



# 2023

## XIII Mediterranean Men and Women Chess Championship



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**Platja d'Aro, Catalonia (Spain)**



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### **GENERAL REGULATIONS**

#### **1. Invitation**

The Catalan and Spanish Chess Federations in cooperation with the Mediterranean Chess Association have the pleasure to announce the 13<sup>th</sup> Mediterranean Chess Championships 2023 (Open and Women).

The tournament will be held in hotel La Terrassa in Platja d'Aro, Catalonia, from November 3<sup>th</sup> to November 11<sup>th</sup> 2023.

#### **2. Participation**

All players from the Mediterranean Chess Federations are allowed to participate in the Championship. The number of players from any federation is not limited. All the registrations must be done through the catalan federation.

##### **2.1. Invited**

Two players nominated by each Mediterranean Federation will be invited with free accommodation on a full board basis in double rooms.

##### **2.2. Other players**

Additional players are allowed to participate in the Open format, but must cover their accommodation.

#### **3. Tournament**

The tournament is played according to the Swiss System, at 9 rounds. The time control is 90 minutes per player with a bonus of 30 seconds for each move played, starting from move 1.

The winner of the tournament will be declared the Champion of the Mediterranean Championship 2023, while the best placed female will be declared Mediterranean Women Champion 2023.

Norms for all international titles can be achieved in the Mediterranean Championship. The tournament will be rated by FIDE.

#### 4. Playing schedule

The schedule planned for the organization of the Mediterranean Championship:

Day	Date	Event
<b>Friday</b>	03.11.2023	Arrival of participants
<b>Saturday</b>	04.11.2023	16:00 Opening ceremony 16:30 Round 1
<b>Sunday</b>	05.11.2023	09:30 Round 2 16:30 Round 3
<b>Monday</b>	06.11.2023	16:30 Round 4
<b>Tuesday</b>	07.11.2023	16:30 Round 5
<b>Wednesday</b>	08.11.2023	16:30 Round 6
<b>Thursday</b>	09.11.2023	16:30 Round 7
<b>Friday</b>	10.11.2023	16:30 Round 8
<b>Saturday</b>	11.11.2023	09:30 Round 9 14:00 Closing ceremony
<b>Sunday</b>	12.11.2023	Departure of the participants

#### 5. Registration fee

Fee (€)	Before October 10th	After October 10th
<b>GM &amp; WGM</b>	0 €	0 €
<b>IM, WIM &amp; +2400</b>	20 €	30 €
<b>+2200</b>	35 €	50 €
<b>+2000</b>	50 €	60 €
<b>&lt;2000</b>	60 €	75 €

#### 6. Registration and payment instructions

Players can register by filling out the [registration form](#) individually or through their national chess federation. Payments must be made by credit card.

The deadline for registration is 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023. If some Federations or participants submit the registration form after the deadline, the organizers do not guarantee the offered price for the accommodation.

For any questions or queries, contact [mediterrania@escacs.cat](mailto:mediterrania@escacs.cat) and phone +34 933185926.

## 7. Venue-accommodation

1. Accommodation and meals for participants are provided in Platja d'Aro, Hotel Spa La Terrassa.
2. All tournament participants are obliged to stay in the official tournament hotel. If the participants do not wish to use the accommodation provided by the organizers, then they are obliged to pay an additional participation fee of 100 €
3. Prices (Bed and breakfast)

Room type	November from 3 to 11
Single room	411 €
Double room	275,5 € per person

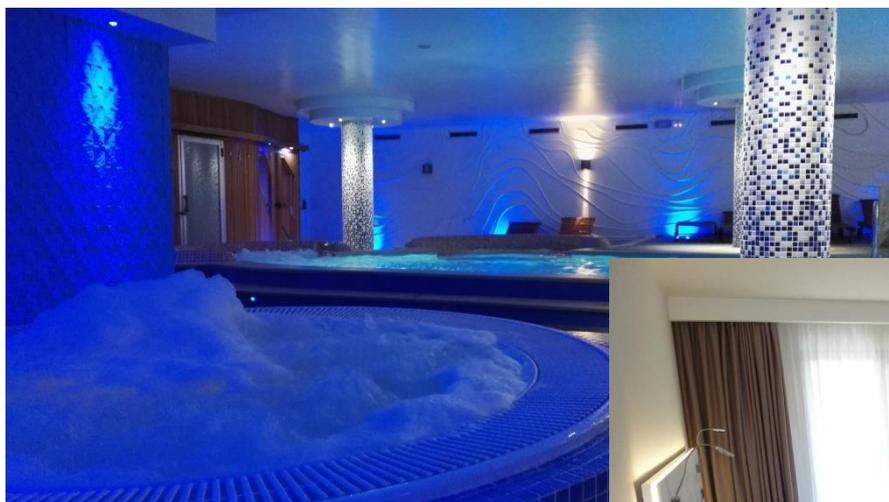
### [Hotel Spa La Terrassa](#)

Located on Avinguda de Castell d'Aro, no. 2 in Castell - Platja d'Aro (Costa Brava, Catalonia), a very central place in Platja d'Aro town.

