

European Individual Women's Championship 2011

REGULATIONS

1. ORGANIZERS

Turkish Chess Federation, by the sponsorship and support of [Gaziantep Metropolitan Municipality](#), under the auspices of the City of Gaziantep and the European Chess Union.

2. VENUE AND DATE

The three Championships (2011 European Individual Women, 2011 European Women Blitz, 2011 European Women Rapid) will be held in Gaziantep from March 1st (day of arrival) until March 19th (day of departure) 2011.

Opening and closing ceremony and matches will take place in the **Dedeman Hotel**. Please check [schedule given below for details](#).

Arrival	1 March
Round 1	2 March
Round 2	3 March
Round 3	4 March
Round 4	5 March
Round 5	6 March
Round 6	7 March
Round 7	8 March
Free day	9 March
Round 8	10 March
Round 9	11 March
Round 10	12 March
Round 11	13 March
Closing Ceremony	13 March
Departures	14 March

Please notice that European Rapid and Blitz continue after the event!

3. PARTICIPATION

The 12th European individual chess championship for women is open to all players representing the Chess Federations which comprise 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. SYSTEM AND RATE OF PLAY

The championship will be based on Swiss system in accordance with the ECU Tournament Rules and FIDE Rules of Chess. Zero-tolerance rule will be applied for each round as default time is 0 minute.

The playing time will be 90 minutes for 40 moves plus 30 minutes for the rest of the game with an increment of 30 seconds per move, starting from move one.

5. TIE-BREAK PROCEDURE

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 case of (a) the highest and the lowest rated opponent will be deleted and the maximum rating difference of two players shall be 400 points.

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

6. QUALIFIERS

The 12th Individual European Chess Championship for women is qualification event for the next World Cup. According to FIDE regulations and the decision of the ECU Board, **14 players** will qualify.

7. PRIZES

Money Prizes will be distributed as follows:

7.1. European Individual Women Championship

Rank	Prize
1	€ 20.500
2	€ 15.500
3	€ 11.500
4	€ 8.200
5	€ 7.100
6	€ 6.100
7	€ 5.600
8	€ 5.100
9	€ 4.600
10	€ 4.100
11	€ 3.600
12	€ 3.100
13	€ 2.600
14	€ 2.300
15	€ 2.100
16	€ 2.000
	€ 104.000

7.2 Special Prizes:

By respecting performance rating after the final round following prizes will be given as special prizes by Turkish Chess Federation.

ELO CATEGORY PRIZES

Rank	2150-2299	2000-2149	1800-1999	< 1799
1	€ 500	€ 500	€ 300	€ 250
2	€ 300	€ 300	€ 200	€ 150
3	€ 200	€ 200	€ 100	€ 100
total	€ 1.000	€ 1.000	€ 600	€ 500

AGE CATEGORY PRIZES

Rank	under 16	under 20
1	€ 300	€ 500
2	€ 200	€ 300
3	€ 100	€ 200
total	€ 600	€ 1.000

NATIONAL PRIZES

Rank	Local	Turkish
1	€ 150	€ 500
2	€ 100	€ 300
3	€ 50	€ 200
total	€ 300	€ 1.000

Total Special Prizes will be 6.000€.

If after the last round there are tied players for the money prizes, tie-break procedure will be followed. The prizes will not be shared for the same ranked places!

The ECU Tournament rules and regulations states: "4.4 The money prizes will be equally shared among the players with the same score". Is there any particular reason why you formulated differently this article?

Please enter in article 7. the following provision: "If a prize-winner is absent during the closing ceremony, then the money prize will be reduced by 20% with a minimum of 100 EUR."

8. ARBITERS AND APPEALS COMMITTEE

Chief arbiter will be **IA Erdem Ucarkus (Turkey)**

His deputy for tournament will be

The Chief arbiter deputy for pairings will be

9. APPEALS PROCEDURE

Protests against decisions of the Chief Arbiter must be submitted in written form to the Chairman of the appeals committee within one hour after completion of the playing session. The protest must be accompanied with the sum of 100 €, as a deposit from the signatory. The deposit must be handed to the Chairman of the appeals committee. If the appeal is granted, the sum shall be returned immediately. If the appeal is refused, the deposit is forfeited to the European Chess Union.

The appeal has to be lodged by the player.

The decisions of the Appeals Committee are final.

10. APPLICATIONS, REGISTRATION

The national federations are kindly requested to fill in and return the Application Form to the Organizer's e-mail address or fax number not later than February 10, 2011.

