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**REGULATIONS
Of international chess tournament
“Alekhine Memorial”
2013**

1. TOURNAMENT GOALS

The event is carried out in order to:

- develop and promote chess;
- determine the winner.

2. TIME, VENUE AND EVENT SCHEDULE

“Alekhine Memorial” international tournament will be held from April, 20 (arrival date) to May, 2 (departure date) 2013. The first part of the event will take place in Paris (France) (April 20-26) while the second will be played in Saint-Petersburg (Russia) (April, 26 – May, 2).

Event Schedule*

N	Event	Date and time	Venue
1	Participants’ arrival and hotel accommodation	April, 20	Paris (France), Hotel du Louvre (Place André Malraux, 75001)
2	Opening ceremony and tournament draw procedure	April, 20, 6 P. M.	Tuileries Garden, Paris (France)
3	Rounds I-V	April, 21-25 2013. Rounds start at 2 P. M.	Tuileries Garden, Paris (France)
4	Arrival to Saint-Petersburg, accommodation hotel	April, 26	Saint-Petersburg (Russia), “Grand Hotel Europe” hotel (Nevsky Prospekt, Mikhailovskaya Ulitsa 1/7)
5	Welcome reception	April, 26, 6.30 P. M.	Saint-Petersburg (Russia), Saint Michael’s castle (Sadovaya ulitsa, 2)
6	Rounds VI-IX	April, 28 – May, 1 2013. Rounds VI-VIII start at 2 P. M. Round IX (last round) starts at 1 P. M.	Saint-Petersburg (Russia), Saint Michael’s castle (Sadovaya ulitsa, 2)
7	Closing ceremony	May, 1, 7 P. M.	Saint-Petersburg (Russia), Saint Michael’s castle (Sadovaya ulitsa, 2)
8	Participants’ departure	May, 2	

* the time in the schedule here and in the following articles refers to the local time of the tournament event.

3. ORGANIZERS

Overall direction of the tournament is performed by All-Russian Public Organization "Russian chess Federation". The tournament is directly managed by the organizing committee and panel of arbiters. The chief arbiter is IA Boris Postovsky (USA). The tournament director is Ilya Levitov. The organizing committee takes responsibility for the safety requirements during the tournament.

4. TOURNAMENT SYSTEM

The tournament is carried out according to FIDE rules and regulations with 10 participants playing 9 rounds (Round system). The time control is 1 hour 40 minutes for 40 moves + 50 minutes for next 20 moves + 15 minutes till the end of the game with an increment of 30 seconds for each move starting from move 1.

5. TOURNAMENT PARTICIPANTS

The following 10 chess players take part in the tournament:

1. Levon Aronian (Armenia, 2809)
2. Vladimir Kramnik (Russia, 2801)
3. Viswanathan Anand (India, 2783)
4. Peter Svidler (Russia, 2747)
5. Boris Gelfand (Israel, 2739)
6. Michael Adams (England, 2727)
7. Maxime Vachier-Lagrave (France, 2722)
8. Nikita Vitiugov (Russia, 2712)
9. Ding Liren (China, 2707)
10. Laurent Fressinet (France, 2706)

6. REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPANTS

- The Participants are required to follow the tournament schedule strictly. In case if a player is 1 hour late or more for the game he is forfeited;
- The Participants are not allowed to offer draw up to and including move 40;
- The Participants are required to comment their games in the press center after each round unless they have lost.
- The Participants are required to take part in official tournament events including welcome reception for participants and guests in Saint Michael's castle which will be held on April, 26 2013 at 8 P. M. (Moscow time) as well as opening (April, 20 2013) and closing (May, 1 2013) ceremonies.
- The Participants are required to follow the dress code of the tournament (e.g. a suit and a tie).
- The Participants are not allowed to have with them switched on electronic communication devices in the tournament zone. The Participants submit mobile phones and other electronic communication devices to the Chief Arbiter.

7. WINNERS SELECTION

The places are shared according to the number of points, scored by each player. 1 point is scored for a win, 0.5 points – for a draw and 0 points – for a loss. In case of a tie the following auxiliary scorings are used for players' places identification:

- Maximum number of games played with black pieces;
- Maximum number of wins;
- Direct encounter result;
- Kojan coefficient;
- Sonneborn-Berger score.

8. PRIZE FUND

The tournament prize fund is equal to 100 000 EUR

Place	Prize (EUR)	Place	Prize (EUR)
1	30.000	6	6.000
2	20.000	7	4.000
3	15.000	8	3.000
4	10.000	9	2.500
5	8.000	10	1.500

The prizes mentioned above are represented after taxation

Prize money is distributed according to the final standing taking into account the auxiliary scorings. In case all auxiliary scorings coincide the prize money is split equally.

The prize money is transferred by the All-Russian Public Organization “Russian chess Federation” to the bank account, indicated by the Participant, not later than 30 (thirty) business days after the end of the Tournament.

9. APPEAL COMMITTEE

The Appeal Committee (AC) consists of 3 main members and 1 substitute member. The head of the AC is appointed by the Russian Chess Federation, other members of the AC are selected among the players e.g. participants of the tournament. The head of the AC is IA A.A. Bykhovsky (Russia).

In case of a disagreement with the chief arbiter’s decision a player applies to AC with a written protest not later than 60 minutes after the end of the game. Along with his protest (appeal) the applicant must grant 3000 (three thousand) RUR (or an equivalent in EURO according to the current exchange rate). If the applicant’s appeal is allowed the deposit is returned back to the applicant. If the appeal is not allowed, the deposit is transferred by cash to the Russian chess Federation box office. The AC decision can not be reviewed.

10. FINANCING CONDITIONS

All the expenses related to the tournament organization and running are provided by the All-Russian Public Organization “Russian chess Federation”.

11. CONTACT INFORMATION

Additional information which is related to the tournament is available in Russian chess Federation. Please contact Alena Vikhornova (tel.: +7 (495) 690-27-51 or by e-mail: alena.vikhornova@russiachess.org).

All possible additions to the present Regulations, if any, will be made available at a later time in the Additional Regulations.