

2<sup>nd</sup> International Chess Festival  
**RIGA TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OPEN**



August 06-12, 2012

**Venue**

Riga Technical University, 1 Kalku Street, Riga, Latvia (City Centre, Old Town).

**Prize fund**

The total prize fund for all tournaments is planned to be 5250 LVL (7500 EUR).

**Tournament A – Grandmaster tournament**

**ELO Tournament with GM, IM, WGM and WIM norms**

Regulations: Swiss system, 9 rounds, FIDE rules

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

<u>Schedule:</u>	Monday 6.08.	14:00-16:00	Registration
		16:30	Opening ceremony
		17:00	1 <sup>st</sup> round
	Tuesday 7.08.	11:00	2 <sup>nd</sup> round
		17:00	3 <sup>rd</sup> round
	Wednesday 8.08.	17:00	4 <sup>th</sup> round
	Thursday 9.08.	11:00	5 <sup>th</sup> round
		17:00	6 <sup>th</sup> round
	Friday 10.08.	17:00	7 <sup>th</sup> round
	Saturday 11.08.	17:00	8 <sup>th</sup> round
	Sunday 12.08.	11:00	9 <sup>th</sup> round
		18:30	Closing ceremony

Entry fee

GM, WGM, IM and WIM have free entry at the Tournament A

ELO > 2350	20 LVL
ELO 2250 – 2349	25 LVL
ELO 2150 – 2249	30 LVL
ELO 2050 – 2149	35 LVL
ELO 1900 – 2049	50 LVL
ELO < 1900	70 LVL
Without ELO	100 LVL

1 LVL ~1,42 EUR

Discounts

FMs, WFM, juniors up to 18 years of age and seniors over 65 years of age have a 25% discount. This discount does not refer to the additional charge for the late registration. Discounts do not add up.

Late registrations

Players whose application will be registered after the 15<sup>th</sup> of July 2012 will pay additional charge of 5 LVL.

Financial prizes

The guaranteed first prize is 1000 LVL (1420 EUR). 10-15 general prizes depending on the number of participants. Special prizes for the best women, junior (born 1996 and later) and senior

players (born 1952 and earlier). In case of at least 120 participants the guaranteed prize fund is 4600 LVL. General prizes are shared using the Hort system, special prizes are not shared. Players can receive only 1 prize.

## **Tournament B**

### **Amateur ELO Tournament for players with ELO until 2150**

Regulations: Swiss system, 7 rounds, FIDE rules

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

<u>Schedule:</u>	Thursday 9.08.	14:00-16:00	Registration
		16:30	Opening ceremony
		17:00	1st round
	Friday 10.08.	11:00	2nd round
		17:00	3rd round
	Saturday 11.08.	11:00	4th round
		17:00	5th round
	Sunday 12.08.	09:00	6th round
		14:00	7th round
		18:30	Closing ceremony

#### Entry fee

ELO 1800 – 2150 10 LVL

ELO <1800 12 LVL

Without ELO 15 LVL

1 LVL ~1,42 EUR

#### Discounts

Juniors up to 18 years of age and seniors over 65 years of age have a 25% discount. This discount does not refer to the additional charge for the late registration.

#### Late registrations

Players whose application will be registered after the 15th of July 2012 will pay additional charge of 5 LVL.

#### Financial prizes

The guaranteed first prize is 100 LVL (140 EUR). 6-8 general prizes depending on the number of participants. Special prizes for best women, junior (born 1996 and later) and senior players (born 1952 and earlier). Prizes are not shared. Players can receive only 1 prize.

## **Tournament C – Open Blitz Tournament, 12.08, 19:00, Swiss system, 11 rounds**

Time limit: 3 minutes per game per player + 2 seconds per move

Entry fee: 3 LVL

GM, IM, WGM, WIM - free

#### Financial prizes

The guaranteed first prize is 50 LVL (70 EUR). 3-6 prizes depending on the number of participants. Prizes are not shared.

