

**The 2024 IBCA European Individual Chess Championship for the Blind and  
Visually Impaired  
15-25 June 2024 – Ploiesti, Romania**

## **INVITATION**

The International Braille Chess Association (IBCA) and Romanian Association of the Blinds (RAB) have a great pleasure to invite to the IBCA European Individual Chess Championship for the Blind and Visually Impaired 2024.

**1. Dates, location and venue.**

The 2024 IBCA European Individual Chess Championship for the Blind and Visually Impaired will be held in **Ploiesti, Romania** from **15 June to 25 June**. This tournament will take place in the **Hotel <<Central>> (\*\*\*\*)**

**2. Eligibility to participate; Delegation.**

The 2024 IBCA European Individual Chess Championship for the Blind and Visually Impaired is open to National Braille Chess Federation from all European members countries. Every eligible federation can register any number of players of any gender.

**3. Event program.**

- Arrival on 15 June/2024 – Departure on 25 June/2024.
- Travel details: Bucharest - Henri Coanda Airport (IATA: OTP) or by car to Hotel Central – Ploiesti city (65 km from Bucharest).
- A half day excursion is scheduled.

4. **Technical information and schedule.**

The tournament will be held under the official IBCA and FIDE rules as a nine-round, Swiss system event, with one (1) round per day.

5. **Chess equipment.**

All games in the tournament will be played only on Braille Board.

IBCA and RAB will provide 30 Echo DGT clock,s.

6. **Accommodation, registration fees and deposits.**

**Hotel <<CENTRAL>>(\*\*\*)**

Price/person with full board(three meals/day):

<b>Room type:</b>	<b>Price:</b>
Double room per person/day	<b>68 euro</b>
Single room per person/day	<b>85 euro</b>

For security reasons, all members of the delegations, including players, coaches and accompanying persons, shall stay in the official hotel(Hotel Central). The Organizing Committee will not accept any person who does not book rooms in the official hotel. It is the Organizing Committee that in charge off all hotel registration. All accommodations request shall go through the Organizing Committee. No registrations made privately with the hotel will be accepted.

**Registration fee: 70 euro/player(includes an Organizer Fee of 35 euro and an IBCA entry Fee of 35 euro).**

All delegations must pay a full Registration Fee + a deposit equal to **50%** of the total cost for accommodation, no later than **15 April 2024**, to the bank account indicated:

**Name: ASOCIATIA NEVAZATORILOR DIN ROMANIA**

**Bank name : BANCA COMERCIALA ROMANA-BCR**

**IBAN: RO77RNCB0073049977790005**

**Swift Code: RNCB ROBU**

**Bank address: str. Popa Lazar Nr.8 Sector 2 Bucharest**

The advance deposit and registration fee are not refundable.

**7. Transportation from and to the airport.**

Organizer will provide transportation for all participants from/to the Henri Coanda Bucharest Airport. All delegation must send their flight details(dates, times and flight numbers for arrival/departure) to the Organizing Committee, no later than 25 May 2024.

**8. Registration and deadlines.**

Only an authorized representative of the National Braille Chess Federation that is the IBCA member in good standing, can register a delegation to participate in this tournament. All players, officials and accompanying persons from the same country shall be registered as a single delegation. When registering a delegation, every National Braille Chess Federation shall use the „Registration Form” provided by the organizer.

The following deadlines shall be respected:

- **To confirm intention of participating:** no later than: **01/03/2024**
- **To register the participants:** no later than: **15/04/2024**
- **To pay Registration Fee + 50% deposit:** no later than: **15/04/2024**
- **To submit last 50% of payment:** no later than: **30/05/2024**
- **To submit flight details:** no later than: **25/05/2024**

9. **Tournament Head and Additional Arbitres:**

The Organizer will appoint the IBCA Head and Additional Arbitres.

10. **Prizes:**

The player who win the championship will be declared the 2024 IBCA European Individual Chess Champion and will be awarded a trophy. Second and third places will be awarded also with trophy.

11. **Visa information:**

Players and other delegation members who need visa to enter Romania, are requested to contact the Organizer before 01/05/2024.

12. **Medical insurance:**

All persons who are part of the delegations of the participating countries must have medical insurance. The organizer will not provide any payment regarding a possible medical problem.

**13. Contact information:**

Local Organizing Committee: RAB

Contact person: LAPADATU SORIN

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