

IX Baltic school chess festival - 2013



1. Organizers.

The Children and Youth Center “Daugmale”, RD IKSD, the sport club “Gambit”, other sponsors and the Mikhail Tal Foundation.

2. Time and venue.

Festival will be held in *5 star Radisson Blu Daugava Hotel*, 24 Kugu street, Riga, Latvia, from **August 25** (day of arrival) until **August 31** (day of departure) **2013**. **Opening ceremony takes place on the August 26th at 2⁰⁰ pm**, followed by round 1st at 2³⁰ pm. The last round 7th will be on the August 31st at 10⁰⁰ am.

3. Participants.

Everyone is welcome to participate in our festival. We already have confirmation of participation of chessplayers from Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Russia, Poland and some Scandinavian countries.

Each team shall consist of 4 participants: 3 boys and 1 girl, born in 1996 or younger. All participants must have category the 1 or higher.

4. Tournament.

- The tournament will be played according to the Swiss System in 7 rounds.
- Only FIDE ratings will be used for the pairings.

5. Prizes and awards.

The teams which take 1-3 places will be awarded with cups, medals and diplomas. Individual prizes will be awarded to players who take 1-3 places on each board.

6. Conditions.

- Teams are responsible for their transportation cost, accommodation and lodging.
- All chess players and coaches will be accommodated in *the 5 star Radisson Blu Daugava* which is only **25 EUR per day in a "triple" room per person**, breakfast is included. Accommodation for parents is 27 EUR per day in a “triple” room per person. It is possible to upgrade to: “double” room - 65 EUR/room per day, breakfast is included.
“single” room - 55 EUR/room per day, breakfast is included.
- **Entry Fee is 50 EUR per team.**

7. Registrations.

All registrations are accepted until August 20th 2013. Please mail them to: 19a Jēkabpils street, Rīga, Latvia, LV- 1003. INFO: www.chessds.lv

All questions should be addressed to Polina Ni tel. + 371 29653095 or to Irena Limanovska tel. + 371 28345350; e-mail: polni@inbox.lv, chessds@inbox.lv

Dear chess friends!

We are pleased to invite You to the *9th Baltic school chess festival*.

Chess program of the festival, as always, full of interesting and exciting events: Team Tournament - 7 rounds ELO rated Swiss, simultaneous exhibition with International Grandmaster, International ELO rated blitz-tournament and Family Rapid Chess Tournament (2 immediate family members; one member or two, born in 1996 or younger).

The festival is held in one of the most modern and comfortable hotels in the city of Riga *Radisson Blu Daugava Hotel*. The hotel is located on the left bank of the Daugava River, opposite the Old City. Lots of famous people stayed in this hotel: the Heads of State and Government, members of official delegations and others were welcomed guests at Blu Daugava. The rooms facing the river Daugava, offer a magnificent panoramic view of Old Riga.

Business class rooms available at special discounted prices for the participants of our festival. Team tournament will be held in the conference hall "Daugava", which is the place for international business meetings: <http://www.radissonblu.ru/hotel-riga/meetings> www.radissonblu.com/hotel-riga

The hotel has one of the best restaurants in the city "Panorama", Olympic casino, health club and fitness center (swimming pool, sauna, steam room, spa, solarium, massage services), shops, parking. All rooms have an internet access.



We are pleased to welcome Your team at our chess Festival!

Festival Director Polina Ni, 01/04/2013.