



## ***FIDE Social Commission***

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### **Report 2020, 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter – FIDE Council Meeting**

Dear FIDE Council members,

First of all I would like to reiterate my thanks for your attention and trust placed in me following my appointment as Chairman of the Social Commission. I do realise that the expectations of the President and the Council have not been met as the Commission has still to deliver in all the areas of our competence.

I would like to underline that I have been left with a rather difficult situation and we are just now starting to catch up with the normal rhythm and scope of the activities we are expected to carry out.

Within the framework of this, I have had a meeting of the Commission members and have tried to encourage all the members to be more active by showing their initiative by volunteering in the supervision of the projects we currently work on. However, unfortunately, I am yet to receive any feedback from the members including the Commission Secretary.

I do believe in a team spirit and I hope that the situation shall be changed and we will deliver real projects. Therefore I have contacted the Continental Presidents and I am looking forward to their replies, and appointment of a Social Commission liaison from each Continent, this will enable easier communication channels and contact while cooperating. I appreciate that there is a certain budget which FIDE and Development Fund have allocated for our use.

As for the projects, I do believe that we should continue the main directions where success has been reached and just explore possibilities for expansion and bringing in new Federations, ie - chess for refugees, chess in prisons, chess to battle Alzheimer, chess in poverty and other very important activities.

I will be always glad to receive your feedback and comments.

Best regards,

Paris Klerides  
Social Commission Chairman