

11th International Chess Festival
RIGA TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OPEN



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UNIVERSITY**

13th – 21st of August 2022

Venue

International Exhibition Centre “Kipsala”, 8 Kipsalas Street, Riga, Latvia.

Prize fund

The total prize fund is planned to be **27 800 EUR** for all tournaments.

Festival tournaments

| No. | Tournament | Title | Dates | Prize Fund |
|-----|------------|---|--|----------------------------|
| 1. | A | <u>Grandmaster Open</u> | 15 th – 21 st August | 17 100 EUR |
| 2. | B | <u>Amateur Open for players with ELO until 2299</u> | 15 th – 21 st August | 1 500 EUR |
| 3. | Y | <u>Youth open for players U14 with ELO until 2199</u> | 15 th – 21 st August | 3000 EUR (worth prizes) |
| 4. | C | <u>Weekend Amateur open for players with ELO until 2299</u> | 18 th – 21 st August | 1200 EUR |
| 5. | D | <u>Weekend Amateur open for players with ELO until 1799</u> | 19 th – 21 st August | 1000 EUR |
| 6. | E | <u>Opening blitz tournament</u> | 13 th August | 1 000 EUR |
| 7. | F | <u>Open Rapid tournament</u> | 14 th August | 2 000 EUR |
| 8. | G | <u>Closing blitz tournament</u> | 21 st August | 1 000 EUR |

During the festival week various side events (GM lectures, simuls, excursions, etc.) will be organized for the participants of the tournament for additional fees. The schedule of these events will be available at <http://rtuopen.lv/> closer to the festival.

1. Tournament A – Grandmaster open
ELO Tournament with GM, IM, WGM and WIM norms
The tournament will be part of ACP Tour

Regulations: Swiss system, 9 rounds, FIDE rules, ELO rated.

Time limit: 90 minutes per game per player + 30 seconds per move starting from the move 1.

Schedule:

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| Monday | 15.08. | 14:00 – 16:00 | Registration |
| | | 16:30 | Opening ceremony |
| | | 17:00 | 1 st round |
| Tuesday | 16.08. | 11:00 | 2 nd round |
| | | 17:00 | 3 rd round |
| Wednesday | 17.08. | 15:00 | 4 th round |
| Thursday | 18.08. | 11:00 | 5 th round |
| | | 17:00 | 6 th round |
| Friday | 19.08. | 15:00 | 7 th round |
| Saturday | 20.08. | 15:00 | 8 th round |
| Sunday | 21.08. | 11:00 | 9 th round |
| | | 18:30 | Closing ceremony |

Entry fee

GMs, WGMs, IMs and WIMs have free entry at the Tournament A

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| ELO > 2299 | 60 EUR |
| ELO 2200 – 2299 | 70 EUR |
| ELO 2100 – 2199 | 80 EUR |
| ELO 2000 – 2099 | 90 EUR |
| ELO 1900 – 1999 | 110 EUR |
| ELO < 1900 | 160 EUR |
| Without ELO | 200 EUR |

Discounts

FMs, WFM, juniors up to 18 years of age (born 2004 and later), seniors over 65 years of age (born 1957 and earlier) have a 25 % discount. Players representing Latvian Chess Federation have a 35% discount. FMs, WFM, juniors up to 18 years of age and seniors over 65 years who represents Latvian Chess Federation have a 50% discount. Discounts do not add up. This discount does not refer to the additional charge for the late registration.

Financial prizes

The prize fund of the tournament A is 17 100 EUR (guaranteed in case of at least 200 participants), the first prize is guaranteed to be 2 500 EUR. 25 general prizes and special prizes for the best women, junior (born 2004 and later) and senior players (born 1962 and earlier) as well as rating prizes in at least 4 groups. General prizes are shared using the Hort system, special prizes are not shared. A player can receive only one prize.

2. Tournament B
Amateur open for players with ELO until 2299

Regulations: Swiss system, 9 rounds, FIDE rules, ELO rated.

Time limit: 90 minutes per game per player +30 seconds per move starting from the move 1.

Schedule: The same as for tournament A.

Entry fee

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| ELO 2050 – 2299 | 40 EUR |
| ELO 1900 – 2049 | 50 EUR |
| ELO 1800 – 1899 | 60 EUR |
| ELO < 1800 | 70 EUR |
| Without ELO | 80 EUR |

Discounts

Juniors up to 18 years of age (born 2004 and later) and seniors over 65 years of age (born 1957 and earlier) have a 25% discount. This discount does not refer to the additional charge for the late registration.

Financial prizes

The prize fund of the tournament is 1 500 EUR (guaranteed in case of at least 70 participants), guaranteed first prize is 250 EUR. 8 general prizes and special prizes for best women, junior (born 2004 and later) and senior players (born 1962 and earlier). Prizes are not shared. A player can receive only one prize.

3. Tournament Y

Youth open for players U14 with ELO until 2199

Regulations: Swiss system, 9 rounds, FIDE rules, ELO rated.

