# **AUSTRIAN CHESS FEDERATION**

# Styrian Association Österreichische Schachjugend

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# 21<sup>th</sup> EUROPEAN UNION YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

U08 - U14 (EUYCC)

Mureck, August 2 - 10, 2024





# **General regulations**

# **Invitation**

The Styrian Chess Federation has the honour of inviting your Chess Federation to participate in the European Union Youth Chess Championship 2024 at Mureck.

# **Participation**

Each federation can enter one player, boy or girl in any of the categories of under 8, 10, 12 and 14 as of January 1st, 2024.

Additional (extra) players can also be registered.

Only citizens of a member state of the European Union or of Schengen state are allowed to participate.

We do not support Visa applications.

All participants including parents, coaches, observers and relatives are obliged to stay in official hotels or guesthouses and will not be allowed to book directly their accommodation or food. **All bookings must be made through the organizers**, otherwise players have to pay an extra organizing fee **of Euros 80,-** in advance or in cash on arrival at Mureck.

Registration and conditions of participation

Entry forms must be sent back not later than June 16th, 2024 by email.

Registration must mention the surname/s, first name/s, FIDE ID number and FIDE rating of each player. We also need the telephone number, email address of the delegation chief. Please use the registration form enclosed. All travel expenses must be paid by the participants or their national federation. Each player (invited or extra) and the invited coach has to pay the amount of Euros 100,- to the Organizing Committee when registering or on arrival at Mureck.

#### Accomodation and meals

Board and lodging will be provided at Mureck or in its close surroundings.

The organizing committee can accommodate invited participants and a coach in double or triple rooms or in apartments. Free board and lodging is offered to players (one per category) as well as to 1 coach per federation (if the federation nominates at least 2 players) from Friday 2 (dinner) to Saturday 10 August (lunch).

All payments (Euros only) must be made in advance until June 16th, 2024. The cost of lodging for additional (extra) players and accompanying persons for full board per day is the following:

## Category A:

in double and triple rooms: 69 Euros per person in single rooms: 79 Euros per person

<u>Category B:</u>\*(limited quota available!)

in double and triple rooms: 59 Euros per person in single rooms: 69 Euros per person

# **Bank Account:**

Bank: Steiermärkische Bank & Sparkassen AG IBAN: AT34 2081 5000 4357 3476

BIC/SWIFT: STSPAT2GXXX

BANK ADDRESS: 8010 Graz, Sparkassenplatz 4 ACCOUNT HOLDER: Österreichische Schachjugend

Category A: (as in previous years)

Overnight stay in accommodation in and around Mureck. The organizer tries to allocate the accommodation depending on the federation so that, if possible, everyone is accommodated together. Due to the limited supply in the region, this cannot be guaranteed)

Category B: (new this year: Mureck Hostel)

The accommodation is only about 200m away from the venue.

The rooms are not luxurious but adequate. The showers are communal, but privacy is guaranteed (see the pictures)

# Venue and meeting point on arrival

Kulturzentrum Mureck, Lorberplatz 4, A-8480 Mureck, 59 km south of Graz on the Austrian-Slovenian boarder

# Schedule

Friday	02 August	Afternoon	Arrival of delegations
Saturday	03 August	14:30	Opening ceremony
		15:00	Round 1
Sunday	04 August	15:00	Round 2
Monday	05 August	15:00	Round 3
Tuesday	06 August	09:00	Round 4
		15:00	Round 5
Wednesday	07 August	15:00	Round 6
Thursday	08 August	10:00	int. Blitz tournament
		15:00	Round 7
Friday	09 August	15:00	Round 8
Saturday	10 August	08:30	Round 9
		13:45	closing ceremony departure

<sup>\*</sup>For the first time this year we are offering two categories of rooms:

# Rules and regulations

The tournament will be played according to the swiss system in 9 rounds. National ratings will not be taken into consideration for the pairings.

The time control will be 90 minutes for the whole game plus 30 seconds increment per move, starting from move one.

Boys and girls in each category play in the same tournament but are ranked separately.

The tiebreak will be (1) Buchholz cut -1, (2) Buchholz, (3) Sonneborn-Berger.

Default time is 15 minutes for each round.

The players cannot draw a game by agreement before black's 30th move. A claim for a draw before black's 30th move is permitted only through the arbiters in the cases of perpetual check or threefold repetition.

The organizer reserves the right to combine groups if a group has fewer than 16 players.

#### **Prizes**

The first three players of each group will be awarded trophies. The best girls of each group will be awarded trophies separately.

# **Organizing Committee**

# Chairman

Prof. Kurt JUNGWIRTH Honorary Vice President of FIDE Honorary President of the Austrian Chess Federation

## **Tournament director**

Philipp Raeke