

Chess Festival “Vasylyshyn Memorial ”

November 19 - 27, 2013

Lviv, Ukraine

1.ORGANIZERS

Lviv Chess Federation under the auspices of Governmental Department of Sport in Lviv region

2.VENUE, DATE, SCHEDULE

Festival will be held in the city of Lviv, Ukraine, from 19th of November (date of the first round) until 27th of November 2013 (date of the last round) in the city center (adress:Gertsen str,7). Festival will consist of two round robin tournaments: “GM” (male round robin tournament with possibility of male GM-norm performance) and “ IM ”(male round robin tournament with possibility of male IM-norm performance). All other conditions for “GM” and “IM” tournaments (number of participants, playing schedule, etc) are the same.

Playing Schedule

Day of week	Date	Exact time	Name of event
Tuesday	19.11.2013	15:00	Opening ceremony
Tuesday	19.11.2013	16:00	1 st round
Wednesday	20.11.2013	16:00	2 nd round
Thursday	21.11.2013	16:00	3 rd round
Friday	22.11.2013	16:00	4 th round
Saturday	23.11.2013	16:00	5 th round
Sunday	24.11.2013	16:00	6 th round
Monday	25.11.2013	16:00	7 th round
Tuesday	26.11.2013	16:00	8 th round
Wednesday	27.11.2013	10:00	9 th round
Wednesday	27.11.2013	15:00	Closing ceremony

3.SYSTEM AND RATE OF PLAY

The tournaments will be based on round robin system.

The playing time will be 90 minutes for 40 moves + 30 minutes with 30 seconds cumulative increment for each move starting from the first move

4. PARTICIPATION

10 players participate in the each of the tournaments. 9 rounds will be played.

Players can participate only according to prior negotiations with tournament directors. Also all non-GM (non-IM players in IM event respectively) players must pay entry fee.

Entry fees are deducted according to 01November rating list

5. ACCOMMODATION

Organizers are suggesting special and favorable conditions for “entry fee + hotel”. Please contact organizers for further details. Those participants who doesn't want to accept that offer can find accommodation on their own. Lviv is a big city with around 800 000 of inhabitants and also was one of the host cities of European football championship in 2012. So there is no problem to get that kind of accommodation that fit you. There is a decent number of luxurious hotels for a really moderate prices (only 50 - 100 euros per night) If you want more cheap accommodation you can opt for a great number of cosy hotels you can find a Lviv (20-25 euros) Also its possible to get accommodation in hostel (10-15 euros per night). Also if you contact organizers in advance we can rent a room or whole flat for you for a really affordable price) Food isn't expensive here. There is a great number of restaurants, cafes, supermarkets etc,

6.VISAS

Ukraine has liberal visa regime. EU citizens, citizens of USA and also citizens of republics of former Soviet Union and also few other countries **don't need visa to enter Ukraine** For more detailed information please contact Ukrainian embassy in your country.

7. USEFUL INFORMATION

City of Lviv is located in Western Ukraine close enough to polish border (approximately 70 km). Each day decent number of buses perform regular trips from Poland (Warsaw, Krakow, Katowice etc.). There is also a good connection with Latvia (Riga)- two direct buses per week. Also it's

comfortable enough to get Lviv from Hungary and Slovakia by train.

City of Lviv has modern airport with decent number of airlines(also low-cost airlines!) connecting Lviv with Western Europe and also some Russian and Asian cities. Check if airflight from your city is possible on website of Lviv airport <http://lwo.aero/en/airline>

Also you have to know that Lviv is a nice place for tourists. Its old nice city founded in 1256. In different times it was part of Poland, Austria, Austro-Hungarian Empire, Soviet Union and at last Ukraine. That's why Lviv absorbed charm of Western Europe that is reflected in its unique architecture. There is really nice place to visit and by the way fight for a GM norm!

Local time is +1 CET

National currency is Hryvnia. Normal exchange rate is approximately: 1 EUR=10,9 UAH; 1USD = 8,1 UAH . **Organizers don't recommend you to trade money at ukrainian airports or near rail stations as exchange rates there are as a rule unfair. The best way is to exchange money after arrival.**

8. CONTACTS

To participate in the tournament please contact the tournament director **GM Yuri Voyk** (English, Ukrainian, Russian languages) via:

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These regulations are an official invitation for a tournament