





# **European Small Nations Individual Championship 2024 - Information**

### 1. Venue.

The 5<sup>th</sup> European Small Nations Individual Championship and 2<sup>nd</sup> Women European Small Nations Individual Championship will be held from Saturday 22nd June (arrival) to Sunday 30th June 2024 (departure) in Andorra la Vella (Andorra).

## 2. Playing Schedule and Activities.

DATE	TIME	EVENT
22/06/24	All Day 20:00 21:30	Arrival. Opening Ceremony, Cocktail, and dinner. Technical Meeting.
23/06/24	15:00	ROUND 1
24/06/24	10:00 17:00	ROUND 2 ROUND 3
25/06/24	10:00 15:00	Visit to Casa de la Vall.  ROUND 4
26/06/24	10:00 17:00	ROUND 5 ROUND 6
27/06/24	10:00 15:00	Visit to Caldea.  ROUND 7
28/06/24	15:00 22:00	ROUND 8 Women Blitz Tournament.
29/06/24	15:00 20:30	ROUND 9 Closing Ceremony and dinner.
30/06/24	All Day	Departure.







# 3. Participants.

Federations participating in the event:

ANDORRA	LIECHTENSTEIN
CYPRUS	LUXEMBURG
FAROE ISLANDS	MALTA
GUERNSEY	MONACO
JERSEY	SAN MARINO

# 4. Players Registration.

The federations should complete the registration form for their player and accompanying persons.

### **Deadline for registrations:**

- Players and accompanying persons: 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024.
- Payment of the accommodation, if applicable (only for those participants with accompanying persons): **24**<sup>th</sup> **May 2024**.

### 5. Travel.

The travel expenses to Andorra must be covered by the respective Federations or players. Main options:

#### AIRPORTS:

BARCELONA: Airport Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat.

TOULOUSE: Airport Toulouse-Blagnac.

ANDORRA - LA SEU: https://aeroportandorralaseu.cat/

### BUS

https://andbus.net/: BARCELONA-ANDORRA and TOULOUSE-ANDORRA. https://www.andorradirectbus.es: BARCELONA-ANDORRA.

### ROAD TRIP:

From France: RN-22 to Pas de la Casa and then CG-2 to Andorra la Vella.

From Spain: N-145 to Farga de Moles (borders) and then CG-1 to Andorra la Vella.

The Andorra Chess Federation will provide transfers from the Andorra Bus Station.

### 6. Board & Accommodation.

Two players from each Federation, one for open and one for women's championship, will be provided with lodging from *dinner of Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2024 to the breakfast of Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024*.

The accommodation will be provided in single rooms with half board (breakfast & dinner) in the







MAGIC ANDORRA Hotel\*\*\*\* located at Avinguda Dr. Mitjavila, 11 Andorra la Vella (AD500). Website: <a href="https://www.magicandorrahotel.com/">https://www.magicandorrahotel.com/</a>

Accompanying persons will have to pay for all their expenses to the organizing committee. Special prices per day for additional accompanying person are:

ROOM	PRICE PER PERSON / DAY
Single Room with Half Board	100,00 EUR
Double Room with Half Board	75,00 EUR

To process the reservations of the players and accompanying person, the passport number must be provided in the form.

These conditions do not include the Tourist tax, €2.09 per day for a maximum of 7 nights. This tax be paid directly to the hotel.







# **Tournament Regulations**

## 1. Playing Hall.

The Playing Hall will be **Aria Hall** from the **Centre de Congressos d'Andorra la Vella** (Plaça del Poble s/n d'Andorra la Vella) with all the required commodities. The tournament hall is a 10-minute walk from the Magic Andorra Hotel\*\*\*\*.

### 2. Round Robin Tournament.

The championship will be played using the 9 round Round-Robin system. Starting numbers will be drawn at the Opening Ceremony.

### 3. Time Control.

The time control will be 90 minutes for 40 moves + 30 minutes for the rest of the game + 30 seconds increment from move 1.

Tolerance of **fifteen (15) minutes** will be applied for each round to arrive at the board at the start of the round.

# 4. Tie-Break Systems

The final classification is decided by game points (1 point for a win;  $\frac{1}{2}$  for a draw; 0 for a loss).

Tie-Break systems will accomplish FIDE Competition Rules [Handbook 07. Tie-Breaks Regulations (effective from April 2024)]:

1. Direct encounter; 2. Sonneborn-Berger; 3. Number of wins.

# 5. Procedure of appeals

Protests to 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 round.

The claim must be accompanied by the sum of **50,00 EUR**, as a deposit from the signatory. If it is accepted and the decision changed, the deposit will be returned to the claimant. Otherwise, money will be transferred to the Organizing Committee.

The Appeals Committee will be selected **prior to the first round** during the technical meeting and will be made up of **three people** selected by most of the players and two members of the organization.







### **Additional Rules**

- Analyzing is not allowed in the playing hall.
- Players are not allowed to bring any electronic device (mobile phone, smartwatch...)
  into the playing hall, even if switched-off in a pocket. If a mobile phone rings or another
  electronic device is noticed, the player will be punished according to the Laws of Chess
  by loss of the game.
- Photos with camera (not mobile phone) may be taken during the games. Flash is admitted only in **the first 15 minutes** of the games.
- We assume that all the players are aware of the Tournament Regulations and are obliged to obey them.

### **Prizes**

There will be prizes for the top three players for each tournament (EUR 500/300/200).

### **Tournament Director**

The tournament director is Mr. Joan Antoni Obregón Gutiérrez. Contacts for any request: phone (+376) 339309, e-mail: fide@escacsandorra.com

All the information about the tournament will be available on the tournament website esna.escacsandorra.com/

# **Payments**

All payments will be made by wire transfer to:

Bank:	CREAND
SWIFT/BIC:	CRDAADAD
IBAN:	AD44 0003 1101 1047 7741 0204
Beneficiary:	Federació d'Escacs Valls d'Andorra
Concept:	ESNA 2024 + Country

All the Bank commissions are to be paid by senders.