

# THE IRISH CHESS UNION

Cumann Fichille na hÉireann

PATRON: Michael D. Higgins, PRESIDENT OF IRELAND



## Report of the Junior Selection Committee 20<sup>th</sup> June 2017

The ICU junior selection committee (JSC) comprising Brendan Buckley, Ross Harris, Keegan O'Mahoney and Junior Officer, Desmond Beatty has been requested by the ICU Executive to select Juniors to compete as "invited players" in the following tournaments:

- The Jugendschach EU Youth U8 – U14 2017, Aug 1<sup>st</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, Mureck, Austria (4 places)
- The ECU EU Youth U8 – U14 2017, Aug 18<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, Kouty nad Desnou, Czechia (4 places)
- The ECU European Youth U8 – U18 Championships 2017, Sep 4<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, Mamaia, Romania (12 places)
- The FIDE World Youth U14 – U18 Championships 2017, Sep 16<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>, Montivideo, Uruguay (6 places)
- The FIDE World Cadet U8 – U12 Championships 2017, Aug 21<sup>st</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>, Brazil (6 places)

The selections are based on the high tide ratings between Jan 1<sup>st</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 (see [Junior Selection 2016 - High Tide Ratings](#) ), those requesting consideration in time and event specific criteria. One place per player except where a place is OPEN and not taken up.

OPEN - Applications for OPEN places should be made by no later than 1 week prior to the event organisers' published closing date for entries.

If they have not already done so, all selected players should confirm their acceptance of places, together with the name of their "accompanying person" (\* see below), to [selections@icu.ie](mailto:selections@icu.ie) cc [juniors@icu.ie](mailto:juniors@icu.ie) , by June 24<sup>th</sup> 2017.

Note: This selection report is for "invited places" at these events. Players wishing to participate in these events as "additional players" should contact [juniors@icu.ie](mailto:juniors@icu.ie) no later than 1 week prior to the event organisers published closing date for entries.

Any questions on selections and the work of the Junior Selection Committee should be directed to [selections@icu.ie](mailto:selections@icu.ie). Any questions on the events themselves should be directed to [juniors@icu.ie](mailto:juniors@icu.ie).

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### **\*Accompanying persons**

- The ICU and its officials cannot take in loco parentis responsibility for players.
  - For all players who are under 12 or younger (where this is defined as the FIDE age, i.e. age as at 1 January of the year in question), a family member must accompany the player.
  - For older players (i.e. 12 years old and above) who are competing for the first time in this type of event, the ICU strongly recommends that a family member accompanies them.
  - For older players who have had experience of previous similar events, it may be appropriate for families to collaborate such that one adult travels with the team and looks after a number of players in addition to their own child. This may have the advantage of reducing overall costs or managing the time commitment required.
  - Such arrangements should be made directly between relevant parents/guardians and **must be notified to the Head of Delegation and/or the Junior Officer when accepting a place.**
  - In no circumstances may a single adult be responsible for more than 4 players.
  - The adult taking responsibility for others' children will need to be equipped with a letter from the child's parent or guardian confirming that they have permission to take the child out of the Ireland.
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## **Jugendschach EU Youth (U8 – U14) 2017**

Aug 1<sup>st</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, Mureck, Austria

Entry closes June 27<sup>th</sup>

Under 14 Open	Denis Ruchko
Under 12 Open	Susan Aji
Under 10 Open	Gemma Mulholland
Under 8 Open	Oisín O'Laighleis

## **ECU EU Youth (U8 – U14) 2017**

Aug 18<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, Kouty nad Desnou, Czech Republic

Entry closes June 30<sup>th</sup>

Under 14 Open	Utkarsh Gupta
Under 12 Open	Felix Jordan
Under 10 Open	OPEN
Under 8 Open	OPEN

## European Youth (U8 – U18) Championships 2017,

Sep 4<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, Mamaia, Romania

Entry closes July 3<sup>rd</sup>

Under 18 Boys	Conor O'Donnell	Reserve: Agustin Plaza-Reino
Under 18 Girls	Alice O'Gorman	
Under 16 Boys	Shane Melaugh	Reserve: Darragh Moran
Under 16 Girls	Mercedes Plaza Reino	
Under 14 Boys	Gavin Melaugh	Reserve: Denis Ruchko
Under 14 Girls	Plaza Reino, Leire	
Under 12 Boys	Con Kirby	Reserve: Mateo Plaza-Reino
Under 12 Girls	Caroline Danaher	
Under 10 Boys	Daniil Kashanin	Reserve: Nived Binu Daniel
Under 10 Girls	OPEN	
Under 8 Boys	No applicants met criteria - OPEN	
Under 8 Girls	OPEN	

## World Youth (U14 – U18) Championships 2017

Sep 16<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>, Montivideo, Uruguay

Entry closes July 16<sup>th</sup>

Under 18 Open	Scott Mulligan	Reserve: Luke Scott
Under 18 Girls	Diana Mirza	
Under 16 Open	Alex Byrne	Reserve: Peter Carroll
Under 16 Girls	OPEN	
Under 14 Open	OPEN	
Under 14 Girls	OPEN	

## World Cadets (U8 – U12) Championships 2017

Aug 21<sup>st</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>, Brazil

Entry closes June 21<sup>st</sup>

**ALL 6 places** OPEN

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