## MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENCE REPUBLIC OF POLAND

AND THE MILITARY ASSOCIATION "SPORT-TOURISM-DEFENCE"



are inviting all NATO Member States to take part in the

# 24th NATO Chess Championship



#### 1. LOCATION

Participants will be lodged (accommodation and the tournament hall) at the Rynia Holiday House (WDW Rynia) located in:

Wczasowa Street 59 (ul. Wczasowa 59), 05-127 Bialobrzegi (35 miles away from centre of Warsaw) www.dwwam.pl

#### 2. DATES

The 24th edition of NATO Chess Championship will be held in Rynia from 11th to 17th August 2013 at the Rynia Holiday House, located 35 miles away from centre of Warsaw.

#### 3. **PROGRAMME**

#### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August

- Arrival of delegations (till 18<sup>00</sup>)
- Team Captain meeting (21<sup>30</sup>)

#### Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August

- Opening Ceremony (photos, visit to Polish Military Museum, Warsaw)
- 1st round classic chess

#### Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August

• 2nd + 3rd round classic chess

#### Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August

- 4th + 5th round classic chess
- Open-air supper in Polish Folk style

#### Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August

- Participation in official celebration of Polish Armed Forces Day (Warsaw)
- 6th round classic chess
- International Military Chess Committee meeting

#### Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August

- 7th round classic chess
- Blitz-tournament
- Closing Ceremony (Banquet)

### Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August

• Departure of delegations

#### 4. **REGULATIONS**

The 24th Championship will be conducted in accordance with the Regulations of the International Military Chess Committee (IMCC) as well as the rules of the World Chess Federation (FIDE).

The tournament will consist of a 7 round Swiss competition over 5 days.

Players of the same country will not play against each other. According to the IMCC rules, the results of the best fourth players of each team will count for the Team result.

The final interpretation of the invitation belongs to the organizers.

#### 5. COMPOSITION OF THE MISSION

All NATO Members States are invited to take part in the Championship with teams of six players each (plus a team captain and a team official). As usual, a NATO Team, formed by the Team-Leaders/Officials, willing to take part in the Championship, will be accordingly established. Additional mission members will definitely not be accepted by the organizer, with exceptions made by IMCC. Accommodation for spouses (family) at the WDW Rynia will be possible for 40 people.

#### 6. **CONDITIONS OF STAY**

The cost of food and lodging will be provided by the organizers from supper on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> till breakfast on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>.

Beyond this period, missions will be responsible for all expenses. Exceptions can be made due to travel conditions, if coordinated before the tournament.

Extra expenses, including telephone, telefax, laundry, drinks etc. which are not included in the accommodation charges, are paid separately.

There will be organized an additional programme for spouses and other guests. The participants have to insure themselves for health and accident risk.

#### 7. TRANSPORT

Travel expenses to and from the point of arrival in Poland will be the responsibility of the participating missions. The organizer will provide local transportation from the point of arrival to and from Rynia as well as during the programme of the Championship. There is a special parking space for NATO Chess cars.

#### 8. POINTS OF ARRIVAL

By aircraft:

- Airport Warsaw (WAW), www.lotnisko-chopina.pl
- Airport Warsaw Modlin (WMI), www.modlinairport.pl
- By railway: Warsaw Central (Warszawa Centralna), www.pkp.pl

#### 9. **ENTRY FEE**

The entry fee for players from those countries that have not yet directed their teams to the championship like Albania, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Croatia, Estonia, Greece, Iceland and Portugal will be 200 € per person.

The entry fee for all other players (including Team Captains and Team Officials) will be 240 € per person.

The entry fee for family members will be 280 € per person. For people who arrive on Saturday the cost will increase by 40 € per person, but, in return, they can expect an attractive tourist program in Warsaw. For people who will arrive earlier (Friday) or will stay longer (Sunday) the cost will increase by 20 € per person a day.

The entry fee should be paid before June 30th, 2013 by bank transfer to: Attn:

Wojskowe Stowarzyszenie "Sport-Turystyka-Obronność" IBAN-code: **PL 08 1500 1777 1217 7008 0455 0000** BIC-code: **KRDBPLPW** 

#### 10. UNIFORMS

Uniform is required for the Opening and Closing ceremonies, during the 1<sup>st</sup> round and during celebration of Polish Armed Forces Day on Thursday. During all other rounds casual clothes are allowed.

#### 11. **MONEY**

Polish currency is zloty (PLN). It is reasonable to possess money in that currency. It will be possible to pay also in € and \$ in WDW Rynia.

#### 12. **FOOD / BEVERAGES**

Menus are widely varied, diets and religion-related requirements will be taken care of on demand. Please indicate such requirements in advance.

#### 13. **CORRESPONDENCE**

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#### 14. INTERNET

Updated news concerning the 24<sup>th</sup> Championship and NATO Chess in general can be obtained from the Internet site: www.natochess.com

Internet access will be available at the WDW Rynia.

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