

A01 – Non-Elected Commissions

1. General provisions



1.4 Membership

The following membership conditions and proceedings shall apply to all Commissions with the exception of the Fair Play Commission and Global Strategy Commission.

1.4.1 Each Commission shall consist of:

- a) A Chairman appointed by the FIDE President
Appointing the Chairman of the commission, the FIDE President takes into account the opinion of the Federation to which the relevant candidate belongs
- b) Council consisting of a Secretary and 3 members appointed by the FIDE President
- c) 8 members with consultative status: 4 to be appointed by the FIDE President and 1 each nominated by the Continental Presidents.

1.4.2 The secretary of the commission, members and members with consultative status are appointed by the FIDE President upon the proposal of the Chairman of the commission. This rule does not infringe on the right of each Continental Presidents to nominate one member with consultative status.

1.4.3 Upon a proposal from the Chairman of the Commission, the FIDE President has the right to appoint any numbers of members of the commission and members with consultative status at any time.

1.4.4 Members should be appointed on the basis of experience and expertise in the area of competence of the respective Commissions and Committees. Where possible, all Continents should be represented in Commissions. When approving the composition of the commissions, if possible, there should be at least two women in the final composition of each commission.

1.4.5 The FIDE President has the right to appoint an Honorary Commission Chairman. The Honorary Commission Chairman has consultative status.

1.4.6 The period of appointments shall be 4 years commencing right after the session of the General Assembly (GA) devoted to the election of FIDE Officials.

1.4.7 Upon a proposal from the Chairman of the Commission, the FIDE President has the right to terminate with the motivated decision the authority of any commission member, member with consultative status or secretary at any time, and to appoint a replacement simultaneously, except for those that have been nominated by Continental Presidents. Upon a proposal from the Chairman of the Commission, the Continental

President has a right to terminate with the motivated decision the authority of member with consultative status who was nominated by the relevant Continental President and to appoint a replacement simultaneously.

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2. Commissions' Objectives

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2.4 Arbiters Commission (ARB)

2.4.1 The Arbiters Commission (ARB) shall govern all matters related to chess arbiters in FIDE.

2.4.2 Management & Regulations

The ARB shall be responsible for managing the arbiter's sector of FIDE. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Defining missions, vision, objectives and strategy for the sector, in line with overall FIDE objectives.
- Regulating arbiter titles, classification, discipline and licensing; working processes of the commission.
- Ensuring proper use of the budget assigned to the commission.
- Reporting activities to the FIDE Council and/or General Assembly (GA).

2.4.3 Operations & Administration

The ARB shall be responsible for the administrative and operational activities relevant to the arbiter's sector:

- Licensing of arbiters (National, FIDE and International level).
- Evaluation of title applications and classification of arbiters in categories to be presented to the FIDE Council, EB or GA.
- Supervision of FIDE seminars and workshops for arbiters (endorsement, advertisement, archiving).
- Administration of the FIDE arbiter's database.

2.4.4 Development

The ARB shall be responsible for raising standards of quality, while considering various levels of development around the globe.

The ARB shall be responsible for any projects relevant to the arbiter's sector. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Initiating and leading new projects to support the development of the sector.
- Deploying existing initiatives in collaboration with other chess bodies (FIDE commissions, Affiliated Organizations, Federations etc.).

On any occasion, the ARB shall position itself in a way to encourage collaboration and synergy with other chess bodies.

2.4.5 Education and training

The ARB shall be responsible for the education, training and certification of Arbiters and Lecturers. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Designing the curriculum for arbiter seminars and examinations.
- Providing reference documents for trainees and lecturers.
- Organizing seminars, workshops or joint trainings with other commissions (e.g. Rules, Fair Play).

2.4.6 Official FIDE Events

The ARB shall be responsible for the appointment of arbiters in official FIDE events, in collaboration with relevant FIDE commissions (Global Strategy Commission, Events Commission) and organizers.

2.4.7 Communication & Recognition

The ARB shall be responsible for communication relevant to the arbiter's sector. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Producing official publications (Arbiters Manual and Arbiters Magazine), which may be printed and distributed.
- Advertising about seminars and development projects and initiatives on their official website and social networks.

The ARB shall be responsible for recognizing arbiters through Arbiters Awards programmes.

2.4.8 Disciplinary

The ARB shall be responsible for discipline in the arbiter's sector, as described in the Disciplinary Regulations for Arbiters.