Time limit: 90 minutes per game per player +30 seconds per move starting from the move 1.

Schedule: The same as for tournaments A & B.

Entry fee: 35 EUR

Prizes

There are no financial prizes. The players will be awarded valuable prizes in total worth at least 3000 EUR. At least 15 different prizes are guaranteed.

4. Tournament C

Weekend Amateur ELO Tournament for players with ELO until 2299

Regulations: Swiss system, 7 rounds, FIDE rules, ELO rated.

Time limit: 60 minutes per game per player + 30 seconds per move starting from the move 1.

Schedule:

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|----------|--------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Thursday | 18.08. | 16:00 – 18:00 | Registration |
| | | 19:00 | 1 st round |
| Friday | 19.08. | 15:00 | 2 nd round |
| | | 19:00 | 3 rd round |
| Saturday | 20.08. | 11:00 | 4 th round |
| | | 15:00 | 5 th round |
| Sunday | 21.08. | 10:00 | 6 th round |
| | | 14:00 | 7 th round |
| | | 18:30 | Closing ceremony |

Entry fee

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| ELO 2050 – 2299 | 25 EUR |
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| ELO 1900 – 2049 | 30 EUR |
| ELO 1600 – 1899 | 35 EUR |
| ELO < 1600 | 40 EUR |
| Without ELO | 50 EUR |

Discounts

Juniors up to 18 years of age (born 2004 and later) and seniors over 65 years of age (born 1957 and earlier) have a 25% discount. This discount does not refer to the additional charge for the late registration.

Financial prizes

The prize fund of the tournament is 1200 EUR (guaranteed in case of at least 70 participants), guaranteed first prize is 190 EUR. 8 general prizes and special prizes for best women, junior (born 2004 and later) and senior players (born 1962 and earlier). Prizes are not shared. A player can receive only one prize.

5. Tournament D

Weekend Amateur ELO Tournament for players with ELO until 1799

Regulations: Swiss system, 7 rounds, FIDE rules, ELO rated

Time limit: 30 minutes per game per player + 30 seconds per move starting from the move 1.

Schedule:

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|----------|--------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Friday | 19.08. | 15:00 – 16:30 | Registration |
| | | 17:00 | 1 st round |
| | | 20:00 | 2 nd round |
| Saturday | 20.08. | 11:00 | 3 rd round |
| | | 14:00 | 4 th round |
| | | 17:00 | 5 th round |
| Sunday | 21.08. | 11:00 | 6 th round |
| | | 14:00 | 7 th round |
| | | 18:30 | Closing ceremony |

Entry fee

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|-------------|--------|
| With ELO | 25 EUR |
| Without ELO | 35 EUR |

Discounts

Juniors up to 18 years of age (born 2004 and later) and seniors over 65 years of age (born 1957 and earlier) have a 25% discount. This discount does not refer to the additional charge for the late registration.

Financial prizes

The prize fund of the tournament is 1000 EUR (guaranteed in case of at least 70 participants), guaranteed first prize is 170 EUR. 8 general prizes and special prizes for best women, junior (born 2004 and later) and senior players (born 1962 and earlier). Prizes are not shared. A player can receive only one prize.

6. Tournament E – Opening blitz tournament,

Saturday, 13th of August, 15:00 – 20:00, Swiss system, 11 rounds, ELO rated

Time limit: 3 minutes per game per player + 2 seconds per move starting from the move 1.

Entry fee: 10 EUR; GM, IM, WGM, WIM - free

Financial prizes

The guaranteed first prize is 170 EUR. Prize fund is 1000 EUR covering 8 general prizes which are not shared and special prizes for juniors, women and veterans as well as rating prizes.

7. Tournament F –Open Rapid tournament,

Sunday, 14th of August, 11:00 – 20:00, Swiss system, 9 rounds, ELO rated

Time limit: 15 minutes per game per player + 5 seconds per move starting from the move 1.

Entry fee: 15 EUR; GM, IM, WGM, WIM - free

Financial prizes

The guaranteed first prize is 360 EUR. Prize fund is 2000 EUR covering 10 general prizes which are not shared and special prizes for juniors, women and veterans as well as rating prizes.

8. Tournament G –closing blitz tournament,

Sunday, 21st of August, at 19:30, Swiss system, 11 rounds, ELO rated

Time limit: 3 minutes per game per player + 2 seconds per move starting from the move 1.

Entry fee: 10 EUR; GM, IM, WGM, WIM - free

Financial prizes

The guaranteed first prize is 170 EUR. Prize fund is 1000 EUR covering 8 general prizes which are not shared and special prizes for juniors, women and veterans as well as rating prizes.

Late registrations

Players whose application to tournaments A-D and Y will be registered after the 1st of August 2022 will pay additional charge of 10 EUR.

Late arrival

Waiting time in the Tournaments A – D and Y in case of late arrival is 30 minutes.

Tie-breaks

The following tie-break criteria are used: 1) Mini Bucholz (without worst result), 2) Bucholz and 3) Rating Performance.

