organizer

The Kosovo Chess Federation under the patronage of the Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports of the Republic of Kosovo, supported by FIDE and Balkan Chess Federation

Venue & Date

The tournament will be held in Prishtina at Golden Restaurant, Shefqet Shkupi Str. from June 14th until June 20th 2024.

SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Hour	Program
Friday	14.06.2024	16:30	Opening ceremony
Friday	14.06.2024	17:00	Round I
Saturday	15.06.2024	10:00	Round II
Saturday	15.06.2024	16:30	Round III
Sunday	16.06.2024	10:00	Round IV
Sunday	16.06.2024	16:30	Round V
Monday	17.06.2024	16:30	Round VI
Tuesday	18.06.2024	16:30	Round VII
Wednesday	19.06.2024	16:30	Round VIII
Thursday	20.06.2024	16:30	Round IX

Closing Ceremony will be half hour after the finishing of the last round.

Registration of players will be possible until June 10th 2024. Confirmation of the participation should be done the latest till 15:00 hours on June 14th.

SYSTEM AND RATE OF PLAY

The championship is organized in 9-round Swiss system, in accordance with FIDE Laws of Chess and the ECU Tournament Rules.

Pairing in the first five rounds will be done according to the Swiss accelerated "Baku" system.

The rate of play will be 90 minutes for the game with an increment of 30 seconds per move, starting from move one.

Default time is 30 minutes for each round.

Scoring and Tie-Breaking System

The score in each game is 1 for a win, $\frac{1}{2}$ for a draw and 0 for a lost game.

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) the extent required:

- (a) Buchholz Cut 1,
- (b) Buchholz,
- (c) The Greater number of wins.
- (d) The greater number of games played with black.

Open A: Entry fee will be 40 EUR for rated player until 2400. Players with FIDE rating greater than 2400 (May 2024 FIDE list) will be released for entry fee.

Open B: Entry fee will be 20 EUR.

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- ① Prizes to the total amount of 9,200 EUR will be distributed as follows: **Regular prizes (8 000 €):**

1) 2000 €	2) 1400 €	3) 1000 €	4) 900 €
5) 700 €	6) 600 €	7) 500 €	8) 400 €
	9) 300 €	10) 200 €	

Hort system will be used for sharing prizes.
Other prizes are not divisible

Special prizes (**1200€**) will be granted for best ranked player in categories as follows:

- 1) Players <= 2350 rating points - 1) **400€**
- 2) Players <= 2150 rating points - 1) **300€**
- 3) The best veteran player over 65 years old (born 1959 and older) - 1) **150€**
- 4) The best player under 18 years old (born 2006 and younger) - 1) **150€**
- 5) Best female player : 1) **200€**

No player may win more than one prize

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- ② Prizes to the total amount of 2,300 EUR will be distributed as follows: Regular prizes (1 600 €):

1) 500 €	2) 300 €	3) 250 €	4) 200 €
5) 150 €	6) 100 €	7) 100 €	

Hort system will be used for sharing prizes.
Other prizes are not divisible

Special prizes (**700€**) will be granted for best ranked player in categories as follows:

- The best player under 18 years old - 1) **100€**
- The best player under 16 years old - 1) **100€**
- The best player under 14 years old - 1) **100€**
- The best player under 12 years old - 1) **100€**
- The best female player : 1) **100€**
- The best veteran player over 65 years old (born 1959 and older) - 1) **100€**
- The best blind player or player with physical disabilities - 1) **100€**

PRIZES - BALKAN OPEN

Prize fund for players from Balkan Chess Federations (ALB, BIH, BUL, GRE, KOS, MNE, MKD, MDA, ROU, SLO, SRB and TUR) is in total 4,400 EUR distributed as follows:

OPEN Prizes:

1) 1000 € 2) 700 € 3) 500 € 4) 300 €

WOMEN Prizes

1) 700 € 2) 500 € 3) 400 € 4) 300 €

One player can take only one Balkan prize (bigger one). Balkan Prizes are cumulative to regular prizes or special prizes from OPEN A tournament.

The participation fee will be paid in cash in the playing hall on the day of the tournament. Money prizes will be paid by bank transfer.

Balkan Chess Federations are invited to delegate one GM player and one women player.

Accommodation with half board is provided by organizer for delegated player.

The first 10 GM players who at the moment of registration have rating greater than 2500. will be provided with free half board accommodation in single rooms or according to the agreement.

**Recommended Accommodation is
Garden Hotel with prices as follows:
Single room (BB) - *60 EUR***

All participants can find different accommodations at different prices in: apartments, hostels, motels and hotels, which they can reserve themselves or through the organizer.



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