

Pullman Riga Old Town Hotel open rapid chess and blitz tournament 2019

Regulation**1. Aims and objectives**

To promote the game of chess in Latvia, to improve the participants' skills, to determine the best chess player among the participants of the tournament.

2. Management of the tournament

Organisers: Pullman Riga Old Town Hotel in cooperation with Latvian Chess Federation

Director of the tournament: Andris Tihomirovs, 29864234, andris.tihomirovs@gmail.com

Chief Arbiter: Alberts Cimīņš (International category), 28804664, alberts.cimins@inbox.lv

3. Venue and dates, participants, the system of the game, and the regulation of the tournament

The venue: Pullman Riga Old Town Hotel (Jēkaba street 24, Riga)

Rapid chess: 02.03.2019. The first round starts at 12:00 (Registration from 11:00)

Swiss system, 9 rounds, time control - 10 min per game + 5 sec for each move, starting with the first one. FIDE rating account

Blitz chess: 03.03.2019. The first round starts at 12:00 (Registration from 11:00)

Swiss system, 11 rounds, time control - 5 min per game + 3 for each move, starting with the first one. FIDE rating account.

4. Admission, application and fees

The application has to be sent to alberts.cimins@inbox.lv. The application must include the applicant's full name, the year of birth, sport class, FIDE rating (if the applicant does not have a FIDE rating, the national rating must be added), the applicant's hometown and country must be stated as well.

Fee – 10 EUR, for IM and WIM – 5 EUR, for GM and WGM – free.

The fee can be paid at www.bezrindas.lv or at the tournament venue.

For those looking for an accommodation in Riga, Pullman Riga Old Town Hotel offers a special deal – Superior room (breakfast included): 85 EUR per person, 90 EUR per 2 persons (king or twin).

Reservations: <https://bit.ly/2OTTWHv> (code: Pullman Chess)

5. Awards

Pullman Riga Old Town Hotel will be awarding the participants. The exact amount of money awards depends on the number of participants. A guaranteed award is for the rapid chess tournament in U18 category: it will be 50 EUR, sponsored by Bočkāni family.

Awards are granted for the top 3 players, for the best senior player in S-65, S-50, the winner of U-18, and Women Prize, considering there are at least three candidates in each category.

Organisers maintain the rights to make adjustments.