Entries

Early registrations (by specifying your Name, ELO, Date of Birth, Country and accommodation if necessary) for the tournaments A – D and Y should be sent before the 1st of August either by e-mail: chess@rtu.lv or by filling the application form available at <http://rtuopen.lv/>.

The onsite registration according to the schedule of the corresponding tournament is mandatory also for online pre-registered participants, including participants that have free entry. The organizers reserve the rights to exclude players that have missed the onsite registration deadline from the tournament.

According to the legislation of the Republic of Latvia, participants from the Russian Federation and the Belarus Republic are not eligible to take part in the festival.

Prize giving

All players must be present at the closing ceremony to receive financial prizes. The organizers reserve the rights not to pay out prizes if the participant fails to do so.

Accommodation

Pullman Riga Old Town ***** 24 Jekaba Street (2.1 km from the playing hall)

| Rooms | WC & Shower | Breakfast | WiFi | Price |
|----------------------|-------------|-----------|------|--------------------|
| Superior Single | In the room | Yes | Yes | 60 EUR /room/night |
| Superior Double/Twin | In the room | Yes | Yes | 70 EUR /room/night |

Webpage of the hotel: <https://pullmanriga.lv/>.

Riga Islande Hotel ** superior** 2 Kipsalas Street (600 m from the playing hall)

| Rooms | WC & Shower | Breakfast | WiFi | Price |
|----------------------|-------------|-----------|------|---------------------|
| Standard Single | In the room | Yes | Yes | 55 EUR/room/night |
| Standard Double/Twin | In the room | Yes | Yes | 65 EUR/room/night |
| Superior | In the room | Yes | Yes | 85 EUR /room/night |
| De Luxe | In the room | Yes | Yes | 125 EUR /room/night |

Webpage of the hotel: <https://www.islandehotel.lv/>

PrimoHotel *** 62 Nometnu Street (2.9 km from the playing hall)

| Rooms | WC & Shower | Breakfast | WiFi | Price |
|----------------------|-------------|-----------|------|-------------------|
| Standard Single | In the room | Yes | Yes | 40 EUR/room/night |
| Standard Double/Twin | In the room | Yes | Yes | 48 EUR/room/night |

Webpage of the hotel: <https://www.primohotel.lv/>. Free parking.

RTU Hostel 8 Azenes Street (600 m from the playing hall)

| Rooms | WC & Shower | Breakfast | WiFi | Price night/week |
|---|---------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|--|
| Double/twin room in a 3 room apartment | In the apartment | No | No WiFi, Cable Internet only | Only for 2 pers. 35/190 EUR |
| Studio apartment | In the apartment | No | No WiFi, Cable Internet only | 2 pers. 45/230 EUR 3 pers. 55/280 EUR |

Photos of the hostel: <https://rtuopen.lv/photos/?lang=en>

The prices are provided only if the booking is done through the organizers. The special prices are available while there are rooms reserved but no later than on 1st of July. Number of rooms in all hotels is very limited.

Hotel information will be updated constantly according to the reservations. Please check the website <http://rtuopen.lv/> for updates.

GMs with ELO > 2500 are eligible for a limited number of free accommodations. Limited number of GMs with ELO > 2600 is eligible for inscription fees. Please, contact organizers as soon as possible, if you are interested.

Arrival

Riga Airport is located 10 km from the city centre. Various budget companies (Latvian National airline airBaltic, Norwegian, Ryanair, Wizz Air) as well as prestigious companies (Lufthansa, Turkish Airlines, SAS and others) currently offer flights to Riga from more than 100 different destinations. For further information check the website of the airport: <http://www.riga-airport.com/>.

From the airport to the city centre runs bus No 22 and express bus No 322.

Visa information

Please contact the organizers as soon as possible if you need Visa to enter the Schengen Area. The organizers will make the invitations for visas. Participants will pay the expenses of the invitation. Organizers will cover this fee for invited players.

Tourist information

Riga is an interesting tourism destination. Riga streets bear it's over 800-year-long history: the many centuries and rulers, Art Nouveau architecture and Modernism, wooden buildings and masonry. The playing hall is located on the island of Kipsala just over the bridge from the Old Town. Famous resort city Jurmala with its sandy beaches is located about 20 km from Riga. Similarly to the previous editions of the festival, the cultural programme including excursions will be organized during the festival. More detailed information will be available at <http://rtuopen.lv/> closer to the festival.

Organizers

The festival is organized by Riga Technical University in cooperation with Latvian Chess Federation and Riga Chess Federation. Tournament Director is IO Egons Lavendelis. Chief Arbiter of the festival is IA Alberts Cimins, Chief Arbiter of the Tournament A is IA Andra Cimina.

The organizers reserve the right to make necessary changes in these Regulations in case it doesn't violate interests of the participants. The organizers reserve the rights to reject any registration without specifying the reason. In that case the organizers have to inform the participant as soon as possible after the registration of the player is received.



Feel free to contact organizers via e-mail: chess@rtu.lv.

General sponsor of the tournament:



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