



## FIDE WORLD YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2024

FLORIANÓPOLIS (SC), BRAZIL

28 OCTOBER – 10 NOVEMBER 2024

### INVITATION LETTER

#### 1. INVITATION

The International Chess Federation (FIDE), the Confederation of Chess for Americas (CCA) and the Brazilian Chess Federation (CBX), invite all the national chess federations members of FIDE to participate in the World Youth Chess Championships 2024. The event will be held in Florianópolis (SC), Brazil, from October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (arrival) to November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 (departure).



#### 2. PARTICIPATION

**2.1.** Every National Federation can register one official player in each category (under 14, 16, 18 years old, Open and Girls). This total of six (6) Official Players plus one Accompanying Official (Captain or Head of Delegation must have a FIDE ID – [Regulations here](#)) belonging to the national federation are invited by the Organizers. A player must not have reached his/her 14<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> birthday, respectively, before January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

**2.2.** The players placed 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> in the previous U14, U16, U18 World Youth Championships 2023, and the respective Champions (Gold medal) of the last Continental Youth Championships, shall have the personal right (untransferable) to participate in the World Youth Championship of the corresponding age-category or a higher age-category if the age stipulation of Art. 2.1 above is met. Such players shall also be classified as Official Players and have to be registered by the national federation.

**2.3.** Players, other than Official Players, shall be classified as Additional Players. All other people, other than players or the Accompanying Officials, shall be classified as Accompanying Persons. Each National Federation shall be responsible for all the costs of their Additional Players and Accompanying Persons.

**2.4.** In order to provide appropriate tournament conditions, the Federations must complete carefully the official online registration form and submit it to the Organizers by Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024. After this deadline, the official players cannot be registered as invited players. Further participation may not be accepted or accepted under an additional fee according to the FIDE regulations (item 8.3).

**2.5. Important:** According to the Brazilian national legislation, all minors (-18 years old) must always be accompanied by one or by both parents or legal guardians during their stay at the hotels and must present identification documents at check-in. In case of absence of both parents or legal guardians, the child/adolescent must be accompanied by an adult who must present written legal authorization granting powers for the care and custody of the minor.

### **3. FIDE ENTRY FEES**

**3.1.** In accordance with FIDE regulations, a FIDE entry fee of 70 € for each Official Player and 140 € for each Additional Player should be paid before the start of the tournament.

**3.2.** The National Federations must send the FIDE entry fees directly to the FIDE bank account or FIDE will charge the respective National Federation account.

### **4. REGISTRATION AND TRAVEL**

**4.1.** Each player (official or additional) and each accompanying person/official must pay to the Organizers the amount of 120 € at the moment of their registration by September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024. This organizers fee is compulsory and represents the confirmation of registration, otherwise the registration will be considered invalid and will not be accepted.

**4.2.** Players, accompanying officials and additional persons will receive accreditation and badges and free transportation from the Florianópolis–Hercílio Luz International Airport (IATA code **FLN** Website: [en.floripa-airport.com](http://en.floripa-airport.com)), on the arrivals day and the departures day.

**4.3.** The deadline for registration is September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024. After this date, the organizers reserve the right to refuse or decline late registrations or, if there is availability, a penalty according to the FIDE Regulations (see item 8.3).

**4.4.** Federations should register official players and accompanying officials by the above deadline of September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024. After this date, no official players will be accepted and their application will be treated as if they were additional players.

**4.5.** Every registration must include the Federation, FIDE ID, surname and first name, accommodation type, dates of arrival/departure and the passport number of every player and every accompanying person who requires an invitation. It must also include the name, details and phone number and email of the head of each delegation. Incomplete registrations will not be accepted.

**4.6.** All the travel expenses must be paid by the participants or their Federation.

**4.7.** A player registered in a lower category of age due to a mistake in specifying his/her birthday will have his/her registration suspended until rectification.

