



Arbiters Commission



Recommendations for approval by
the 4th FIDE COUNCIL 2021
(Online, December 27th, 2021)

The present report presents the ARB Commission's activity, the list of FIDE Arbiters' Training Seminars, norms achieved and title and accreditation recommendations for approval by the FIDE Council.

The period covered is between October 14th, 2021 and December 13th, 2021. It was prepared in collaboration with Nebojsa BARALIC, Secretary of the Commission.

Note: other activities of the FIDE Arbiters' Commission are regularly reported on <https://arbiters.fide.com>

1) FIDE ARBITERS SEMINARS

In the period from October 14th, 2021 till December 13th, 2021 six (6) FIDE ARBITERS' SEMINARS were organized in the following places and dates, under the auspices of FIDE. For five (5) of them, report and results have been published on the FIDE website:

1. **Strasbourg, FRANCE, 20 October - 21 November 2021**
10 participants from 1 Federation,
2. **103rd Internet Based Seminar, EGYPT, 25 – 28 October 2021**
17 participants from 6 Federations,
3. **104th Internet Based Seminar, EGYPT, 4 – 7 November 2021**
20 participants from 12 Federations,
4. **Terme Catez, SLOVENIA, EUROPEAN CHESS UNION, 15 – 19 November 2021**
16 participants from 9 Federations,
5. **105th Internet Based Seminar, ZONE 4.5, 22 – 24 November 2021**
20 participants from 7 Federations,
6. **106th Internet Based Seminar, ASIAN CHESS FEDERATION, 3 – 5 December 2021**
Note: validation process is underway – data not reported in statistics below



Map 1 – Seminars reported for the 4th FIDE Council 2021

A few statistics (based on received reports to date):

83 arbiters from 30 Federations took part in 5 seminars.

66 arbiters took part in the exam.

29 arbiters passed the exam and 29 achieved an FA Norm (*see Appendix A for the full list*).

No direct titles were submitted for validation from this period.

2) APPLICATIONS TO BE VALIDATED BY THE COUNCIL

Applications were evaluated by using the new version of the Regulations for Arbiters for the first time. As we expected, the application review process was simpler and cleaner. Number of applications that required more discussion was minimal.

a) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IA AND FA TITLE APPLICATIONS

For the 4th FIDE Council 2021, the Arbiters' Commission received 75 applications for Arbiters Titles. 19 IA and 56 FA title applications were submitted for consideration by the Commission.

51 applications are approved, 22 rejected and 2 postponed to the next Council.

Note: 2 applications from the 2nd FIDE Council 2021 were rejected by missing complete information about some tournaments. Federations sent clarifications and the recommendation is to approve both IA titles retroactively:

- Moshe Dermer (2814340, ISR), event *Elitzur GM Winter 2020* is a valid norm.
- Elena Khristenko (34143391, RUS), event *Moscow Open 2019 C* is a valid norm.

Appendix B contains the recommendations of the Arbiters' Commission for the IA and FA title applications that have been submitted for approval by the 4th FIDE Council 2021.

b) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ARBITERS' CLASSIFICATION UPGRADES

For the 4th FIDE Council 2021, the Arbiters' Commission received 4 applications for Arbiters' classification upgrades:

- 2 category B
- 2 category C

3 applications are approved and 1 rejected.

Appendix C contains the recommendations of the Arbiters' Commission for the upgrades of the Arbiters' classification that have been submitted for approval by the 4th FIDE Council 2021.

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