

YEAR OF CHESS IN EDUCATION 2026, Q1

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The Year of Chess in Education 2026 is a global initiative designed to expand educational chess through research, teacher development, national implementation models, networking, and international events. It advances FIDE's policy goal to double the number of children involved in educational chess between 2021-2026.

Year of Chess in Education 2026 Action Plan

BUILDING NETWORKS AND GLOBAL REACH



COSTA RICA

MoU with Costa Rica Minister of Sports and Ministry of Education & FIDE America & Costa Rica Chess Federation on a pilot CiE program in 27 regional districts and possible national expansion.

**DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO, ZIMBABWE,
TRINIDAD&TOBAGO TBC**

UNIVERSITY CHESS PROGRAM GUIDELINES DEVELOPMENT

An orientational meeting with UNTREF (Argentina) and University of Alcala (Spain) on developing a framework for FIDE approved teacher-training course organized.

5 universities are already involved in or are interested in developing courses or minor degrees for CiE teachers.

Partnering universities would be encouraged to design research in school settings where CiE is implemented. Research is planned about the social impact and/or cognitive benefit of CiE.

**UNIVERSITY
NETWORK
[Goal: a network
of 40+
universities]**

DATA COLLECTION & POLICY MAKING

DATA COLLECTION FOR POLICY CREATION
[GOAL: DOUBLE THE NUMBER OF TEACHERS AND CHILDREN ENGAGED IN CIE]

FIDE GLOBAL SURVEY ON CHESS IN EDUCATION



Currently 310 entities from 95 countries responded



**CONTINENTAL LEADERSHIP MEETING TO ALIGN PRIORITIES
AND PROMOTE CONTINENTAL CIE INITIATIVES**

**A PROJECT PROPOSAL FOR FIDE RESEARCH CAPACITY
BUILDING DEVELOPED BY VP M.RAMIREZ**



CHESS RESEARCH & KNOWLEDGE PROGRAM

**FIDE-EDU
RESEARCH PROGRAM
2026 – 2030**

*Chess as a Social Force:
Building People, Families, and Communities*

**CONFERENCES
& AWARENESS
RAISING
CAMPAIGNS**



14.01 - 16.01. 2026
**FIDE GLOBAL
CONFERENCE ON
CHESS IN SOCIETY
AND EDUCATION**



EDUCATION, CONFERENCE & WORKSHOPS IN BHUBANESWAR, INDIA





CHESS IN EDUCATION CONGRESS IN SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA





Chess in
Education
2026

FIDE EDU CLASSROOM CONTEST

40+ APPLICATIONS RECEIVED



A WEEKLY STORY-TELLING





FIDE SCHOOL AWARD



Currently 87 schools worldwide awarded

**WORLD SCHOOL
TEAMS CHESS
CHAMPIONSHIP**



ASIAN CONTINENTAL STAGE

WORLD SCHOOLS TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP 2026



6-11 APRIL



HOTEL KAZAKHSTAN,
ALMATY, KAZAKHSTAN



30
TEAMS

28
COUNTRIES



**TEACHERS TRAINING &
METHODOLOGICAL
MATERIALS
DEVELOPMENT**



Association Internationale des
Echecs Francophones



FORMATION DES ENSEIGNANTS

Aux Echecs Educatifs
TITRE DE "FIDE SCHOOL INSTRUCTOR"



En Ligne



En Français

Méthodes innovantes et créatives pour développer les compétences
académiques et de vie du 21^e siècle.

6 - 7 - 8 MARS 2026

De 16h00 à 21h00 CET

Denis LEMOUTON
Senior Lead Instructor



Seddik SIDRINE
Senior Lead Instructor

Date limite d'inscription : 01/03/2026
Frais d'inscription : 100€. Frais du titre: 50€



Chess In Education Commission
<https://education.fide.com>

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<https://cloud.fide.com/formation-ecchecs-educatif-2026-2027>



**3 ONLINE AND IN-
PERSON TEACHER
TRAINING COURSES**



FIDE CHESS IN EDUCATION COMMISSION

COURSES AND EVENTS

APRIL 2026



Date	Course	Language
April 3-5	3rd Arabic Preparation of Teachers (POT) online course	Arabic
April 7-8, 10	7th Russian Preparation of Teachers (POT) course in Kazakhstan (Astana)	Russian
April 11-12	12th Preparation of Lecturers (POL) online course for the FIDE Lead School Instructor (LSI) title	English
April 17-19	36th Preparation of Teachers (POT) online course for the FIDE School Instructor (SI) title	English
April 25-26	2nd Vietnamese Preparation of Teachers (POT) course in Vietnam (Ho Chi Minh)	Vietnamese

FOR MORE DETAILS VISIT THE CHESS IN EDUCATION WEBSITE ([EDU.FIDE.COM](https://edu.fide.com))



FIDE Preparation of Teachers Course for Women Around the World

- Maximum 20 participants per course
- Maximum 2 participants per country, ensuring global representation
- Registration deadline: one week prior to each course
- The FIDE Women's Commission is pleased to support this initiative through waiving participation fees for all attendees.

Participants who successfully pass the exam will only need to pay their SI title fees if they wish to obtain the FIDE School Instructor title.