### **5. FIDE TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

**5.1.** The Chief Arbiter (CA) will be announced in due time.

**5.2.** FIDE Technical Delegate will be announced in due time.

### **6. OTHER REGULATIONS**

**6.1.** Type of Clock: FIDE approved.

**6.2.** Electronic Devices, Wrist Watches & Pens: Mobile phones, electronic devices, and any other radio frequency source (except for medical purposes upon authorization provided by the CA), wrist watches (all type of wrist watches) and personal pens are prohibited inside the tournament hall.

### **7. INFORMATION ABOUT VISAS**

**7.1.** Those who need VISAS must submit their requests at the latest on September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024. You can check the [Visa Requirements by Country](#). Official information [here](#).

**7.2.** The Organizers will provide VISA assistance according to National laws only after all the pre-payments are made.

**7.3** The Organizers are not responsible in case the authorities decline to issue the VISA due to public order and/or failing to meet all the requirements to obtain the Brazilian VISA.

## 8. PAYMENTS

**8.1.** Entries must be submitted through the registration forms by September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.

**8.2.** When registering (by September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024), the registration fee of 120 € and a minimum pre-payment of 30% of the cost for board and lodging shall be paid to the bank accounts:

<b>Organization Fee: 120 €</b>	<b>Hotel: minimum 30% of board and lodging</b>
<b>Account beneficiary holder:</b> Kaiser Luiz Mafra <b>Account holder address:</b> Servidão Capitão Carlos Lamarca, 13, 88066-025 Florianópolis, SC - Brazil <b>VAT Number:</b> 032.971.689-19	<b>Account beneficiary holder:</b> MDC HOTELARIA LTDA <b>Account holder address:</b> Rua Madre Maria Vilac, 2017 – Florianópolis, SC - Brazil <b>VAT Number:</b> 03.741.984/0001-50
<b>IBAN account number:</b> BE40 9671 8832 5563 <b>Bank name &amp; address:</b> WISE EUROPE S.A Rue du Trône 100, 3rd floor, Brussels, 1050, Belgium <b>BIC/SWIFT code:</b> TRWIBEB1XXX	<b>IBAN account number:</b> BR31 5816 0789 0013 7000 5821 994C 1 <b>Bank name &amp; address:</b> BANCO SAFRA S.A. Avenida Paulista, 2100, Floor 16, São Paulo, Brazil <b>BIC/SWIFT code:</b> SAFRBRSP

**8.3.** Registration fees for the late registration, withdrawal or no show shall be charged as per [FIDE Regulations](#):

**8.3.1.** Late registration after the registration deadline – the Registration fee (see Article 3.8) will double. The organizer is not required to accept registrations made after the deadline. After the late registration no invited/personal right players shall be accepted with FB accommodation. The mentioned participants will be considered as additional players.

**8.3.2.** Withdrawal after submission of registration (30 to 60 days before the start of the competition) – 75% refund of the person’s total fees paid to the organizer.

**8.3.3.** Withdrawal after submission of registration (15 to 30 days before the start of the competition) – 50% refund of the person’s total fees paid to the organizer.

**8.3.4.** Withdrawal after submission of registration (1 to 15 days before the start of the competition) – 25% refund of the person’s total fees paid to the organizer.

**8.3.5** Withdrawal after the pairings for Round 1 are published – no refund.

**8.4.** Each National Federation will be invoiced by the organizers. Upon the confirmation of payments, the Organizers will send to the participating Federation the confirmation of the hotel bookings. Confirmed registrations will then appear on the official website and/or Chess-Results.

**8.5.** All payments must be finalized upon arrival. Players will not be paired until all payments (including hotel) and fees are paid to the Organizers.

## 9. VENUE, OFFICIAL HOTELS - BOARD & LODGING

The venue of the event is **Hotel Canasvieiras IN, Florianópolis (SC) – Brazil**.

**9.1** The official hotels of the event and rates for additional extra players and accompanying persons are, per person and per day with full board (3 meals/day open buffet):

<b>Accommodation Type</b>	<b>Hotel Canasvieiras IN 3*** (Playing Venue)</b>	<b>Hotel Mar de Canasvieiras 3*** (1 min walking)</b>	<b>All Mare Palace 3*** (2min walking)</b>
Single Room (SGL)	€ 110	€ 105	€ 100
Double Room (DBL)	€ 90	€ 86	€ 82
Triple Room (TPL)	€ 86	€ 80	€ 75

**9.2.** Official players and the accompanying official from each Federation are offered FREE full board accommodation from October 28<sup>th</sup> (lunch, arrivals day) to November 10<sup>th</sup> (breakfast, departures day).

