



EUROPEAN INDIVIDUAL WOMEN'S RAPID CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

(Championship Devoted to 50 Years Jubilee of Maia Chiburdanidze)

MAIA CHIBURDANIDZE'S CUP - 2011

KUTAISI (GEORGIA)

19 – 22 MAY, 2011

REGULATIONS

1. Organizers

Georgian Chess Federation, Kutaisi City Hall and Imeretian Chess Federation under the auspices of the European Chess Union.

2. Venue, Date & Schedule

The tournament will be held in Kutaisi, Georgia, from May 19th (day of arrival) until May 22nd (day of departure) 2011.

The tournament hall will be in "Maia Chiburdanidze's chess school".

Thursday	May 19		Arrival Day & Registration
Friday	May 20	10:30	Opening Ceremony
		11:00	Round 1
		12:15	Round 2
		15:00	Round 3
		16:15	Round 4
		17:30	Round 5
		18:45	Round 6

Saturday	May 21	11:00	Round 7
		12:15	Round 8
		15:00	Round 9
		16:15	Round 10
		17:30	Round 11
		19:00	Closing Ceremony
Sunday	May 22		Departure Day

Closing ceremony will be held in Kutaisi in **"Meliton Balanchivadze's Opera House"** on May 21st at 19:00.

3. Participation

The European Women Rapid Chess Championship is open to all players representing the Chess Federations which compromise the European Chess Union (FIDE zones 1.1 to 1.10) regardless of their title or rating. There is also no limit of participants per federation.

4. Registration Fee

The current medalists of the European Rapid Championships shall pay no entry fee in the respective championships as well as the players with ELO more than 2200;

The players with ELO from 2000 to 2200 shall pay entry fee of 10 Euro;

The all other players with ELO shall pay entry fee of 15 Euro;

The players without ELO shall pay entry fee of 20 Euro;

5. Special offer for participants of Woman's Individual Chess Championship 2011

First fifteen early registered GM and WGM will be provided with:

- Free transportation from Tbilisi to Kutaisi and back (220km) by special comfortable mini – buses;
- Free accommodation with FB from 19th of May to 22nd of May (breakfast) in hotel "Imeri" www.ImeriHotel.com

6. System & Rate of Play

All players play a 11 – round Swiss Tournament with the rate of play G-15 '+10" (15 minutes for a game for a player, with an increment of 10 seconds per move.

7. Title & Trophies

The winner of the event will be awarded as '2011 European Women's Rapid Champion'. The top three winners of the event will be awarded by respective medals and cups.

8. Tie-Break Procedures :

The order of players that finish with the same number of points shall be determined by application of the following tie-breaking procedures in sequence, proceeding from (a) to (b) to (c) to (d) the extent required:

- (a) Performance Rating;
- (b) Median – Buchholz 1, the highest number wins;
- (c) Buchholz, the highest number wins :
- (d) Number of wins, the highest number wins.

In the case of unplayed games for the calculation of (a), (b) and (c) the current FIDE Tournament Rules shall be applied.

8. Prizes:

Prize fund will be 10 400 Euro

1 000 Euro is established for players under 8 – 16.

Prizes will be shared among the players with the same number of points.

Woman Prizes

Rank	Prize
1	2 000
2	1 500
3	1 000
4	800
5	700
6	600
7	500
8	400
9	300
10	200
11	190
12	180
13	170
14	160
15	150
16	140
17	130
18	120
19	110
20	100
	9 450

All prizes will be subjected to 20 % Georgian Income taxes.

10. Currency & exchange:

The local currency is the Georgian Lari. 1EUR = 2,40 Lari 1USD = 1,8 Lari

11. Lodging & meals

All participants are invited to stay at the official hotel of the competition - hotel "Imeri" 3 ***. Following conditions are offered:

Accommodation with FB (breakfast, lunch & dinner) for per person per day costs:

Double	35 EURO
Single	50 EURO

12. Medical care

During the rounds there will be Medical Services according to the FIDE Tournament Regulations.

13. Contact information

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