



80th FIDE Congress

October 11th – 18th, 2009 Halkidiki, Greece

INVITATION

The AMO GALAXIAS Sports Club has the honour of inviting all National Chess Federations affiliated to FIDE, to participate in the 80th FIDE Congress in Halkidiki, located on Greece's Mediterranean coast, 80 km south of Thessaloniki Airport. The Congress shall be held from 11th of October (arrival) to 18th of October 2009 (departure).

SCHEDULE

Sunday, 11 October		Arrival, Registration
Monday, 12 October	09:00 - 19:00	Commission Meetings
Tuesday, 13 October	09:00 - 19:00	Commission Meetings
Wednesday, 14 October	09:00 - 19:00	Commission Meetings
Thursday, 15 October	09:00- 13:00 17:00 – 21:00	Continental Meetings Free day – Blitz Tournament
Friday, 16 October	09:00 - 13:00 15:00 – 19:00	Executive Board Meeting
Saturday, 17 October	09:00 - 13:00	Executive Board Meeting
Saturday, 17 October	20:00 - 22:00	Closing Ceremony
Sunday, 18 October		Departure

REGISTRATION

Every delegate, Executive Board and Commission member, and every accompanying person has to pay to the Organizing Committee **the amount of 100 EUR at the moment of their registration ((by Monday August, 31th 2009)**. This payment is obligatory for all and its prepayment represents a confirmation for their participation in the Congress. The amount of 100 EUR **includes** registration badges, congress kit and transportation from Thessaloniki airport to the Congress Hotels (October 11th) with return on the departure day (October 18th). Transportation will be available and on other dates upon request.

CONGRESS HALL

Executive Board and commission meetings will be held at Athos Congress Center. Athos Palace & Theophano Imperial Palace hotel are available for delegates, a short distance from the congress hall.

INFORMATION:

For any information concerning technical matters please contact FIDE Secretariat: office@fide.com. For any other information please contact Mr. Theodoros Tsorbatzoglou - 0030 231 0 865778, teotsorb@otenet.gr Skype: teotsorb

Visa Information:

Please contact O.C. by Monday **August, 31th 2009 the latest.**

ACCOMMODATION

Presidential Board will be requested in Theophano Imperial Palace Hotel.

Official Hotels' Congress Rates

For EB members, Delegates, Committee members, and accompanying persons.

There are 4 accommodation-packages in hotels Athos and Theopano for 7 or 3 days and for single or double room. More choices are available.

All the packages & rates include:

- [Congress Coffee Breaks](#)
- [Ceremonies](#)
- [Breakfast and Dinner](#)
- [Free use of Internet](#)

THEOPHANO IMPERIAL PALACE HOTEL PALACE (5 stars)

Prices <u>per person</u> H/B		EXTRA NIGHTS PER PERSON PER DAY
TYPE OF ROOM	COST PER PERSON for 7 nights	
SINGLE ROOM PACKAGE	700 € per person	100 € per person per day
DOUBLE ROOM PACKAGE	455 € per person	65 € per person per day
TYPE OF ROOM	COST PER PERSON for 3 nights	
SINGLE ROOM PACKAGE	300 € per person	100 € per person per day
DOUBLE ROOM PACKAGE	200 € per person	65 € per person per day
SUITE for 2 persons (70m2) with private pool		270 euros per room day HB
SUITE for 2 persons (50m2) with shared pool		240 euros per room day HB

ATHOS PALACE HOTEL (4stars)

Prices <u>per person</u> H/B		EXTRA NIGHTS PER PERSON PER DAY
TYPE OF ROOM	COST PER PERSON for 7 nights	
SINGLE ROOM PACKAGE	560 € per person	80 € per person per day
DOUBLE ROOM PACKAGE	350 € per person	50 € per person per day
TYPE OF ROOM	COST PER PERSON for 3 nights	
SINGLE ROOM PACKAGE	240 € per person	80 € per person per day
DOUBLE ROOM PACKAGE	150 € per person	50 € per person per day
Superior suite for 2 persons		150 euros per room day HB
1st kid 0-12 sharing with 2 parents a room	Free of charge with breakfast 12 euros per day with HB	
2 nd kid 0-12 sharing with 2 parents a room	20 euros per day with HB	

*For extra meals there are plenty of choices: (Restaurant buffet- 15 euros, snack bar, Italian tavern, excellent fish taverns in the area)

BOOKINGS - REGISTRATIONS

Bookings for Fide Congress are possible only through the following procedure:

At the time of registration by Monday **August, 31th 2009** the amount of **100 EUR (registration) + 50% of the total accommodation cost must be transferred , free of bank charges, to the following bank account of the Organizing Committee** for each participant or accompanying person. Balance of payment must be made the latest on arrival. Delegates are advised to pay the total amount of their expenses through the bank account or online to www.eventravel.net before their arrival:

BANK BOOKINGS

Bank Account: BANK: EFG EUROBANK ERGASIAS S.A
SWIFT/BIC : EFGBGRAA.
IBAN: **GR3102601380000960200289132**
BANK CODE: 026
BRANCH CODE: 0138
ACCOUNT NUMBER: **0026.0138.96.0200289132**
BANK ADDRESS: SALAMINOS STREET
THESSALONIKI GREECE
ACCOUNT HOLDER: THEODOROS TSORBATZOGLOU

ONLINE BOOKINGS for 80th FIDE CONGRESS: www.eventravel.net

The hotel booking and registration can be made and **with online credit card payment** through the only authorized site: www.eventravel.net. From the menu choose **“Chess Congress”, then the hotel you prefer (Theophano or Athos) and the package of your choice (for 3 or 7 days)**.

Once the transfer has been confirmed, the Organising Committee will confirm the assigned booking confirmation for all the hotel reservations.

CHESS STANDS

It is a new service provided by O.C. to Congress participants and visitors, based on promoting cooperation among chess organizations. Federations, Chess organizations, companies, organizers, will have the opportunity to meet with delegates, councillors and visitors, having their own business desk in the Congress Hall Lobby.

Cost for renting a business desk: 250 euros

PARALLEL CHESS PROGRAMME

- **International Open Blitz Tournament (5 min)**
7 rounds Swiss system - Thursday 15/10 17:00
Entrance fee 10 euros - Money prizes
- **International Open Rapid Tournament – (25 min + 10 sec)**
7 rounds Swiss system -
Friday 16/10 (17.00) 2 rounds
Saturday 17/10 (11.00 – 13.00) 2 rounds
Saturday 17/10 (17.00 – 20.00) 3 rounds
Entrance fee 15 euros - Money prizes

For all the chess events and seminars will be published detailed schedule and regulations

For the Organizing Committee

Theodoros Tsorbatzoglou
Congress Manager