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European Rapid & Blitz Chess Championships

Prishtina, Kosovo | 27 Nov. - 1 Dec. 2025



1. ORGANIZERS:

The Chess Federation of Kosovo under the auspices of the European Chess Union.



2. HOST CITY:

Prishtina, capital city of Kosovo



3. DATE AND VENUE:

The Championship will be held from November 27th (day of arrival) until December 01st (day of departure) 2025 at Hotel Emerald, (Prishtina-Skopje Highway), Prishtina.

28 - 29th of November 2025. - European Rapid Chess Championship

30th of November 2025. - European Blitz Chess Championship



4. WEBSITE & EMAIL

WEB: <https://erbcc2025.com/>

E-MAIL: info@shahu-rks.com



5. SYSTEM OF PLAY

- a) The European Individual Rapid Chess Championship will be played according to the Swiss system, in 11 rounds with the time control 15 minutes game + 10 seconds per move starting from the first move.
- b) The European Individual Blitz Chess Championship will be played according to the Swiss system, in 13 single rounds, with the time control 3 minutes game + 2 seconds per move starting from the first move.



6. APPLICATION, REGISTRATIONS

The registration deadline is 27th of October 2025, and players should register by sending an e-mail to the organizer: info@shahu-rks.com

The registration must include surname/s, first name/s, FIDE ID number, FIDE rating and title of each player.

There is no limit to the number of participants per federation.

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7. TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

- a) The tournament is played according to the FIDE Laws of Chess, FIDE General Regulations for Competition and ECU Tournament Rules.
- b) Default time - The game is lost by the player who arrives at the chessboard after his flag has fallen (time has run out).
- c) The tournaments are played according to A4 and B4 of the Laws of Chess respectively.
- d) 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) Buchholz Cut 1,
 - (b) Buchholz,
 - (c) The greater number of games played with black,
 - (d) The Greater number of wins.



8. ORGANIZATION AND ECU ENTRY FEE

- a) Participation is open to all players representing one of the ECU federations (FIDE Zones 1.1 to 1.10), regardless of title and ranking.
- b) Entry fee for Rapid Tournament: Entry fee for players will be €45 (€20 fee to the ECU is included). Entry fee for Blitz Tournament: Entry fee will be €35 (€10 fee to the ECU is included).

The following categories of players registered not later than 27th of October 2025, shall pay no entry fee:

- medal winners of respective European Championships (Blitz or Rapid) 2024
- female players having FIDE rating of 2400 and above,
- players having FIDE rating of 2600 and above,

- c) The players registered or paid after the mentioned above deadline may be not admitted to the tournament.

At the time of registration the registration fee must be paid to the following account:

Holder: KOSOVO CHESS FEDERATION

Address: Rustem Statovci str 20, 10000 Prishtine – Kosova

Bank: Raiffeisen Bank Kosovo J.S.C

Bank address: Robert Doll str, 10000 Prishtine – Kosova

Account number IBAN: XK051501001001229761

SWIFT code: RBKOKXPR



9. SCHEDULE

Date		Hours	Activity
Thursday	27th November	15:00 – 20:00	Arrivals and registration
Friday	28th November	10:00	Technical meeting
Friday	28th November	13:30	Opening ceremony
Friday	28th November	14:00 – 20:30	Rapid Tournament 1 st - 5 th round
Saturday	29th November	10:00 – 13:30	Rapid Tournament 6 th -8 th round
Saturday	29th November	13:30 – 15:30	Lunch break
Saturday	29th November	15:30 – 19:15	Rapid Tournament 9 th - 11 th round
Saturday	29th November	20:00	Closing ceremony - rapid
Sunday	30th November	9:00 – 10:00	Registration
Sunday	30th November	10:30 – 13:30	Blitz Tournament 1 st - 6 th round
Sunday	30th November	13:30 – 15:30	Lunch break
Sunday	30th November	15:30 – 19:00	Blitz Tournament 7 th - 13 th round
Sunday	30th November	19:30	Closing ceremony - blitz
Monday	1st December		Departure



10. PRIZES

Total prize fond is 65.000 EUR (rapid 40.000€, blitz 25.000€) as shown in the tables:



RAPID

Place	Prize
1	6000
2	4000
3	2500
4	1800
5	1500
6	1300
7	1200
8	1050
9	950
10	850

Place	Prize
11	750
12	700
13	650
14	600
15	550
16	500
17	450
18	450
19	400
20	400



