

AUSTRIAN CHESS FEDERATION

Styrian Association

Österreichische Schachjugend

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20th EUROPEAN UNION YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP U08 - U14

Mureck, August 1 - 9, 2023

General regulations

1. Invitation

The Styrian Association of the Austrian Chess Federation has the honour to invite your Chess Federation to participate in the European Union Youth Chess Championship 2023 at Mureck.

2. 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, 2023.

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 don't 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 50,-** in advance or in cash on arrival at Mureck.

3. Registration - Conditions of participation

Entry forms must be sent back not later than **June 15th, 2023 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.

4. Accommodation 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 as well as to 1 coach per federation (if the federation nominate at least 2 players) from Tuesday 1 (dinner) to Wednesday 09 August (lunch).

All Payments (Euros only) must be made in **advance until June 15th**.

The cost of lodging for additional (extra) players and accompanying persons for full board per day is the following:

in double and triple rooms: 65 Euros per person

in single rooms: 75 Euros per person

children from 2 years on pay the full prize!

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

5. Tournament hall and meeting point on arrival

Kulturzentrum A-8480 Mureck, Lorberplatz 4

59 km south of Graz on the Austrian-Slovenian boarder

6. Schedule

Tuesday	01 August	afternoon	arrival of delegations
Wednesday	02 August	14:30	opening ceremony
		15:00	1 st round
Thursday	03 August	15:00	2 nd round
Friday	04 August	15:00	3 rd round
Saturday	05 August	09:00	4 th round
		15:00	5 th round
Sunday	06 August	15:00	6 th round
Monday	07 August	15:00	7 th round
Tuesday	08 August	15:00	8 th round
Wednesday	09 August	08:30	9 th round
		13:45	closing ceremony, departure

7. 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 playing time 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.

8. Arbiters

IA Manfred MUSSNIG and IM Robert KREISL

9. Organizing Committee

Chairman

Prof. Kurt JUNGWIRTH

Honorary Vice President of FIDE

Honorary President of the Austrian Chess Federation

Tournament director

IM Mario Schachinger

10. Prizes

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

The best girls will be awarded trophies separately.