**9.3.** If a participating Federation does not send a player in any age category, they cannot substitute this for another age category.

**9.4.** As per FIDE regulations, all players and accompanying persons must be accredited and stay at the official hotels of the event. Bookings and accreditation are possible only through the procedure described in articles 8.1 to 8.4 above.

**9.5.** Each federation shall inform to the organization the preferred room distribution of the delegation.

## **10. TECHNICAL REGULATIONS**

**10.1.** The tournament will be played using the Swiss System with 11 rounds. The rate of play will be in accordance with the FIDE rules: 90 minutes for the first 40 moves plus 30 minutes to rest of the game, with an addition of 30 seconds per move starting from move 1.

**10.2.** Default time is 15 minutes.

**10.3.** Tie break criteria:

- a) the games between the tied players (only if all tied have played each other),
- b) Buchholz cut 1,
- c) Buchholz,
- d) Sonneborn-Berger,
- e) the greater number of wins,
- f) Average Rating of Opponents ARO.

**10.5.** FIDE Officials will be announced later.

**10.6.** Direct Titles are awarded according to FIDE regulations in force:

[FIDE Title Regulations effective from 1 January 2024](#)

[Table for Direct Titles effective from 1 January 2024](#)

**10.7.** FIDE Anti Cheating Measures and guidelines are in effect during the Championship.

## **11. TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Weekday</b>	<b>Round</b>	<b>Time</b>
28-Oct	Monday	Arrivals day	All day
29-Oct	Tuesday	Technical meeting - captains	10:00
		Opening Ceremony	14:00
		Round 1	15:00
30-Oct	Wednesday	Round 2	15:00
31-Oct	Thursday	Round 3	15:00
1-Nov	Friday	Round 4	15:00
2-Nov	Saturday	Round 5	15:00
3-Nov	Sunday	Round 6	15:00
4-Nov	Monday	Rest day	All day
5-Nov	Tuesday	Round 7	15:00
6-Nov	Wednesday	Round 8	15:00
7-Nov	Thursday	Round 9	15:00
8-Nov	Friday	Round 10	15:00
9-Nov	Saturday	Round 11	15:00
		Closing Ceremony	22:00
10-Nov	Sunday	Departures day	All day

The closing ceremony might be delayed depending on the end of the last round.

## **12. APPEALS & APPEALS COMMITTEE**

**12.1.** Protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter must be submitted in written form to the Chairman of the Appeals Committee within 60 minutes after the completion of the respective game. The protest must be accompanied by the sum of 200 € as a deposit from the signatory. The deposit must be handed to the Chairman of the Appeals Committee.

**12.2.** The Appeals Committee will be announced in due time.

## **13. SAFETY**

All delegations should abide by specific safety regulations. Each National federation shall be responsible for their delegations, including damages to property.

## **14. TOURNAMENT PRESS RELEASES AND INFORMATION**

Press releases, photos, highlight videos, a selection of games in PGN format, and general information will be provided on a daily basis through the official channel and official website.

## **15. PRIZES**

**15.1.** The three best Federations, by ranking of medals collected in all categories, will receive a trophy. For the first place the number of gold medals will be taken under consideration, if there is a tie, then the number of silver medals, if there is still a tie, then the number of bronze. If finally, this is still equal, then the total points of medalists will be taken for tiebreak.

- For first place, the number of gold medals will be taken into consideration,
- If there is a tie, then the number of silver medals will be taken into consideration
- If there is still a tie, then the number of bronze medals will be taken under consideration.
- If there is still a tie, then the total points of medalists will be taken for a tiebreak
- Finally, if this is still equal, then the average performance rating of the medalists from each country will be taken into consideration.

**15.2.** Top three places in each tournament will be awarded with cups and medals. All the winners will be awarded presents and special diplomas.