SPECIAL PRIZES - CATEGORY	1	2	3	4
The best women player	800	550	400	300
The best player born 1960 or earlier	300	200		
The best U20 player (born 2005 or later)	300	200		
The best G20 player (born 2005 or later)	300	200		
The best U18 player (born 2007 or later)	300	200		
The best G18 player (born 2007 or later)	300	200		
The best U16 player (born 2009 or later)	300	200		
The best G16 player (born 2009 or later)	300	200		
The best U14 player (born 2011 or later)	300	200		
The best G14 player (born 2011 or later)	300	200		
The best player rated ≤2600	500	350		
The best player rated ≤2500	400	300		
The best player rated ≤2400	300	200		
The best player rated ≤2200	200	100		
The best player rated ≤2000	200	100		
The best player rated ≤1800	200	100		
The best player rated ≤1600	200	100		
The best player rated ≤1400	200	100		
The best kosovo player	200	100		
The best kosovo female player	200	100		
The best kosovo player (born 1960 or earlier)	200	100		
The best U20 kosovo player (born 2005 or later)	200	100		
The best G20 kosovo player (born 2005 or later)	200	100		
The best U18 kosovo player (born 2007 or later)	200	100		
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1	4000
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3	1700
4	1400
5	1150
6	1000
7	750
8	600
9	550
10	550

Place	Prize
11	500
12	500
13	450
14	450
15	400
16	400
17	350
18	300
19	300
20	300


SPECIAL PRIZES - CATEGORY

	1	2	3
The best women player	400	300	200
The best player born 1960 or earlier	200	100	
The best U20 player (born 2005 or later)	200	100	
The best G20 player (born 2005 or later)	200	100	
The best U18 player (born 2007 or later)	200	100	
The best G18 player (born 2007 or later)	200	100	
The best U16 player (born 2009 or later)	200	100	
The best G16 player (born 2009 or later)	200	100	
The best U14 player (born 2011 or later)	200	100	
The best G14 player (born 2011 or later)	200	100	
The best player rated ≤ 2600	350	200	
The best player rated ≤ 2500	300	150	
The best player rated ≤ 2400	250	150	
The best player rated ≤ 2200	150	100	
The best player rated ≤ 2000	100	50	
The best player rated ≤ 1800	100	50	
The best player rated ≤ 1600	100		
The best player rated ≤ 1400	100		



SPECIAL PRIZES - CATEGORY	1	2	3
The best kosovo player	100		
The best kosovo female player	100		
The best kosovo player born 1960 or earlier	100		
The best U20 kosovo player (born 2005 or later)	100		
The best G20 kosovo player (born 2005 or later)	100		
The best U18 kosovo player (born 2007 or later)	100		
The best G18 kosovo player (born 2007 or later)	100		
The best U16 kosovo player (born 2009 or later)	100		
The best G16 kosovo player (born 2009 or later)	100		
The best U14 kosovo player (born 2011 or later)	100		
The best G14 kosovo player (born 2011 or later)	100		

The main prizes are shared by Hort system and include players in the final ranking in Rapid and in Blitz till 20th place.

The special prizes are not shared.

One player can receive one prize – higher.



11. PLAYING HALL

The championship will be held at the Emerald Hotel, (Prishtina-Skopje Highway), Prishtina 10000,

www.emeraldhotel.info





12. ACCOMMODATION

The organizer provides accommodation in: Hotel Emerald

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Hotel accommodation prices are as follows:

Room Type	Bed Type	Bed size (cm)	Price/night (€)
Single Room HB	Queen	180 x 200	119,00
Single Room BB	Queen	180 x 200	96,00
Twin Room HB		110 x 200	166,00
Twin Room BB		110 x 200	120,00





If necessary, additional hotels will be offered.

The organizer will provide free accommodation for the ten top players. Interested players rated above 2650 rating should send an inquiry through the official email.

13. TRANSFERS

Upon request, the organizer will provide transportation to and from the official hotel from Prishtina airport, "Adem Jashari", on November 27 (arrival) and December 01 (departure).

The price for transportation on the days of arrival and departure is €20 for a return ticket.

Transportation on other days is possible upon personal request.

14. VISAS

Players needing visas are requested to contact the Organizing Committee before 27th of October 2025 and apply on time to the respective Kosovo Embassy.

The Organizing Committee will provide invitation and required confirmation of booking in the official hotel after the necessary payments. The Organizing Committee has no responsibility for late or not complete applications.

Chess players who hold a Schengen visa do not need an entry visa for Kosovo.

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