1st Course

May 8-10

Language: English

Lecturer: Anzel Laubscher

Schedule (CEST):

• Friday: 16:00-19:00

• Saturday & Sunday: 10:00-16:00

Registration link: <https://cloud.fide.com/s/Qibk3ivgmAP1ts>



2nd Course

June 5-7

Language: Arabic

Lecturer: Mahmoud Roushdi

Schedule (Cairo, UTC+3):

• Daily: 17:00-22:00

Registration link: <https://cloud.fide.com/s/zqzqE5rvRqj6SPBE>



3rd Course

July 3-5

Language: French

Lecturer: Seddik Sidrine

Schedule (CEST):

• Friday: 15:00-20:00

• Saturday & Sunday: 10:00-15:00

Registration link: <https://cloud.fide.com/s/BXp6FBJsd32IKQH>



4th Course

August 7-9

Language: Spanish

Lecturer: Francisco Cruz

Schedule (Panama, UTC-5):

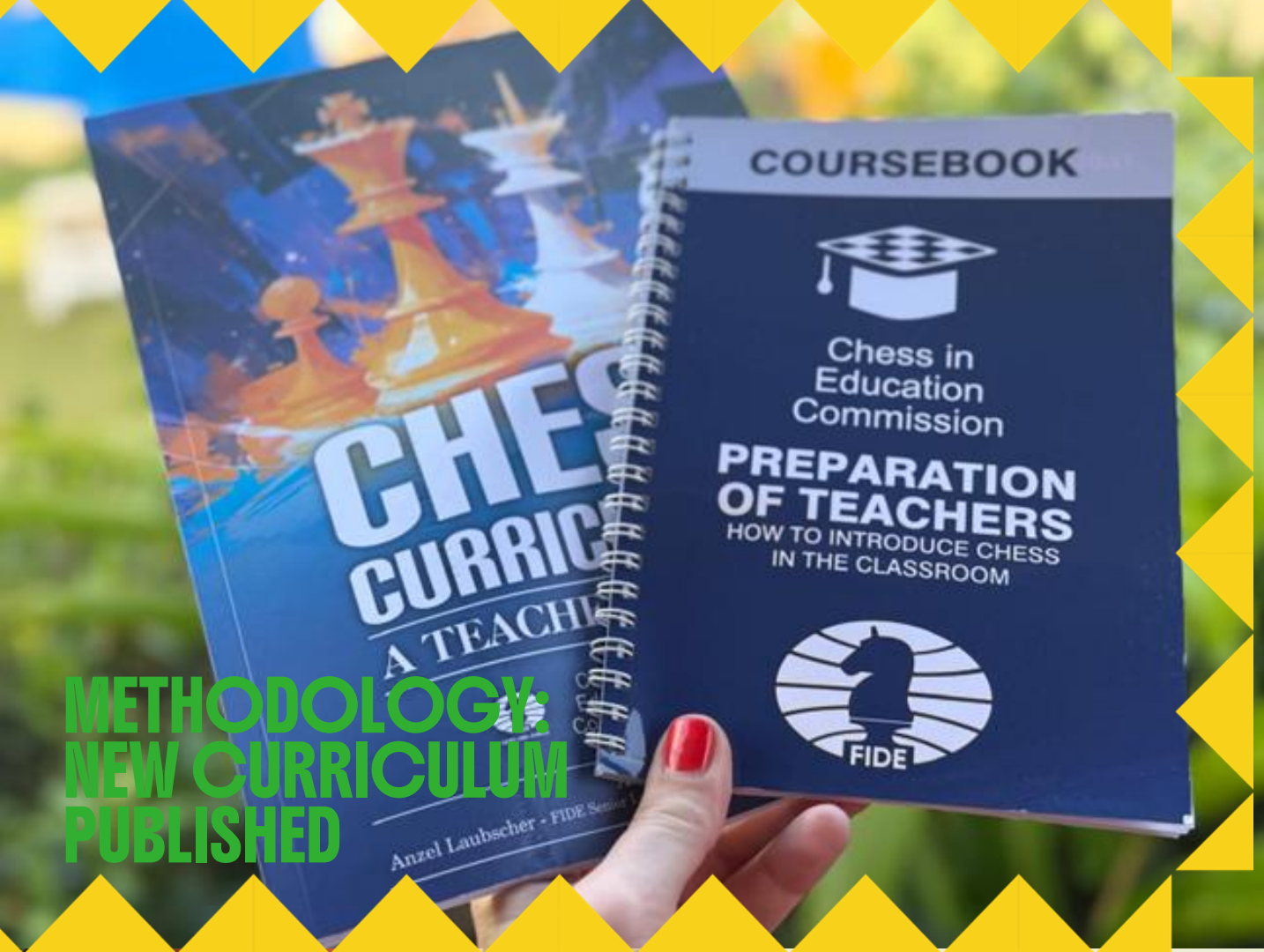
• Friday: 17:00-20:00

• Saturday & Sunday: 09:00-16:00

Registration link: <https://cloud.fide.com/s/qjpkwaaPYLP7rP>



For further information, please contact: edu.courses@fide.com



**METHODOLOGY:
NEW CURRICULUM
PUBLISHED**

EVERY LESSON COUNTS



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