



61st World Congress of Chess Composition Ohrid, Macedonia, 1–8 September 2018

REGULATIONS

Introduction

The World Congress of Chess Composition (WCCC) is a yearly gathering organised under the authority of the World Federation for Chess Composition (WFCC). The congress program includes Meeting of WFCC, World Chess Solving Championship (WCSC), other chess and chess composition events, and various culture and tourist activities.

The host of the 61st WCCC is Chess Federation of Macedonia. The organiser is Chess Club Gambit Asseco SEE.

The congress will take place at the Metropol Lake Resort in Ohrid, Macedonia, from Saturday, 1 September 2018 (arrival) to Saturday, 8 September 2018 (departure).

All participants in the congress must register with the organiser. Details about registration, accommodation, transport, as well as the program schedule, can be found in the Invitation document, available on the WFCC web site (<https://www.wfcc.ch/>) and on the congress web site.

42nd World Chess Solving Championship

The WCSC is a competition for national teams and individual solvers. It is held according to the World (European) Chess Solving Championship (WCSC/ECSC) rules:

<https://www.wfcc.ch/1999-2012/wcsc/>

The 42nd WCSC will be held on Tuesday, 4 September, from 10:00 (rounds 1–3) and Wednesday, 5 September, from 10:00 (rounds 4–6). The break between rounds will be 15 minutes.

The Director of the WCSC is Ivan Denkovski (denkovski@hotmail.com).

Registration of national teams and individual solvers should be made at the captains' meeting, on Sunday, 2 September, 18:00. All later registrations must reach the Director of the WCSC not less than 24 hours before the start of the championship.

Open Solving Tourney

The Open Solving Tourney is a competition for individual solvers. It counts as the final tourney of the World Solving Cup (WSC) 2017–2018. The tourney is open for all registered congress participants.

The tourney will consist of 2 rounds of 90 minutes, with 6 orthodox-chess compositions (#2, #3, #n, +/-, h# and s#) in each round. General applicable solving rules of the WCSC/ECSC apply accordingly. The break between rounds will be 30 minutes.

The tourney will be held on Monday, 3 September, from 10:00.

The Tourney Director is Ivan Denkovski.

Registration of solvers should be made by informing the organiser along with the congress registration, or by adding the solver's name to the list on the congress bulletin board, not later than Sunday, 2 September, 22:00.

Machine Gun

The Machine Gun (Open Quick Solving Tourney) is a competition for individual solvers. It is open for all registered congress participants.

Subject of solving will be 30 orthodox-chess problems: 10 × #2, 10 × s#2 and 10 × h#2. Each problem will be projected on a screen for 2 minutes. Solvers write the key-move of the solution. For each problem, positive number of points is given for a correct key, negative number of points for a wrong key, zero points if no solution is written.

The tourney will be held on Tuesday, 4 September, from 21:00.

The Tourney Director is Borislav Gadjanski (borislav.gadjanski@gmail.com).

Advance registration is not required.

Solving Show

The Solving Show is a competition for individual solvers.

Subject of solving will be orthodox-chess #2 problems. 16 solvers will compete, 1-on-1, in a knockout system. 1/8-finals will be played until 2 wins, 1/4-finals until 3 wins, 1/2-finals and the 3rd-place match until 4 wins, and the final until 5 wins.

Solvers will be selected according to their successes in other competitions, in the following order, until the desired number of solvers from each competition who accept to compete is reached:

- 1) 4 best ranked solvers from the WCSC
- 2) 3 best ranked solvers from the Open Solving Tourney
- 3) 1 best ranked young composer (born 1997 or younger) from the YCCC
- 4) 1 best ranked young solver (born 1997 or younger) from the Open Solving Tourney
- 5) 1 solver nominated by the host country
- 6) 6 best ranked solvers from the Machine Gun

The competition will be held on Thursday, 6 September, from 21:00.

The Tourney Director is Borislav Gadjanski.

Congress composing tourneys

The congress composing tourneys are competitions for individual composers. The Quick Composing Tourney and the 4-day Composing Tourney are open for the registered congress participants. The Internet Composing Tourney is open for all composers world-wide. Details about each tourney will be published in separate tourney announcement documents.

3rd Youth Chess Composing Challenge (YCCC)

The YCCC is a competition for individual composers. It is open for all young composers, born 1997 or younger, world-wide. Details about the tourney will be published in a separate tourney announcement document.

Bughouse Chess Tourney

The Bughouse Chess Tourney is a competition in Bughouse chess, for teams of two players. The tourney is open for all interested players.

“This modern real-time chess variant involves two boards placed side by side, two sets, four players, and two clocks. The players sitting side by side are partners and play opposite colours. When you capture a piece, you give it to your partner. When it's your turn, you can either move one of your on-board pieces, or drop one of your off-board pieces on an empty square. Your team loses if you get checkmated or run out of time.”

(Source: <http://bughousechess.wz.cz/>)

The complete rules of Bughouse chess can be found at:

<http://bughousechess.wz.cz/CompleteBughouseChessRules.htm>

Time control for games will be 3 min + 2 s / move. The tourney will be played according to Swiss system, in 7 or 9 double rounds, depending of the number of teams. Teams will be ranked according to the number of points won; Buchholz Cut 1, then acceleration, will be used for tie-breaking.

The tourney will be held on Wednesday, 5 September. Registration will start at 20:00; the first round will start at 20:30.

Participation is free for the registered congress participants. Participation fee for all other players is 20 EUR for a team.

The total prize fund of 1000 EUR will be distributed to the top ranked teams as follows:

- 1) 400 EUR
- 2) 300 EUR
- 3) 200 EUR
- 4) 100 EUR

Other composing tourneys

Registered congress participants are welcome to organise composing tourneys on the occasion of the congress. They should present the results at the prize-giving ceremony on Friday, 7 September, from 14:00.

The Program Coordinator is Zoran Stojčevski (Zoran.Stojcevski@asseco-see.mk). Participants interested in organising a tourney should contact him.

Lectures

Registered congress participants are welcome to present lectures at the congress. Lectures will take place on Monday, 3 September, from 21:00.

The Program Coordinator is Marjan Kovačević (kovacevic.marjan@gmail.com). Participants interested in presenting a lecture should contact him.

Information and contact

Up-to-date version of this document and its annexes can be found on the official web site of the 61st WCCC: <https://wccc2018.com.mk/>

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