



# Asian Juniors Chess Championships 2017

## Open & Girls

**Shiraz, Iran – 1<sup>st</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

### **INVITATION**

The I.R. Iran Chess Federation under the auspices of the Asian Chess Federation (ACF) and the World Chess Federation (FIDE), has the honor of inviting all Asian national chess federations to participate in the Asian Juniors Chess Championships 2017 to be organized in Shiraz, Iran from 1<sup>st</sup> May (arrival) to 11<sup>th</sup> May (departure) 2017.

### **1. General Regulations & Rules**

The Championships shall be governed by the General Regulations for FIDE Competitions and these Rules.

### **2. Participation**

2.1 Each National Federation can register one official player each Category (Open and Girls), totaling a maximum of two players. No substitution from other categories can be made in case there is no official player in any category.

2.2 The players placed 1-3 in the Asian Junior Open & Girls Championship-2016 and the Asian Open and Girls Under-18 Champions of 2016, will have personal right and will be accepted as official players if they fulfill the condition of Article 2.4.

2.3 Asian national chess federations shall have the right to send as many extra players as they wish but they are responsible for all their own expenses.

2.4 The players should be below the age of 20 years on or before 1st January 2017 and from the Federation in Zone 3.1 to 3.7.

### **3. Financial Regulations**

3.1 Entry Fee: The Entry Fee is 75 USD for official players and 150 USD for extra players. After the deadline of 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017, the surcharge for late entries of USD 50 shall be applicable.

3.2 Registration Fee: All players and accompanying persons must pay a registration fee of 100 USD to the organizer. The registration fee includes the costs for airport transfers, Accreditation Cards, Certificates, etc.

3.3 The travelling costs of all participants must be paid by themselves or by their national federations.

3.4 The payments shall be done in cash upon arrival.

3.5 **The deadline of registration is 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017**



#### 4. Playing Venue & Official Hotel

4.1 All Official players, one (1) player per country in each category and one (1) Head of Delegation per country are entitled to free Board and lodging for 10 nights starting from 1<sup>st</sup> May to 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at the Official Hotel in double-room or triple-room basis. Arrangement of rooms is on first register first serve basis. Four-person room can be assigned to official players if double and triple rooms are all assigned already.

4.2 The organizer will provide several hotels with different levels for the participants.

4.3 Accommodation and full board will be provided by the organizers.

4.4 All additional players and all other accompanying persons should pay the cost for board and lodging (with breakfast, lunch & dinner) per person per night as given below. If the specified room type is not available when organizer receives the participation request, organizer has the right to modify the room type according to the availability.

4.5 Hotel fees are as below: (per person/per night)

Single room	Double/Triple room
100 USD	80 USD

4.6 All participants and all accompanying persons are obliged to lodge at the official Hotel. Bookings of official Hotel for the event should be done through the organizers only.

#### 5. Format of Play

5.1 The championships will be played according to the Swiss System of 9 Rounds. Time control is 90 minutes for the whole game with 30 second increment per move from move 1. In the last round, players from the same country who have more than 50% shall not be paired together.

#### 6. Schedule

Date	Time	Details
1 May 2017	After 12:00	Arrival
2 May 2017	09:00	Technical Meeting
	10:00	Opening Ceremony
	11:00	Rapid Championships
3 May 2017	15:00	Round 1
4 May 2017	10:00	Round 2
	16:30	Round 3
5 May 2017	15:00	Round 4



6 May 2017	15:00	Round 5
7 May 2017	15:00	Round 6
8 May 2017	15:00	Round 7
9 May 2017	15:00	Round 8
10 May 2017	10:00	Round 9
	16:00	Blitz Championships
	19:00	Closing Ceremony
11 May 2017	Before 12:00	Departure

## 7. Tie-break System

7.1 The final ranking order of the players is determined by the number of points scored. If at the end of the tournament two or more players are tied for the first place or for any prize, the tie shall be broken in accordance to the following:

- (a) Direct Encounter
- (b) The greater number of wins
- (c) Buchholz
- (d) Buchholz Cut 1
- (e) Buchholz Cut 2

## 8. Prizes

8.1 Trophies and certificates will be awarded to the top 3 players in each category.

## 9. Appeals Committee

9.1 The Appeals Committee shall comprise 3 persons one of whom may be the ACF Technical Delegate. In the event that the Appeals Committee is appointed by the Technical Meeting, there should be an additional 2 reserve members and in this case, no member shall take part in a decision affecting a player of his own federation.

9.2 A protest against the decision of an Arbiter must be submitted in writing to the Chief Arbiter, within two hours after the end of the playing session.

9.3. A protest fee of 100 USD shall be paid to the Organizer which is refundable if the protest is upheld. The Appeals Committee may also decide to refund the fee if it considers that the appeal was not frivolous.

9.4 The decision of the Appeals Committee is final, binding and takes effect immediately.

## 10. Visa

10.1 All players and accompanying persons who require a visa to enter Iran must send a copy of passport (page with photo and key information) to the Organizer before the deadline of 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017 after which the Organizer shall not be responsible.



## 11. Travel Information

11.1 All participants arriving by international flights should take plane to Shiraz International Airport (SYZ), Shiraz, Iran.

11.2 The host federation will arrange the transportation from airport to the hotel for arrival and departure during the schedule dates.

## 12. Contact

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