Hotel bookings has to do by phone (+34)972818313 or by e-mail at [info@hotellaterrassa.com](mailto:info@hotellaterrassa.com)

This hotel is established as the official hotel of the tournament.





## 8. Prizes

The total prize money is 10,000 euros which will be divided between the general classification, the women's classification and the special prizes for sections of Elo Fide.

Cash prizes are subject to withholding of current legal income tax and will be paid by bank transfer to the account number indicated by the prize winner.

### 8.1. General classification awards

Rank	General	Women
1	1.500 €	800 €
2	1.000 €	600 €
3	800 €	500 €
4	700 €	
5	600 €	
6	500 €	
7	450 €	
8	400 €	
9	350 €	
10	300 €	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6.600 €</b>	<b>1.900 €</b>

Trophies will be awarded to the top three qualified players as well as to the top three female players.

## 8.2. Special Prizes

ELO	1r	2n	3r	TOTAL
<b>0 - 1500</b>	150 €	100 €	50 €	300 €
<b>1501-1750</b>	150 €	100 €	50 €	300 €
<b>1751-2000</b>	150 €	100 €	50 €	300 €
<b>2001-2200</b>	150 €	100 €	50 €	300 €
<b>2201-2300</b>	150 €	100 €	50 €	300 €
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>750 €</b>	<b>500 €</b>	<b>250 €</b>	<b>1.500 €</b>

Trophies will be awarded to the champions of each section.

Prizes for sections will be given only if there are at least ten participants registered in that section.

Each participant will only receive one prize, the one with the highest value. In the same way, the women players will only receive one prize, the one with the highest value.

## 9. Tournament Regulations

### 9.1. System and rate of play

The Championships are organized in according with FIDE Rules. The events will be conducted according to the Swiss System, 9 rounds. Rate of play will be 90 minutes + 30 seconds increment per move for each player. Top 20 games will be broadcasted online.

### 9.2. Pairings

Chief Arbiter for the event will be made the pairings with Swiss Manager Software, and published at chess-results.com and at [www.escacs.cat](http://www.escacs.cat). Pairings will be announced as soon as possible after each playing round finished.

### 9.3. Ranking and Tie – breaks

The order of players, for the award of trophies that finish with the same number of points shall be determined by following tie-break additional criteria according to according to the following order of tiebreakers:

- a) Median-Buchholz
- b) Buchholz Total
- c) Progressive Scores
- d) The results between tied players
- e) Greater number of victories

#### **9.4. Forfeits**

Any player who arrives at the board more than one hour after the start of the session will lose the game by forfeit.

#### **9.5. Byes**

Byes must be requested either on the registration form or to the main arbiter once the tournament has started. A player cannot request more than three byes, except the last two rounds. Byes for a given round cannot be requested after the previous round has finished. No half-point byes will be awarded.

#### **9.6. Rating evaluation**

The tournament will be valid for International (FIDE) rating.

#### **9.7. Absence**

Non-justified absence in the first round will have as a consequence the expulsion from the tournament, as well as non-justified absence during two rounds along the event. Any player unable to play a round shall notify the arbiters during the previous round.

Expelled and forfeit players will lose all their rights, including possible prizes.

#### **9.8. Procedure of appeals**

Protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter or any of his assistants must be submitted in written form to the Chairman of the Appeals committee within one hour after completion of the playing session. The protest must be accompanied with the sum of 50 €, as a deposit. If the protest is accepted and the decision changed, then the deposit will be returned back to the claimant.

### **10. Contact**

Email: [federacio@escacs.cat](mailto:federacio@escacs.cat)

Tournament director: David Ayza León

Website: [www.escacs.cat](http://www.escacs.cat)

### **11. Visa Information**

Players who need invitation for visas should contact the organizer before 20th October 2023. The organizer will provide invitations for visa after the appropriate entry fee payment. The organizer is not responsible for late or not complete applications.

## 12. Transport

All participants and companions must pay an “organization fee” of €100 that includes round-trip transportation from Barcelona airport. In the case of arriving by train, it will depend on the number of people. Traveling expenses shall be covered by the participants.

Both players and accompanying persons are kindly asked to inform the organizers of their travel arrangements for better organization.

## 13. Others

The Catalan Chess Federation wants to spread the information about the event both in the press and on social networks, so they will take and publish images, as well as the minimum data necessary to make the classifications and pairings. Therefore, when registering, the participants authorize the organization to publish images of the tournament in which they can appear..