**15.3.** All players will receive certificate of participation.

**15.4.** Attendance at the tournament and the relevant ceremonies will be in compliance with the public health and safety laws.

## **16. CONTACT**

Official website: [worldyouth2024.fide.com](http://worldyouth2024.fide.com)

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Instagram: [instagram.com/worldyouth2024](https://instagram.com/worldyouth2024)

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## 17. PARALLEL EVENTS

**17.1.** Parallel events like cultural visits, chess events and seminars (Arbiters, Trainers, Organizers) and will be announced in due time.

**17.2.** According to FIDE Guidelines there will be a side program of FA, Fide Trainers', and IO seminars which will be announced in due time.



### 1<sup>st</sup> World Youth Chess Solving Championship

November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 9am – Free day

This competition will be organized during the free day of the WYCC 2024, at the same categories of age as the over-the-board competitions:

- U14 (same set of 8 problems for open and girls): 3 problems of mate in 2 moves, 2 problems of mate in 3 moves, 1 problem of mate in 4 moves, 2 studies (endgames)
- U16 (same set of 8 problems for open and girls): 3 problems of mate in 2 moves, 2 problems of mate in 3 moves, 1 problem of mate in 4 moves, 2 studies (endgames)
- U18 (same set of 8 problems for open and girls): 3 problems of mate in 2 moves, 2 problems of mate in 3 moves, 1 problem of mate in 4 moves, 2 studies (endgames)

For each category, the time of 90 minutes is allotted for solving.

At the same number of points, the 1<sup>st</sup> tie-break will be the shorter time used for solving. The 2<sup>nd</sup> tie-break will be the younger age.

There will be separate standings for open and girls. If a girl wants to compete at the open, she has to announce this before the tournament.

The number of participants per country is not limited.

Even if the categories would not be scheduled at the same time, a participant can compete in one category only.

A solver may use the chess set(s) made available by the organizer, or his own set(s).

A solver may leave solving hall only after finishing solving and handing in his solving sheet, or just for a very short time and with the company of a member of the organizing team.

The use of all electronic or technological aids which can help in solving is forbidden, as well as any other kind of unfair behavior.

The solutions are to be written in algebraic notation.

A detailed set of regulations and instructions for the solvers will be published on the official site in due time.

Participation fee: 20 EUR

Registrations: [worldyouth@fide.com](mailto:worldyouth@fide.com)

## Instructions about writing solutions

Each solution starts with a move of White.

Participants are allowed to move pieces on the board while solving.

For two-movers, only the first move of White is written.

For three-movers, one should write the first move, the threat (if any), all black defences and the second move of White.

For problems of mate in four moves, one should write the first move, the threat (if any), all Black's defences, White's second move, Black's second move and White's third move. At problems of mate in 3 and 4 moves, writing only first move of White is not enough for getting points, but it is not necessary to list short variations, in which white mates in 2 or 3 moves, respectively.

In studies, all moves are written until there is a clear win or a draw, depending on what is required in the study.

Each problem carries 5 points. In two-movers, only the first move is scored. In three-movers and four-movers, threat and variations are scored. In studies, only white moves are scored; the closer you get to the final position, the more points you get. Only one, main variation is scored.

We hope that the illustrative examples at the end of this text will make these instructions more understandable.

Classical, abbreviated notation is used. Each participant may use as symbol for a given piece the initial letter of the name of that piece in his (her) own language, or other language at his (her) choice. There will be a field on the answers sheet where he (she) can specify which symbol he (she) is using for each piece.

If two pieces of the same type can come to the same square, it is important to indicate which of the two is in question.

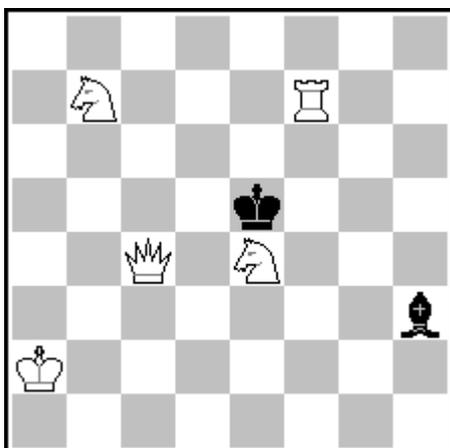
The problems do not have to be solved in order. If someone thinks he (she) has finished before the time is up, he (she) can hand over the answers sheet, and he (she) will be told how much time has passed.

