

## Chess Festival “Vasylyshyn Memorial ”

November 23 - December 1, 2010

Lviv, Ukraine

### 1.ORGANIZERS

Lviv Chess Federation under the auspices of Governmental Department of Sport in Lviv region

### 2.VENUE, DATE, SCHEDULE

Festival will be held in the city of Lviv, Ukraine, from 23<sup>th</sup> of November(date of first round) until 1<sup>rd</sup> of December 2010 (date of last round) in the building of Lviv chess club (adress: Fredra street,). Festival will consist of two round robin tournaments: “Men” (male round robin tournament with possibility of male GM-norm performance) and “Woman ”( female round robin tournament with possibility of female GM-norm performance). All other conditions for “Men” and “Woman” tournaments (number of participants, playing schedule, etc) are the same.

#### Playing Schedule

Day of week	Date	Exact time	Name of event
Tuesday	23.11.2010	14:00	Opening ceremony
Tuesday	23.11.2010	15:00	1 <sup>st</sup> round
Wednesday	24.11.2010	15:00	2 <sup>st</sup> round
Thursday	25.11.2010	15:00	3 <sup>st</sup> round
Friday	26.11.2010	15:00	4 <sup>st</sup> round
Saturday	27.11.2010	15:00	5 <sup>st</sup> round
Sunday	28.11.2010	15:00	6 <sup>st</sup> round
Monday	29.11.2010	15:00	7 <sup>st</sup> round
Tuesday	30.11.2010	15:00	8 <sup>st</sup> round
Wednesday	01.12.2010	10:00	9 <sup>st</sup> round
Wednesday	01.12.2010	15:00	Closing ceremony

### 3.SYSTEM AND RATE OF PLAY

The tournament will be based on round robin system.

The playing time will be 90 minutes for 40 moves + 30 minutes with 30 seconds cumulative increment for each move starting from the first move

#### **4. PARTICIPATION**

10 players participate in the each of the tournaments. 9 rounds will be played.

Players can participate only according to prior negotiations with tournament directors. Also all non-GM players must pay entry fee.

Entry fees are deducted according to 01November rating list

#### **5. ACCOMMODATION**

Lviv is big city with around 800 000 inhabitants. So there is no problem to get that kind of accommodation that fit you. There is a decent number of luxurious hotels for a really moderate prices (only 50 - 100 euros per night) If you want more cheap accommodation you can opt for a great number of cosy hotels you can find a Lviv (20-25 euros) Also its possible to get accommodation in hostel (7-10 euros per night). Also if you contact organizers in advance we can rent a room or whole flat for you for a really affordable price) Food isn't expensive here. There is a great number of restaurants, cafes, supermarkets etc,

#### **6.VISAS**

Ukraine has liberal visa regime. EU citizens, citizens of USA and also citizens of republics of former Soviet Union and also few other countries **don't need visa to enter Ukraine** For more detailed information please contact ukrainian embassy in your country.

## 7. USEFUL INFORMATION

City of Lviv is located close enough to border with Poland (approximately 80 km). Each day decent number of trains and buses perform regular trips from Warsaw, Krakow, Katowice, etc. Also it's comfortable to get Lviv from Budapest (Hungary) as each day all around the year train is performing regular trip for a really moderate price. No problems occur if you want to reach Lviv by air from Germany and Italy as direct flights from Dortmund and Venice-Treviso are performed for a really amazing prices (if you book in advance). Look [www.wizzair.com](http://www.wizzair.com) If you don't like low-cost airlines you can use traditional ones like Lufthansa ([www.lufthansa.com](http://www.lufthansa.com)) or Austrian airlines ([www.austrianairlines.com](http://www.austrianairlines.com)) Lufthansa performs frequent direct flights from Munich/one-stop in Munich flights. Austrian Airlines perform direct flights from Vienna, but as rule you can get good price ("red ticket") if you take one-stop flight via Vienna. Also sometimes you can find good price on direct flights of Carpatair ([www.carpatair.com](http://www.carpatair.com)) from Timisoara (Romania) or one-stop flights via Timisoara (Romania). Also sometimes the best deal is to use Ukrainian airlines like Aerosvit ([www.aerosvit.com](http://www.aerosvit.com)) or Ukraine International airlines ([www.flyuia.com](http://www.flyuia.com)) If you are from Turkey or Asia there is no problem to get Lviv with Turkish airlines. Please check [www.turkishairlines.com](http://www.turkishairlines.com)

Also possible way to get Lviv by air is to book flight to capital of Ukraine-Kiev (550 km to the east-but here you can find wider range of aircompanies) and then take or domestic flight or train. Cheap flights to Kiev from lots of European destinations are performed by Wizz Air ([www.wizzair.com](http://www.wizzair.com)) Also you can get Kiev easily with Germanwings [www.germanwings.com](http://www.germanwings.com) Generally speaking there is no problem to get

Kiev cheaply from all parts of Europe. Also please note that domestic flights in Ukraine are really cheap. For example round trip to Lviv from Kiev will cost just 80-100 USD if you choose Ukraine International airlines.

Also you have to know that Lviv is nice place for tourists. Its old nice city founded in 1256. In different times it was part of Poland, Austria, Austro-Hungarian Empire, Soviet Union and at last Ukraine. That's why Lviv absorbed charm of Western Europe that is reflected in its unique architecture. There is really nice place to visit and by the way fight for a GM norm!

National currency is Hryvnia. Normal exchange rate is approximately: 1 EUR=10 UAH; 1USD= 7,85 UAH . **Organizers don't recommend you to trade money at ukrainian airports or near rail stations as exchange rates there are as a rule unfair. The best way is to exchange money after arrival.**

## 8. CONTACTS

To participate the “ **Men** ” tournament please contact the “ **Men** ” tournament director **GM Yuri Vovk** (English, Ukrainian, Russian languages ) via:

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mobile phone:**+380 673912027**

skype:Imperator15chess

ICC: Imperator15

Playchess: JohnConnor

To participate the “**Woman** ” tournament please contact the “ **Woman** ” tournament director **IM Vladimir Grabinsky** (**English, Ukrainian, Russian languages**) via:

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mobile phone:**+380 977471673**

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ICC: grandcoach

These regulations are an official invitation for a tournament