#### **Late arrival**

Waiting time in the Tournaments A and B in case of late arrival is 30 minutes.

#### **Tie-brakes**

The following tie-brake criteria are used: 1) Mini Bucholz, 2) Buholc and 3) FIDE Tie Brake.

## Entries

Early registrations (by specifying your Name, ELO, Date of Birth, Country and accommodation needed) for the tournaments A and B should be sent before the 15<sup>th</sup> of July either by e-mail: [chess@rtu.lv](mailto:chess@rtu.lv) or filling the application form available at [www.sahafederacija.lv](http://www.sahafederacija.lv).

## Accommodation

Organizers provide full range of accommodation starting from 1 star hotel for 5 LVL per person per night up to comfortable 4 star hotels in the city centre.

### Hotel Riga \*\*\*\* Aspazijas Boulevard 22 (Old Town, 600m from the playing hall)

Rooms	WC & Shower	Breakfast	Price
Triple	In the room	Yes	75 EUR/room/night
Double (Twin)	In the room	Yes	52 EUR/room/night
Single	In the room	Yes	42 EUR /room/night

Free Wi-Fi and morning sauna (8AM-10AM).

We can guarantee the prices only if you make your reservations until the 15<sup>th</sup> of July. Webpage of the hotel: <http://hotelriga.lv/en/>.

### Maritim Park Hotel Riga \*\*\*\* Slokas street 1 (1.9 km from the playing hall, 5 min by tram)

Rooms	WC & Shower	Breakfast	Price
Double (Twin)	In the room	Yes	42 EUR/room/night
Single	In the room	Yes	38 EUR /room/night

Free Wi-Fi, parking and use of fitness centre.

We can guarantee the prices only if you make your reservations until the 15<sup>th</sup> of July. Superior rooms are available at special prices too. Please contact the organizers if you are interested. Webpage of the hotel: <http://maritim.lv>.

### Days Hotel Riga VEF \*\*\* Brivibas Street 199C, (4km from the playing hall, easy access by public transportation)

Rooms	WC & Shower	Breakfast	Price
Double (Twin)	In the room	Yes	42 EUR/room/night
Double for single use	In the room	Yes	37 EUR /room/night

Free Wi-Fi. Webpage of the hotel: <http://www.dayshotelriga.com/>.

### Hotel Placis\* Laimdotas street 2a (Teika district, 6,5 km from the playing hall)

Rooms	WC & Shower	Breakfast	Price
Double & triple	On the floor	No	5 LVL/person/night
Double	In the room	No	8 LVL /person/night

*August is a very busy month for the hotels in Riga and the number of places is limited, so please make your reservations as soon as possible. The prices are guaranteed only if the booking is done through the organizers.*

Hotel information will be updated constantly according to the reservations. Please check the website [www.sahafederacija.lv](http://www.sahafederacija.lv) for updates.

GMs and IMs 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 10km from the city centre. Various budget companies (Latvian National airline airBaltic, Norwegian, Ryanair, Wizz Air) as well as prestigious companies (Lufthansa,

SAS, Czech Airlines and others) currently offer flights to Riga from 85 different destinations. For further information check the website of the airport: <http://www.riga-airport.com/>. You can take bus No 22, or taxi to get to the city centre from the airport. Additionally, shuttle bus can be organized upon the request by the organizers. Write an e-mail to [chess@rtu.lv](mailto:chess@rtu.lv) if you are interested.

### 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.

### 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 right in the Old Town. Famous resort city Jurmala with its sandy beaches is located about 30 km from Riga. The Festival is extended by one day compared to the 2011 edition. It will allow to organize Cultural programme including excursions during the festival. More detailed information will be available at [www.sahafederacija.lv](http://www.sahafederacija.lv) closer to the festival.

### Organizers

The festival is organized by Riga Technical University and RTU Sports Club in cooperation with Latvian Chess Federation and Riga Chess Federation. Tournament Director is 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:

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### General sponsor of the tournament:



Riga Technical University

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