Time is the first tie-breaker. So, if two solvers have the same number of points, the one who spent less time has the better placement, and if time also is even, the younger competitor will have the advantage.

## ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES

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Solution:

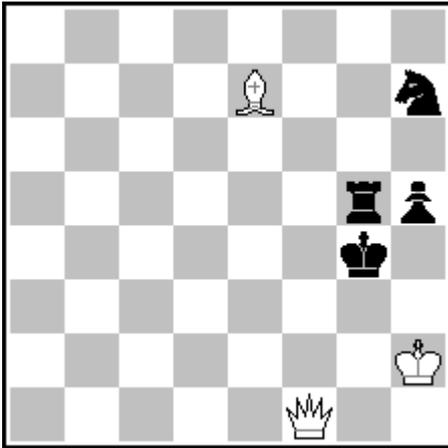


**1.Nbc5 (5)**

Here, a correct first move of White brings all 5 points. 1.Nc5 is incorrect, because it is not indicated which Knight moves.

#2 (White to play and mate in 2 moves)

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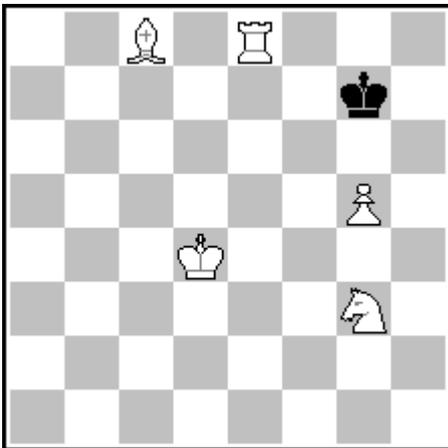
#3 (White to play and mate in 3 moves)

Solution:

**1.Kg2 threat 2.Qf3+ (1.25)****1...Kh4+ 2.Kf3 (1.25)****1...Nf6 2.Qxf6 (1.25)****1...Rf5 2.Qd1+ (1.25)**

The solution written this way to this problem brings all 5 points. Threat and each variation carry 1.25 points each.

3



#4 (White to play and mate in 4 moves)

Solution:

**1.Bg4****1...Kg6 2.Re7 Kxg5 3.Rg7+****1...Kf7 2.Bh5+ Kg7 3.Nf5+****1...Kh7 2.Bh5 Kg7 3.Nf5+**

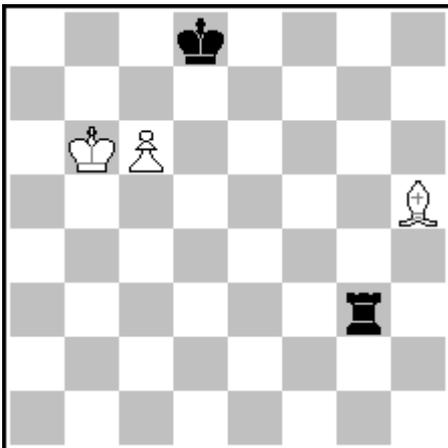
There is no threat here, so only the variations following black defences are written. Typically the points are distributed this way:

1 correct variation: 1,7 point

2 correct variations: 3,4 points

3 correct variations: 5 points

4



+ (White to play and win)

Solution:

**1.c7+ (1) Kd7 2.Be8+ (1) Kc8 3.Bf7 (1) Re3 4.Bc4 (1) Re8 5.Kc6 (1)**

This is clearly the main variation of the study and the only one that is scored, and here every move by White would carry 1 point. Sometimes longer sequences are needed to get points.

Not always it is absolutely clear which variation is the main variation, so it is advisable, in these cases, to write all the variations the solver consider to be relevant.

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