Billing the "late registrations" is not possible, because it is not written in a contract, and although it has never seen in this competition (it was only for invited players on the youth competitions). It is customary to be formulated that the late registrations have to be confirmed by the ECU and I think it should be written like that.

11. Accommodation:

Official Hotels: All players, guests and extra participants are invited to stay in official hotels on following conditions.

5 stars hotel: Dedeman Gaziantep (playing venue is in this hotel) (15 kms from the town)

Full board in double room per person: 1,105 €

Full Board in single room per person: 1,365 €

Uğur Plaza in the town centre (4 stars)

Double room p/p: 897€

Single room p/p: 1,157€

I consider that hotel rates should be expressed per day (though I do not mind to keep the current formulation). The first reason is that participants in a very visible way should know the price per day, and also likely it will be trainers and accompany persons who will not be present during the whole tournament.

Participants who do not stay in official hotel will pay 120€ total compensation fee for organization.

Also those participants are responsible for themselves for any issue related with organization (such as food, lodging, shuttle service, security, etc.). All players staying out of official hotels are responsible for zero-tolerance rule as being late to playing venue. For the players stay in official hotels, organizers will provide proper scheduled shuttle service to be at the right time in playing venue.

12. ECU FEES

In accordance with the ECU regulations, **Grand masters and International masters (According ECU Tournament rules and regulations it should be written GM; IM; FM; WGM, WIM, WFM)** are required to pay a fee of 65 €/person, while other players are obliged to effect the payment of 130 €/person of the fee.

According to the ECU regulations (Art. B.9.5.1), the entry fee shall be paid by the federations to ECU before or at the start of the competition. If the entry fee is not paid until end of round 2 these participants will not be paired in subsequent rounds.

13. ORGANISATION FEE

The organization fee is 70 Euro and must be paid by all participants.

The organization fee includes:

Transfer from airports Gaziantep to the hotels in Gaziantep and back.

Free (coffee, tea or water) for all participants during the round.

(This provision about organization fee is not written in the contract and cannot be included into the regulations. This particularly I mean, because I believe that the provision of additional fees for players who are not using the official hotels will be very poorly accepted by the participants.)

14. PAYMENT

At the time of registration, the foreign participants will be required to effect payment of the organization fee in favor of foreign currency account of the Turkish Chess Federation, according to the following instructions:

Bank Name:	Turkiye Is Bankasi
Branch Name:	Ankara
Address:	Ulus – Ankara
Account Holder:	Turkiye Satranc Federasyonu
IBAN Euro:	TR500006400000242003881023
SWIFT CODE:	ISBKTRISXXX

All bank commissions should be paid by sender, although even if it is paid by the sender, there is usually a transfer cost on Turkish side (18 € (Euros) for each transfer), this will be charged to sender. If a participant after paying this fee withdraws from event, it will not be reimbursed.

15. ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS

Analyzing is not allowed in the playing hall.

During the game the players are not allowed to go to the analyzing room or to the press room.

Flashes may be used only in the first ten minutes of each round.

Only the players and arbiters shall be allowed in the actual playing area, except with the express permission of the Chief Arbiter.

Players are not allowed to enter the closed area of the top boards, if they don't play there themselves.

As long as the game is in progress a player may talk only to an arbiter or with his opponent as permitted by the Laws of Chess.

In case of pre-arranged results the chief arbiter can decide that the result of the respective game is 0 - 0.

We assume that all the players have read the Tournament Regulations and are obliged to obey them. The English text of these Tournament Regulations is the authentic version.

16. MEDICAL CARE

During the Tournament there will be Medical Services according to the FIDE Tournament Regulations. **This service will be provided to participants who stay in official hotels.**

If you consider that someone should be exempted from the medical help, then it cannot refer to the hours of play. During the hours of play, medical assistance must apply to all participants of the competition.

17. ELECTRICITY

The standard voltage in Turkey is 220 Volts. The plugs used for appliances are twin round plug.

18. CURRENCY & EXCHANGE

The local currency is the Turkish Lira. At the time of publication exchange rates are :

1€ (Euro) = 1.98913 Turkish Lira (TL) (10 Dec 2010)

1USD (American Dollar) = 1.50361 Turkish Lira (TL) (10 Dec 2010)

19. VISAS

The Federations or players who need assistance with their visas are asked to contact the Organizing Committee **before 10 February 2011.**

20. CONTACT INFORMATION

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